BOB FORD

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

For those of you that have missed our last three state meetings, two at San Luis Obispo and last May at San Diego, you now have a chance to attend the next one right here in Northern California. It was the feeling of the membership, that they would like the May 1984 meeting in the beautiful Carmel area. The Carmel area provides the championship golf courses for the men plus, the gift shops for the ladies to visit. At the present time, a tentative date of Sunday, May 20th, 1984 has been set for the educational session and the golf tournament Monday, May 21st, 1984, all at

Rancho Canada Golf Course. The Holiday Inn of Carmel, which is a short distance away, has reserved 75 rooms for our group. As the arrangements solidify, all the information, times, speakers, and costs will be distributed to the entire state membership.

I would like to thank the other superintendents who volunteered their facilities for this function. As this yearly meeting continues, it will move around the state giving all interested parties a chance to host this event. Please note this date on your calender for a great weekend of food, education, and social activities.

meetings

OCTOBER 11 11th ANNUAL NCTC IRRIGATION SEMINAR - Tuesday, The Blue Dolphin, Foot of Marina Blvd., San Leandro

NOVEMBER 10 Stanford GC, Palo Alto

DECEMBER 2 Rancho Canada GC, Carmel (Christmas Party)

JANUARY 13 Green Valley CC, Suisun

MAY 20 - 21 Calif. Golf Course Superintendents Association annual State Meeting Rancho Canada, Carmel

Some advanced information on the 55th International Turfgrass Conference & Show - Jan. 28th - Feb. 3rd, 1984 in Las Vegas within this newsletter.

Board Briefs Morcal Messense

NEW TODAY: 30 day waiting period!

Robert Klinesteker, San Francisco GC, San Francisco, Class D
Larry Messa, City of Pleasanton Parks Dept., Pleasanton, Class F
Steve Pasalich, Pasalich Trucking, Dillon Beach, Class F
Tony Richichi, Van-Buskirk - City of Stockton, Stockton, Class D
John Marquez, Palo Alto Hills, Palo Alto, Class D

TAKE IN TODAY:

James Smith, Sea Ranch GL, Sea Ranch, Class D Joseph Morin, Kar Products Inc., Concord, Class F

- Steve Carlton also sent letter to Mike Bavier nominating Bob Ford as a National Director.
- Diana Green from the GCSAA Home Office was in No. Calif. on a recent visit looking for golf courses for the National in 1985. She was also looking in the Palm Springs area.
- Bob Ford reported on the State Meeting in May of 1984. Rooms and speakers all being lined up.
- NEW TODAY Class B Subject to exam: Terry Leach, Indian Valley GC, Novato

GROUP AIR SPACE TO NATIONAL TURFGRASS CONFERENCE

- San Francisco to Las Vegas: January 29, 1984 On Pan Am Airlines \$58.00 Round trip* Return to San Francisco February 4, 1984
- San Jose to Las Vegas: January 29, 1984 On Republic Airlines \$120.00 Round trip* Return to San Jose February 4, 1984
- * FARE is subject to change

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Naumann's Norcal News - by Don Naumann

- Howard Fisher, after living all his life in Calistoga and spending over 20 years at Mt. St. Helena Golf Course, has decided to move to Bishop and be the Superintendent at Bishop Golf Course. Bishop is an 18 hole course with a home on the site for Howard.
- Becky Naumann is leaving El Camino Crop Supply to work for Nurseryman's Exchange in San Francisco. Becky was the office manager and co-ordinated all deliveries.
- Becky DeMoss is the new Superintendent at Tularcitos Golf Course in Milpitas. She is replacing Dan Bruinsma who has moved on to another profession. Becky was the Superintendent at Spring Valley Golf Course also in Milpitas.
- Mulkh Raj recently completed building a new 1st tee at Springtown Golf Course in Livermore. The new tee is an island in the middle of a lake that is easily seen while driving onto the property. The tee should be ready for play by Thanksgiving.
- Joe Rodriquez at Rossmoor Golf Course in Walnut Creek is busy trying to rebuild after winter damage. Since we played there in June, the hill behind the third green slid onto the green. As a result the main





lines were off for over two weeks. Manual watering was used on the greens thanks to the use of a water truck. Joe is also involved in other projects on the grounds which include the building of new bunkers on #6 and #15 greens, and removing and rebuilding of 3 bowling greens of 10,000 sq. ft.

- Clifford Rourke is now the Superintendent at Franklin Canyon Golf Course in Rodeo. He was previously at Davis Golf Club.
- E.M. "Doc" Willey recently retired from the Bishop Golf Course. He was a member of the association since 1972, was at Bishop since 1974 and attended 4 of the Assilomar Institutes.

