Hannigan new USGA executive director

Frank Hannigan is the new executive director of the United States Golf Association. Hannigan replaces Harry W. Easterly Jr. who retired July 1 from the post he’s held for the past three years.

"I'm looking forward to returning to my family business," Easterly said of his retirement. Easterly, 60, resides in Virginia.

Easterly was not scheduled to retire until Jan. 31, 1984, but according to the USGA, the executive committee had little difficulty choosing his successor. Hannigan has been with the USGA for 21 years and for the past three years has been director of special projects.

Easterly served as a volunteer on USGA committees since 1955 and was president of the USGA in 1976-77 before assuming the executive directorship in Dec. 1980.

“My years in this job have been, in a multitude of ways, rewarding,” Easterly said. “I plan to continue to make whatever contributions I can to the USGA.”

NCA trying to defeat ABA resolutions

The National Club Association and the Conference of Private Organizations are waging a campaign to defeat two resolutions proposed by the American Bar Association House of Delegates.

The resolutions would prohibit judges who are members of private clubs from maintaining their memberships in private organizations with selective membership policies. The other would turn most private clubs into “public accommodations” with little or no control over their own membership policies, according to the NCA.

The judicial membership resolution has been discussed within ABA ranks for several years. Prior attempts to limit judges from membership in groups which practice “invidious discrimination” have been unsuccessful. After two years of study, the U.S. Judicial Conference decided that, while “inappropriate” for a judge to belong to an organization which practices “invidious discrimination,” the matter should be left to the discretion of each individual judge.

The other resolution is a repeat of last year’s “match of wills” between members of private clubs across the country and the

GCSAA Chapter survey supports relocation

About 54 percent of the Midwest Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America supports the controversial question of relocating the Association’s headquarters from its current Lawrence, KS, location.

GCSAA Executive Director James E. McLoughlin tendered his resignation, effective Sept. 1, over the issue of relocation.

The survey also showed of those polled, 80 percent will be life

CHEMICALS

Diamond makes executive appointments

Ronald L. Dezember has been appointed vice president for the agricultural chemicals business for the recently formed Diamond Shamrock/Showa Denko International biotechnology joint venture. W. Dale Wegrich has been named senior vice president for finance and administration as well as interim director of research. John C. Danemiller is now vice president for the animal health business. He was previously general manager of the Animal Health Division of Diamond Shamrock.

The appointments were made by Allan J. Tomlinson, newly named chairman, president and chief executive officer.

In April, Diamond Shamrock, a domestic integrated oil and gas company with interests in coal and chemicals, announced a preliminary agreement with Showa Denko K.K., a Japanese chemicals and pharmaceutical firm, to form an international biotechnology enterprise with an agricultural chemicals/animal health business base. The new company will be headquartered in Painesville, OH, at the former Diamond Shamrock corporate research center.

GOLF

Smith resigns NGF presidency

Frank M. Smith Jr. has tendered his resignation as president of the National Golf Foundation, citing “basic differences in policy” between his administration and the board.

In office since May 1982, Smith was the Foundation’s first paid president continued on page 10

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ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities. In January, 1982, the ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities introduced to the House of Delegates a measure urging an amendment to the Civil Rights Act of 1964. It called on Congress to add a clause to the original legislation which specifically exempted private clubs. The ABA proposal would have brought private clubs under the 1964 Act by redefining as a "public accommodation" any private club or organization which derives a "substantial portion" of its income from business sources. The NCA will try to defeat both of these resolutions in the ABA House of Delegates this month.

GCSAA

members of the Association because of educational opportunities and personal gain.

The Midwest Chapter's survey, developed by Len Berg, superintendent of Village Greens of Woodridge, Woodridge, IL, was designed as a "communications tool."

"We wanted to get some feedback from our organization on where the GCSAA is heading," Berg said. "It gives our delegates some background information."

The results of the survey follow:

1. Do you support relocation of GCSAA Headquarters?
   - YES 54%
   - NO 46%

2. Do you support allocating additional efforts and time in reviewing the possibility of relocating out of Lawrence, Kansas?
   - YES 56%
   - NO 44%

3. GCSAA Headquarters should stay in Lawrence, Kansas.
   - YES 49%
   - NO 51%

4. I will always be a member of GCSAA because of educational opportunities and personal gain.
   - YES 80%
   - NO 20%

5. Would you attend four (4) consecutive Monday workshop sessions to review and complete the Golf Course Superintendent's Certification Exam?
   - YES 72%
   - NO 28%

6. Do you support the Certification Program, whether you become certified or not?
   - YES 80%
   - NO 20%

7. Are you aware of and do you use the many services provided by GCSAA?
   - YES 72%
   - NO 28%

8. Would you support hosting the G.C.S.A.A. International Conference and Show in the Chicago area?
   - YES 56%
   - NO 44%

9. I support the 1983 dues increase because of GCSAA involvement and leadership role in today's golf industry, plus the benefits I receive as an active member.
   - YES 64%
   - NO 36%

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