**West**

**SOD CONFERENCE, FIELD DAYS SET**

The latest in sod farm equipment, products and technology will be featured in live demonstrations and static displays at the American Sod Producers Association's Annual Summer Convention and Field Days, July 31-Aug. 2.

The convention will be headquartered at the Red Lion/Lloyd Center in Portland, Ore., while the demonstrations are slated to be at Paul Jensen's J-B Instant Lawn farm in Silverton, Ore.

The equipment demonstrations will be conducted on Thursday, Aug. 1, while the displays will be open Wednesday and Thursday.

Friday, visitors will tour Tom DeArmond's Oregon Turf & Tree farm and Turf-Seed/Pure-Seed Testing's research operation, both in Hubbard, Ore.

The tour will be highlighted by turfgrass research experts Crystal Rose Flicker and Drs. C. Reed Funkjohn Hall, William Meyer and Richard Smiley.

Officers will be elected Wednesday at the annual business meeting and education assembly. The education talks — on subjects ranking from Pacific Northwest turfgrass research to implementation of urban forestry legislation — will be given by Professor Tom Cook, Harry Fahnstock, William Friesen, Dr. Fred Ledeboer and Arthur Milberger.

**Southeast**

**WOMEN'S GOLF SUMMIT READIED**

Women in Golf Summit 91, planned to assess the status of participation and opportunities for women in all aspects of golf, will be held at the Ladies Professional Golfers Association headquarters at 1680 East Blue Grass Lane, Daytona Beach, Fla., Oct. 24-26.

The conference will present research, which participants will analyze to prepare a plan to improve women's participation in the industry. Interested persons and organizations will follow up on the ideas and suggestions and present progress reports at summits in 1993 and 1995.

The LPGA is hosting the summit, with assistance from the National Golf Foundation, United States Golf Association, Women's Sports Foundation and other industry associations.

Issues to be covered are executive women in golf; why women leave the game; discrimination; junior and competitive golf; equipment, clothing and accessories for women; club membership and tee times; career opportunities; and the men behind women's golf.

Attendance will be limited to 200 to 300 by invitation. To apply, people should contact the LPGA at 2570 Volusia Ave., Suite B, Daytona Beach, Fla. 32114; 904-254-8800.

**TREE AND SOD TOUR**

Plans are being made for a May 16 tour and research update at Skinner's Wholesale Tree & Sod Farm in Crescent City, Fla. IFAS experts will present the research update.

More information on the Florida Cooperative Extension Service program is available from Uday Yadav at 407-323-2500, ext. 5509.

**CENTRAL FLORIDA TURF DAY**

Hunter's Creek Golf Course in Kissimmee will host the Central Florida Chapter GCSC Turf Field Day on June 21.

The CFC of TESTA will also host a 10 a.m. meeting as part of the activities. The annual CFC golf championship will be held the next day.

**RICHBURG HIRED**

Hal Richburg has been hired as superintendent at Heathrow Country Club in Orlando. Richburg is a graduate of Mississippi State.

**North Central**

**MID-AM ELECTS OFFICERS**

Richard Schwarz of Schwarz Nursery & Garden Center in Addison, Ill., has been re-elected president of the Mid-America Horticultural Trade Show.

Schwarz represents the Illinois Nurserymen's Association.

Peter Grathoff of Thornapple Landscape Maintenance in Geneva, Ill., representing the Illinois Landscape Contractors Association, was re-elected vice president.

William McDevitt, representing the INA, was named secretary, and Don Broth, representing the Wisconsin Landscape Federation, was elected treasurer.

McDevitt is from McDevitt Nursery Inc. in Dieterich, Ill., while Groth owns a landscaping firm in Greenfield, Wis.

New directors elected are Cheryl Muskus of C&J Landscaping in Addison, representing ILCA, and Thomas Hoerr of Green View Cos., Inc. in Dunlap, Ill., who represents INA.

Continuing as directors are Paul Swartz of Swartz Nursery & Garden Shop in Burlington, Wis., representing WLF, and W. Scott McAdam of McAdam Landscaping in Forest Park, Ill., representing ILCA.

The 1992 Mid-Am show has been scheduled for Jan. 16-18 at the Hyatt Regency Chicago.

**BLEW, JOHNSON CERTIFIED**

Gregg Blew of Carey Park Golf Course in Hutchinson, Kan., and Curtis Johnson of Grand View Country Club in Springfield, Mo., have been certified by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America.

**NEW ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT**

David Wegner has been named assistant superintendent at Kansas City Country Club.