

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Michael R. Clark, CGCS

John F. Kennedy, when he was President, popularized the saying, quote "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country". However worn out this old cliché maybe, it still has application in "Ask not what GCSA of Northern California can do for you, but what can you do for GCSA of Northern California". Action taken by GCSA of Northern California, or rather more to the point, that which the Board of Directors takes, affects the degree to which each of us individually and collectively enjoys the activities of our Association.

Next week at our Annual Meeting we decide on a new Board of Directors and it is your opportunity to put that old cliché to work. If you can't run for office you could volunteer to serve on a committee, offer your course or facility for a meeting site, arrange for a quality educational program at a monthly meeting, or contribute an article of interest to our newsletter. At the very least, attend next week and cast your ballot in person.

MEETINGS

- MAY 6 Rossmoor, Walnut Creek
- MAY 19-20 California State Meeting Palm Springs (The Lakes)
- JUNE Half Moon Bay Golf Links, Half Moon Bay
- JULY 17 Superintendent/Pro Tourn. Silverado, Napa

*Meeting places needed for September and October!

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Naumann's Norcal News

by Don Naumann

KURT BOSTAD has accepted the Superintendent position at Burlingame CC in Hillsborough. Kurt was the Assistant at Silverado CC.

DAN BRUINSMA is the new Superintendent at Lew Galbraith GC in Oakland. Dan was the Superintendent at Tularcitos CC one and half years ago and has been chasing polar bears in Alaska since.

MARVIN KING has accepted the Turfgrass Manager's position at Peninsula CC in San Mateo. Marvin was the Superintendent at Meadowlark GC in Hunington Beach. He is succeeding his brother Carl who went down to work for Landmark in Palm Springs.

JODY PICCONI has left Riverside GC in Coyote to be the Superintendent at Meadowlark in Hunington Beach.

CLIFF ROURKE is the new Superintendent at Riverside GC in Coyote. Cliff was the Assistant for Ken Sakai at Franklin Canyon.

ALLAN MOOSER has accepted the Superintendent position at Visalia GC. Allan was the Superintendent at San Luis Obispo CC.

JIM WALSH is the new Superintendent at Moffett Field GC. Jim was at Hidden Valley CC in Reno until late last year.

WESTINGHOUSE recently closed escrow for the selling of Half Moon Bay Golf Links to a group of local investors. Both Tom Pacheco and Ron Taborski are working for the new owners.

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HOST SUPERINTENDENT



Michael R. Clark, CGCS

MIKE CLARK, CGCS has been Superintendent at Oakmont CC for 21 years, and has been a Certified Golf Course Superintendent for 12 years. He has been a member of GCSAA for 20 years, was the President of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California in 1975 and this past year. Mike is married, has 2 teenage children, and enjoys golf, skiing, and tennis.

OAKMONT was begun and is privately owned by Mr. and Mrs. H.N. Berger in 1963. It currently is about 75% completed with about 3700 residents. Both the West and East Courses were designed by Ted Robinson. The West Course was built in 1964, is a par 72 and is about 6700 yards from the blue tees. The East Course was completed in 1979 and is an excellent executive course at par 63 and approximately 4500 yards long.

The Nominating Committee, with John Grant as Chairman, Bob Cox, Bill Nigh, and Steve Carlton, CGCS present the following slate of candidates:

PRESIDENT: KEN SAKAI, CGCS - BOB FORD, CGCS

KENNETH A. SAKAI, CGCS - Franklin Canyon Golf Course

Ken joined the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of Northern California in 1972 and became a Class A in 1978. He joined the GCSAA in 1978 and became Certified in 1981. He was elected to our Board of Directors in 1979 and held all offices, becoming President in 1982 and served this last year as Vice-President. He would like to see an active involvement of the entire membership and encourage participation in our professional affairs, both locally and nationally.

ROBERT H. FORD, CGCS - Los Altos Golf and Country Club

Bob started his career in Oregon in 1962. In 1967 he decided to go back to college to study agronomy at Mt. San Antonio College, in Walnut, CA. While attending school, Bob worked at Pamona National and South Hills CC. In August of 1969 Bob became the Superintendent at South Hills CC and in 1972 at Almaden CC. After a 2 year stint at McNary in Salem, Oregon Bob came to Los Altos in April of 1981. He has been a Past President, Vice-President twice, Sec./Treas. twice, Newsletter Editor, and Membership chairman. Bob received the Turfgrass Excellence in 77 and Superintendent of the year in 83. His goals - to keep the Superintendents Association moving forward.

VICE-PRESIDENT: STAN BURGESS, CGCS - ALLAN SCHLOTHAUER

STANLEY BURGESS, CGCS - Richmond Country Club

Stan grew up in the Chico area and spent his childhood years farming. He attended Chico State, Yuba College and Merritt College majoring in Ornamental Horticulture. His Superintendents jobs have been with Wilcox Oaks GC, Red Bluff in 1969; Claremont CC, Oakland in 1972; and Richmond CC in 1981. Stan was the Secretary/Treasurer and Membership Chairman this past year. He feels that progress has been made in the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of Northern California and that we can make more and strive for professionalism.

ALLAN SCHLOTHAUER - The Villages Golf & Country Club

Al has been at The Villages for 7 years, being the Superintendent for 3½ years. Prior to that he was the Assistant at Almaden CC for 4 years. Al has been Secretary/Treasurer and is currently a Director for the Association. Al is also the editor of Thru the Green. The last 2 years on the Board have been a rewarding experience. You must make a commitment to yourself and to your fellow members. I will continue to work for the growth, and change if needed, in our Association. The coming year will be our busiest, with the National in San Fransisco; and with out a doubt our best!

