See You There? PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By JON CHRISTENSEN



Now that aerification is mostly behind us for another few months, maybe we can all find some time to play some golf? If any of you are like me....probably not!!! However, we have some worthwhile events coming up that I

would like to encourage you to participate in. The annual Clifford & Myrtle Wagoner Scholarship and Research Tournament has been a huge success over the years, and we anticipate this year to be no different. We have another great venue to visit this year at Claremont Country Club on July 1st. This event is a great way for the Association to raise money for future Golf Course Superintendent's scholarships, scholarships for our sons, daughters, grandkids, and the research that can make our every day jobs easier, and also provides a great opportunity for networking with our peers and vendor sponsors. Speaking of our vendor sponsors, their support of this event has been outstanding through sponsorships and donations for the auction that follows the day of golf. Are you all aware that the GC-SANC website puts all of the items up for "silent auction" on the website also? For those of you that cannot attend, this provides a chance for you to give back to the event as well as score some great deals on some great items. I would like to also ask if anyone has or knows someone that has an item that can be donated for the auction, please contact myself or Barbara at the

office. For those that have taken part in the auction, you know that items have ranged from hand tools, power tools, sporting event tickets, golf, sports memorabilia, fertilizer, chemicals, sand, sod, etc. As you can see, we will take it all! I encourage you to talk to anyone you can, and donate a product for this worthwhile event for all of us.

We also have our annual Field Day event this year at Tilden Park. Wildcat Creek, which passes through Tilden Park Golf Course, sustained major erosion, including a washed-out bridge abutment, during the heavy winter storms of 2005-06. The Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) declared a federal disaster in Contra Costa County that winter. The East Bay Regional Parks District thereafter proposed to restore sections of Wildcat Creek passing through Tilden Park Golf Course by creating step pools and planting vegetation along stream edges and slopes, as well as the entire project being monitored during construction and re-vegetation which took place from September to early November 2012. Monitors were required on the project site in order to minimize impact on select species, particularly the federally protected California redlegged frog and Alameda whip snake. This will be a great field day example that will take place on May 20th at Tilden Park.

I hope to see you at these events! Please check the website for further details.



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