



Cinnabar Hills' Brian Boyer Recognized as 2016 Superintendent of the Year by GCSANC

San Jose, CA - The Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California (GCSANC) held their Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony at TPC Harding Park in San Francisco in January 2016. The chapter presented awards highlighting the best of the superintendent profession in Northern California over the last year. Brian Boyer, Class A Superintendent at Cinnabar Hills Golf Club in San Jose, was awarded Superintendent of the Year.

“It was unexpected and I truly appreciate my fellow members recognizing my efforts,” said Boyer. “This is a team award and I couldn’t have done it without the support of my staff and the management at Cinnabar Hills. It’s truly a humbling experience.”

Starting his golf profession journey at a golf course in Michigan working as a cart attendant, Boyer requested a part time job in the maintenance department. His interest in turf-grass management paved the way to a B.S. degree in the subject from Michigan State. In 2005, Boyer was hired as the Superintendent at Cinnabar Hills.

Since Boyer’s arrival at Cinnabar Hills, the 27-hole public facility has received numerous awards: Best Golf Course in the Silicon Valley by the San Jose Mercury News and Metro readers, Best Educator in Water Conservation and Water Saving Hero, both by the Santa Clara Valley Water District, just to name a few.

“Brian is an amazing asset to our facility,” said Cinnabar Hills General Manager Ron Zraick. “His work on water issues in the San Jose area has been exemplary. Due to the drought, our local water district’s conservation requirements went well beyond the state mandates. Brian stepped up to the plate, worked with the Santa Clara Water District, and assisted with a solution that is beneficial to our facility and the community. He sets a great example for our industry on how to work with our policymakers while protecting golf’s best interests.”

Under watchful eye of Boyer, Cinnabar Hills reduced its 2014 water usage by nearly 25% over 2013 usage and by 31% in 2015 compared to 2013, all while keeping the golf course in premier shape. Boyer and the staff participate in monthly conservation and recycled water committee meetings as well as water district board meetings.

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