## Strictly Business

The Annual Meeting

The 2006 Annual Meeting will be at Napa Valley Country Club on Monday January 23rd. What better way to kick off the New Year then in the beautiful Napa Valley? In addition to our regular business meeting and golf, we have a few surprises in store. Don't miss it!

## Thank You

It is fitting to devote my last President's Message thanking all who made this year a success. There are so many to thank, forgive me if your name does not appear. It amazes me how willing and joyfully the members of our association lend a helping hand whether it is to host a meeting, volunteer on a committee or provide a sponsorship. Many have stepped up to the plate at the eleventh hour knowing that making a small sacrifice will benefit all in a big way.

Thank you to our host superintendents: Dave Davies, CGCS - Field Day at Callipe Preserve, Dan Miller, James Paresi, Robert Clarke - Superintendent/Pro Tournament at Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Jason Green and Mitch Tankersley – Assistant Superintendent Meeting at San Jose Country Club, Ken Williams, CGCS – Scholarship Tournament at Stanford University Golf Course, Clay Wood – Crew Appreciation Day, William Hamilton, CGCS – GCSANC/SNGCSA Joint Meeting at Silverado Country Club, Michael McCraw - The Institute at Seascape Golf Course and Mike Basile – Holiday Meeting at Coyote Creek Golf Club.



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