

CRIME PREVENTION - by Gale Love, Golf Course Superintendent
Contra Costa Country Club, Pleasanton

CAN you identify your tools, equipment and other tangible property if they were stolen and the police recovered them and said you could have them if you could establish they were yours? There is a system now in effect to help you. You can be assigned an identifier code which is registered with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. When you mark your property with this identifier code you are creating identifiable admissible evidence when it is stolen. If a law enforcement agency anywhere in the nation finds a piece of property with an identifying code and has cause to believe the circumstances are suspicious they may trace the identifier at any time of day or night, determine the owner identity, contact you and determine if the property is stolen and hold the party possessing for suspicion of possessing stolen goods. You are the key to protecting your own property.

The nationwide Crime Prevention program is conducted through the cooperation of the Farm Bureau, insurance companies, local law enforcement agencies and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The assigned identifier would appear similar to that assigned to Contra Costa Country Club CA0070046C. The CA, of course, identifies the State. The three digits 007 the county of Contra Costa. the digits 0046 the property owner, and the letter "C" is the first initial of the property owner.

If you wish to participate in the crime prevention program, contact the Crime Prevention office of the law enforcement agency which provides your police protection. They will assist you and obtain your identifier code. When you have your property marked, they will provide decals to warn would be thieves. Metal signs to be posted are also available. All of this is available without charge except for the time to engrave your property with your identifier code. You can make your course a less likely and profitable target for thieves. Can you afford not to do this?

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HAVE WE TAKEN INVENTORY LATELY?? by Jack Baker, H. V. Carter Co.

Inventory is usually a time when we take into account what we have on hand and of value and write off the obsolescence. The inventory the writer has in mind is taking a hard look at what we have around us that is "positive" and of real value and importance. The obsolete thus becomes negative. Most of us would agree, the negatives these days seem to be what we hear the most about so let's take stock of our assets.

To begin with, let's put a high value on our wonderful country and form of government that gives each of us the freedom of choice in selecting our representatives. Not too many nations in our world offer such opportunities, yet we hear of so many who do not plan to even vote this November election. Needless to say those non-voters will be among the biggest complainers when things do not go according to their wants and desires.

Look at the many areas of opportunity we have for our children in the various fields of education - the scholarships open to those willing to work to earn them and to join the corporations constantly seeking young talented individuals who are opportunistic in their endeavors.

Look around at the grandeur of our country - the wonders of creation, the many points of interest and education, research and development - how about just the simple beauty of viewing one of our own golf courses from the air? What can be more spectacular than a beautifully architectural course with its green manicured fairways and contoured challenging greens?

Take inventory - see what you have at your fingertips. Let's not be constantly fed the negativism of the TV and news media who seem to take particular enjoyment out of airing the violence, crime and "seamy" side of life. Think of all the "plusses" and let's erase the "minuses."

BOARD NOTES by Ken Sakai, Secretary

BE SURE AND SEND IN YOUR ENTRIES FOR SUPERINTENDENT-PROFESSIONAL Tournament at Castlewood.

We do need meeting sites for the coming year. Contact Joe Andrade 916 331-3325 if your course will be available for a meeting.

More support is needed for TARP trainee program. If you or your club can help CONTACT Cliff Wagoner Del Rio CC 209 545-0723 or home 523-7141

MEMBERSHIP - We have received some of the cards that were mailed out in the billing for yearly membership dues. A lot more are needed to bring the information current. Please mail in the cards even though you have been in the same place for 10 years, etc. The object was hopefully to get 100% return.

Membership cards will be sent out the first two weeks in November. to those who have paid their dues.

Jack Ramage, Class E member passed away in April 1980. He was at the Lincoln Golf Course, San Francisco until he retired in 1976. Our sympathy to his family.

Robert E. Wendall passed away on September 24, 1980. He was recently commended at the San Jose City Council meeting for an outstanding job he and his crew did at San Jose Municipal Golf Course. Before he went to San Jose Municipal, he was Superintendent at Almaden Golf & CC. Bob was a Class A member and had joined GCSANC in 1955. He received his 25 year pin earlier this year. It was a tragic loss for his family friends and his profession. We will miss him. The Holland Brothers. Our condolences to his family from the members of the Association.

