

Donations

The FGCSA chapters give away more than plaques and awards at these annual events. At their Memorial Tournament, the NFGCSA donated \$1,500 to the First Tee of St. Johns County and made its annual turf student scholarship fund donation to Florida Gateway College (formerly Lake City Community College) in the amount of \$2,000.

At the 18th annual Suncoast Scramble also in March, at the Laurel Oak CC. in Sarasota, the chapter continued its unbroken record of annual donations to the FGCSA Turf Research account with \$2,500. I have been honored to receive those donations on behalf of the FGCSA since 1998, my first year on the job.

The annual Jeff Hayden Memorial Envirotron Classic is hosted by the Seven Rivers GCSA and the World Woods Golf Club. This year's event was a 36-hole sellout. The annual Golf Ventures and Champions Sponsor's donation of \$25,000 has helped to accumulate more than \$750,000 for turf research



(l-r): Glenn Oberlander, Tournament Chairman and Dan Adams, Seven Rivers President, receive the \$25,000 Envirotron Classic Champions Sponsor check from Walt McMahon and Debbie Nipper, Golf Ventures and Buddy Reid, Division Manager for Helena Chemical. Photo by Joel Jackson.

since the tournament began in 1993.

Many chapters events also raise money for local charities and perhaps none better than the Treasure Coast Blue Pearl event, which celebrated its 18th year at the Red Stick Golf Club in early May. With its tournament logo symbolizing our planet, The association has funded various regional environmental projects and facilities, charities and benevolent causes and turf research over the years. This year the TCGCSA gave \$10,000 to the Vero Beach Environmental Learning Center. At Red Stick



Tom Lawrence (left) of the First Tee of St. Johns County thanks Vice President Mike Stevens for the \$1,500 donation from the North Florida GCSA at the April Memorial Tournament. Photo by Joel Jackson.

FGCSA Executive Director Joel Jackson accepts a \$2,500 research check from Suncoast President Jeff Strother at the 2011 Suncoast Scramble in Sarasota. Photo by Lee Crosby.



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- Aug 5** FGCSA Annual Meeting, Disney's Osprey Ridge GC
- Aug 5** Crowfoot Open Seminar, Grand Cypress Villas Business Center
- Aug 5** Crowfoot Open Reception, Grand Cypress Villas Business Center
- Aug 6** Crowfoot Open Tournament and Awards Luncheon, Grand Cypress
- Aug 10** Seven Rivers Dan Adams Memorial Bowling Outing
- Aug 18** Calusa GCSA & Everglades GCSA Joint Meeting, Copperleaf GC

SEPTEMBER

- Sept 13-16** Florida Turfgrass Association Conference and Show, PGA National Resort
- Sept 21** Seven Rivers GCSA meeting, Black Diamond GC
- Sept 22** Palm Beach GCSA & South Florida GCSA Joint Meeting, Wycliff G&CC

OCTOBER

- Oct 6** Seven Rivers GCSA Pro/Superintendent Meeting, Stone Creek G.C.