YES, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus!!!

It has been suggested that we have a small gift exchange at the Christmas party this year. GOOD IDEA!!! Most of the people that I have talked with on this feel that a gift of $3.00 more or less would be appropriate. So this is what we will do. EACH PERSON WILL BRING A SMALL GIFT. A man will bring a gift for a man. A lady will bring a gift for a lady. PLEASE MARK GIFT ON THE BACK IF IT IS FOR A MAN OR A LADY.

Golf - shotgun at 9:30 a.m. If you have a preference for a foursome Specify foursome when you send your reservations in.

Member will be entitled to 1 only (wife and/or guest) at member price
All others pay guest fees - Price listed per person
Member Golfer $23.00 Member non-golfer $17.00
Guest Golfer $28.00 Guest non-golfer $22.00

Seafood Feed is for one hour ONLY 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

There will be some one at the club house prior to, during, and after the golf tournament. Also while people are checking in for dinner.

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TOURNAMENT REPORT by Robert Livesey, Plaza Golf Course, Visalia

Before I get into the results of the tournament, our thanks to several people who made it a success. First, to our host Jim Prusa, for putting up with us for the day. The food and drink were first class. I know that he had said some good words to have such nice weather. To the Chairman Jim Ross and his Co-Chairman Paul Dias, Without them we would not have been able to have everything run so smoothly. Last to the people who attended. 91 people signed up, and at last count there were only 4 no shows. Everyone had a good time, and said they are looking forward to next year.

Now for the results

Superintendent Low Net
1st place--- G. Singh
2nd place--- G. Simril
3rd place--- R. Dauterman

Superintendent-Pro
1st place--- M. Phillips & S. Wolff
2nd place--- B. Livesey & M. Paniccia
3rd place--- R. King & G. Bruno
Pro
1st place—M. Paniccia
2nd place—D. Ross
3rd place—C. Bitticks

Guest
1st place—S. Calloway
2nd place—L. Darbyshire
3rd place—H. Wilbert

Calloway
1st place—M. Nonhof
2nd place—J. Andrews
3rd place—C. Bitticks

Team 2 Best Ball
1st place—P. Dias, B. Lozares, B. Noble, J. Fruci
2nd place—R. Dauterman, P. Jackson, S. Calloway

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2. 1941 Fordson Tractor 9-N - Poor condition - Make offer
3. 1963 Jacobsen Turf King - fair condition $400
4. 1955 Worthington P.T.O. Rotary Mower - Make offer
5. 1974 Ransome Hydraulic Mower frame, pump, mowing units only
   7 gang - mounts on Ford or MF $4,000.
6. Verti-cut units to Ransome 7 gang unit. Excellent condition $2,100.

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JOE ANDRADE is now with Parks & Recreation, City of Sacramento, Golf Division. He will be at Haggin Oaks, Monday, November 26th.

BILL HUFF is now located at Saratoga Country Club, Saratoga

Our deepest sympathy goes to Leonard Feliciano of Pacific Grove and Larry Feliciano of Antioch in the loss of their loved one (wife and mother) Evelyn after an extended illness.
TIME TO TAKE INVENTORY by Jack Baker, H. V. Carter Co., Inc. Oakland

Along about this time every year, we and others like us, begin the tedious task of taking inventory. This is something that must be done in accordance with good business practice and to determine the value of merchandise and parts on hand and what has moved during the past year's operations.

Have you looked at your inventory lately? Do you plan to do so soon? It is good to establish a habit of checking what you have on hand, the age and condition and determine the value, depreciation, etc. It may be that some items should be classed as obsolete, in need of repair or complete replacement. While labor and replacement parts costs are so high and steadily increasing it might be more feasible to consider new and more modern and efficient equipment.

And, while we are measuring the physical values let's not overlook the inventory of blessings we enjoy living in a "free" country - the freedom of worship, the abundance of food, clothing and comforts of our homes and families, meeting in fellowship of our profession without fear of oppression or harassment - no one has yet been able to put a price on these assets with which we live each day.

