GCSANC’s Annual Awards

The GCSANC has annually presented awards to recognize service and accomplishment within the profession. A committee comprised of the immediate Past President and previous award winners will review submitted nominations. Award presentations will take place at the annual meeting in January. A brief description of the awards should help in filling out the nomination form included as an insert in this month’s newsletter.

**Affiliate Merit Award:** This award is presented annually to the Affiliate Representative that has made contributions for the betterment of the GCSANC and its members. All members are eligible to make nominations.

**Superintendent of the Year:** This award is presented annually to a superintendent that has made contributions for the betterment of the GCSANC, its members and the golf course superintendent profession. Evaluation criteria for this award could include local or national committee participation, community activity that presents the industry in a positive light or active local association participation.

**Excellence in Turfgrass Management:** Annual presentation to a superintendent member who provides his facility with high quality playing conditions taking into consideration budgetary restrictions, local weather conditions, site restrictions including the use of recycled water, facility expectations, rounds of play and staff size. Review of these nominations may involve a site visit by the committee.

**George Santana Distinguished Service Award:** This award is presented to an individual demonstrating long-term commitment and service to the Association. The Board of Directors will make nominations for this award. Please submit a letter to the Board on behalf of any individual who may deserve recognition.

Please take a few moments to think about the criteria and submit the names of those deserving individuals for each category.

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**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

The California Golf Course Superintendents Association has partnered with several allied groups including the Northern and Southern California Golf Association, the Northern and Southern Club Managers Association, the Northern and Southern Professional Golf Association, and the California Golf Course Owners Association to produce an Economic Impact of Golf study in California. Surveys were to be mailed in early November to all golf courses in California. It is important to note that this study is a first for all the major players in golf to work together on a project of this magnitude. The fact that we are doing this survey will certainly help public awareness of our profession, public relations throughout our state that our chapters can utilize, and more importantly, help our state lobbyist, George Steffes, be able to use accurate data concerning legislative issues that impact the golf business.

Please seek out your general manager, owner, clubhouse person, or whoever might have received this survey and help all that you can in supplying accurate answer to the survey questions pertaining to your area. The larger the percentage response we can give the more precise will be the final report. If you did not receive a survey, please contact CGCSA at 559-643-8707. Thank you in advance for your help and participation.

Sam Williamson, CGCS
President CGCSA

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**Please Complete Your Surveys!**

Hopefully all Certified, Class A and B Superintendents have received the GCSANC Survey 2000 in the mail.

Please take the time to complete the survey and forward it to Barb Mikel. We as your elected Board want you to have the most up-to-date and accurate data available. This survey will provide you with a tool to promote and defend your positions on many issues. While you may not be the person who requires this information, your fellow hard working superintendent probably does. His next winning encounter with management may depend on the gross data we collect as a group.

Thanks for assisting yourself, the association, and each other.

Jeff Shafer
Secretary / Treasurer

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**Speak Now, or Forever Hold Your Peace**

If you have one, the GCSANC board of Directors is anxious to hear your opinion on GCSAA’s PDI. If you have a thought, or comment you are encouraged to contact Bob Costa by e-mail at bcosta@golf-monterey.com. All comments will be forwarded to the Board of Directors for discussion.