

## Strictly Business



OFFICE NOTES

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August and September were very eventful months for GCSANC members. Deer Ridge and Vince Keats, CGCS hosted the first annual Clifford and Myrtle Wagoner Scholarship Research Tournament. Turfgrass student Andy Magnasco of California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo received a \$2000.00 award. Donations and contributions by Affiliate and Superintendent Members raised over \$13,000.00 for the event.

The Superintendents Institute at The Course at Wente Vineyards was another very successful venue. Glenn Matthews and crew did a marvelous layout on the new Wente Event Lawn. Those in attendance had a very lovely evening, too bad more of you could not make the date. The education conference on September 16 was an excellent program relating to the critical issue of water: the availability, the cost, and uses for turf venues. Thanks to Education Committee Co-Chairmen Michael Souza and Ali Harivandi for an exceptional day! This particular two-day affair was also blessed with GCSAA service points, GCSAA education (thank you Gary Carls, CGCS) and DPR hours (thank you Greg Fernald and Target Specialty Products). The proceeds of this event will be devoted to education and research events in the upcoming year.

October has traditionally been a joint meeting with Sierra Nevada GCSA but this year has not really lent itself to keeping this timeframe. The board of directors will be exploring dates and times to keep this event a part of the 2009 calendar, assuming enough interest.

November 9-11 will be devoted to the California GCSA Annual Conference and Golf Tournament at **Morongo Resort in Cabazon, CA** ([www.californiagcsa.org](http://www.californiagcsa.org)) for reservations and more information. This promises to be another educational bonanza with service points, education points, and DPR hours.

Speaking of November, dues renewal invoices for 2009 will be mailing in mid-November. These are due and payable by December 31. As always, we will include updated information requests with your invoice. Dues remain the same as 2008 for all classifications. If you need to change membership classification, for example Superintendent Member to Class A, this is the time!

December will see the very successful "mini meetings." The success of these events is undeniable and we will see the return of some interesting venues this year. Look forward to receiving the meeting notices in November.

## 2009 California Hospitality Suite

### New Orleans Golf Industry Show

California Golf Course Superintendents and Golf Industry Partners look forward to you attending this event. You will enjoy exquisitely prepared Cajun food and beverage of your choice.

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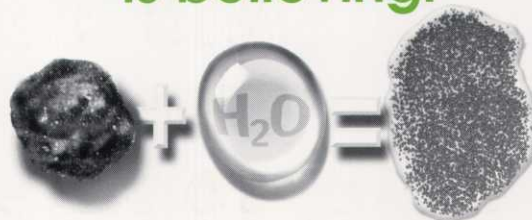
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