Work of Historical Preservation Committee on display in Orlando

FAR HILLS, N.J. — The Historical Preservation Committee of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) has developed recommendations aimed at bringing continuity and permanence to GCSAA's historical preservation initiative.

Meeting at the headquarters of the United States Golf Association (USGA) here this winter, the committee also reviewed tasks completed in the past year. Since the group last met in October 1994, its status changed from resource group to an official GCSAA standing committee. This change will create stability for the continuity of the group. Also in the past year, the Historical Preservation Committee:

- Established a historical display at GCSAA’s 66th International Golf Course conference & Show in San Francisco.
- Videotaped interviews with key senior members of the association.
- Hired a librarian/archivist.
- Archived all copies of Golf Course Management magazine and its predecessors.
- Documented the historical items stored at GCSAA headquarters in Lawrence, Kan.
- Began a book on the history of the association.
- Introduced industry partners and manufacturers to the historical preservation initiative.

Ties with the USGA were strengthened with regard to preserving the common history of both associations. Taken under consideration by the committee were the ideas of developing articles of incorporation, creating a more detailed strategic plan and committee standard operating procedure and increasing funding allocations through the budget.

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More than 80 percent of Orlando’s tourists return within three to five years. And lest we forget, until 15 years ago, Orlando’s airport was a renovated facility at the end of McCoy Air Force Base, thus the MCO on your airline luggage tag.

Now, go get me that drink.

GCSAA officers

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GCSAA's current president, Gary T. Grigg of Royal Poinciana Golf Club in Naples, Fla., will continue to serve on the board of directors for one year as immediate past president. Joseph G. Baily of Aca- cia Country Club in Lyndhurst, Ohio, whose one-year term as immediate past president expires, will end seven years’ service on the GCSAA board. Board member Tommy D. Witt of Wynstone Golf Club in North Barrington, Ill., has one year remaining on his current term.

GCSAA’s International Golf Course Conference and Show will be held Feb. 5-11 at the Orange County Convention Center.

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