

GCSAA honors Skogley, Brandt, others

Researchers, superintendents, golfers join those garnering organization's citations

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America has presented Distinguished Service Awards to James W. Brandt and Dr. C. Richard Skogley, its Leo Feser Award to Sherwood A. Moore and the Old Tom Morris Award to Juan "Chi Chi" Rodriguez.

The GCSAA honored the men at the 60th International Golf Course Conference and Show in February.

Brandt, a past president of the GCSAA, recently retired after 35 years as superintendent at Danville Country Club in Illinois.

A graduate of Oklahoma State University, Brandt earned a master's degree from Purdue University. He was an officer of the Indiana GCSA and the Midwest Turfgrass Foundation and helped organize the Central Illinois GCSA, serving as its president for five years.

Brandt also was one of the founders of the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation, which was instrumental in starting the turfgrass program at the University of Illinois.

Skogley is a professor of turfgrass agronomy and a turfgrass researcher at the University of Rhode Island, where he earned bachelor's and master's degrees. He earned his doctorate from Rutgers University.

Skogley has focused on management and plant improvement in his research, and has spoken at many seminars on such topics as bentgrass species and varieties for golf turfgrass.

An honorary member of New England area golf course superintendents organizations, Skogley has served as a chapter newsletter editor and on GCSAA national committees.

The Leo Feser Award, presented each year for the best-written article by a GCSAA member for Golf Course Management magazine, went to Moore for his May 1988 article "The Wisdom of Experience."

A past president of GCSAA and long-time contributor to the magazine, Moore said, "I am quite surprised and honored to receive this award. I feel fortunate to have been a friend of Leo Feser. It is an honor to accept an award named after such a great individual."

Rodriguez was honored for his work with disadvantaged children at the Chi Chi Rodriguez Youth Foundation in Clearwater, Fla.

Presenting the award, GCSAA outgoing president John A. Segui said, "Mr. Rodriguez has truly demonstrated the characteristics so commonly associated with Old Tom Morris. He has dedicated his life to promoting the game, but more so, he has dedicated his life to helping his fellow man."

Rodriguez, who has a dozen Senior Tour victories, said, "My greatest victory is when one of my kids gets a college degree. Golf is only a means by which to help others."

Old Tom Morris was a greenkeeper, club and ball maker, golf course architect and golf professional who won four British Open championships between 1861 and 1867.

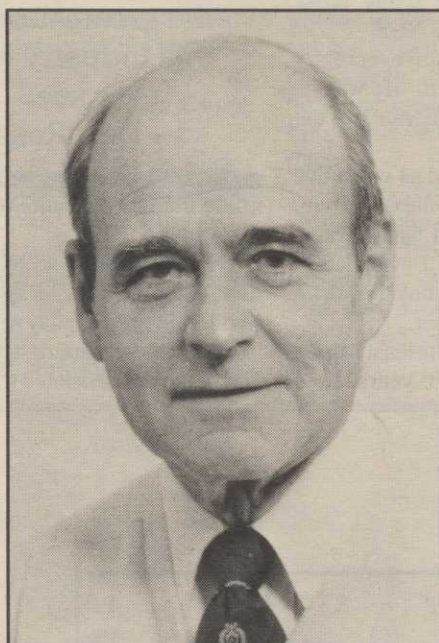
Newsletter awards

The GCSAA also honored editors of six outstanding newsletters.

The Best Overall Award for 16 pages or more went to Monroe S. Miller for the Wisconsin GCSA's "The Grass Roots."

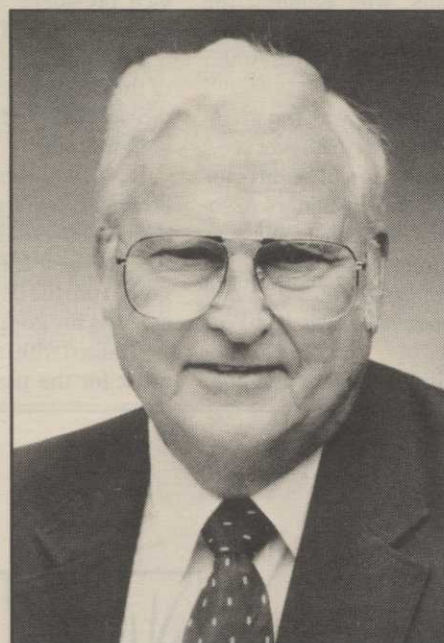
The Best Overall Award for 16 pages or fewer went to Ilona Gray for the GCSA of New Jersey's "The Greenside."

The Best Cover Award was won by Dan Jones of the Florida GCSA's "The Florida Green."



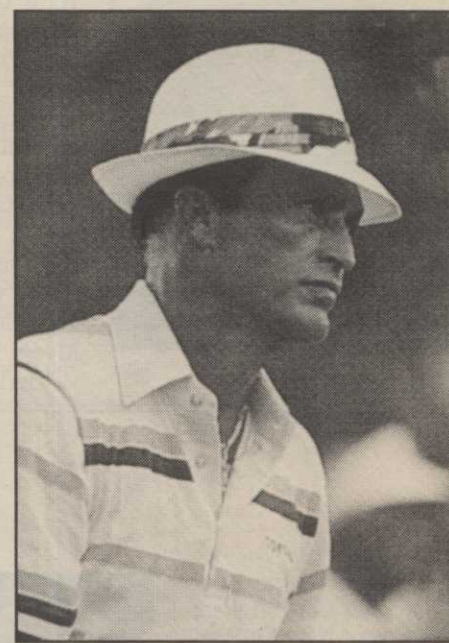
Dr. C. Richard Skogley

Linda Nogalo of Cactus & Pine GCSA's "Cactus Clippings" won the Best Flag Award. The award for best original editorial



James W. Brandt

content was presented to Ronald W. Kirkman of the GCSA of New England's "The Newsletter."



