

Southeast

USGA SOUTHEAST CONCLAVE SET

GREENVILLE, S.C. — The USGA's Southeastern Regional Conference will be held at the Greenville Country Club on March 11 and 12, 1996. The meeting is jointly sponsored by the Carolinas Golf Course Superintendents Association.

One highlight of this year's meeting



should be a panel discussion on the performance of the new heat-tolerant bentgrasses. Several prominent golf course superintendents who have installed the new bentgrasses at their courses, breeders,

and university professors will evaluate the pros and cons of these new bentgrasses.

Those interested in attending the conference should call the Southeastern USGA Green Section office at 1-800-296-9398 or 770-229-8125 to receive a registration form. The fee for attending the meeting is \$45.00.

NYSTA ELECTS SMITH

LATHAM, N.Y. - Stephen Smith of Old Colony Landscaping of Taunton, Mass., was elected president of the New York State Turfgrass Assocation (NYSTA) at its annual meeting in November. Smith

is a well-known member of the NYSTA who has served for many years as a board member and officer. This is his second term as president.



Anthony Peca,

Jr., of Batavia Turf Farms, Batavia, N.Y., was elected vice-president of the NYSTA. John Fik of Hobart and William Smith College, Geneva, N.Y., was elected secretary-treasurer.

Newly-elected directors include James Hornung, North Americare Park, Buffalo, N.Y., Western region; Michael Maffei, Back O'Beyond, Brewster, N.Y., at-large; and Joseph Hahn, Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N.Y., Finger Lakes region.

GEYER EARNS CERTIFICATION

LAWRENCE, Kan. - David M. Geyer, superintendent of Greate Bay Resort and Country Club in Somers, N.J., has been designated a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA). Geyer has been superintendent at the Greate Bay course since 1993.

The GCSAA instituted the certification program in 1971 to recognize outstanding and progressive superintendents. More than 1,400 active GCSAA members currently hold "CGCS" status.

To become certified, a candidate must have five years experience as a golf course superintendent, be employed in that capacity, and meet specific educational requirements of college credit or continuing education units. The candidate must then pass a six-hour examination covering knowledge of the GCSAA and the certification program; the rules of golf; turfgrass management; pest management; safety and compliance; and financial and organizational management.

GOLF COURSE NEWS

North Central

SKOKIE'S CROSS ELECTED PRESIDENT

GLENCOE, Ill. - The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents (MAGCS) has elected Don Cross of Skokie Country Club president. Cross succeeds Joel Purpur of River Forest Country Club in Elmhurst.

Vice president for 1996 is Ed Braunsky of Geneva Golf Course in Geneva, while Kevin



Czerkies at Sportsman Country Club in Northbrook is secretary/treasurer.

Elected to twoyear terms on the

board of directors were Bob Maibusch of Hinsdale Golf Course in Hinsdale, Luke Strojny of Poplar Creek Country Club in Hoffman Estates and Jim McNair of Orchard Valley Golf Course in Aurora.

Gregory Thalmann of Fox Run Golf Links in Elk Grove Village was elected to a oneyear term on the board. Completing the second year of their two-year terms are Don Ferreri of Seven Bridges Golf Course in Woodridge and Brian Bossert of Bryn Mawr Country Club in Lincolnwood.

IOWA GCSA ELECTS COOK PRESIDENT

DES MOINES, Iowa — The Iowa Golf Course Superintendents Association elected Steve Cook of Wakonda Club in Des Moines president during the Iowa Turfgrass Conference here Jan. 22-24.

Cook leads a new slate of officers including Vice President Jeff Bruns of Sunnyside Country Club (CC) in Waterloo and Director of Association Affairs Tim Johnson of Glen Oaks CC in West Des Moines

Elected to the board were Southwest Director Farrell Zimmerman of Avoca (Iowa) Municipal Golf Course, Central Director Tom Verrips of Otter Creek Golf Course in Ankney, Northeast Director Tom Lavrenz of Ellis Park Golf Course in Cedar Rapids, Director at Large Rick Tegtmeier of Elmcrest Country Club in Cedar Rapids, Southeast Director John Netwal of Glynns Creek Golf Course in Long Grove and Northwest Director Mark Coady of Primgar (Iowa) Golf & Country Club.

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South Central

N. TEXAS GCSA ELECTS WALKER PRESIDENT

FT. WORTH, Texas - Superintendent Rusty Walker of Woodhaven Country Club here has been elected president of the North Texas Golf Course Superintendents Association (NTGCSA), succeeding Glenn Moore of Cedar Creek Country Club in Kemp.

Walt Wilkinson of Indian Creek Golf



Course in Carrollton was elected vice president, and Roger Field Shady

Oaks Country Club in Ft. Worth secretary/treasurer.

Keith Ihms of Bent Tree Country Club in Dallas and Dan Wegand of Squaw Valley Golf Course in Glen Rose were elected to two-year terms on the board of direc-

Jim Newkirk with Jacobsen Textron in Carrollton was elected to a two-year commercial director's position.

Doug Fiene of The Ranch Country Club and Scott Peck of Carswell Golf Course have one year remaining on their terms

Beth Ann Gregory serves the association in the capacity of administrative as-

The annual NTGCSA Research Tour-ticide use.

nament raised more than \$4,800.

In past years this fund has helped through the donation of turf equipment and materials for a 9,000-dquare-foot putting green at the Texas A&M Research Station located in Dallas.

In addition, the NTGCSA Research Fund is supporting an ongoing Mole Cricket Study conducted by Dr. James Reinert and a nematicide project under the direction of Dr. Janell Johnk.

Mountains

CLARK, ANDERSON, TOLKACZ HONORED

DENVER, Colo. - Chuck Clark and Tommy Anderson of The Broadmoor golf courses were co-recipients of the Rocky Mountain RTA's Turfgrass Pro-



fessional of the Year award, given during the Rocky Mountain Turf Conference and Trade Show held here in December.

They were cited for their manage-

ment and preparation for the 50th U.S. Women's Open last year.

Meanwhile, the Distinguished Service Award was presented to Tom Tolkacz, who has campaigned over the years for reasonable legislation for pes-



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