Little things add up to big effort, says show host

"I thought it was an excellent show," said Rick Walker, president of the Central Florida GCSA and chairman of the host committee for the 61st

annual International Golf Course Conference and Show in Orlando last February.

"We really didn't have anything

major to do. It was a lot of little things that added up to a big effort," said the superintendent at Orange Lake CC.

"Actually, (GCSAA Executive Director) John Schilling and his staff have their act together. It's a national show and they don't really need much help. Our main jobs were to provide local information and organize the golf."

Walker was named to the GCSAA committee in charge of overseeing the 1991 show, which will be held in Las Vegas.

Host committee members were Tom Alex, Grand Cypress Resort; Cary Lewis, Country Club of Orlando; Brian Jenkins, Dubsdread GC; Buck Buckner, Orange Tree CC; Steve Wright, Alaqua CC; Stuart Leventhal, Interlachen CC; Larry Kamphaus, Walt Disney World; Joe Ondo, Winter Pines GC; and Cecil Johnston.

"It was probably a matter of trying too hard on our home territory," said Ondo, chairman of the FGCSA golf committee, after the local team finished out of the money in the golf championship. Carolinas GCSA won for the fourth time in five years.

Also disappointing was Cecil Johnston's withdrawal from the election for the GCSAA board of directors. Pre-election tallies had the FGCSA's immediate past president way in front in a five-man race for three vacant seats but an unplanned job change forced Johnston to bow out.

Gerald Faubel of Saginaw, Mich., was elected president and Stephen Cadenelli of Jackson, N.J., is the GCSAA's new vice president.

Three of 10 GCSAA scholarships went to Florida students, including the inaugural international scholarship, which went to Jarkko Landensuo. The other winners were Mike Greninger and Michael Crawford. All are students at Lake City Community College.

Florida superintendents contributed \$15,000 to the Platinum Tee club, the largest donation from any chapter, and *The Florida Green* was named best overall chapter publication.

Notes from GCSAA headquarters...

Congratulations to you and all of the golf course superintendents in the Florida GCSA for their wonderful hospitality they extended to their fellow superintendents during the annual GCSAA conference in Orlando.

You certainly extended yourselves and provided your guests with true southern hospitality. I have never experienced a group effort on behalf of golf course superintendents anywhere as you have just demonstrated.

All superintendents in Florida deserve to be very pleased. You certainly made GCSAA proud.

Gerald L. Faubel, CGCS President, GCSAA

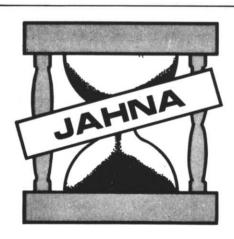
I want to thank you for the beautiful framed cover of <u>The Florida Green</u>. This will provide a warm reminder of my tenure as GCSAA's 53rd president. It will also remind me of our outstanding conference and show in Orlando.

In my opinion, this conference and show was the best ever and a significant measure of the credit goes to the Florida Golf Course Superintendents.

> Dennis D. Lyon, CGCS Past President, GCSAA

I would like to offer our sincerest thanks and appreciation for your part in our 1990 Conference and Show in Orlando.

John M. Schilling GCSAA Executive Director



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