

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by John Engen, CGCS Butte Creek C.C. Chico

THANKS AGAIN to Mike Clark for being a great president and for his 7 yrs on the board. It is going to be tough following in your footsteps Mike. I would also like to congratulate you for one of the most organized annual meetings we have ever held. Everything went like clock work.

Many thanks to the awards committee for bestowing upon me the Superintendent of the Year award. There are many more deserving than I, but is greatly appreciated and is my most prized possession. It is now hanging in the pro shop at Butte Creek Country Club.

One sure way to be a success or to be a good leader is to surround yourself with good and capable people and this is what you have done for me by electing competent people. We are looking forward to a great year, but it will take the participation and input from all the membership. Let us hear from you.

BUTTE CREEK COUNTRY CLUB was designed by Golf Course Architect Bob Baldock. Construction began in April 1963 and the course opened for play in April 1964. Some changes have taken place thru the years. Fairways were seeded originally to bluegrass, red fescue and highland bent. They are now being seeded to bermuda. Butte Creek was a complete quick coupling system. Now greens and tees are automated with plans to do fairways this fall. Butte Creek Country Club is owned by the members and has a closed membership at 325. The course is a championship layout with regular tees playing 6,642 yards and can be lengthened to 7,100 yards.

Butte Creek country Club has a new manager, Mr. Larry Reynolds, a new golf professional Mr. Bob McCallister and an old golf course superintendent

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Editor's Notes by Bob Ford

Awards Committee - The Awards Committee, chairmaned by Bob Livesey did an excellent job choosing their recipients for this years awards.

Superintendent of the Year - John Engen

Excellence in Golf Turf Management - Bill Nigh

Class F Award - Chuck Mangold

ELECTIONS - Elections were held at Oakmont Country Club, Santa Rosa at the scheduled annual meeting. It was reported that our Association has at present 143 members with a quorum of 36 needed for the elections. We had 45 members present for the balloting. New officers are:

- President - John Engen
- Vice President - Bill Nigh
- Secretary-Treasurer - Bob Ford
- Second year Director- Dave Griffiths
- New Directors - Bob Livesey  
Grady Simril  
John Zoller appointed for 1 year to fill the unexpired term of Bob Ford
- Past President - Mike Clark

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NEWSLETTER CONTEST - Our "Name the Newsletter" contest came to a climax at the annual meeting at Oakmont Country Club. Many thanks go to the nine people who submitted a total of 34 names. The Board was then asked to pick the top six names for the membership to decide on at the annual meeting luncheon. The name that received the most Board votes was also the choice of the membership. THRU THE GREEN is the new name, submitted by Mr. Clifford Wagoner. "Thanks, Cliff, and spend that \$25.00 all in one place."

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Deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Stanley Pachaeco. Stan was a member of GCSA of Northern California since 1963 and worked at La Vista Land Development Co. (Hayward Golf Course).

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Phil Dellner introduced his new bride (Karla) at last meeting.

Walt and Nina Boysen are traveling. Hope to see part of the Masters Tournament, Jekyll Island, Savannah, Charleston, Hilton Head, Myrtle Beach, Pinehurst and the Smoky Mountains.

Gary Ingram, Tilden Golf Course, Berkeley, passed his Class B exam.

Paul C. Lloyd, Seascape Golf Course, Aptos is a Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Class A member #8154.

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At the annual meeting, an audit committee of Bill Nigh, Griff Taylor, John Flachman and Ed Stocke reviewed the books for the year ending January 31, 1976. All was in order.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements, and Balances

February 1, 1975 to January 31, 1976

Cash Balance - February 1, 1975		1,490.42
Income		
Dues	5,670.00	
Meeting	5,878.00	
Miscellaneous	20.00	
Plaques	54.25	
Newsletter	800.00	
		<u>12,422.25</u>
		\$13,912.67
Cash Disbursements		
Meeting	6,326.97	
Travel	1,000.00	
Office	4,423.61	
Research & Memorials	130.24	
Plaques	64.11	
Newsletter	928.93	
Miscellaneous	67.22	
		<u>12,941.08</u>
		\$ 971.59

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

January 31, 1976

Assets		
Cash in checking account		971.59
Cash in savings account		4,700.74
Petty Cash		<u>50.00</u>
		\$5,722.33
Liabilities		None
Net Worth		\$5,722.33

SAVINGS

January 31, 1975	4,460.35
Interest	<u>240.39</u>
Total - January 31, 1976	\$4,700.74

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

THE GCSAA Executive Committee members for 1976 are:

President -	Richard W. Malpass, CGCS
Vice President -	Theodore W. Woehrle, CGCS
Secretary-Treasurer -	George W. Cleaver, CGCS
Immediate Past President -	Palmer Maples, Jr., CGCS
Directors -	Louis D. Haines, CGCS
	David C. Holler, CGCS
	Melvin B. Lucas, Jr., CGCS
	Charles H. Tadge, CGCS
	Gordon C. Witteveen, CGCS

The GCSAA will be 50 years old on September 13, 1976. This occasion will be celebrated at the place of founding, Sylvania Country Club, Sylvania, Ohio with exhibits, banquet and golf tournament September 13, 14, 15, 1976.

Annual membership dues will be mailed in May. Please indicate members name on the returned check to GCSA of America.

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TURFGRASS ADAPTIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM

Regional TARP Meetings

May 4 - Baywood Country Club, Eureka  
6 - Wilcox Oaks, Red Bluff  
13 - Valley Hi Country Club, Sacramento  
June 15 - California Golf Club, South San Francisco  
July 9 - Del Rio Country Club, Modesto  
13 - Ft. Washington Country Club, Fresno

Programs will be mailed to club officials and superintendents of clubs in the areas. BE SURE TO ATTEND THE MEETING IN YOUR AREA.



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