As we prepare to host the Annual GCSAA Conference in San Francisco a few thoughts cross my mind. Be sure to take this opportunity to invite your entire golf course staff to visit the largest turf exhibition in the world. I feel that they will be amazed as they wander through the equipment and other displays of our trade. Also, take time to talk to your fellow superintendents from points all across the globe. You'll find that his problems and interests are similar to your own. This conference is, literally, the biggest show on earth. Plan to attend!

While on this subject I would like to thank each and everyone of you for your support as I seek election to the national board. Special thanks to past and present board members for filling in for me where needed so I can achieve this goal. It is very encouraging to stop, look around and truly see the hard work done by all. Thank you for this effort.

Our own Annual Meeting is fast approaching and I have selected the chairman for these committees -- nominations, by-laws, audit, and awards. If you, as a member, are interested in aiding or running for office please contact the appropriate chairman.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**  
Chairman - Bob Dauterman  
San Jose CC  
408 258-4855

**BY-LAWS COMMITTEE:**  
Chairman Rod Kilcoyne, CGCS  
Diablo Creek GC  
415 686-6263

**AUDIT COMMITTEE:**  
Chairman Gary Ingram, CGCS  
Moraga CC  
415 376-2200

**AWARDS COMMITTEE:**  
Co-Chrmn Mike Ginelli  
West Star Dist  
415 887-1222  
Jim Ross  
Santa Teresa GC  
408 226-6464
MEETINGS

MARCH  - Arbuckle GC, Arbuckle (Joint meeting - Sierra Nevada)

APRIL  10 - Richmond CC, Richmond (Annual Meeting)

MAY    7 - De Laveaga GC, Santa Cruz

MAY    18-19 - Rancho Murieta, Rancho Murieta (Annual State Meeting)

JUNE   10 - Palo Alto Hills CC, Palo Alto

JULY   14 - Silverado CC & Resort, Napa (Supt/Pro Tournament)

AUGUST - Sequoyah CC, Oakland

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ADVANCED DRAINAGE SYSTEMS (ADS)</th>
<th>H. V. CARTER COMPANY, INC.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Walt Bray - 6917 Flintwood Way</td>
<td>1700 East 14th St, Box 12006</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sacramento 95831</td>
<td>Oakland 94604</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>AUTOMATIC RAIN CO - Willard Hayes</th>
<th>A. L. CASTLE OF STOCKTON, INC.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>4060 Campbell Avenue</td>
<td>5700 Cherokee Road</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Menlo Park 94025</td>
<td>Stockton 95205</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>BAY IRRIGATION &amp; TURF SUPPLY</th>
<th>CIARDELLA GARDEN SUPPLY, INC.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2041 Commerce Avenue</td>
<td>Top Dressing - Sand - Gravel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Concord 94520</td>
<td>2027 E. Bayshore, Palo Alto 94303</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Membership

TAKE IN TODAY

Jim Ballard, Bennett Valley GC, Santa Rosa Class D
Tom Yarbrough, Oakmont GC, Santa Rosa Class D
John Martin, Los Altos CC, Los Altos Class D

NEW TODAY

Alasdair Brownlie, Penninsula G & CC, San Mateo Class D
Ben B. Keechler II, Plumas Pines GC, Blairsted Class D
Paul Richter, Noonkester Golf Ind., Castlewood, Pleasanton Class B

Subject to exam

Steve Tjosvold, University transfer from Del Farnham Special Mailing cont.
MEMBERSHIP cont.

TRANSFERS

Bob Tapella, Saratoga CC, Saratoga Class D to Class B
Subject to exam
James Ferrin, Dry Creek Ranch, Galt Class D to Class B
Subject to exam
James D. Andrews, retired Class A to Class E
Lou Rinaldi, retired Class F to Class E

CHRISTENSEN IRRIGATION CO., INC.
18103 Skypark South #D 216
Irvine 92714 714 261-6076

WEST STAR DISTRIBUTING, INC.
415 887-1222
Hayward 94545

KAR PRODUCTS INC.
779 Brannan Place
Concord 94518

WESTERN LAWN EQUIPMENT COMPANY
50 Edwards Court
Burlingame 94010

PACIFIC PIPELINE PRODUCTS
Doug Weaver – Richmond
415 237-1010

Naumann's Norcal News - by Don Naumann

MIKE PHILLIPS, former Supt. at Pebble Beach GC has been transferred to Spanish Bay GC at Pebble Beach. LARRY NORMAN, Supt. at Spyglass Hill GC has taken responsibility over Pebble Beach GC and Peter Hay GC as well as Spyglass Hill.

EARL THOMPSON was recently named Supt. at Marin CC in Novato. Earl was the irrigation man at Marin. Prior to that he was Supt. at San Geronimo GC for over 15 years.

ROY KING recently completed rebuilding his driving range, adding two tiers and tripling the amount of tee space.

THINGS were hot at Healdsburg GC on Christmas Eve. The Clubhouse was entirely engulfed in flames and nothing was left, except for the maintenance building. Chuck Weatherton Jr. is the Supt. and was only affected by his new choice of a coffee shop.

