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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

For the remainder of my time as President, I have appointed Mike Ginelli from Westoro as a Class F representative to the board. He will not have a vote but will be able to communicate to the board the interests of the Class F member when needed. I urge those Class F members not able to attend a board meeting personally to use Mike as your vehicle of communication.

I have appointed the remainder of the nominating committee. John Grant is chairman, Bill Nigh, Steve Carlton, and Bob Cox make up the rest of the committee. Those of you interested in running for the board should contact one of these men. They will be getting a slate of candidates ready for the April newsletter.



* The February meeting will be a review of the National Conference in Washington D.C. It will be more of a business meeting so bring any new business you may have, such as by-law changes, complaints, anything for the good of the cause. Remember there will be NO SCHEDULED GOLF! If you must get a few holes in, John Lloyd has consented to do what he can but you must give him a call 5(five) days ahead of time. That's the Tony Lema Course next to the Blue Dolphin. (415) 577-3454. Please attend as it is only two months before the Annual Meeting.

MEETINGS

- JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 1 No. Calif. Turf & Landxcape Exposition, Oakland
- FEBRUARY 5 - 13 GCSAA Golf Course Conference and Show, Washington D.C.
- MARCH 19 Del Paso CC, Sacramento
- APRIL 9 Oakmont CC, Santa Rosa (Annual Meeting)
- MAY 6 Rossmoor, Walnut Creek

Naumann's Norcal News

by Don Naumann

BLAKE SWINT has accepted the Superintendent job at Sequoyah CC in Oakland, replacing Bob Dauterman. Blake was the Assistant there for the last year and has been active in the golf business since he was 14.

TIM GREENWALD has accepted the Superintendent position at Rancho Canada CC in Carmel. He was the Superintendent at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch in Monterey. Tim is replacing Larry Lloyd who will become the Executive Superintendent over the 5 company golf courses. Bob Costa will replace Tim at Laguna Seca.

RANDY FURTADO recently left Burlingame CC to join Mike Clark at Oakmont CC in Santa Rosa.

MIKE GINELLI is the new face making calls for Westoro Irrigation. Mike has been working for Westoro for some time in another capacity. He is replacing Adrian Bertens who has started his own company, Hydro Engineering, which installs and trouble shoots irrigation systems.

BOB LAPIC is the Superintendent at San Jose Municipal GC. Bob was the Assistant at Peninsula CC for 5 years.



Thank you Steve Carlton and San Jose CC for hosting our January meeting. I think you should tell everyone about the divining rod - especially at the National Conference in San Francisco in 1986. Very interesting Steve!

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government briefs

FEDERAL TAX legislation which became effective January 1 contains some restrictive new provisions that could affect golf course superintendents and others in the industry - especially with regard to business automobiles.

For one thing, strict rules for record keeping are now in force. Drivers must keep logs detailing each trip's date, mileage and business purpose and certify to the Internal Revenue Service that they are keeping the logs up to date during the year.

Deductions for business cars that were purchased after June 18, 1984, are now limited to \$4,000 for the first year and \$6,000 for subsequent years. Depreciation must be taken in installments over as many years as necessary to reduce the car's basis to zero. This means more expensive cars will take longer to write off.

Also, the first year investment tax credit - previously 6 percent of the cost of the car - now is limited to \$1,000. And drivers who use their cars for business purposes half the time or less will get no investment tax credit.

Provisions now also allow the federal government to recapture both investment credit and depreciation when car buyers at first expect to use their cars for business more than half the time - but then don't.

To prevent circumventing the new legislation by leasing instead of buying cars, IRS is issuing regulations designed to limit the amount of lease payment that is deductible.

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WIDESPREAD GROUNDWATER problems have prompted three California congressmen to petition EPA administrator William Ruckelshaus requesting that the entire Santa Clara Valley, which includes the cities of San Jose and Santa Clara, be listed on the Superfund national priorities list.

Ten to 15 sites in the Santa Clara Valley are already under consideration for the upcoming NPL update. The congressmen said over 120 toxic waste leaks have been identified in the area and a site-specific approach is ineffective, considering the difficulty in source identification.

* (Both articles from Golf Course Management)

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GCSAA officers took time out from their busy Executive Committee meeting agenda in San Francisco to meet with some of the golf industry leadership in Northern California. From left: David Craves, president, H.V. Carter Co. (Jacobsen Distributor); Riley L. Stottern, CGCS, Secretary-Treasurer, GCSAA; Gene D. Baston, CGCS, Vice-President, GCSAA; Jim Timmerman, CGCS, President, GCSAA; Mike Clark, President, GCSA of Northern California; Gene Warne, President & CEO Westoro (Toro Distributor); Ron Reed, Western Director, USGA Regional Affairs; John M. Schilling, Executive Director, GCSAA; Ken Sakai, President-Elect, GCSA of Northern California.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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Registration for the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America's (GCSAA) 56th Annual International Golf Course Conference and Show continues to approach record numbers.

With less than three weeks remaining before the start of the Conference, several educational seminars have reached capacity, the field for the annual member golf tournament has been filled, exhibit space is sold out and the Banquet and Show is nearing capacity.

Advance registration numbers for all aspects of the Conference have kept pace with last year's record pace, which led to a record final attendance at the Las Vegas Conference and Show.

"The nation's capital is proving to be a real attraction for our Conference," said GCSAA President James W. Timmerman, CGCS. "If advance registration is any indication of what the on-site registration will be, we will establish another record for attendance at this one-of-a-kind conference of the golf industry."

The 1984 Conference and Show in Las Vegas saw a record 262 exhibitors occupy over 80,000 square feet of exhibit space. The 1985 Conference and Show in Washington will see 290 exhibitors occupying over 95,000 square feet of exhibit space.

"We had to expand the exhibit space to accommodate the many exhibitors, and we are delighted that exhibit space is even in more demand than last year when a

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record was set," Timmerman continued. "This is just one example of the keen interest our members and the golfing world have in our Conference. It is an indication of the success and progress of GCSAA over the past two years."

Education is one of the most important objectives of golf course superintendents and golf course managers all over the world. To help meet this important objective of GCSAA members, the 1985 Washington Conference will offer more than 330 hours of educational seminars compared to 200 hours of seminars at last year's Conference.

"Our members told us that education was the most important thing to their careers, so we expanded the number of educational seminars this year," said Timmerman. "Although we are offering 130 hours more than last year, 90 percent of the sessions will be near capacity at Conference. Even at this early date, three sessions have been full for several weeks, a half-dozen others only need a few to reach capacity and, within the next three weeks, many others will be filled."

Registration in other programs of the Conference also points to record attendance in 1985. The Banquet and Show, nearing capacity, will bring many of the most prominent names in the golf world to witness the presentation of the Old Tom Morris Award to Gerald Ford, former President of the United States. Also, the annual member golf tournament reached a full field of 288 golfers at the earliest date in history.

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