SECRETARY/TREASURER: SAM SINGH, CGCS - STEVE CARLTON, CGCS

SANTOKH "SAM" SINGH, CGCS - Mountain Shadows GC

Sam has been at Mt. Shadows GC, Rohnert Park, since 1968, which is a 36 hole public course. He has done all the construction phases, including an automatic irrigation system. He has been in golf since 1960 and a golf course superintendent since 1963. He wishes to get all superintendents involved in the education program and have the ultimate goal of all becoming Certified.

STEPHEN L. CARLTON, CGCS

Steve started his golf course career as a greenskeeper at Pebble Beach Golf Links in 1971. He went to work as the Assistant at Almaden CC in 1973 and got his first Superintendents job at Carmel Valley G & CC in 1974. He has worked at Pomona National GC and Los Coyotes CC in Southern California, and did golf course construction work at Carmel Valley Ranch and La Quinta Hotel GC. He most recently has been at San Jose CC. Steve is very active in the Northern California Turfgrass Council and has been the Program chairman for the past two years. Steve would like to see more local involvement and growth, with higher educational and research programs.

DIRECTORS: RICH LAVINE, CGCS - JIM ROSS - RICH SCHOLES - PAUL DIAS

RICHARD J. LAVINE, CGCS - Marin Country Club

Rich has been Superintendent at Marin CC since 1982 and was previously Superintendent at Castlewood CC for 3 years. He has been Vice President of the Northern California Turfgrass Council, a member of the Board of Directors of the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of Northern California, and has a degree in Horticulture and Park Administration from Cal Poly, Pomona. Rich states "The Association is fiscally sound, and professionally we have gained the respect of our allied Associations. I am proud to have served on the Board of Directors and believe we can continue our upward growth."

JAMES D. ROSS - Santa Teresa Golf Course

Jim has been Superintendent at Santa Teresa GC for 3½ years and previously at the Villages G & CC for 14 years. Jim is married, has 3 children, 2 grand children and enjoys golf and fishing. He was President of the Golf Course Superintendent's Association of Northern California in 1973 and 1981, is active in the State Association and National Association (having been named to 3 committees), and was voted Superintendent of the Year in 1984. Jim feels we need more new and active members and need all the input and support of the membership to further advance the Association and our future needs. He would like to see better educational programs, new meeting places and upgrading of our professionalism which then can be utilized to upgrade Superintendent's salaries and benefits to go along with our professionalism. Jim states, "I will represent the individual member and membership as a whole. I believe in our Association and professionalism, so let's work and learn together to keep our Association growing."

RICH SCHOLES - Rancho Murieta Country Club

Rich is the Superintendent at Rancho Murieta CC. Prior to that, Rich was the Superintendent for 9 years at Tualatin CC, in Portland, Oregon. He has been a Director for the Northwest Turfgrass Association and is a past President of the Oregon Superintendent's Golf Association. That same Association honored Rich as Superintendent of the Year. He began his career at Jerome CC in Idaho and graduated from Oregon State with a degree in agronomy. Rich's goals are to offer more educational opportunities and increase our professional stature.

PAUL DIAS - City of Palo Alto

Paul has been the Superintendent at the city of Palo Alto for the past 3 years. He is responsible for the golf course, range, and the golf pro and restaurant contracts. Paul was previously at Saratoga CC for 12 years. Paul graduated from San Jose St. majoring in Business Finance and Industrial Management. His goal is an open line between the members and the Board.

GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION
OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Proxy for 1985 Annual Meeting of eligible voting members!

I the undersigned acknowledge the receipt of the notice of the Annual meeting to be held April 9, 1985 at Oakmont Country Club, Santa Rosa, California and I hereby appoint _____ as my proxy with full authority to cast my vote in accordance with my desires as I have indicated below:

PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY/TREASURER
___ Ken Sakai, CGCS	___ Stan Burgess, CGCS	___ Sam Singh, CGCS
___ Robert Ford, CGCS	___ Al Schlothauer	___ Steve Carlton, CGCS

DIRECTORS (Vote for two only)

___ Rich Lavine, CGCS	___ Rich Scholes
___ Jim Ross	___ Paul Dias

To be a valid proxy, must be completed in ink and the designee must be a voting member.

Any voting member who executes and delivers such proxy has the right to revoke it anytime before it is exercised by filing with the Secretary of the Board of Directors, Stan Burgess, an instrument revoking it on a duly executed proxy bearing a later date. It may also be revoked by attendance at the meeting and decision to vote in person. Subject to revocation all votes represented by a properly executed proxy received in time for the meeting will be voted by the proxy holders in accordance with the instruction on the proxy.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____

CLASS _____ PRINTED _____

If the Proxy is not completed correctly it will be voided and not accepted. Vote for one only for President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer. Vote for two candidates for Director. The Proxy is good only for the slate of candidates shown. In case of a runoff or tie, the Proxy is only good if candidate voted for is involved. Nominations from the floor will "not" entitle Proxy bearer to vote with Proxy. It is only good for the slate above. If you have Proxy's, please come a little earlier to check them in.

COME AND VOTE!!

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* Many thanks to Tom Unruh, his staff, and Del Paso Country Club for hosting our March meeting. From the sounds of things, everyone really enjoyed a great golf course. Thanks again Tom.

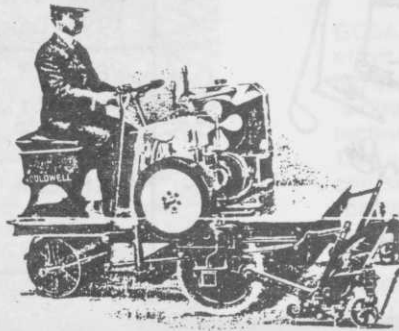
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