1,444 Attend MTGF’s Fourth Conference

The Minnesota Turf and Grounds Conference welcomed 1,444 attendees to its fourth annual gathering December 10-12 at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

During its third year in the dome at the Convention Center, the Trade Show set a record of 275 booths.

Following is a breakdown of the 1,313 members who attended the conference from the nine associations which make up conference:

Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents’ Association (MGCSA), 586;
Minnesota Parks Supervisors Association (MPSA), 159;
Minnesota Nursery & Landscape Association (MNLA), 148;
Minnesota Association of School Maintenance Supervisors (MASMS), 78;
Minnesota Society of Arboriculture (MSA), 73;
Minnesota Sports Turf Managers Association (MSTMA), 42;
Minnesota Turf Association (MTA), 21;
Minnesota Association of Cemeteries (MAC), 6.
Northern Minnesota Forage and Turf Seed Advisory Committee (NMFTSAC), 0.

There were 331 vendors working the exhibit booths for a grand total of 1,444.

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HOSPITALITY NIGHT AT NATIONAL TAKES PLACE FEBRUARY 6 AT THE WESTCOAST ANAHEIM HOTEL 6:00–10:00 P.M. HORS D’OEUVRES AND CASH BAR PROVIDED LOOK FOR REGISTRATION FORM IN THE MAIL

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