TERRY STRATTON at Contra Costa CC recently completed building a new putting green and #2 men's championship tee.

BOB COX is soon to be well known. He is speaking at the National in San Francisco. He will be in the "Thinking Supt." Section. His topic is keeping records and bookkeeping.
ALFONSO "AL" G. RAMOZ began his career at Santa Teresa Golf Course in November of 1974 under a federal program as a golf course maintenance trainee. He also had training in forest fire fighting as a park ranger, and on pesticide and herbicide application and safety. He worked at Dixon Landing Golf Course for two years and then went to Pleasant Hills Golf Course as the Superintendent. Two and a half years later Al came to Fairway Glen Golf Course.

The City of Santa Clara bought the Golf Course from Wallace Stevens in 1975 for 1.5 million dollars when it was losing money and looked like a cow pasture. Phil Talluto became Superintendent - Starter - and Manager of Fairway Glen Golf Course for the City of Santa Clara. He built it up to what it is today. The Golf Course has 1,500-2,000 plays per month. The City of Santa Clara has just constructed a new Golf Course next to their new Convention Center. It will be an 18 hole tournament golf course, over 7,000 yards long and par 72. Along with the driving range, chipping and practice greens there will be seven tennis courts and a tournament court with bleachers.

From 101 South & North take the Montague Expwy exit east-½ mile turn right on Lafayette St. One mile North turn right on Hogen Dr. to Golf Course.

From 680 North turn right on Calaveras Blvd. Pass Milpitas and Hiwy 17 on 237. From Hiwy 17 North turn right on 237 - turn left on Lafayette St. - turn left on Hogen Dr. to Golf Course.

1661 Hogan Dr., Santa Clara
Dear Members:

Your help is needed in selecting this year's recipient for "Superintendent of the Year", "Excellence in Golf and Turf Management", and Class F Member.

Superintendent of the Year:

- Member in good standing
- Five years of experience
- Contributed above and beyond to the industry and association

Selection and comments:

Excellence in Golf and Turf Management

- Member in good standing
- Provided superior grooming and maintenance practices with the resources available.

Selection and comments:

Class F Member:

- His attendance at meeting
- His dedication to the industry
- His willingness to help the superintendent

Selection and comments:

*Give your selections to either Mike Ginelli or Jim Ross. There will also be some forms at the February meeting. Help Mike and Jim out - the more people to choose from the better!

FOR SALE - seven 1979 Toro 7-bladed Spartan fairway units. New bedknives, very good condition, $1,900. Contact Scott Jorgensen - Carmel Valley G & CC - 408 624-1581 ext. 190
MANY thanks to Rod Kilcoyne, his staff, and Diablo Creek GC for hosting our January meeting. Everything was excellent.

THANKS to Kevin Orona for his fine presentation on how the NCGA rates the golf courses in Northern California. The laser is the new process being used for yardage but there are many other factors involved. Thanks again Kevin for taking time out.

PRESIDENT elect Riley Stottern and Jim Prussa of the home office for the GCSAA were also present at our January meeting. Thanks for attending.

RE: Christmas Party - Thanks to Robert Muir Graves who also was a sponsor. Many thanks to WestStar Distributing for sponsoring the drink wagon at the golf tournament.
1986 TURFGRASS ADAPTIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM

REGIONAL MEETINGS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dates</th>
<th>Location</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday February 25</td>
<td>Corral De Tierra Country Club, Salinas</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday February 27</td>
<td>San Jose Country Club, San Jose</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday March 18</td>
<td>Diablo Country Club, Danville</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday March 20</td>
<td>Valley Hi Country Club, Sacramento</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday April 15</td>
<td>Belmont Country Club, Fresno</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday April 22</td>
<td>Butte Creek Country Club, Chico</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday April 24</td>
<td>Santa Rosa Golf and Country Club, Santa Rosa</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Registration 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Educational Meeting 9:00 - 12:00 noon
Lunch 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
Golf 1:00 -

L & S STAKES INC. - Box 188
4911 Spreckles Ave, Alviso 95002
408 244-6815  415 961-5010

PASALICH TRUCKING 707 878-2727
Dillon Beach Sand - Rock - Gravel
Dillon Beach 94929

NAIAD COMPANY - Don Scott
7531 Homewood Court
Pleasanton 94566

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

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOLF ASSOC.
P. O. Box NCGA
Pebble Beach 93953

PUMP REPAIR SERVICE CO.
San Francisco, CA
415 467-2150

BRAMAN PIPE & SUPPLY COMPANY
1525 Walsh Ave
Santa Clara 95050

J. R. SIMPLOT COMPANY
P. O. Box 198
Lathrop 95350
*Mark these dates- May 18, 19. Annual State Meeting. Ask your spouses or companion if they would be interested in tours of any kind. Tours to Wine Country, Sacramento, Gold Rush Country, and more. If interested let the GCSA of No. Cal. know - if there is enough interest there could be a nice spouse program set up. An excellent educational program has been set and we all know the caliber of golf course. Rich Scholes, the host Superintendent is ready to help all he can. Be sure and plan to attend.

The Board Meeting will be on the 17th of May. Make a long weekend of it! See you there.