North Central

OFF SHOW HAS HIGH EXPECTATIONS

CINCINNATI—More than 4,000 industry professionals are expected to attend the Ohio Turfgrass Foundation Conference and Show Dec. 2-5.

Athletic turf, lawn care and budget concerns will be prominent topics.

Athletic turf focus will be on grass selection, marking and painting, reinforcement materials and improving methods of drainage, cutting costs, defining field playability, the care of skin areas and safety and liability also will be discussed.

The all-day lawn care session will highlight new chemical herbicides, timing of applications, and the effect of post-herbicide irrigations. The weather's influence on insect control strategies will be probed, as well as factors afflicting off-target movement of pesticides.

Ed Wandtke of Columbus will discuss budgeting during lean times and also conduct a workshop on "O-Based Budgeting." Another workshop will examine proper planting.

For further conference information, phone 614-592-5801.

$500,000 RESEARCH GOAL

The Ohio Nurserymen's Association has a $500,000 goal for the Ohio Research Endowment Fund to benefit the Horticultural Research Institute.

ONA President Jim Reese said, "HRI represents our industry's national commitment to research."

The Ohio fund, currently at $145,000, is the largest state association fund within HRI. Since 1975, HRI has awarded more than $82,000 to support research projects in Ohio.

TURFGRASS EXPO

ST. CHARLES, Ill. — More than 1,000 delegates representing the green industry and turfgrass management throughout Illinois and the Midwest will attend the North Central Turfgrass Exposition at Pheasant Run Mega Center here, Dec. 2-4.

More than 150 exhibitors, 15 workshops, sessions and a two-day exposition/trade show have been packaged by the Illinois Turfgrass Association.

The educational program features key industry presenters. Speakers Monday, Dec. 2, are Louis J. Cassara of Lombard; James M. Latham and Robert Vareek of the United States Golf Association Great Lakes Region Greens Section in Megan, Wis.; Dr. Norman W. Hummer Jr. of Cornell University; Tom Voigt, Dr. Tom Fermanian, Dr. Roscoe Randell and Dr. Robert E. Wolf, all the University of Illinois; Dr. Randy Kane of Goshen Grove Village.

Workshops Dec. 3 include University of Illinois panelists Dr. Dave Wehner, Fermanian and Voigt; Tom Wierzenski, Richmond; Donald A. Orton and Dr. Randy Kane, both Oak Brook; Dr. Henry Wilkinson, U.Illinois; Perry Leigh, St. Charles; Christine Butterfield and Jeffrey D. James of Moline, and Latham.

The golf course, maintenance and tournament preparation will be discussed Dec. 4. Speakers include Pat Kelly, equipment and building maintenance superintendent at Village Links of Glen Ellyn; John Maguire of Sunset Ridge Country Club in Northfield, and Chuck Totten, Stonebridge Country Club in Aurora. Carol Quinette of Kishwaukee College in DeKalb will outline basic computer programming techniques for the maintenance facility.

Morning programs Dec. 4 will be headed by Dwight Dunbar and E.T. Crawford, Jr., both of Springfield, and John Hestor of Brayton Wilbur Ellis Co.

Afternoon workshops feature Raymond B. Anderson of the USGA Executive Committee from River Forest, Ken Miller of St. Louis, Varrey and Hummel.

Mountains

ARIZONA'S GREATEST SHOW

Cactus & Pine GCSSA is sponsoring its annual Greatest Show on AT Turf on Nov. 26 at San Marcos Resort in Chandler.

The theme for the show is the Golf in the 1990's — Here and Now. There will be top educational opportunities in conjunction with a local trade show.

Discussion topics will feature prominent speakers from the National Golf Foundation, Arizona Golf Association, Professional Golfer's Association, United States Golf Association, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and the University of Arizona.

For a registration form or further information, contact the Cactus & Pine office at 602-593-5989.

ARIZONA GRANT

The University of Arizona turf program has been awarded a $30,000 research grant from the USDA National Turfgrass Evaluation Program to study the characteristics and nitrogen use efficiency of buffalograsses.

Involved are greenhouse and field studies. Rosa Jaro and Westin La Polanza recently contributed nine tons of fertilizers, S amendments and pesticides to the UA turf material. The program is to be used at the new desert turgrass research center.

GROZTINGER JOINS MUNDUS

Linda M. Grozinger, a Cactus & Pine GCSSA/Arizona member, has joined Mundus Institute of Phoenix as instructor of turf management.

The school lists 900 hours of intensive study covering turf, club management and golf shop operations. The first graduating class completed course work Sept. 27.

Graduates Phillip Johnson and Scott Merritt are seeking golf course work.

COLORADO BOARD ELECTED

The Colorado Association of Lawn Care Professionals has elected a new board of directors.

President is Steve Hyland of Hyland Brothers Lawn Care in Fort Collins; vice president Andy Bell of Service Master Lawn Care of Colorado; Littleton; and secretary-treasurer Donette Faulk Verrett of SA Turf Products in Federal Heights.

Other directors are: Dr. Whitney Cranfills, Colorado State University, Fort Collins; Dave Crowley, Hyland Brothers; Richard Kelt, Lawn Doctor Lakewood, Lakewood; Tom Tolkasz, Swingle Tree Co., Denver; Lynn Verretta, Keenen Enterprises, Westminster; Gary Vitt, Lawn Doctor CS/Pueblo, Colorado Springs; and Julie Marie, executive secretary, Calp, Parker.

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