Two join Platinum Tee Club; four re-up

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Two firms have signed on with the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America’s (GCSAA) Platinum Tee program, while four others have renewed their affiliation.

With their contributions to The GCSAA Foundation, Sandoz Agro, Inc. and Ransomes America Corp. have joined the GCSAA’s Platinum Tee Club, whose members are chapters, clubs and companies that donate $5,000 or more annually to The GCSAA Foundation.

American Cyanamid Co., Ciba Turf and Ornamental Products, Club Car Inc. and DowElanco Product Co. have renewed their Platinum Tee Club memberships by donating $5,000 or more each to The GCSAA Foundation.

The Platinum Tee Club started in 1988 to recognize those chapters, clubs and companies that demonstrate their commitment to the future of the golf course superintendent’s profession and industry through an annual contribution of $5,000 or more to The GCSAA Foundation.

The GCSAA Foundation is a not-for-profit organization committed to supporting educational opportunities for future superintendents and scientific advancements in golf course management.

Underscoring its commitment to environmental stewardship, the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) has been honored by LINKS Magazine and Audubon International as a 1996 “Best of Golf” award recipient.

Presented at the recently-completed U.S. Open at Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield, Mich., the honor recognizes golf courses, groups and individuals making outstanding contributions in the conservation of natural resources. GCSAA and the United States Golf Association were the only two organizations to capture the group award.

Ten outstanding students, all sons or daughters of GCSAA members, have been named 1996 Ciba Legacy Award winners. The program, which awards a $1,500 scholarship to each student, is administered by The GCSAA Foundation in partnership with Ciba Turf & Ornamental Products.

Winners were selected by an independent panel of judges on the basis of academic excellence, extracurricular activities and the quality of an assigned essay describing their parents’ involvement with the golf course management profession. This year’s Ciba Legacy Award winners are:

- Natalie Broughton, daughter of Jerry W. Broughton, CGCS at The Greens Golf & Racquet Club in Oklahoma City, Okla., majoring in music education at Oklahoma Baptist University.
- Allison Marie Burns, daughter of Joseph H. Burns, CGCS at Oklahoma Baptist University.
- Shelby Kathleen Quinn, daughter of Dale B. Quinn, golf course superintendent at Woodlake Golf & Country Club in Vass, N.C., majoring in journalism and print media at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
- Lauren A. Stewart, daughter of Roger A. Stewart Jr., CGCS at Stone Bridge Country Club in Naperville, Ill., majoring in pharmacy at the University of Iowa.
- Bronwyn Judith Wenger, daughter of Kim R. Wenger, CGCS at Fiddler’s Green Golf Course in Eugene, Ore., majoring in foreign language and international studies at Middlebury College.
- Erin Elizabeth Wimmers, daughter of Lawrence J. Wimmers, CGCS at Sycamore Creek Country Club in Springboro, Ohio, majoring in science and pre-medicine at Kenyon College.

Ciba Legacy Awards are conferred upon children and grandchildren of GCSAA members who have been active members of the association for five or more consecutive years. Students must be enrolled full-time at an accredited institution of higher learning and studying a field unrelated to golf course management. High school seniors must be accepted at such an institution for the coming year.

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