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## APODACA, FLORIDA TEAM WIN GCSAA GOLF TITLES

ORLANDO, FLA.--Mike Apodaca, superintendent of Horizon Country Club, Belen, N.M., finished with a three-under-par 69 on Walt Disney World's tough Palm Course to win the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America's annual golf championships Jan. 28-29.

Apodaca's final round, coupled with a first-day score of 73 on the nearby Magnolia course, put him six strokes ahead of his nearest challenger, Richard Stuntz, superintendent of Ames (Iowa) Country Club, and seven strokes up on the third place finisher, Ron Hill, superintendent of Amelia Island Plantation, Amelia Island, FL. The 36-hole championship has been a GCSAA tradition since 1938.

A Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association foursome composed of Fred Klauk, defending champion Dan Meyers, Hill and Bill Whitaker won the team championship with a combined score of 449, narrowly defeating a Carolinas Golf Course Superintendents Association team composed of Joe Maples, Sam Hilton, Dave Powell and Hal Hicks. Another Florida team, this one from the Central Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association, took third with a score of 469. That team was composed of Joe Ondo, Dennis Parker and Jim Ellison.

Apodaca, who had been among the top finishers in the past four GCSAA tournaments, finally claimed the top prize, a silver replica of the U.S. Open Championship Cup donated in 1954 by the United States Golf Association.

John Schoellner, superintendent of Essex County Country Club, West Orange, N.J., took net honors with a score of 136, and Vaughn Barker, superintendent of Fore Lakes Golf Club, Murray, Utah, shot a 155 to repeat as seniors champion.

It was the third straight tournament in which a team from Florida came away with top honors. This year's foursome won their places on the team in three regional qualifying tournaments, and their names will be engraved on an antique silver trophy donated by the Scottish Golf Greenkeepers Association in 1972. The chapter championships, in which teams combine their best three scores, have been a GCSAA tradition since 1946.

In the accompanying ladies tournament, which was played Jan. 28-29 on Walt Disney World's Lake Buena Vista course, Audrey Hitch of St. Louis shot a 172 to beat Diane Apodaca of Belen, N.M. and Mary Roush of Mason, W. Va. Jeanne Lynn took net honors and

Dorothy Karr won the Calloway category.

The tournament pot was sweetened this year as the Exide Corp., manufacturers of golf cart batteries, inaugurated a long-drive contest during the tournament. Karl Olson of Salt Lake City, Utah, won the mens division with a drive of 317 yards, and Audrey Hitch won the ladies' event with a drive of slightly more than 200 yards. Mr. and Mrs. Arden Smith, Fayetteville, N.C. were the winners in a drawing sponsored by Exide for an expense-paid trip for two to the U. S. Open at Pebble Beach this summer.

## GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT POSITION OPEN

### Responsibilities:

Golf Course - 6400 yards  
Grounds - 134 Acres  
4 Blacktop Tennis Courts  
Building Construction Supervision  
Fiscal and Personnel Responsibilities  
Swimming Pool Maintenance  
Clubhouse Grounds  
Responsible to Green Chairman

### Operation:

Private Membership - 18 holes, bent, poa greens, tees, bluegrass fairways - Irrigation system, Manual system, Pumping Capacity 1200 GPM.

### Annual Basic Salary:

Dependent on experience.

### Number of Employees:

Summer Peak Season - 14. Full time - 5.

### Benefits:

Club paid life, health and dental insurance. One month paid vacation. Paid expenses to national and local seminars. Vehicle allowance. Full playing privileges and meals.

### Grounds and Golf Course Budget:

Total grounds budget - \$205,000.00.

### Qualifications:

- Prefer degree of equal to related industry.
- Minimum of 6 years work experience in golf course maintenance.
- Minimum three years experience as assistant superintendent or 1 years as superintendent with three years previous as an assistant.

### Send resume to:

Crystal Lake Country Club, 721-741 Country Club Rd., P. O. Box 535, Crystal Lake, IL 60014 - Attn: Green Chairman