

State Meeting a Huge Success

Held on May 15 and 16 in Solvang, the 1994 Annual Meeting of CGCSA was bigger and better than ever. More than 175 people attended the Sunday conference on Golf Course Reconstruction, Renovation and Restoration that featured topics such as: Why Do It?, Estimating Costs,

New Turf Types, Hazards of New Construction, and Selecting Trees. In addition, two superintendents, Mike Scott from the River Course and Doug Weddle from La Cumbre, spoke on their own construction projects. A special afternoon seminar featured Joseph Baidy, CGCS, new president of

GCSAA who discussed the myriad of changes that are taking place at national and what they want to do for us.

Central Chapter hosted the two-day event that also included a post-conference barbeque at the Royal Scandinavian Inn and a golf tournament on Monday at the River Course at the Alisal.

Many members brought guests and families. Nearly 200 people, including several

children, socialized with and met colleagues, families, and friends at the barbeque.

Next year the Annual Meeting and Golf Tournament will be held in San Diego. Plans are currently under way to make next year's event just as memorable.

Special thanks to **John Beltz, Bob Tillema**, and the members of Central California chapter for putting on such a great event.

Tournament Winners

Superintendent flight

Gross		Point winners	
Corey Eastwood	38	Dave Sexton	+8
Mike Phillips	32	Lou Tonelli	+5
Sam Williamson	31	David Bermudez	+4
Bill Trasir	30	Jess Pifferini	+4
Keith Rogers	30	Mike Huck	+3

Commercial Flight

John Grund	38	Jim Lipari	+7
Dave Bingham	37	Leland Silva	+6
Mark Mallin	33	Bobby Daniels	+6
George Normandin	30	Al Reider	+6
Jim Davis	30	Tom Jackson	+6

Most Accurate Drive - Leland Silva
Closest to the Pin - Tom Baty

GCSAA Conference & Show Committee meets in San Francisco

by Rich Lavine

Most of our Board of Directors was volunteered to serve on the GCSAA conference and show committee. We attended a meeting on April 25 and 26, following our annual meeting.

I must tell you, when I was first informed of this committee assignment, I thought that we would just go through the motions of hearing what decisions had already been made by GCSAA, and then offering our approval. After attending this day-long meeting, my initial impression couldn't have been more wrong. I felt that the new management of GCSAA probably could continue to put on a very successful conference and show without our help. What the committee found, however, is that nothing that has been done in the past is sacred; everything is up for review. And, frankly, GCSAA *wants* our input.

The meeting started on Monday evening with a reception hosted by GCSAA president, Joe Baidy, CGCS. Early Tuesday morning we attended a meeting chaired by GCSAA director R. Scott Woodhead, CGCS, and GCSAA Chief Operating Officer, Joe O'Brien. Almost all aspects of the conference and show were discussed and debated, including the admission policies and fees,

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the banquet entertainment, host booths and duties, exhibitors needs, conference hotels and rates, media involvement, spouses program, lost of misplaced badges, prayer breakfast, and allied association involvement.

I felt that our ideas were listened to, and many of our decisions will be taken back to the GCSAA board for approval. Our work is not done, however. Leading up to the show, the committee has various assignments to carry out. We will be looking to our members for help with

some of these assignments. In return, the GCSAA will be helping sponsor our hospitality suite at the conference.

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Jersey. P.J. Spellman, II, Assistant golf course superintendent at Poppy Hills Golf Course formally requested to the Board of Directors for scholarship aid to attend his second and final year at Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School. It was a wise choice. Last year, P.J. took two and a half months off work without pay and paid

his own tuition, plus another \$900 for lodging. He is also married and the father of two boys. P.J., the only west coast student in the class, ranked first scholastically, with a GPA of 3.97.

His dedication and professionalism make P.J. Spellman, II, a more-than-worthy representative from the GCSA of Northern California.

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best conditions possible for the golfer. I'm sure we'll see evidence of that at our next meeting.

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