YOUR HOST SUPERINTENDENT

ERNIE MARTIN started in 1956 at age 17 at Castlewood CC for George Finnin. He stayed for 17 years until 1974 and moved to Pleasanton Fairways with George Finnin to help in its construction. He stayed as Superintendent until 1977 when he got the course at Crow Canyon Country Club.

The course which opened in 1977 was designed by Ted Robinson. It has 3,000 trees of various species, tee to green cart paths, is 6,045 yards, par 69. Although young, very challenging.

Many THANKS to Rick Key and Ray Sabbatini and staff at Ridgemark G & CC for the great day.

CALIFORNIA GCSA meeting is to be held May 15 and 16 at Singing Hills CC San Diego.

May 15 - Board meeting at 9:00 a.m.
  Registration, Program, Lunch from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
  General meeting 3:00 p.m.
  No host cocktails 6:00 p.m.
  Santa Maria barbeque 7:00 p.m.

May 16 - Golf tournament registration 8:00 a.m.
  Shotgun scramble 8:30 a.m.
  Lunch and awards 1:00-1:30 p.m.

Approximate cost $45 to $50
The NOMINATING COMMITTEE with Paul Dias, Chairman, Rod Kilcoyne and Gale Love present the following slate of officers and candidates.

**PRESIDENT - BOB FORD**

Bob has been Superintendent at Los Altos Hills CC for 2 years. Prior to this he was 2 years at McNary G.C. in Oregon, 1 year self-employed in Oregon, 6 years at Almaden CC, and 3 years at South Hills CC. Bob has been married for 19 years and has 2 teen age daughters. He has a degree from Mt. San Antonio College.

As president, Bob would like to upgrade the Association by unifying outlying areas into a solid Northern California Chapter. He feels that by having a viable Chapter unit our needs will be heard and responded to Nationally. Dissemination of knowledge to the membership, long range planning, and district representation are some of Bob's goals.

**VICE PRESIDENT - MIKE CLARK, CGCS - GALE LOVE**

Mike Clark, CGCS has been Superintendent at Oakmont CC for 19 years, has been a CGCS (Certified Golf Course Superintendent) for 10 years. He has been a member of GCSAA for 18 years, is past president of GCSANC in 1975. He is married, has 2 teenage children, and enjoys golf, skiing and tennis.

As Vice President, Mike wants to see increased attendance at the meetings, and to be responsive to the membership of their needs.

Gale Love - Gale was Superintendent at Contra Costa CC for 4½ years and previously was an assistant in Playfield, Ohio. He is married, has 2 grown children, and is a retired Army Lt. Colonel. He previously served as a Director for GCSANC. His interests are gold and turf grasses. Gale believes in having a strong Association - 100% GCSAA affiliated. He believes GCSANC should be for Superintendents only and all privileges be accorded the same.

**SECRETARY-TREASURER - JIM ROSS - AL SCHLOTHAUER**

Jim has been Superintendent at Santa Teresa CC for 1½ years and previously at the Villages GC for 14 years. Jim is married, has 3 children, 2 grand children and enjoys golf and fishing. He was President of GCSANC in 1973 and 1981 and is presently serving as President emeritus on the Board of Directors. Jim is active both locally and Nationally and would like to help the Association move ahead and gain more status. He thinks the Association should continue to progress businesswise thru more professional business operations, a better newsletter, and a tournament fund to help defray the cost of various activities. He would like to see more educational opportunities locally and help build our professional level and salaries.

Al has been Superintendent at the Villages GC for 1½ years. Prior to that he was the Assistant at the Villages for 3½ years under Jim Ross, and at Almaden CC as the Assistant for Bob Ford for 4 years. He has attended Colorado State and many local seminars. Al would like to become involved in the newsletter, and would like to see it expanded thru more advertising
SECRETARY - TREASURER - Al Schlothauer (continued)

and photographs. Al is an advocate of continuing education within the
Association and would like to see this area expanded.

DIRECTORS - Steve Carlton - Howard Fisher - Rich Lavine - Tim Sedgley

STEVE CARLTON has been at San Jose CC for 3 years, and previously worked
with Landmark Land (Carmel Valley Ranch), Los Coyotes CC, Pomona National
and Carmel Valley CC. He started his career as a greenskeeper at
Pebble Beach. He is a graduate at UC Davis and is a Board member of the
Northern California Turfgrass Council. Steve lists gardening, swimming
and horseback riding as some of his interests. He would like to see an
enlarged membership, improvement of educational programs, more communi-
cation with other related professional organizations and an expanded
newsletter.

