

# Rice Brothers Featured Speakers at 1986 Conference and Show

FTGA's annual conference and show scheduled for October 19-22 promises to be the highlight of the year with plans in place for the largest show of its kind in the southeast.

Featured speakers at this year's show will be the Rice Brothers. Seen on such shows as "Real People," "PM MAGAZINE," "ABC's 20/20," and several commercials, John and Greg Rice are the twin dwarfs carrying a big message regarding motivation. Their presentation will be uplifting, motivational, and "fun-spirational." "Think Big" is their philosophy and they have a personal commitment to excellence with their blend of personal magnetism and astounding drive to succeed.



The educational sessions are planned to bring the latest information to a wide variety of professionals. Three educational sessions include:

**GOLF TURF, LAWN AND COMMERCIAL TURF, and PRINCIPLES OF TURFGRASS MANAGEMENT.** Speakers at the educational sessions represent a blend of university, industry, and government. Some of the speakers include: Dr. Euel Coats, Mississippi State; Dr. T. E. Freeman, University of Florida, IFAS; Dr. Ken Lewis, Union Carbide Company; Dr. G. C. Horn, Gainesville.

Workshops, popular last year, have been expanded to four for 1986. The success of last year's workshops was due to their practicality and "hands on" approach. This year will be no exception as we bring you:

**TURFGRASS NUTRITION AND FERTILIZATION** — Dr. Jerry Sartain. A laboratory approach to turf nutrition. Topics will include soil factor which influence turf fertilization and choice of fertilizer materials; how to interpret soil test analyses; the importance of proper timing of fertilizer applications; and the interaction of turf nutrition with stress related problems.

**TURF NEMATODE IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL** — Dr. R.A. Dunn. This workshop will focus on methods of sampling for accurate identification of nematode problems; extraction procedures for nematode species; and interactions of nematode problems with control methods.

**TURF INSECT IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL** — Dr. Don Short. A "hands-on" approach to identifying harmful and beneficial insects of turf. Topics to be covered will include recognizing insect problems; identifying problem insects; and IPM approaches to insect control.

**TURF DISEASE IDENTIFICATION AND CONTROL** — Dr. Gary Simone. This is a repeat of the most popular workshop from last year. The laboratory approach will cover how to positively identify turf diseases using microscopic techniques; how to prepare specimens for identification; and the interactions of disease problems with environmental and cultural conditions.

The workshops will be offered on three days; October 20, 21 and 22 and will be limited to 24 individuals in each workshop. To assure your place, please remember to register early.

The trade show again promises to be the grand event as always. This year, we welcome over 130 suppliers of the latest turfgrass equipment and supplies for the professional turf manager. **NEW THIS YEAR:** On Wednesday, October 21 the exhibit hall will be open **FREE OF CHARGE!** This will be a great opportunity to bring employees, co-workers, assistants — even the greens committee! A total 13 1/2 quality exhibit hours will give you the opportunity to see everything. Hours are: Monday 10 AM-1 PM, 4 PM-7 PM; Tuesday, 1:30 AM-6 PM; Wednesday, 10 AM-1 PM.

The conference and show gets better each year and with our featured speakers, expanded workshops, and great education sessions, FTGA 1986 is the place to be. Don't miss it! ■