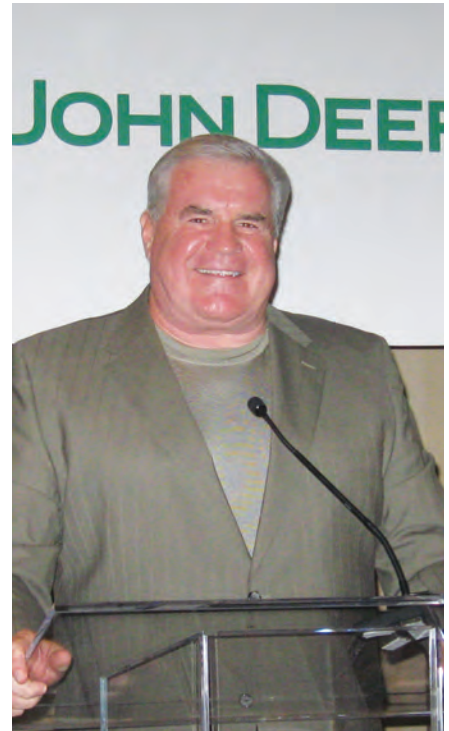




FGCSA President Shane Bass, CGCS and Association Manager Jennifer Innes staff the FGCSA Booth at the FTGA Trade Show. Jennifer reported that lots of Golf BMP Manuals and Media Kits were handed out. Photo by Joel Jackson.



Bill Bergey, four-time All-Pro middle linebacker with the Cincinnati Bengals and Philadelphia Eagles was a humorous and entertaining keynote speaker at this year's FTGA Award Luncheon. Photo by Joel Jackson.

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The location was great. The education was outstanding. The proximity of the lobby-lounge area made for a great meeting and networking location. The Toro Corn Boil was held at the rustic and secluded Bonnet Creek Hunting Club, but was only a few minutes from the resort and offered up tasty portions of open-pit-cooked wild boar, ham butt and roasted turkey. New FTGA President Todd Himmelberger said final numbers on attendance aren't in yet, but initial results appeared optimistic for the future.

The golf course was in great condition and a real test from the tips. One of the host superintendents, Blair Kirby won the FTGA Golf Tournament and a spot on the FGCSA Team for the GC-SAA Golf Championship to be played in Gulf Shores, Ala. in February.

The FGCSA staff did its part with Association Manager Jennifer Innes helping out at the registration desk and manning the FGCSA booth in the Trade Show. Executive Director Joel Jackson



Golf Agronomics Supply and Handling continued its generous annual support for turf research by donating \$3,000 to the FTGA Research Foundation. From left: Dale Mitchell, Todd Himmelberger, FTGA President, and Wesley Mitchell. Photo courtesy of Leading Edge Communications.

made a presentation on BMPs and Water Conservation in the Wednesday Golf Concurrent Session and served as moderator of the Thursday Golf Session.



Beljan, Himmelberger and Wreath of Grass.

Course Siting and Design section. Photo courtesy of Leading Edge Communications.

Golf Course Architect and FTGA Past President Jan Beljan was presented the 2008 FTGA Wreath of Grass award at the 56th Annual FTGA Conference and Show in Palm Beach Gardens. Beljan, with the Fazio Golf Design Group, served on the Golf BMP Manual Task Group in charge of the



Following the swearing in of the 2008-09 FTGA officers, Immediate Past President Darren Davis from the Olde Florida Golf Club passes the gavel to President Todd Himmelberger, sales representative for DuPont Professional Products. Photo by Joel Jackson.

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