HOWARD FISHER has been Superintendent at Mt. St. Helena Golf Club for
22 years. He is a past President of GCSANC in 1970 and enjoys golf,
skindiving, and hunting. Howard would like to see more active partici-
pation from the membership, a solid united voting block regarding GCSAA,
and he says he enjoys, very much, the regular meetings.

RICH LAVINE has been Superintendent at Marin CC for the last year and
was previously Superintendent at Castlewood CC for 3 years. He is past
Vice President of the Northern California Turfgrass Council, and has a
degree in Horticulture and Park Administration from Cal Poly, Pomona.
Rich would like the Association to respond more to members needs, to
see better participation from the membership and would like more Chapter
representation and consideration within GCSAA.

TIM SEDGLEY has been Superintendent at Palo Alto Hills for 3 years and
previously was at the Old Baldy CC. He has a degree in Landscape Horti-
culture from Colorado State, and is presently Secretary-Treasurer of
GCSANC. Tim would like Chapters become more in line with GCSAA, a more
active membership, and a more business like approach within GCSANC.

ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION - April 14, 1983

This year's Board of Directors has decided to re-establish the Annual
Awards presentation to three of our outstanding members. The selection
committee consists of Allan Mooser, Bob Livesey, Grady Simril, Tom Thatcher,
Mulkh Raj, Joe Sheffield and Don Naumann. All members are encouraged to
contact any one of these individuals and suggest someone of their choice.
Final determination of winners rests solely with the committee. The three
awards are:

1. Superintendent of the Year
2. Excellence in Turfgrass Management
3. Outstanding Class "F" member.
MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION

Member of Association in good standing
Minimum 5 years experience in turf management industry

NAUMANN'S NORCAL NEWS

Marshall "MICKEY" Haug retired recently from the City of Palo Alto. For the last few years Mickey was the Superintendent at the Municipal Golf Course. Mickey plans to "travel and enjoy life."

Walt Boysen, retired Superintendent from Sequoyah CC, underwent bypass heart surgery late last year. He is recovering very well and should be playing golf very soon.

Ron Taborski is recovering from heart problems incurred late last year. Until recently Ron has been recovering at home now he is spending time at the office "recovering." Ron is the VP in charge of Half Moon Bay Properties.

Randy Gai, Superintendent at Claremont CC, recently completed construction of 7 arched, wood bridges on his golf course. There is a creek that randomly goes through the course. Even though this project has been on the board for a while, the recent storms destoryed a few of the old bridges and expedited the construction of the new one.

J. R. SIMPLOT COMPANY has purchased the Best Products Division of Occidental Chemical Company. The purchase includes Oxy's wholesale fertilizer, and agricultural chemical business, Oxy's retail stores in California and Idaho and the Proline and Industrial business operated out of Lathrop, California.

1983 Conference Report by Al Schlothauer

1983 GCSAA Conference was a complete success -- overall it was one of the largest, most, educational and well run conference of its time. A hearty thanks to the National office, executive committee, City of Atlanta, the weather man and all who participated.

GCSANC, Our Association was well represented at the Conference, even in the California hospitality room located on the 67th floor of the Peach Tree Hotel. Food and drink was donated by Rainbird, Jenkins Machinery Co, Simplot/Best, Robinson Fertilizer Co, Toro Pacific, Anderson Chemical & Turf, H. V. Carter Co., E Z Go Northern California, E Z Go Southern Calif. Westoro, Wilbur-Ellis, Club Car, Cushman Motor Sales, Germain's Seed Co B. Hayman Co., International Seed Co, National Golf Media, Toro San Diego, Warren Turf Nurseries, Western Lawn Equipment Co, Duke Equipment Co, Farm Supply of San Luis Obispo Co, Fore Par, Smith Pipe, Swanson Co, Naiad, Hi-Lo Desert GCSA, GCSCA of Northern California, GCSCA of Southern California, Central California GCSCA, San Diego GCSCA, Sierra-Nevada GCSCA.
If the food and drink weren't enough, you could always pop up to the revolving sundial restaurant and bar on the 72nd floor -- What a View?

