

CHRISTMAS 1974 - Again this year our annual party was a great success, our thanks go out to Jim Ross for a job well done. Also our thanks to Rancho Canada for the great hospitality, the service, meal and golf-- it was greatly enjoyed by all who participated.

The following is the list of suppliers who helped make our meeting

Automatic Rain	Mallinckrodt Inc.
Berger & Plate Co.	Northern California Golf Association
George Bell	Nunes Turfgrass Inc.
Brady-Holmes Co.	Occidental Chemical Co
H. V. Carter Co. Inc.	Pen-Gro Sales Co
A. L. Castle of Stockton	Plant Gro Corporation
Cushman-Kirby Equipment Co.	Santa Cruz Aggregates Co
Ewing Irrigation	Scotts ProTurf
Ferry-Morse Seed Co	J. F. Sloan Company
Hercules Inc.	Toro Pacific Distributing
James Grain Company	Western Lawn Equipment Company
Robert Muir Graves	

Elanco donated a gift for a door prize.

WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH

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We missed Barbara and Larry Lloyd in December but hope they had a good time on their vacation to Mexico.

Nina and Walter Boysen are back from their trip to Hawaii.

Jackie and Jim Bantrup were visiting relatives in Montana.

Fred Layton is retiring after 45 years at Cypress Point Club, Pebble Beach. He was presented a plaque by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California in honor of his contribution to golf and his fellow superintendents.

Stan Pitcher from Salem, Oregon (formerly with San Mateo Golf Course) sends everyone Season's Greetings. He hasn't been in the area at the right time to attend a meeting.

Barbara and Jim Ross are the proud grandparents of a baby girl.

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If you have paid 1975 membership dues, your card will be received by January 1; if not, you will receive a bill.

REMEMBER DIRECTORY WILL GO TO PRINT ON JANUARY 15 - SEND CORRECTIONS  
Dues become delinquent January 1.

ARE THERE ANY REAL SHORTAGES?

Today we read and hear so much about "shortages" the first thing we know we're completely brainwashed into believing it. Sure, we think first of all the material things that are short but let's look at the many plusses there are such as:

Loyalty - between manufacturer, distributor, customer, management, employee, etc. You can assemble all these things into a BIG PLUS.

Confidence - Faith in the salesman who serves you and the employee who repays you in kind with dependability, honesty and a sincere effort to fill his responsibility.

Sharing - Opportunities to share successes, exchange ideas and put them to work for mutual benefit.

Caring - Offering a helping hand to our fellow-man regardless of his station, his color and/or his creed. This is the American tradition and no one is going to break it down.

Faith - Trust in the basic honesty of men and a restoration of belief in the American Ideals that have survived these many crises in our History. True, there may be forces from time to time that would attempt to shatter our morale but renewing our Faith in the Eternal God will carry us through.

As we approach the NEW YEAR let us not forget our responsibilities to each other and make better use of the spiritual gifts that the Lord has placed within our grasp.

Jack Baker, H. V. Carter Company Inc.

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RESERVATION CARDS - As you all know we all receive reservation cards and on these cards are boxes to be marked for lunch, golf, guests, etc. Please fill them out properly.

1. For those of you not returning your reservation for
  - a. lunch - will not be entitled to eat
  - b. golf - if your name does not appear on a golf sign up sheet taken from the reservation card - no golf
  - c. Guests - same rule applies
  - d. Cancel reservations if unable to attend

So Gentlemen please return your cards promptly, and save the host superintendent much embarrassment. We are given the privilege of the use of their golf course. LET'S ALL COOPERATE

These positions have all been advertised since last newsletter and no word of any being filled

Golf Course Superintendent Wanted - Class A or B  
San Jose Golf & Country Club, 15571 Alum Rock Road, San Jose  
Send resume to Bernard Watson, Green Chairman  
5 years experience required - Salary open

Golf Course Superintendent Wanted  
Del Paso Country Club, 3333 Marconi Ave., Sacramento 95821  
18 hole private club - salary negotiable  
superintendent with valley experience preferred  
Send resume only - NO CALLS to Mr. Paul Manuel, General Manager  
Del Paso C.C., 3333 Marconi Ave., Sacramento 95821