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INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE - by Bob Livesey

Two proposed amendments to the California Administrative Code that should be of interest to the Golf Course Superintendent. It could cause some change in your operation if you use fenamiphos (Nemacur) or Chlorine Gas.

The proposed changes read as follows:

2458.9 Fenamiphos Restrictions. The following restrictions apply to all turf uses of fenamiphos (Nemacur)

(a) Only commercial turf grasses, such as golf courses, cemeteries, sod farms, industrial grounds, or parkways, may be treated with fenamiphos. Fenamiphos shall not be used to treat residential or instutional lawns or public recreation areas other than golf courses.

(b) Fenamiphos shall not be applied with a knapsack or similar equipment that is placed on the applicator's body.

(c) Fenamiphos shall be watered in immediately after it is applied with a minimum of one-half (½) inch of water. Such water shall not be allowed to run off the treated area.

(d) Unprotected persons shall be kept out of areas being treated with fenamiphos until 24 hours after watering, as specified in subsection (c), is completed.
Chlorine Gas Restrictions in Swimming Pools.

(a) Chlorine Gas shall be used in public or private swimming pools only when the registered labeling for the chlorine gas specifically provides for such use.

(b) Use of chlorine gas in a public swimming pool shall be in compliance with Sections 7806 and 7807 of Title 17 of this Code.

GASOHOL AND SMALL ENGINES - Reprint FORE FRONT

With the recent rise in gasoline prices, gasohol, a mixture of 10 percent alcohol and 90 percent gasoline, has been receiving widespread publicity. In some parts of the country, it is widely available at service stations and some resourceful people are distilling their own alcohol to mix with gasoline.

While the use of gasohol in cars is still a matter of controversy, scientists at the Tecumseh Research Laboratory, Ann Arbor, Michigan warn it can have serious effects on small engines.

Tecumseh scientists say that most gasohol contains grain or methyl alcohols which may react with the water content of the fuel to form strong acids. These acids can corrode metal parts and eat rubber and plastics.

Except for cold weather starts, automobile engines do not use a rich fuel-to-air ration. Small engines, however, do run on a rich mixture and they are frequently stored for long periods of time.

This is particularly evident in the case of turf maintenance equipment where both the equipment and the fuel supply may be stored during the off-season. If you want to use gasohol or any other synthetic fuel in your equipment, you should check first with the dealer or manufacturer.

1980 Dues are now payable. All dues which have been received by November 25th will be processed by December 1. If you have paid your dues, you should have your 1980 membership card and 1980 plate for your plaque, if applicable.

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1. Yes, GCSAA can help you become a better superintendent. One way it does this is through educational seminars and conference sessions it sponsors each year to help you become better informed about turfgrass diseases, pesticides, landscaping and management practices.

2. Yes, GCSAA is helping to further the advancement of the turfgrass industry. Through the GCSAA Scholarship & Research Fund, Inc., GCSAA provided more than $13,500 last year in research grants to leading turfgrass programs. GCSAA also provides educational opportunities to turfgrass students through annual turfgrass scholarships.

3. Yes, GCSAA provides a meeting ground for superintendents. Each year, GCSAA sponsors an annual conference and show for its members. Last year more than 6,500 educators, industry representatives and members from all over the world attended. GCSAA’s executive committee decided at its last board meeting that the conference experience is so valuable that first-year members should be encouraged to attend by being given free admission.

4. Yes, GCSAA offers recognition for superintendents. Through its public relations efforts, its magazine, and its award programs, GCSAA helps promote the image and the professionalism of the superintendent. GCSAA also provides information to superintendents about how they can use public relations to promote their own image to their course, their community and their association.

5. Yes, GCSAA provides each member with a life insurance program. Supplemental insurance, disability and pension programs also are available.

6. No, GCSAA can’t help you with your golf handicap. You’ll have to work on that yourself.

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