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standing job of building stadium courses throughout the country," said builders association Executive Director Donald Rossi.

Opened 10 years ago, the TPC at Sawgrass, located just outside Jacksonville,

Fla., was the first of the stadium courses. There are now 14 in the United States with another six in varying stages of planning and construction, according to PGA Tour Director of Public Relations Sid Wilson.

There is another in Bato, Japan, the site of a recent United States-Japan Seniors championship. Another 10 Japanese TPC courses are on the drawing board, Wilson added.

"We're obviously delighted that the TPC network is being honored by its peers," said the PGA Tour official. "The Tour has always taken great pride in its TPC courses. Our players become involved as consultants and work very closely with the architects. Yet while the pros play on the course one week a year, he is still very playable for the members the rest of the year."

GCBA President Perry Dye of Dye Designs will make the presentation, which has become one of the highlights of the association's annual meetings.

"We're very proud of how this award has grown since it was first presented in 1984," said Rossi. "There were just 40 people at the first awards dinner. Last year there were 225."

The National Golf Foundation was the inaugural award-winner. Following the NGF to the podium over the last seven years were the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, Golf Course Architects of America, Professional Golfers Association of America, Club Managers Association of America and last year's winner, the U.S. Golf Association Green Section.

Domino's founder opens The Rock

Domino's Pizza Inc. founder and chairman Tom Monaghan has opened The Rock, a new golf course on Drummond Island in Michigan.

Designed by Harry Bowers, a former understudy of Robert Trent Jones Sr., the 257-acre course was built to encourage walking. It is a six-mile walk compared to the average 4.5-mile walk around an 18-hole layout.

Monaghan has named each hole after a Domino's executive or a celebrity he admires — like former President Gerald Ford, University of Michigan football coach Bo Schembechler and Detroit Tigers manager Sparky Anderson.

The $8-million course adds to a hotel and conference center development.

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