

Office Notes

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February and March were very busy. The GIS Las Vegas provides an opportunity for Chapter Executives to meet, share and update best practices for chapter management. We saw group dynamics models, discussed

management structures for professional associations, and outlined board of directors duties and responsibilities. Discussions also included board retreats and group bonding activities & practices and the new Environmental Best Management Practices developed by the Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association. The fun part was the California Room at the Las Vegas Country Club. Great venue, great food & drink and great gathering for friends and associates.

Gary Ingram, CGCS, and I traveled to Lawrence, Kansas, GCSAA Headquarters for the Chapter Leaders and Executive Symposium in March. Funded in part by the Williams Leadership Endowment through The Environmental Institute for Golf. It is a time to introduce chapter leadership nationally to GCSAA and each other. Items on this year's symposium agenda included: Field Staff & Regional Representative, update on upcoming GCSAA affiliation amendments, Board Leadership roles and responsibility by Bill H. Maynard, CGCS, Director, and GCSAA; Association Fiscal Responsibility and chapter financial health check provided by Brent A. Wilson, CPA, Managing Director, CBIZ MHM, LLC, Kyle Koch, Senior Associate, CBIZ MHM, LLC; updates on GCSAA Government Relations/Advocacy Update and programs. An interesting question was asked about Affiliate members and board participation in March. A post symposium survey of chapters' executives by the Executive Manager of the Ontario Golf Superintendents' Association produced varied answers. Not all associations have AFFILIATE members. Of the twenty-six (26 represent approximately 25% of Affiliated Chapters) responding to Affiliate members serving on the board: Thirteen (13) chapters have nonvoting affiliates on the board of directors. Nine (9) have voting Affiliates. One (1) had no affiliate involvement on the board and one (1) chapter had an Affiliate member reporting to the board. Nor Cal is one of the largest associations, which has

voting Affiliate Directors and direct support for a long time. Thank you Affiliate members!

Congratulations to James C. Husting, GCSAA of Woodbridge Golf & Country Club, Woodbridge, CA. Congratulations on renewing your CGCS status. Jim continues his association activities with the Environmental Institute for Golf (www.eifg.org). For more information, contact Husting at (209) 368-9040 or jchust@sbcglobal.net.

Also, congratulations to Corey B. Eastwood, CGCS, Stockton, and Barry W. Mueller, CGCS, San Geronimo Country Club, San Geronimo for maintaining their "CGCS" designation for the past twenty-five years.

Assistant Director, Dave Procter, has done a bang up job with GCSANC Facebook www.facebook.com/gcsanc. Be sure to visit if you haven't. You can scan the QR code and place it on any printed product or use the link for direct access. Forward pictures, information updates to Dave (dprocter@rubyhill.com) for posting or share a link from your Facebook page to GCSANC.



The exciting @GCSANC plus is provided by newly elected Director, Brian Boyer. Let your friends, kids, or anybody else know where they can follow us. Brian ultimately wants our organization to have the most followers, second only to the GCSAA. They can scan the image below or go to www.twitter.com/gcsanc.



NorCalendar

MAY 14

NCPGA/GCSNC/CMAA Official Pro-Am Presented by E-Z-Go
Rancho Murrieta Country Club

JUNE 11-17

U.S. Open
Olympic Club

JULY 2

Wagoner Scholarship & Research Tournament
Sonoma Golf Club

AUGUST 13

Tri Chapter Meeting
TPC Stonebrae

OCTOBER 15

Assistant Superintendents Bootcamp

NOVEMBER 11-12

Superintendents Institute
Oakhurst Golf Club

DECEMBER 7

Holiday Golf and Dinner
Del Monte Golf Course

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GenNext Biotech, LLC
Affiliate

Jeff Cady
Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course
Assistant Superintendent

Steve C Byrne
TMT Enterprises, Inc.
Affiliate