

THRU THE GREEN

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I was just thinking how similar my job as superintendent is to that of Bill Clinton, as President of the USA. I have 400+ members who think they are more qualified to do my job. The President has 400+ members of Congress that feel the same way. Hopefully, at my club at least half of those members are on my side. Presently in Congress, the President has less than half on his side. We have a Board of Directors; he has a Senate. We make a decision that the members don't like, our Board of Directors can overrule the decision, or withhold funds for implementation. If the President decides on something, Congress can simply withhold funding. We both work with huge budgets. We are both Commander in Chief of all around us, and we both make the big bucks (yeah, right).

At certain times, we're both God-like. Let there be a problem, and we slip from

Office Notes

By Barbara Mikel

The Association is fortunate enough to have new members every month so we try to touch base on monthly meetings so everyone is aware of the "whys" of what the Association does.

Each GCSANC meeting is a joint effort of the Host Superintendent, Host Club, Pro and Dining staff and volunteer help from Association members. We ask you to make your reservation timely, so we can provide the number of guests to our hosts. The dining staff needs to know how much to purchase for our lunch, brunch, etc. The pro shop staff needs to be aware of how many carts we will be using so excess can be allowed to other players. They would also like to set up names and foursomes prior to our arrival. If you do not make timely reservations through the Association office, we cannot forward this information to the host club. If you do not confirm your foursome

God to goat faster than a down hill putt on a 12 foot stimp green. The golf course never looked better, or they remember 20 years ago how fast the greens used to be. We are a world leader and everything is great, or the country's gone to hell in a handbasket. That head greenskeeper we had two or three guys back sure had this course in great shape, and FDR, now there was a President!

All kidding aside, I guess the point is, sometimes you just can't win. We do our jobs to the best of our ability, we take the compliments as they come, and take the criticisms for what they're worth. Hindsight is 20-20. If we're wrong, so be it. Hopefully we go on and learn from our mistakes, and ultimately that is the best lesson of all.

Have a great July,

Richard Lavine, CGCS
President

Ridgemark Golf and Country Club June 12, 1995 - Golf Results

Gross	Net
David Hayes 73*	Doug Martin 64
Ross Brownlie 73	Craig Barrick 65
Steve Kilmer 75	Mike Eastwood 67
*won in tiebreaker	

preferences prior to submitting your reservation, Tom Jackson, (who voluntarily does pairings and scoring for the Association meetings) cannot prepare a list of players prior to our meeting day. If we cannot supply this to the pro shop, they cannot arrange names and foursomes for carts and tees assignments until the last minute. Tom very often misses lunch because of changes made the day of the meeting. Cart name tags and tee assignments are not ready as soon as they might be.

The reservation deadline printed on the meeting forms is there for a reason. This gives everyone some preparation time before the meeting. That is why we ask you to cancel your reservation by this date also. Your past cooperation is very much appreciated.