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President Joe Ondo and VP Mike Perham both address the issue of increasing demands on our time for worthwhile extracurricular activities.

SPOTLIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS, FUNDRAISERS, AWARDS, STRATEGIC PLAN 10 Palm Beach chapter and Joe Pantaleo won the FGCSA golf championships; the West Coast and South Florida chapters raised money for research, scholarships and charities; labor consultant Whit Collins dies; Alan Weitzel is South Florida's "Mr. Golf;" Gary Grigg wins the FGCSA Distinguishe Service Award and Darren Davis wins the GCSAA's Leo Feser Award; GCSAA's Joe O'Brien helps FGCSA officials identify a stategy for the future.

The Westin Innisbrook Resort has a staff of 123 to maintain the sprawling complex north of Clearwater. Each of its five golf courses has its own superintendent, assistant, foreman, and equipment. But they share.

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The superintendent should position him/herself as the community's expert in environmental management, says GCSAA, which also has just released a guide to collegiate turf programs; list of web sites of interest to turf managers.

HANDS ON ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS, SMALL TOOLS MANAGEMENT 42 Assistant superintendents quickly learn that growing turf is the easiest part of the job and managing people is the toughest. Super Tips offers a system for keeping track of small tools.

INDUSTRY ROUNDUP USGA GREEN SECTION, PLANTS OF THE YEAR ..... 54 Some of the earliest turf research funded by the USGA was conducted at the University of Florida; The Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association has named 10 Plants of the Year for 1998 to identify superior plant material that performs well but is often underutilized.

Agreement to use Navy's recycled water enables restoration of Donald Ross classic near Jacksonville.

A GCSAA-funded water-quality study analyzed data from 36 golf courses.

AFTERWORDS ULTRADWARFS, LETTERS, CLIPPINGS, MARK, JOEL ........... 68 The new "ultradwarfs" will be put to a practical test; superintendents deserve time off in good weather, says a veteran in the Midwest; Mark Jarrell looks to the future; Joel Jackson looks at how time is spent in the present.

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