

Historic Sequoyah CC to Host Workshop

By Bob Costa, CGCS

estled in the Oakland Hills, Sequoyah CC, rich in tradition and history, will play host to the Superintendent Workshop, on April 30th.

According to Co-chairman **Dr. Ali Harivandi**, the Workshop committee has finalized the educational program, which will feature presentations on lake management, the master-planning process, tree management programs and siphon drainage. The program will also recognize **Cliff Wagoner** for 50 years of membership and Sequoyah's past superintendent of 45 years, **Walter Boysen**.

Host Superintendent **Terry Grasso** welcomes the opportunity to be a part of the great educational event. "The success of the

Field Workshop has been its hands- on approach to learning," said Grasso who took over the reins at Sequoyah a year ago. "After we conclude some brief indoor presentations, we will have the opportunity to view some proposed and active projects in the field". The day's program will also include a BBQ buffet and golf. The course has a storied past that includes the Oakland Open, a PGA tour stop for several years in the late 30's.

The Field Workshop, now in it's third year, is a joint venture between the GCSANC and the U.C. Cooperative Extension Service. This year's event welcomes **Aquatic Environments** as the event sponsor.

Superintendent Pro Tournament Coming to Palo Alto Hills in June

Mark you calendars for June 18, 2001 for the next GCSANC monthly meeting at the beautiful Palo Alto Hills Golf and Country Club. Mike Garvale, CGCS will be our host at this wonderful country club course. While this is our traditional Superintendent - Professional event, this year we have also expanded the field to include a two-person team format for those Superintendents, Assistants and Affiliates who would also like to attend.

Registration is open to all and we encourage all of our members to take advantage of this great opportunity to play such a great course. Palo Alto Hills has been gracious enough to open their facility to us and we hope to fill the entire 120-person field. Look for the registration packet soon and we look forward to seeing you there!

Boysen Suffers Stroke

Word has reached the GCSANC that Walter Boysen has just suffered a debilitating stroke and is in the San Ramon Rehabilitation Center, 777 Norris Road, Room 42, San Ramon, CA 94583. The phone number by which he can be reached is (925) 275-6000.

The stroke mainly affected Walt's left side, but the good news is that he appears to be responding well to a regimen of intensive physical therapy. Walter just turned 93 years young on April 6.

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George Forni and David Najera as a team have years of experience in aquatic construction and maintenance, having been employed previously by other companies in the field of aquatics, AEI observed that the market was segmented in several different areas; some companies performed only water management, while others only concentrated on construction, and all appeared to be content on status quo operations.

AEI believes that the current and future marketplace requires this type of full service integration, having the ability to work with multiple regulatory agencies in a variety of differing situations. At AEI, the client commitment demands that they seek out the most modern and effective techniques for water management solutions, providing their customers with the most modern and effective techniques for water management solutions, providing their customers with the most up to date information and options for their unique water system to the point of sterilization. In accomplishing this objective, AEI has

put together a team of professionals who specialize in the areas of aquatic construction, limnology, maintenance (water quality, sedimentation and nuisance vegetation), habitat/wetlands mitigation and remediation.

Water, our greatest resource, must be managed from a long term perspective, looking at each individual project or site as a challenge to identify the avenue of least impact in accomplishing the intended contract goal(s).

Areas of our expertise include: New Feature Aquatic Design and Construction; Aquascaping; Dredging (hydraulic and clamshell by Aquamog); Aquatic Vegetation Harvesting; Habitat Restoration; Existing Feature Renovations; Aerators & Floating Fountains; Ozone and Lake Bed Aeration Systems; Bio Filter Systems; Water Quality Testing, Documentation, Management & Consulting; Algae Control (biological or chemical application or material sales); System Retrofitting; Lake Management Plans; Fish Stocking and Restocking; Biological Assessments; Resource Management Services; Quality Control & Assurance.

As we enter the 21st century, AEI continues to perfect alternative management practices in an attempt to minimize chemical (herbicide/ algaecide) usage. Although the industry, as a whole, is resistant to this change, AEI has persisted in the implementation, adjusting and documentation of biological (microbial) and mechanical methods of management.