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Sunday, October 18, 2015

5:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting - Kewl Room in the Chinook Steakhouse, Coeur d'Alene Casino Hotel

Monday, October 19, 2015

Turf Management Session:

Upstairs Conference Center, Coeur d'Alene Casino Hotel

7:15 a.m. Registration desk is open and a continental breakfast is available (sponsorships are welcome) - *any changes to golf participation must be made by noon today*

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. “Managing Troublesome Areas with Site-Specific Agronomic Programs” Aaron Patton, PhD., Associate Professor, Horticulture & Landscape Architecture, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.

9:30 – 9:45 a.m. Break

9:45 – 10:30 a.m. “Golf Pros and Superintendents – A Working Relationship” Bill Griffith, Director, Agriculture Center of Excellence, Walla Walla, Washington

9:30 – 1:30 p.m. Trade Show set-up
Event Center Please be ready to show by **1:30 p.m.**

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. “The Ultimate Guide to Properly Train Your Employees to Calibrate a Sprayer” Aaron Patton, PhD., Associate Professor, Horticulture & Landscape Architecture, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind. (*This presentation surprises attendees everytime!*)

11:30 – 12:30 p.m. Lunch

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. “A Very Candid Look at the State of the Golf Business”

Pat Jones, Group Publisher and editorial director, GIE Media (*Golf Course Industry*), Valley View, Ohio

1:30 – 1:45 p.m. Break

1:45 – 2:30 p.m. Business Meeting and Election of Officers/Board of Directors – President, Todd Lupkes, CGCS, presiding. Nominating Chairman, Bo Lacy, CGCS, offers the following slate of officers for your consideration: *President: Brian Woster, Circling Raven Golf Club, Worley, Idaho; Vice-President: James Curdy, Desert Aire Golf Course, Mattawa, Wash.; Secretary/Treasurer: Chris Conciene, Sun Dance Golf Course, Nine Mile Falls, Wash. // Directors - (2) Three-year positions open. Mike Bednar, Palouse Ridge Golf Club, Pullman, Wash.; Curt Chambers, Yakima Elks Golf Course, Yakima, Wash.; Jamie Colson, Sun Country Golf Course, Cle Elum, Wash.*

2:30 – 3:30 p.m. “Maintaining Tees on Your Golf Course and Driving Range” Aaron Patton, PhD., Associate Professor, Horticulture & Landscape Architecture, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.

3:30 – 6:30 p.m. Trade Show – Event Center - Meet the leading suppliers and distributors of the region as they showcase their products and services! They are here to help you succeed, and to support the association. **FREE: food and beverages. Door prizes and stamp card prizes! Limited to registrants (spouses welcome).**

Equipment Manager Session:

Maintenance Facility, Circling Raven Golf Club
7:15 a.m. - Continental breakfast available in Maintenance Facility

8:00 - 10:00 a.m. - “Hands-on Tier 4 Training: Troubleshoot and Maintain Your Tier 4 Diesel Engines” Western Equipment

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. - “Hands-on AC/DC Motor and Controller Troubleshooting and Rebuilding / Hot Water Pressure Washer Burner Maintenance and Troubleshooting”
Joel Davis former HVAC instructor NIC, now HVAC manager Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort & Hotel

11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch at *11:50 p.m.* in the *Upstairs Conference Center, Coeur*

d'Alene Casino Hotel with the Turf Management group

12:30 - 1:45 p.m. - “Hands-on Metal Working, the Fundamentals of Fabrication” Wheeler Industries

1:45 - 2:00 p.m. Break

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. - “Hands-on Auto Painting Techniques and Body Shop Basics and Repair” Jeff Seehorn, Napa Auto Parts

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Tuesday, October 20, 2015

Turf Management Session:

Equipment Manager Session:
Upstairs Conference Center

7:30 a.m. Registration desk is open and continental breakfast available (*sponsorships welcome*)

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. “2015 US Open Wrap-up” Josh Lewis, Golf Course Superintendent, Chambers Bay, University Place, Washington

