Bill Nigh sent the following about Pasatiempo Country Club

In the late 1920's, Miss Marian Hollins of New York, winner of the 1921 National Women's Championship, had a dream--a dream of building the finest golf course in the world. After searching for a suitable location she found the site where the dream could materialize; in the rolling foothills north of Santa Cruz, overlooking the sunny side of Monterey Bay. It was on these 650 acres that Miss Hollins built the Pasatiempo Country Club with its championship golf course; well equipped stables, polo field, mile upon mile of trails, tennis and badminton courts, a swimming pool, and only minutes away, a private beach.

The finest golf course in the world deserved the finest golf architect in the world. Accordingly, she commissioned Dr. Alistair MacKenzie to design what is now Pasatiempo. At the time, courses designed by Dr. MacKenzie included the Royal and St. Andrew's Golf Club in Scotland, and the Toon, and Royal St. George Golf Clubs in Great Britain. Upon completing Pasatiempo Dr. MacKenzie went on to design and build other courses in America, among them Cypress Point on the Monterey Peninsula, the Valley in Santa Barbara and the Augusta National.

On September 8th, 1929 Miss Hollins" dream became a reality. With three thousand guests watching, a huge gallery for those days, Miss Hollins, Miss Glenna Collet, Robert Tyre "Bobby" Jones, and Cyril Tolley played an informal match to dedicate the new course.

Pasatiempo, named for its Spanish heritage, excelled even during the depression of the 1939's and the wartime restrictions of the 1940's It has matured into a golf course which offers a challenge to the skill of any player.

Though many of the facilities have been closed during the years, the golf remains as a championship course. During the last few years there have been many changes. An automatic irrigation system has been installed, a tree planting program is currently being followed, four tees have been rebuilt, and bunkers and drainage are being modified and expanded.

Maintenance is carried on by a crew of six during the winter months, and nine during summer - - with three additional boys hired for project work. Taking a lead from Edgewood Tahoe, we have three girls working on the course - operating the mechanical trap rake, the fairway mower and the rough mower. They are also planting small gardens throughout the course.

We have not hosted the Superintendents group since 1969, and Pasatiempo is looking forward to having you here and showing off the "new" old Hollins Clubhouse.





Our thanks to "Babe" Brinkworth for his informative talk on "Preventative Maintenance" Last of the Big Gamblers at Tahoe

OUR THANKS also goes to John Williams for a job well done as our host and needless to say the course was in beautiful shape. Nothing but good comments about the course from those who played.

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Bill Davis continues the results and accomplishemnts on the TARP (Turfgrass Adaptive Research Program) from the July Newsletter

Evaluating Better Eucalyptus Species which might be Suitable for <u>Golf Courses</u> - This past summer several hundred one gallon cans of several different species of eucalyptus were planted on 5 golf courses--Davis Muni, Franklin Canyon, Northridge, Haggin Oaks and Plumas Lake. This is a five year study to evaluate certain species of eucalyptus as to their adaptability to wet, clay, and/or shallow soils; and their hardiness and suitability as golf course trees. Many golfers and superintendents only know the old Bluegum and its problem. It also must be understood that some soil, water and climate conditions seriously limit the selection of trees. It also takes time to develop a proper treescape for a golf course. This project is not to provide free trees for NCGA golf courses, but is an experimental research planting to develop information so better recommendations can be made. We also have plantings in parks, highways, school grounds, reservoirs, lakes, etc. to supplement the information we will gain from the golf course plantings.

## Increased Use of Our County University Staff

Cooperative Extension (new official name of the University of California Agriculture Extension Service) has offices located in most every county. Superintendents who work with these local University staff members are in the best position to take advantage of any benefits from TARP. It is not possible for Dr. John Madison, our Turf Technician or me to assist individual courses directly or indirectly except through our county staff -- usually called farm advisors. Presently 10 county advisors in the NCGA area covering 15 counties have been working closely with several individual courses. Where funds for special equipment or supplies are needed for their field work, this is supplied them through TARP funds.

## Other Educational Programs

Last June a two day turf program was held on the Davis campus. One day was devoted exclusively to golf course management. June was a bad month as attendance was poor, but the program was extensive and to the point. In October the Department of Environmental Horticulture held a Field Day. Both John and I covered work being done on the experimental green. This demonstration proved to be one of the most popular on the Field Day tours.

Three counties held short field days at various golf courses where we have temperate grass variety trials. Information gained at these plots and other areas will give us better answers to which of the many new varieties are of any real value to be used on our golf courses.

