**BRIEFS**

**CRENSHAW TO GET OLD TOM AWARD**

PGA Tour great Ben Crenshaw will receive the 1997 Old Tom Morris Award from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America. The presentation will take place Feb. 11 in Las Vegas at a banquet during the association's 68th International Golf Course Conference and Show. GCSAA President Bruce R. Williams said Crenshaw's actions over the years "exemplify what is best about the game. From his activities as a collector to his passion for the integrity of the game, Ben's obvious love of golf is an inspiration."

**SOUTHWEST SHOW SCHEDULED**

PHOENIX, Ariz. — The 19th annual Southwest Horticultural Trade Show will be held here Sept. 5-6, featuring a full-day seminar on reclaimed irrigation water and several educational sessions. Sponsored by the Arizona Nursery Association, the event will display products specifically designed for the desert areas of Arizona, New Mexico, California and west Texas. The annual Xeriscape Conference, continuing education units, marketing panel and grower short course are part of the event.

**FLOYT OVERSEES EXPANSION**

NORTHVILLE, Mich. — Expansion is underway here at Downing Farms Golf Course and Michigan State graduate and former Crenshaw assistant Andy Foyal has assumed the position of superintendent. Work on an additional nine holes began in January along with improvements on the original course. The 3,129-yard Harry Bowers design will incorporate wetlands and hardwoods. A 3,000-square-foot clubhouse is scheduled to open in July.

**GCSAA OPENS WEB SITE**

A new World Wide Web site makes information available to the public about course management. The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America site is situated at http://www.gcsaa.org/gcsaa. The initial phase will focus on the environment. Starting July 1, GCSAA members will have a private Member Services area they can log into at their convenience. GCSAA has also added a new e-mail box — infobox@gcsaa.org — to gather feedback and answer questions.

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**Golf Course News: What has your work shown in terms of such environmental stresses as drought and salinity? Traffic stress? Water conservation strategies? Why are these issues important?**

**Robert Carrow:** Whether a turfgrass persists in the field depends on its tolerance to the stresses imposed on it. Environmental stresses include high/low temperature, excess/lack of water and low light intensity. Pest stresses include diseases, insects/nematodes and weeds. Use stresses include close mowing, soil compaction from traffic and wear from traffic. I have concentrated on two primary areas and within each tried to develop several strategies to cope with the stress. Drought resistance/little water use is the first. We've identified which turfgrass species? Why are these issues important?