

## GCSAA inks agreement to produce training videos

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) and EPIC of Wisconsin, Inc. have agreed to produce and market training videos for golf course superintendents and their staffs.

"Education is at the heart of our association," said GCSAA president Paul S. McGinnis. "The use of video is a proven and valuable tool to instruct people on technical methods and practices in golf course maintenance. I don't know of a better group than EPIC of Wisconsin to provide the superintendent professional this service. Its track record is excellent."

Known as the "Superintendent's Video Workshop" (SVW), the video-based training covers such topics as greens mowing, crew etiquette, safety on the golf course, irrigation winterization and spring startup,

## FTGA raises \$63K for research

TAMPA, Fla. — More than \$63,000 was raised to benefit turfgrass research at the Florida Turfgrass Association's (FTGA) 45th Annual Conference & Show.

Contributions were made to the FTGA during the association's annual Awards Lunch on Sept. 6. Donations included \$5,000 from Harrell's, Inc.; \$45,000 from the Seven Rivers Chapter of the Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association (FGCSA); \$4,000 from the Everglades Chapter of the FGCSA; \$6,000 from the Palm Beach Chapter of the FGCSA; \$2,500 from the Ridge Chapter of the FGCSA; and \$1,000 from the Treasure Coast Chapter of the FGCSA.

During the Awards Lunch the association's officers and directors for the 1997-1998 year were installed. Educational scholarships were also awarded to turfgrass students at the University of Florida and Lake City Community College and the association's coveted "Wreath of Grass" was awarded to Charlie Campbell of DowElanco for outstanding contributions to the turfgrass industry.

### IGM OPENS OFFICE

RICHMOND, Va. — International Golf Management (IGM) of Lakeland, Fla. continued its expansion, with the opening of a regional office here. This is IGM's third office, and it will cover Virginia, Washington, D.C., Maryland and North Carolina. The new office is at 1600 Forest Ave., Suite 190, Richmond, Va., 23229; 804-673-4600.

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safe pesticide handling and turf restoration, among others. Selected videos are translated for Spanish speaking employees.

A complete list of SVW training kits is available by contacting GCSAA at 1-800-472-7878.

### HEART OF AMERICA GCSA ELECTS HIGBIE PRESIDENT

FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kan. — Trails West Golf Course superintendent Gary Higbie has been elected president of the Heart of America Golf Course Superintendents Association.

Succeeding Bill Bologna of Swope Memorial Golf Course in Kansas City, Higbie is joined on the new board by Vice President Jim Naudet of Leawood (Kan.) South Country Club and Secretary/Treasurer Woody Moriarty of Hillcrest Country Club in Kansas City.

Elected to two-year terms on the board of directors were Dave Cettmer of Lawrence (Kan.) Country Club, Jon Francis of Country Club of Blue Springs and Jeff Snell of Falcon Ridge Golf Course in Lenexa.

Directors with one year remaining on their terms are Ron Darnell of Mozingo Golf Course in Maryville, Mo., Jon Kindlesparger of Alvarado Golf Course in Lawrence and Tyler Koch of Hodge Park Golf Course in Kansas City.

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