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Golfco, owned and operated by John Engen and Jim Summers, has become Northern California's full-serviced golf course company.

Started three years ago, Golfco has built the "upper nine" at Plumas Pines Golf Course, designed and installed a new automated irrigation system at Peach Tree Country Club, designed and installed pump and filter systems for Peach Tree, Butte Creek Country Club and Durham Park and is maintaining, operating and managing Bidwell Park Golf Course in Chico.

Recently, Golfco has acquired "Classic Golf Cars", the E-Z Go dealer in the North Valley and is providing service, repair, parts and sales of new and rebuilt golf cars.

If you have an ad in the Association's Newsletter you are also entitled to one advertisement per year as seen by the Golfco advertisement. If you have not sent in your one advertisement for the year please do and we will be sure and run it. Send it to either the office or my home address which are both on the front of the Newsletter.

Peanuts/ Charles Schulz









HOST SUPERINTENDENT



Al was born and raised in a small farming community on the plains of Colorado. After spending two years at the University of Northern Colorado, Al entered the U.S. Army for a tour of about 20 months. Al moved to the west coast after leaving the Army and became the Assistant Superintendent of Almaden CC in 1974. After 4 years at Almaden Al became the Assistant Superintendent at the Villages G & CC in June of 1978. In September of 1981 Al was named the Superintendent.

His wife Valerie is the other proud parent of their two children, Danny 5 and Shannon 20 months.

THE VILLAGES



9 Tee - Entrance gates old Wehner Mansion

The Villages is an adult community concept, resting on 1200 acres in the East San Jose foothills. The first residences were ready for occupancy in Village Cribari in 1967. Atkinson-MacKay were the developer/builder until 1976 when Terra California took over.

At present the 1455 units and 102 single homes house about 2700 residents. Three Villages are complete, with one being built currently, and four more scheduled. 574 acres will remain as open land.

The Villages has its own security force, medical facility, and 27 holes of golf. The golf course is 6,212 yards long from the white tees rated at 69.4 and 6,608 yards from the blue tees rated at 71.2. The golf course is relatively wide open, but just being on the green does not mean you are in the hole. The greens are mostly Penncross greens with Hyland bentgrass and bluegrass in the fairways and roughs.

Al Braga is the head Professional and has been at the Villages for the past 11 years.

We welcome you all and hope you have an enjoyable day.







6 par 3 - 184 yds.



Michael R. Bavier, CGCS

Mike Bavier, past director, vice-president, and president of GCSAA, will be our guest speaker at The Villages for our October meeting. Mike and his Green Chairman will be in California for a week of golf and relaxation. Last year they went to Scotland and England, which shows Mike enjoys both aspects of the game.

Mike started his career in 1962 at Olympia Fields cutting greens for Warren Bidwell; and later became the assistant superintendent. His educational background is

from Penn State.

At present, Mike is the golf course superintendent at Inverness Golf Course, Palatine, Illinois and has been for 15 years. Part of his presentation will be a slide show about some of the inovative things they do at his course plus some background on GCSAA. Here is an opportunity to ask a past national president some pertinant questions about the inner workings of our national association.

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HIDDEN VALLEY CC



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Resham Singh-tough lie!



Speaker-Tim McGill

Thank you Sierra - Nevada GCSA for an outstanding weekend. You are very warm and friendly hosts. Thank you Jim Walsh, your club officials and staff for an outstanding lunch and golf course. I'm sure everyone enjoyed the entire day. With 88 of us for golf and 101 for the lunch meeting your entire Country Club should be thanked and complimented. Thank you to the MGM Grand Hotel for their hospitality and Tom Brown, Vice President of MGM, for his hard work in getting an emergency speaker. Tim McGill was the guest speaker from the Reno Hilton Hotel. He is the Director of Sales & Marketing and gave a fine presentation on very short notice.

Thanks again to all concerned and "Let's do it again!"

"Hello Hollywood Hello" was well worth the price of admission for all of you who missed. See you next time.

Thank You Walt Bray



Few people realize the difficulty and hard work involved in coordinating something such as a joint meeting. On behalf of the Golf Course Superintendents of Northern California a special Thanks' to you Walt for all your time and hard work. Working with both Associations, The MGM Grand, and Hidden Valley Country Club was no easy task but was definitely appreciated by all who attended. We are proud to have someone with your dedication, knowledge, and willingness to help as a member of our Association. Thanks again.

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2 years college and 3-4 years work experience

Knowledge of automatic irrigation system and its repair. Calif. Cert. Applicator's Lic. or could pass test.

Supervisory experience helpful. Flexable hours, some weekends and holidays. Salary commensurate with experience.

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