Golf Course Superintendent Wanted  
Rossmoor Golf Course, Walnut Creek  
27 hole - salary open  
Send resumes only - NO CALLS to Mr. Jack Sheets, Box 2070  
Collar Ranch Station, Walnut Creek, CA 94595

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FOR SALE - FOR SALE

500 - 1" No. 44 Rainbird Quick Coupler valves  
Contact Sohan Singh - Diablo Country Club  
shop phone 415 837-9237 club phone 415 837-4221

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WANTED - WANTED

Used 5 gang rough mower, pull type complete  
Used Toro dump box  
Contact Joe Andrade, Green Valley Country Club  
phone 707 425-0139

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Notes from O.S.H.A. - Let the employer beware

Bogus O.S.H.A. inspectors have been reported around the country and the warning has been issued. The fraudulent inspectors use several con games. Some demand on-the-spot payment of penalties, some point out "violations" and specify a particular piece of equipment to correct the deficiency - an accomplice shows up the next day with the item. O.S.H.A. says employers should be sure to check the inspectors credentials.

Also concerning O.S.H.A. two record keeping forms have been revised Numbers 100 and 102. Number 100 is a log of occupational injuries and illnesses.

Use of this form will be required as of January 1, 1975. Form Number 102 summary of occupational injuries and illnesses will be used in January 1976 to reflect 1975 entries in number 100.

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Chuck Weatherton reports that Joe Guisto passed away on December 12, 1974. He was a member of GCSA of Northern California since 1946, president in 1949 and had received his Class-A Life membership card. He worked at Lake Chabot Municipal Golf Course in Oakland.

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Rooms are available at Rickey's \$24.00 double \$18.00 to \$19.00 single

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**STANFORD G. C.**

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REMEMBER THE RULE OF WEARING COAT AND TIE AT THE MEETING. It is not being done. This small rule will not kill anyone, besides it's only 1 time per month. Inform your guests also.

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NEWS FROM THE FERTILIZER INSTITUTE: Washington, D.C., November 4, 1974

"Suggestions that farmers in the U. S. or underdeveloped countries could gain substantial fertilizer supplies for food production if U.S. lawn and garden use was diverted are both cruel and misleading" said Ed Wheeler President of the 300 member Fertilizer Institute, here today. "It is cruel that such suggestions have raised expectations far beyond our ability to provide, finance or deliver to the emerging nations" he said

"Robert W. Steiner, fertilizer coordinator for the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, recently met the issue head-on when he said, 'It is unrealistic to talk about fertilizer being taken from golf

courses in America to supply farmers in developing nations. What is needed is funds from the wealthier countries to secure fertilizer deliveries and to help pay shipping charges to the users.' That this is precisely the issue," Wheeler added.

"The amount of non-farm fertilizer use in the United States is very small compared to the amounts produced or used on farms in this country or, for that matter, needed by the developing nations," said Wheeler.

"Quite simply, the emerging nations are broke. Their treasuries are bare, caused primarily by the unreasonable prices they are paying for oil. High oil prices in turn have greatly contributed to high fertilizer prices."

Quoting a recent report made by 36 state fertilizer regulatory officials (American Association Plant Food Control Officials), Wheeler pointed out that only 3.5% of total U. S. fertilizer was being used for all non-farm purposes. These non-farm uses include everything from airport runway de-icing, to vegetable gardens, public park, and playground maintenance and highway shoulder stabilization.

"One should never forget that not only do our green lawns and landscaping make our cities more beautiful and pleasant to live in, but in addition, growing lawns and plants remove harmful carbon dioxide and pollutants from the air and release oxygen back in return. The small amounts of fertilizer so employed contribute not just esthetic enhancement to our environment, they make a necessary functional addition to it, as well," Wheeler concluded.

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Better slip with foot than with tongue.

It is better to repair the beginning than the end.

*Festuca L. Fesue - Festuca elatior L. Meadow Fescue - culms 50 to 120 cm. tall, blades flat, 4 to 8 mm. wide, panicle erect, or nodding at summit, 10 to 20 cm. long contracted after flowering much branched or nearly simple, the branches spikelet - bearing nearly to base; spikelets usually 6 to 8 flowered; 8 to 12 mm. long; glumes 3 and 4 mm. long lanceolate, apex acute. Found in meadows, roadsides and waste places introduced throughout cooler parts of North America. Native to Eurasia. Cultivated for meadow and pasture. Sometimes called English bluegrass.*

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