



From left: Nancy McBride and Mike Christiansen of the Florida Branch of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children receive a check for \$14,000 from South Florida GCSA members Bryan Singleton, Bill McKee, Dale Kuehner, Jim Goins, Bill Enwhistle, Jr., and Bob Klitz. Photo by Steve Pearson.

at South Fork High School. This year TCGCSA President Greg Pheneger was able to present a check for \$10,000 to Southridge as well as a check for \$7,200 for the ACSP program.

The Treasure Coast wishes to thank host superintendent Tim Rappach and the entire staff of The Medalist Club for the excellent condition of the course and the impeccable service and operation of the event.

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SOUTH FLORIDA GCSA

**15th Annual Event
Raises \$14,000 to
Benefit Children**

The 15th Annual SFGCSA Benefit for Children's tournament was held at the Colony West C.C. in Tamarac Oct. 8.

Another fun and financially successful event was enjoyed despite the relentless rains of this year's tropical season. Even though the golf had to be canceled after nine holes, the food and festivities continued which included a presentation by Nancy McBride and Mike

Christiansen of the Florida Branch of the Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

They reported that due in part to the loyal support by the SFGCSA and others:

135-170 cases are reviewed every month

257 child recoveries were performed in 1999 through September

76 educational presentations were made to 2,038 people

42 training sessions were performed with 1,180 law enforcement officers

Child safety literature and materials were developed and distributed.

This year's contribution from the SFGCSA tournament came to \$14,000. This brings the total contributions to the M & E Children's Center to \$125,000 over the history of the event.

BOB KLITZ, CGCS
SFGCSA M&E Committee

WEST COAST GCSA

**36th Quandt Event
Aids Research and
Education Funds**

The 36th Annual Bud Quandt Turfgrass Research and Benefit



Tim Williams, public relations director for Gatorland, discussed gator management on golf courses at the 1999 West Coast Bud Quandt Turf & Benefit Tournament. Photo by Cary Lewis.

Tournament came off without a hitch on Oct. 11 at the Pasadena Yacht and Country Club in St. Petersburg.

The primary fund-raising event for the West Coast GCSA provides monies for turf research, scholarships and donations to benefit local charities.

The day-long event includes a welcome breakfast buffet at registration, a business meeting and educational session, a four-

man scramble tournament followed by an awards ceremony and reception.

University of Florida IFAS Turf Coordinator Dr. John Cisar was on hand to update the audience on IFAS personnel changes and research projects to the turf program. Tim Williams, public relations director of Gatorland in Kissimmee talked about facts, myths and safety issues when dealing with alligators on golf courses. The bottom line is there are ways to manage alligators on your property without resorting to trapping and removal.

The golf tournament followed the meeting and the team of Duane Van Etten, Mark Wheaton, John Robertson and Jim Ahern took low gross honors with a 55. The low net winner was the team of Roger Hruby, Steve Lyerly, Johnny Nevill and Chip Powell. Skill contest winners were: Closest to the Pin No. 2 Terry Teats, No. 8 Bill Moore, No. 11 Buddy Carmouche and No. 16 Alan Niblett. Long Drive - S. M. Johnson. Accurate Drive - Bob Ley. Putting



University of Florida's IFAS Turf Coordinator, Dr. John Cisar gave an update on turf projects and personnel during the business meeting at the West Coast GCSA Bud Quandt Tournament. Photo by Cary Lewis.