GCSAA Environmental Award Goes to the USGA

The United States Golf Association has been selected to receive the 1996 President's Award for Environmental Leadership from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

he recipient is chosen by the GC-SAA board of directors based on exceptional environmental contributions to the game of golf — contributions that further exemplify the golf course superintendent's image as steward of the land.

"With the serious challenges facing the game today, the entire industry is indebted to the United States Golf Association for its commitment to producing hard data regarding the environmental impact of golf and golf course manageCreated in 1991, the President's Award for Environmental Leadership has been presented:

- in 1991 to Cape Cod Study Participants, Bass River Country Club, Eastward Ho! Country Club, Falmouth Country Club and Hyannisport Club
- in 1993 to Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program Partners, the Audubon Society of New York State and the United States Golf Association
- in 1995 to William Timothy Hiers, CGCS, Collier's Reserve in Naples.

ment practices," said GCSAA President Gary T. Grigg, CGCS, Royal Poinciana Golf Club, Naples.

"We're delighted the GCSAA has taken this opportunity to acknowledge the USGA's consistent efforts to promote sound environmental stewardship," said Thomas W. Chisholm, Chairman of the USGA Green Section Committee. "It's always gratifying to have the respect of your peers in any industry, and golf is no exception."

The award was be presented at the

Environmental General Session held at GCSAA's 67th International Golf Course Conference and Show in Orlando.

In addition to conducting 13 national championships each year, the USGA funds turfgrass and environmental research; provides course rating and handicap systems; tests golf equipment for conformity to the Rules; preserves the game's history; and, in cooperation with the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Scotland, writes and interprets the Rules of Golf.

