ASPA awards research grants

Nearly $80,000 in grants has been awarded six university researchers by the American Sod Producers Association. The group's Research Committee reviewed 23 projects, from 21 researchers at 16 institutions, requesting a total of $216,100 before reaching its decision.

Grants will go to:
• Dr. J.M. Gantley Jr. of Mississippi State University for research into "the influence of fall fertilization on the physiology, turf quality and winter hardiness of bermudagrass."
• Dr. A. Koski of Colorado State University to investigate the "influence of a soil-inert polymer and water-absorbent gel on irrigation requirements of transplanted sod."
• Dr. J.M. Gantley Jr. of Mississippi State University for research into "the influence of vertical mobility of insecticides and herbicides applied to turfgrass."
• Dr. R.E. Schmidt of VIP & State University for a study on 'biological development to measure activity of biofungicides used on turf.'
• Dr. Tom Watchle of Penn State University to study "polyacrylamides for turf."
• Dr. H.T. Wilkinson of University of Illinois to pursue "an integrated biological control program to reduce fungicides used for the control of lawn diseases."

Funding for ASPA research grants comes from the organization's general revenues, as well as a $5,000 contribution from the Ciba-Geigy Turf and Ornamental Group.

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\[ \text{Fertilizer Institute elects Rouse president} \]

Allen Rouse, president and chief operating officer of Terra International, Inc. in SiouxCity, Iowa, has been elected to a one-year term as chairman of The Fertilizer Institute.

The election, which also included selection of TFI's 1990 vice chairman and executive committee, was conducted during the association's annual meeting, an event which drew more than 1,000 industry representatives to Nashville, Tenn.

"Al Rouse knows the fertilizer industry and has the leadership to provide strong direction for TFI during 1990," said TFI President Gary D. Myers. "We are honored to have Al as our new chairman."

CMAA certifies 40 club managers

Forty club managers have been accredited by the Club Managers Association of America. Designees include Peter J. Albe of Country Club at Honeoye, Warren L. Amsee of Victoria Country Club; Oscar J. Berven of Country Club of Decatur; Gary R. Boussum of Mahn-Nab Tee-Soo Country Club; Terry R. Boys of Forest Lake Country Club; Richard G. Boughshe of BullsEye Country Club; David W. Chanaan of Tri-City Country Club; Terry G. Conley of Valsdotta Country Club.


Mary Hastings of Brookdale Country Club; Steve K. Hathaway of Los Angeles Athletic Club; Paul S. Hattimer of Saugatuck Country Club; Scott C. Hoblen of Nashua Country Club; Glenn E. Johnson of Corinth Christd Town Club; Isaac A. "Sam" Kidd of Country Club of Farmington; Melvin Kahn of Berry Hills Country Club; Caroline M. Kristoff of Mayfield Country Club; Brian R. Krueh of The Los Angeles Country Club; Thomas S. Lee of Indian Hill Club; Thomas McCarville of Elmcrest Country Club.


The candidates qualified for the certification by fulfilling specific requirements over a period of years in management, experience, education and association activity.

The exam contains 13 subject areas, such as private club administration, managerial accounting, food and beverage operations and principles of management.