The National Golf Course Owners Association presented Arnold Palmer with its Award of Merit and the Course of the Year Award. It also gave the Don Rossi Award to Jerry Hollingsworth, long-time owner of Singing Hills Golf and Tennis Resort in El Cajon, Calif.

Clyde Luther of Burke, Va., won the USGA’s 2002 Joseph C. Dey Award. The award recognizes meritorious service to the game as a volunteer. The USGA also named Judy Rankin as its 2002 Bob Jones Award winner.

The GCSAA has named four outstanding researchers and educators as 2001 winners of the GCSAA Watson Fellowship awards: B. Todd Bunnell, Clemson University; Brandon Horvath, Michigan State University; Eric Lyons, Pennsylvania State University; and Mary Supick, Colorado State University.

Simpot named Trent Bradford as fertilizer manager for the Professional Products Division’s eastern region.

Keith Cousineau was chosen as the executive director of the Canadian Golf Superintendents Association. Cousineau replaced outgoing director, Vince Gillis.

ClubCorp named Richard Ellis as regional vice president for daily fee golf clubs. He will continue to serve as the managing director for the development of the Bear’s Best golf courses in Las Vegas and Atlanta.

Bill Brose and Mark Ludewyk became principals of SmithGroup JJR, a Michigan planning, design and engineering firm.

The Irrigation Association announced the membership of its certification board: Glenn Moore, Pound Ridge, N.Y., chairman; Joe Fortier, Las Vegas, vice chairman; and Jim Kline, Payson, Utah, member at large.

Doug Paige was named the new director of commercial marketing for Briggs & Stratton.

PBI/Gordon named David Fearis as a consultant. Fearis provides the company with golf market education, consultation and project coordination for the company’s professional turf and ornamental product line.

Steve Blackshire joined Otterbine Barebo as its southeast regional sales manager.

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