The Proceeding from last year's Institute was sent nationwide. Articles from work developed through TARP projects have been reprinted in the California Turfgrass Culture, Landscape Western News and Southern Golf Course Operations as a special feature. We were also asked to present our film "Your Experimental Green" as well as give two papers on our work with sands and amendments at Purdue University--all developed through and reported as a direct result of TARP. Overall Evaluation

Some projects have not gone ahead as fast as we would like, but total involvement by more University staff with golf courses has increased. Educationally we are getting to more individual courses with information previously developed. New county staff with greater educational backgrounds in the turf and landscape area will be added to the bay area counties this summer.

University Personnel Actively Participating in the Program during the Past Year

William B. Davis, Turf-Landscape Horticulturist (Program Director) Cooperative Extension, University of California, Davis

Dr. John Madison, Professor (Turfgrass Specialist) Department of Environmental Horticulture, University of California, Davis Dr. Jack Paul, Associate Professor (Soils Specialist) Department of Environmental Horticulture, University of California, Davis

Hays Fisher, Visual Aids Specialist, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Davis

Melvin Gagnon, Information Specialist, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Davis

Don Lancaster, Area Turfgrass Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara Counties

Leland S. Frey, Ornamental Farm Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Sacramento County

Delbert S. Farnham, Ornamental Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Monterey, Santa Cruz Counties

Dean R. Donaldson, County Director & Landscape Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Napa County

David Hanson, Turf & Landscape Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, San Mateo, San Francisco Counties

Carl M. Wick, Farm Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Butte County

Vincent H. Schweers, Farm & Environmental Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Tulare County.

Clyde L. Elmore, Weed Control Specialist, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Davis

Ernie Roncoroni, Staff Research Associate, Cooperative Extension, Botany Weed Control, University of California, Davis

Russell Gripp, Farm and Environemntal Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Shasta County

Larry Fitch, Farm and Environmental Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Sutter County

Doug Hamilton, Area Environmental Advisor, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Alameda County

Other University Personnel Giving Significant Individual Assistance to Golf Courses and/or Servicing Farm Advisors

Victor A. Gibeault, Turf-Landscape Horticulturist, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Riverside

Arthur H. McCain, Plant Pathologist, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Berkeley

Full and Part-Time Personnel (Salaries Paid from Program Funds)

Jon Waycott, Research Associate, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Davis (June through November, 1973)

Richard Bishop, Student, Lab Assistant, Cooperative Extension, University of California, Davis (Since January, 1974)

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## Make Your Membership More Valuable

What are YOU doing to improve the value of your Chapter and GCSAA membership? Have you taken an active part in the functions of these organizations? Have you volunteered to work on any of these organization's many projects and committees?

As a member of a professional organization, either locally, regionally or nationally based, there are many things that you might want to consider as an individual member to make membership more valuable to you and your fellow members. The following list is just a starting point, but it may give you some ideas from which other helpful methods will arise.

1. When you have a problem, do you:

a. Call fellow members of your organization for suggestions?

b. Check through back issues of your Chapter newsletters, "The Golf Superintendent," or the GCSAA Conference "Proceedings" for articles relating to your problem?

c. Discuss this problem at your next meeting?

d. Check the programs of up-coming conferences and other meetings to see if your problem will be covered either directly or indirectly?

2. Before going to a meeting, do you: a. Plan in advance to talk about specific professional topics?

b. Make plans to talk with someone before, at, or after the meeting?

c. Anticipate how you can apply the speaker's talk to your situation?

d. Plan to participate in the program, either by asking or answering questions?

e. Plan to volunteer for an assignment to help your organization?

3. When a fellow member telephones you with questions or problems, do you:

a. Call him back with the information you promised?

b. Offer to help, regardless of your own problems?

c. Respond to all questions in a helpful, friendly and professional manner?

d. Remember that other members volunteered to take time to help you solve your problems?

4. When asked to serve your organization in some manner, do you:

a. Accept the assignment, even though you may be busy?

b. Offer assistance on projects in which you may not be directly involved?

c. Recognize the opportunities for individual and group exposure and growth value by participating in any such capacity?

Remember, your professional associations should be a dynamic part of your overall growth plan. Volunteering for a more active role can provide you with greater membership benefits, particularly when you and the members of your local organization contribute as a unit for the betterment of GCSAA.

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Clifford A. Wagoner, CGCS who is National Affairs Chairman writes During the month of July a packet of information was mailed by GCSA of America to all non-National members in California for the purpose of advising them of the advantages of belonging to GCSAA. In a cover letter President Charles Baskin extends an invitation to all non-members to join and enjoy benefits of GCSAA members. I encourage all of you to carefully read and consider how becoming affiliated with this Association can influence your future.

If you did not receive the packet you may by contacting me at 1233 Kansas Avenue, Modesto, CA 95351 or GCSAA at address above.

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