New construction benefits superintendents, students

GCSAA starts on its new facility

LAWRENCE, Kan. — A state-of-the-art educational facility will be included in the new headquarters of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA), scheduled for a 1991 opening.

"We're excited to see the new building become a reality," says GCSAA president Dennis Lyon. "This new facility will allow us to keep meeting the needs of our growing membership for many years to come."

A periodical library and advanced audio-visual equipment will help the GCSAA's educational staff expand and develop their programs and seminars.

"It will allow us to bring GCSAA members here to Lawrence to attend educational activities in a facility that is custom-designed to meet our instructional needs," says director of education Colleen Smalter Pederson.

New classroom honors Smalley

COBLESKILL, N.Y. — A new turfgrass building in honor of Dr. Ralph Smalley was dedicated recently at the State University of New York (SUNY) here.

The 24-by-80-foot wood and concrete structure contains insulated and heated classroom space for courses in turfgrass management and recreation and sports area management. There is also an equipment storage area.

Dr. Smalley, plant science professor emeritus, began SUNY Cobleskill's turfgrass curriculum in 1962. He received the State University Chancellor's Award for excellence in teaching in 1981.

The New York State Turfgrass Association contributed $26,000 of the $35,000 total cost, and also donated an IBM Model 30 computer, printer and monitor to the turf program. A matching funds grant of $5,500 was awarded by SUNY Research Foundation. ChemLawn Corp. donated $2,500 and Stanford Seed Co. $700.

The planned new headquarters of GCSAA in Lawrence, Kansas, is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 1991.

Dr. Ralph Smalley (left) at the dedication ceremony of SUNY Cobleskill's turfgrass building. Dr. Bob Emmons holds a plaque awarded to NYSTA for monetary support.