# 2010 USGA Green Section Education Conference

Friday, February 12, 2010 San Diego Convention Center San Diego, California

# MONEY TALKS — BUT WHO IS LISTENING?

9:30-9:45 a.m. **First and Fast — At Last!**  *Brian Whitlark* Firm and fast conditions on the golf course lead to faster rounds, reduced costs, and better golf.

# 9:45-9:55 a.m.

A Penny Saved is a Penny Earned Chris Hartwiger How an energy audit can boost your bottom line.

9:55-10:10 a.m. Getting The Word Out —

It Is Easier Than You Think Larry Gilhuly and Bud White In today's climate, golfer education is more important than ever before. Numerous examples of enlightening, informing, and guiding your players will be presented.

# 10:10-10:25 a.m. Presentation of the USGA Green Section Award

10:25-10:35 a.m. **The Hidden Costs of Trees**  *Dave Oatis* Planting a tree seems innocent enough, but it starts a chain of expenses that may accrue for years. Let's talk about how much trees really cost. 10:35-10:45 a.m. **Does the Grass Know the Cost?** *Stan Zontek* Don't get your green thumb by handing over cash.

# 10:45-11:00 a.m.

#### Your Piece of the Revenue Pie Bob Vavrek

The golf course is a revenue center, but just how much of the revenue from dues and green fees is actually earmarked for golf course maintenance operations?

# 11:00-11:15 a.m.

# Perils and Pluses of In-House Renovation

Jim Moore In-house renovation projects can be real cost-savers — if they are approached and implemented correctly.

# II:15-II:25 a.m. A Labor of Love or a Love of Labor Pat Gross

Executing a detailed labor analysis to track maintenance expenses and define realistic expectations.

# 2010 USGA NATIONAL & REGIONAL CONFERENCES

#### **National Conference**

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# Florida Region

May 7	Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club Naples, Florida
August	To Be Determined Orlando, Florida

# **Mid-Atlantic Region**

March 9	Oakmont Country Club Oakmont, Pennsylvania
March 16	DuPont Country Club Wilmington, Delaware

# **Mid-Continent Region**

January 12	Mid-America Center Council Bluffs, Iowa
April 12	Las Colinas Country Club Irving, Texas
December 15	Overland Park Convention Center Overland Park, Kansas

# **Northeast Region**

March 2	Rhode Island
	Convention Center
	Providence, Rhode Island

# **Southeast Region**

March 16	Pinehurst Resort
	& Country Club
	Pinehurst, North Carolina

# **Northwest Region**

March 3	Holiday Inn Bozeman, Montana
March 15	Waverley Country Club Portland, Oregon

# **Southwest Region**

January 11	Hacienda Golf Club La Habra Heights, California
March 15	Palo Alto Hills Country Club Palo Alto, California
March 29	To Be Determined Arizona