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GCSAA Honors Certified Golf Course Superintendents

Jerry Webb CGCS hits twenty-five year milestone

Over “Twenty-five percent of GCSAA’s Class A members have achieved the highest level of recognition through the CGCS professional designation,” said GCSAA President Sandy G. Queen, who has also held the CGCS designation for 25-plus years. “This program requires their demonstration of a higher set of competencies in golf course management through testing and practical application. Employers can feel confident they employ a career professional who has made a strong commitment to professional development.”

To qualify for GCSAA’s competency-based certification program, a candidate must have at least three years of experience as a golf course superintendent, be employed in that capacity and meet post-secondary educational requirements and/or continuing education points. The candidate’s knowledge, skills and abilities are validated through the development of a portfolio consisting of their responses to skill statements, case-study scenarios and submission of work samples; an on-site inspection of their golf facility; and a rigorous six-hour examination covering competencies relating to agronomic, business, communication, environment and leadership domains.

Maintaining certified status requires renewal every five years after the initial date of certification. To fulfill certification renewal requirements, a candidate must

participate in 150 hours of continuing education and professional development. Two-hundred thirty-eight GCSAA certified superintendents renewed their certification in 2011.

Jerry Webb CGCS, at the Riverwood National Vintage Golf Club in Otsego MN was recognized at the Celebrate Certification! reception at the GCSAA Education Conference in Las Vegas last month as attaining 25 years as a Certified Superintendent.

GCSAA is a leading golf organization and has as its focus golf course management. Since 1926, GCSAA has been the top professional association for the men and women who manage golf courses in the United States and worldwide. From its headquarters in Lawrence, Kan., the association provides education, information and representation to 19,000 members in more than 72 countries. GCSAA’s mission is to serve its members, advance their profession and enhance the enjoyment, growth and vitality of the game of golf.

The EIFG is the philanthropic organization of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, and has as its mission to foster sustainability through research, awareness, education, programs and scholarships for the benefit of golf course management professionals, golf facilities and the game.