

Florida superintendents strike it rich in Las Vegas

During the Opening Session of the GCSAA's 68th International Golf Course Conference and Show at the Bally's Hotel in Las Vegas, four Florida superintendents were recognized for their efforts in environmental stewardship. They were part of a group of 31 superintendents nationwide recognized by the GCSAA in partnership with Novartis, Rain Bird, Jacobsen Division of Textron and Pursell Industries. Congratulations to:

National Winner

Resort Course Division:

Ron Hill of
Amelia Island Plantation

Regional Winners-

Florida Region:

Private Clubs

Bobby Ellis of
Indian River Club

Public Courses

Rick Wise of the
PGA Golf Club

Merit Winner:

Private Clubs

Jim Lehman
of Queens Harbor Y. & C.C.

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As the editor of the *Florida Green*, I am proud to announce that our magazine was once again selected Best Overall in its category in the GCSAA Chapter Publications Contest.

This honor is shared with the many superintendents who take the time to write articles for the magazine; Marie Roberts, who coordinates the advertising that pays for this publication; Paul Crawford, who serves as the magazine's busi-



Valent Donation

Left to right, On behalf of the FGCSA Joe Ondo and Dale Kuehner receive a check for \$10,000 from Peter Blum of Valent USA. The money was a result of Valent's "Right Course" rebate program based on the sales of Orthene in 1996. This donation will be used to fund turf research in Florida. Photo by Joel Jackson.



Ron Hill, left, receives the GCSAA National Stewardship Award for Resort Courses from GCSAA President Bruce Williams.

ness manager; Daniel Zelazek, who takes such great cover story photos; Shelly Foy who coordinates the Stewardship section of each issue and keeps coming up

with new ideas; Mark Jarrell, assistant editor, who keeps prodding our consciences with his thoughtful editorials in Mark My Words; and last and certainly not least, Larry Kieffer and Doris Dionne of Janlark Communications who take our words and pictures and put them together so magnificently to help create our award-winning publication.