Attending from Northern California were

Don Boyd  Rich Lavine  Sohan Singh  Don Meyer
Tom Christy  Fred Mays  Tom Thatcher  Don Naumann
Bob Dalton  Mike McFarland  Cliff Wagoner  Lou Rinaldi
Paul Dias  Mulkh Raj  Aart de Vos  Bennie Rolfestad
Bob Ford  Jim Ross  Ben Fuller  Paul Schaffer
Randy Furtado  Ken Sakai  Bert Graves  Harry Stalford
Dean Gump  Gurmit Sandhu  David Graves
Roy King  Al Schlothauer  Bruce Jacobsen
Tim King  Tim Sedgley  Don Kuhlman

A special thanks to all the ladies who attended. Hope you had an enjoyable time—you're a special part of our lives.

Save your quarters, dimes and nickels and let's have even a better turnout for Las Vegas in 1984 - January 29, February 4.

If we overlooked someone our sincere apologies.

1983 GCSAA Conference by Bob Ford

For those of you that missed this years National Conference, you not only missed, in my estimation, one of the best Trade Shows and educational sessions, but one of the most inspiring sessions for the membership.

The two controversial issues on the floor were the large 3 year dues increase and the proposed headquarters move. The executive committee gave the pro points on the issues and the newly formed Coalition for Concerned members the opposing side. Both parties conducted themselves in a very professional manner which led to some very positive results. The dues were increased to $145 for 1 year instead of the 3 year proposal and the Headquarters move will be investigated by a committee of 5 members with the aid of an outside firm. By all appearances the heated controversial issues stimulated the memberships involvement to become more active and aware of what our Association is doing.

The new President is Bob Osterman, Vice President Jim Timmerman and Directors Richard Slivinski and Donal Hearn. Other members completing the Board are Eugene Baston, Paul Boizelle, John Hayden, Riley Stottern, and Immediate Past President James Wyllie.
THANKS to these SUPPORTERS OF "THRU THE GREEN"

AUTOMATIC RAIN CO - Willard Hayes
4060 Campbell Avenue
Menlo Park 94025

BAY IRRIGATION & TURF SUPPLY
2041 Commerce Avenue
Concord 94520

KEITH BRAMAN, IRRIGATION CONSULTANT
21535 Stage Coach Road
Los Gatos 95030

BROWN SAND, INC.
874 East Woodward Avenue
Manteca 95336

H. V. CARTER COMPANY, INC.
1700 E. 14th St - P.O.Box 12006
Oakland 94604

A. L. CASTLE OF STOCKTON, INC.
5700 Cherokee Road
Stockton 95205

CHEM-SPRAY COMPANY
P. O. Box 7805
Stockton 95207

COUNTRY CLUB SALES, INC.
3381 Vincent Dr
Pleasant Hill 94523

DUKE EQUIPMENT & IRRIGATION INC.
2344 Auburn Blvd
Sacramento 95821

EL CAMINO CROP SUPPLY, INC.
37342 Blacow Road
Fremont 94536

EWING IRRIGATION PRODUCTS
2462 Polvorosa Ave
San Leandro 94577

FERRY-MORSE SEED COMPANY
P. O. Drawer 7274
Mountain View 94042

GOLFCO - John Engen
Box 545, Graeagle 96103

GOLF CAR WEST - CUSHMAN
2715 Lafayette Street
Santa Clara 95052

INTERNATIONAL SEEDS INC.
820 First St
Halsey, Oregon 97348

JENKINS MACHINERY COMPANY
1848 Arnold Industrial Place
Concord 94520

NAIAD COMPANY - Don Scott
7531 Homewood Court
Pleasanton 94566

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOLF ASS'N
P. O. BOX NCGA
Pebble Beach, 93953

OCCIDENTAL CHEMICAL
Professional Sales Division
Box 198, Lathrop 95350

P. E. O'HAIR & COMPANY
1333 Old Oakland Road
San Jose 95112

PLANT GRO CORPORATION
P. O. Box 703
San Jose 95106

RAINBIRD SALES INC.-Turf Division
20830 Chester St
Castro Valley 94546

REYNOLDS SALES
1066 Polk Street
Salinas 93906

SCOTTS PROTURF
3785 Vista Dr
Soquel 95073

SHELTON TRANSFER SERVICE, INC.
Sand, Gravel & Top Dressing
1996 Oakland Road
San Jose 95131