BOUND BROOK, NJ — Golf course superintendents, lawn care operators, turf seed distributors and other members of the turf industry recently met to discuss new developments and common interests. Once again Lofts' Research Center was the site of their Annual Turf Field Day.

Dr. Joseph DiPaola of North Carolina State University opened the program with "Turfgrasses for Shade Use." Then Dr. Mark Welterlen, of the University of Maryland, spoke of "New Turfgrass Trends." Lofts' Jeanne Ritchey discussed "Small Business Collections." Finally, Dr. Richard Hurley, Lofts' Research Director, presented "Ornamental Grasses and Their Use in the Landscape."

Following a picnic lunch, Dr. Hurley led a tour of Lofts' research plots. There visitors could observe the performances of several varieties under various conditions. The final item on the agenda was a demonstration of the NJ State Seed Certification program.

To be notified of next year's Turf Field Day, contact Lofts Seed Inc., Chimney Rock Road, Bound Brook, NJ 08805, (201) 356-8700.

Visitors to Lofts' Field Day tour research plots. Dr. Rich Hurley explains the purpose of the plots is to observe the performance of different varieties over long periods of time under normal growing conditions.

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