Sympathy to Al Salvi, Green Hills CC, Millbrae whose wife passed away on September 18, 1980.

The question "What are you doing in retirement?" The following replies were received from

Bob Schmidt of Fairfield "Now that I am retired, I play golf every week, I also go fishing and hunting and take a long trip about every three months."

John Gasparini, El Cerrito "I have a lot to keep up - medium vegetable garden, flowers, lawn, rosebed about two days per week. Play golf one day a week at Franklin Canyon Golf Course, My wife and I do some traveling. I work two afternoons at a hardware store in El Cerrito. I enjoy all of it."

John Bockoven Fair Oaks "I made a trip to Canada fishing. The most fun in my life. We put bigger fish back than I have ever caught in California But I will still take California fishing and taking care of the lawns is about it."

Ken Stohl, Orinda "On retiring 5½ years ago decided the first order of business was to clean up my shop and #2 clean up my office. Haven't got around to it yet---too busy. We keep busy in the shop, some local travel in the trailer (Southern Colorado and Wyoming. Keeping an eye on the mother-in-law - age 100 good years- and not enough golf. Attend Golf Course Superintendent meetings, if in our area. You active people

don't realize how lucky you are to have the company gas pump available. Berny and I are happy we planned our retirement and are enjoying it to the utmost. We have big plans for the future when a few minor problems are ironed out. Retirement---It's the greatest."

Bill Reynolds, Salinas "Very little business. An occasional service call or a sale that falls into my lap. Mostly yard work and some house work (my wife still has a job) I built a greenhouse in the back yard this summer. Am now President of our Homeowners Association, immediate Past President of our Men's Golf Club. I play golf 2 or 3 times a week and really enjoy the GCSA meetings. My wife and I just returned from a great vacation in the Big Apple and New England. Saw the fall foliage at its best. I keep busy."

Luther Hollis, Bakersfield "am playing golf almost every day."

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WANTED WANTED Golf Course Superintendent (Management position)

Municipal Golf Course - Benefits include vacation, sick leave hospitalization, dental

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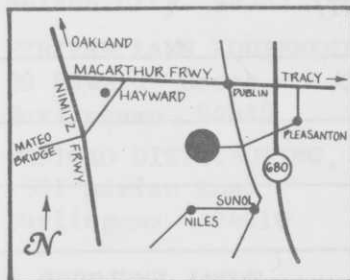
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GOLF TOURNAMENT - November 10, 1980 - Castlewood CC, Pleasanton

With the program "Marking Your Golf Course" you pro gets points for attending -- a definite incentive -- so make up your foursome/or whatever and plan to attend. If there are persons planning to attend ONLY dinner, please send in your check and reservation. You need to be counted too. We need an accurate count. REMEMBER this is a good time for fun, fellowship and pertinent information. See you there.

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COMPLETE INFORMATION FOR DECEMBER 5, MEETING AT RANCHO CANADA, CARMEL WILL BE IN NEXT THRU THE GREEN



CASTLEWOOD C.C.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION
OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

3rd Annual Superintendents Tournament

- DATE - MONDAY, November 10, 1980
- PLACE - Castlewood Country Club (upper course)
Pleasanton, California
- STARTING TIME - 10:00 a.m. Shotgun - ARRIVE BY 9:30 a.m.
- ENTRY FEE - Superintendent, Suppliers and Guest \$25.00
Professional \$30.00
- PRO-PURSE - Number of places and purse based on entries
- TYPE OF PLAY - Superintendent - Pro Best Ball
Superintendent Low Net
Guest Low Net
Suppliers Low Net
Four man 2 Best Ball
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Make SURE NCGA CARD up-to-date HANDICAPS A MUST

Dinners only \$12.00 per person, served at 6:00 p.m. Dress optional

Deadline Date - November 5, 1980 (No entries will be accepted after
this date.)

SEND ENTRIES TO GCSA OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
1233 Kansas Avenue
Modesto, CA 95351

Make check payable to GCSA of Northern California
Your entry fee includes green fee, (complimentary)
cart, prizes and dinner.

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PLEASE PRINT and RETURN

SUPERINTENDENT/ SUPPLIER _____	October HDCP _____
PROFESSIONAL _____	
GUEST _____	HDCP _____
GUEST _____	HDCP _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED	\$ _____

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