The MGCSA received a big HOWDY from the Lone Star State. The GCSAA was holding its annual Turf Conference in the “Big D”. Over 16,000 members of the GCSAA converged on Dallas for a week of intense educational seminars and a 5-acre trade show. However, first there was the ever popular opening session, with ever popular Zig Ziglar giving a keynote address that was sure to have you bouncing on your feet on the way out.

First, however, new CEO Steve Mona was introduced to the crowd and reassured us that he was going to meet every member of GCSAA and shake their hand. This is one goal that might have some hand-wretching repercussions to it. The awards for the DSA were handed out to Allan MacMcurrach and John J. Spodnick. The Leo Feser Award for the best authored article by a Superintendent went to Thomas A. Christy, CGCS of Riverside G & C.C., Portland, Ore.

Each year the trade show seems to get ever increasingly big! Nice comfortable shoes are a must; the miles that you put on your shoes should get some type of CEU’s or something. The trade show offers a chance to continue your education with the design engineers that design the equipment that you use on your golf course or get some help on that particularly nasty little fungi, that nothing seems to work on. When you attend the GCSAA Annual Conference and Show, you most certainly will come out with more knowledge than you had before. As Gordon Sumner once said, “The more I learn, the more I find out how ignorant I actually was.”

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