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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Commitment, dedication, professionalism. What exactly do these words mean? As Golf Course Superintendents we know that we won't survive in this profession long without total commitment. Always striving to produce the finest conditions possible. Keeping abreast of today's latest technologies, and at times acting as a peacemaker, politician, babysitter and Houdini.

Dedication: This goes hand in hand with commitment. I don't feel you can have one without the other and still perform to your true potential. How many weekend mornings have we gone to work knowing what a few more precious moments of sleep would feel like. Or while preparing to leave at night, we discover a break in our irrigation system only to stay several more hours to repair it. That's dedication.

Finally Professionalism. The word alone is self explanatory. It's always presenting yourself in an upstanding manner. It's developing a good repore with your fellow superintendents with the intent of exchanging ideas. It's not only becoming a member of an Association but taking the time to get involved both on a local and national level. And its nurturing the desire to increase our knowledge by attending meetings and seminars.

Over the next few months we have just that opportunity. In October we have our joint meeting with the Sierra Nevada Chapter at Bodega Harbour. In November we have our Golf Course Superintendents Institute in Santa Rosa, followed by the Regional GCSAA Seminar in Walnut Creek. What better way to exhibit the three qualities just mentioned than to take part.

In the end we have an individual who is well rounded, knowledgeable and of unquestionable character. In the end we have a Golf Course Superintendent.

Mike

NAUMANN'S NORCAL NEWS

Mike Phillips has left Auburn Valley CC in Auburn to become the Supt. at Almaden CC in San Jose. Mike is replacing Mike Basile who moved on to Santa Clara Golf and Tennis Club... Grant Thompson has left Corral de Tierra CC in Salinas to become the Supt. of La Rinconada CC in Los Gatos replacing Don Boyd who has moved on to pursue personal endeavors... Scott Jorgensen has accepted the Supt. position at The Valley Club of Montecito (Santa Barbara). He is vacating his position at Del Rio CC in Modesto... Bill Kissick is the new Supt. at Salinas G&CC. He is leaving Del Rio CC in Brawley to accept his new position.



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