2008 MTGF/UM Field Day Set for September 11

The Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation (MTGF) and the University of Minnesota annual Field Day provides turfgrass and related professionals an opportunity to learn about new research being conducted at the Turfgrass Research, Outreach and Education (TROE) Center. Leading researchers will demonstrate their projects and how they directly benefit turfgrass and related industries.

Suppliers and vendors for the turf and grounds industry will be on hand to demonstrate the latest products, services, and equipment available. Lunch is catered by Famous Dave's.

Field Day also features a grounds track for those interested in learning about other forms of horticultural research taking place at the University.

OVERVIEW
(7:30 - 8:30 a.m.) Registration, Exhibits and Trial Gardens
(7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) Exhibits Open
(8:30 - 9:00 a.m.) Welcome

Kathy Aro, Executive Director, Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation
Allen Levine, Dean, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences
Brian Horgan, Associate Professor, Department of Horticultural Science

(9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.) University of Minnesota Field Research Tours
(12:15 - 2:00 p.m.) Lunch and Exhibits

TURF TRACK
(9:00 a.m.) Genetic Improvement of Prairie Junegrass for Use as a Turf
Matthew Clark, Research Assistant, Department of Horticultural Science
Breeding and Evaluating Perennial Ryegrass Cultivars for Minnesota
Nancy Jo Elke, Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics
Fine Fescue Cultivars
Andrew Holliman, Scientist, Department of Horticultural Science

2005 Kentucky Bluegrass NTEP Trial
Eric Watkins, Assistant Professor, Department of Horticultural Science
(10:15 a.m.) Kentucky Bluegrass Rough Conversion
Matthew Cavanaugh, Research Assistant, Department of Horticultural Science
Post Emergent Grassy Weed Control
Andrew Holliman, Scientist, Department of Horticultural Science
Establishment and Maintenance of Fine Fescue Putting Greens
Brian Horgan, Associate Professor, Department of Horticultural Science
Nutrient Runoff
Carl Rosen, Professor, Department of Soil, Water and Climate
(11:15 a.m.) Nonselective Organic Herbicides
Robert Mugaas, Extension Educator-Horticulture, U of Minnesota Extension
Turfgrass Disease Control
Robert Golembiewski, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota
Crookston Department of Natural Resources
Entomology
Vera Krischik, Associate Professor, Department of Entomology
Turf-Legume Mixes: N Fertility and N Fixation
JoAnn Lamb, USDA-ARS, Adjunct Associate Professor, Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics

GREENS TRACK
(9:00 a.m. -12:15 p.m.) Horticulture Display and Trial Garden Tour
Campus Landscape Design and Plant Material Walk and Talk
James Calkins, Education Specialist, Department of Horticultural Science
TRE Nursery Tour
Jeffrey Gillman, Associate Professor, Department of Horticultural Science
Chad Giblin, Assistant Scientist, Department of Horticultural Science

EXHIBITS AND LUNCH
(12:15 - 2:00 p.m.) Exhibits and Lunch