



President's Message By JON CHRISTENSEN



WE WANT YOU!

Here we are again, the time of year where we start asking for volunteers to serve on the GCSANC Board of Directors. I am sure you are thinking the same as I am right now, where did the summer go and is it really almost the end of the year? I cannot believe this season has gone by so fast, but at the same time, I cannot wait for the rains to come. It has been a LONG season.

When it comes to Board service or volunteering for a GCSANC Committee, I imagine the biggest question anyone will ask themselves is, "do I really have time for it"? Here are a few things to consider:

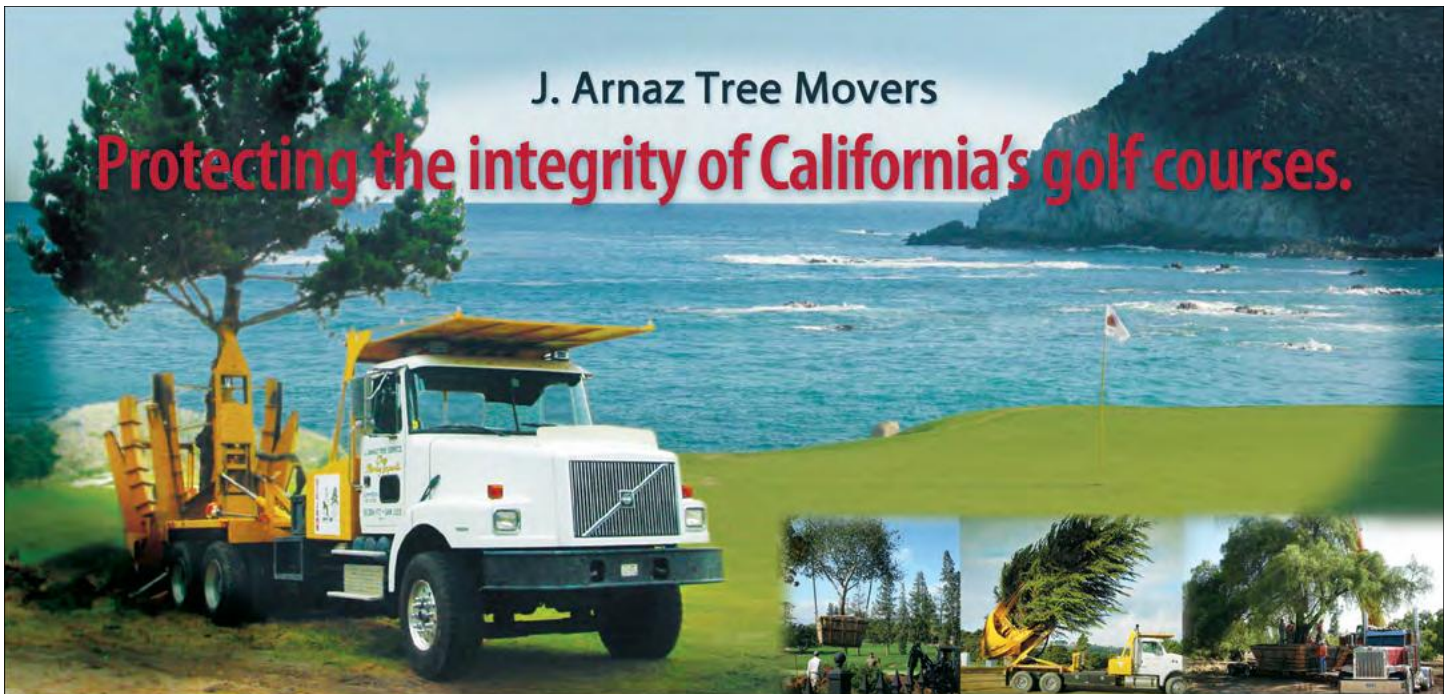
Time commitment

Because of this, chances are you'll be asked to make a commitment to your role as a board member for at least a year, possibly two or three should you have aspirations to serve as President.

However, the amount of time you actually contribute can vary from just a few hours per month participating in board meetings, to a few more hours depending on what special projects there may be going on. In general, the board meets 8-10 times annually to conduct the business of the Association.

Why serve on the board?

So why might you want to consider serving? First and foremost, board service is an excellent way to give back to your peers and profession that has given to you. It enables you to have a possible lasting impact as you aid in identifying long-term goals, seek out diverse opportunities for collaboration, and brainstorm—as well as potentially implement—innovative strategies for lasting change. At the same time, serving on a board can be an invaluable way to meet others in your profession. Not only can these connections help you build new social ties but those you serve with will almost certainly share your passion for the Association and profession.



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Other great reasons to serve?

Here are just a few:

- Honing and actively demonstrating your leadership skills (board service looks great on a resume)
- Getting a behind-the-scenes look at the “business” side of our profession
- Gain Valuable Life Experiences and Skills
- Meet Interesting People. The people you are serving with can give you new insights. You’ll find that they have information and ways of looking at the world differently that can broaden your horizons
- Get GCSAA Credits for board service
- Make a Difference

As I look back on my 7 years of Board service, I can honestly say it has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my professional career. I would do it all over again when the time is right. I challenge you, is this your time? If this is your time, contact Barbara or any board member regarding your desire to serve. You won’t regret it!

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