9:00 - 9:15 a.m. Break

9:15 - 10:00 a.m. “Tuning Equipment for The Open” Darak Bigler, Equipment Manager, Circling Raven Golf Course, Worley, Idaho

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. “Using Social Media to Tell Your Story Effectively” Pat Jones, Group Publisher and editorial director, GIE Media (*Golf Course Industry*), Valley View, Ohio

11:00 – 11:45 a.m. Lunch

12:15 p.m. Shotgun - Fall Golf Outing at the Circling Raven Golf Club *Collared shirt required. Host: Brian Woster and Darak Bigler*

Our Speakers Include:

Pat Jones has been known for his insights into the golf and turf business and his candid, tell-it-like-it-is approach for three decades. As publisher and editorial director of GIE Media's Golf Course Industry magazine, Jones runs the leading independent publication and writes his award-winning "Parting Shots" column each month. He is a prolific writer, blogger and social media commentator and a frequent speaker and instructor at regional, national and international turf conferences. Jones began his career in the industry at GCSAA headquarters, where he oversaw communications, fundraising and lobbying in the '80s and '90s. He later created and launched Golfdom magazine before starting his own company, Flagstick LLC, to provide consulting services to golf/turf companies and organizations. He joined GIE Media full-time in 2010 and is a member of the company's executive team. Jones serves on several corporate and non-profit boards, including the Musser Turfgrass Research Foundation. He lives and works in the Cleveland, Ohio, area.

Josh Lewis may only be 32 years old, but it will be his 16th year in the turf industry. Lewis's career has kept he and his family – Andrea (wife of 10 years), and children Jones and Kate - traveling through the region. He spent six years at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort as part of the construction of Bandon Trails, and part of the team for two USGA Championships. This year, Lewis was the host superintendent to the 2015 U.S. Open Championship at Chambers Bay. Along the way, he also spent time at places such as Eugene Country Club in Oregon, in preparation for the 2008 US Women's Amateur, and historic Pasatiempo Golf Club in Santa Cruz, California, where he was the first assistant before making the move to Chambers Bay in the fall of 2011. Lewis completed his turf management degree at Oregon State University.

William (Bill) Griffith was appointed as the Director for the Agriculture Center of Excellence in

August of 2013. Griffith comes to us from Walla Walla Community College's long running and successful Turf Management program, as instructor and program coordinator for 20 years. Griffith has 15 years of direct industry experience as a golf course superintendent at courses in Oregon and Washington. He has led many professional organizations and boards over the past 30 years serving golf courses, Washington Associations, and instructing students at a postsecondary education level. Griffith has served as President of the Northwest Turfgrass association (two times), President of the Inland Empire Golf Course Superintendents Association, and a board member for 25 years.

Aaron Patton, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Horticulture & Landscape Architecture, Purdue University. Patton serves on the faculty at Purdue University. His extension responsibilities are to provide education to Indiana's \$1.8 billion turfgrass industry. Patton's research responsibilities include planning, implementing, and leading projects devoted to managing quality lawn, sod, golf, and sports turf while reducing management inputs. His research interests include focus on weed ecology and control and agronomic practices in turfgrass systems. He teaches the senior level turfgrass science course at Purdue University and mentors undergraduate and graduate students. He also serves as the Executive Director of the Midwest Regional Turf Foundation. Patton earned his bachelor's degree from Iowa State University, and his master's and doctorate from Purdue University.

***Inland Empire GCSA
Spring Meeting
Wenatchee Golf & Country Club
March 14 & 15, 2016***



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outstanding educational opportunity,
a trade show with experts
to help make your job easier,
and a wonderful golf experience...*

Fall Meeting & Trade Show

**Turf Management and
Equipment Manager
Breakout Sessions**

October 19 & 20, 2015

*Coeur d'Alene Casino
Resort & Hotel
&*

*Circling Raven Golf Course
Worley, Idaho*

Hotel reservations due:

October 4

Early Registration Discount Ends:

October 8

Trade Show Discount Ends:

October 8