Chi Chi Rodriguez

Dr. Richard Duble of the Texas Turfgrass Association's "Texas Turfgrass" was given the award for best format and readability.

Past winners of the GCSAA awards

Old Tom Morris

1988 — Gene Sarazin
1987 — Robert Trent Jones Sr.
1986 — Patty Berg
1985 — Gerald Ford
1984 — Bob Hope
1983 — Arnold Palmer

Leo Feser

1988 — Sherwood Moore
1987 — David E. Hassel
1986 — David C. Harmon
1985 — Theodore W. Woehrle
1984 — Jerry W. Redden
1983 — Gordon C. Witteveen
1982 — Louis E. Miller
1981 — Paul N. Voykin
1980 — Donald J. Pakkala
1979 — Oliver Miles
1978 — Dan Jones
1977 — James M. Hildebrand
1976 — Tom Dawson Jr.

Distinguished Service

1988 — Dr. Jack Butler
William B. Davis
Dr. Kenyon Payne
Eberhard Steiniger, CGCS
1987 — Dr. James R. Love
David S. Gourlay Sr.
1986 — Andrew Bertoni
John B. Steel
Howard Kaerwer
Chester Mendenhall
1985 — James L. Blackledge
William C. Campbell
Clifford A. Wagoner
1984 — Warren A. Bidwell
Keith Nisbet
1983 — James B. Moncrief
Dr. Joseph Troll
Dr. James R. Watson
1982 — Milton J. Bauman
Sherwood A. Moore
Alexander M. Radko
Ben O. Warren Jr.

1981 — Geoffrey S. Cornish
Dr. Ralph Engel
Hans C. Schmiesser
1980 — Manual L. Francis
Dr. John Madison
1979 — Dr. C. Reed Funk
1978 — Dr. Roy L. Goss
Dr. John C. Harper II
Arthur A. Snyder
1977 — Harold W. Stodola
Paul E. Weiss Sr.
Robert M. Williams
1976 — Dr. Joseph M. Duich
Leo J. Feser
Thomas C. Mascaro
1975 — Dr. William H. Daniel
Raymond H. Gerber
Dr. Fred Grau
1973 — Walter R. Boysen
1964 — Theodore W. Woehrle
1961 — Dr. Jesse H. DeFrance
Eugene Marzalf
James Smith
1960 — Joseph C. Dey Jr.
Helen F. Lengfield
Oyvind J. Noer
1959 — Dr. John Monteith
Oyvind J. Noer
Richard S. Tufts
1958 — Dr. Glenn Burton
Professor L.F. Dickinson
Malcolm R. McLaren
Professor H. Burton Musser
Joseph Valentine
1957 — Thomas Dawson Jr.
Herbert Graffis
1954 — Dr. Fred V. Grau
1952 — Oyvind J. Noer
1941 — Frank W. Ermer
William H. Johnson
1940 — Colonel John Morley
1935 — John MacGregor
1932 — Colonel John Morley

1986 — Riley L. Stottern
1985 — Eugene D. Baston
1984 — James W. Timmerman
1983 — Robert W. Osterman
1982 — James A. Wyllie
1981 — Michael R. Bavier
1980 — Melvin B. Lucas Jr.
1979 — Charles H. Tadge
1978 — George W. Cleaver
1977 — Theodore W. Woehrle
1976 — Richard W. Malpass
1975 — Palmer Maples Jr.
1974 — Charles G. Baskin
1973 — Clifford A. Wagoner
1972 — Robert V. Mitchell
1971 — Richard C. Blake
1970 — Norman W. Kramer
1969 — John J. Spodnik
1968 — James W. Brandt
1967 — Walter R. Boysen
1966 — Edward Roberts Jr.
1965 — L.R. Shields
1964 — David S. Moote
1963 — Roy W. Nelson
1962 — Sherwood A. Moore
1961 — L.E. Lambert
1960 — James E. Thomas
1959 — Elmer G. Border
1958 — Robert M. Williams
1957 — Paul E. Weiss Sr.
1956 — A. Ward Cornwell
1955 — William Beresford
1954 — Norman C. Johnson
1953 — Leonard J. Strong
1952 — Malcolm E. McLaren
1951 — William H. Johnson
1950 — Ray H. Gerber
1949 — Carl A. Bretzlaff
1948 — Chester Mendenhall
1946-47 — Marshall E. Farnham
1941-45 — Harold W. Stodola
1940 — John Gray
1939 — Frank W. Ermer
1938 — Joseph Ryan
1937 — John Quail
1936 — John Anderson
1935 — Fred A. Burkhardt
1934 — W.J. Sansom
1933 — John MacGregor
1926-32 — Colonel John Morley

Past presidents

1988 — John A. Segui
1987 — Donald Hearn