

FTGA Roundup Annual Pest Control Guide Distributed

The Florida Turfgrass Association sent out to its membership packages that included the 1998 University of Florida's Pest Control Guide for Turfgrass Managers. This publication is an important tool for the safe use of pesticides. A booklet on how to motivate employees to superior performance was also included in the package, along with a report titled "FTGA — A Year in Review."

At the request of the Southern Seed Foundation, the FTGA is helping the Foundation inform the industry of the high standards of our turf certification program by sending out handbooks on the standards and regulations for certified turfgrass production in Alabama and Florida to all facets of the turf industry in Florida. The FTGA will also help promote certified grass by inserting flyers in the next issue of the *Turf Digest*.

Planning continues for an outstanding FTGA Conference & Show this September in Tampa. The Florida Turfgrass Association invited the Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association to participate in finding speakers for workshops and concurrent sessions. With the assistance of the Central Florida, Everglades and West Coast chapters of the FGCSA, the FTGA is funding three Etonic Leadership Series seminars which will be eligible for tested CEUs.

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along with all this education. There is Casino Night, Vendor Hospitality Night, an opportunity to win a Kawasaki Jet Ski and much more. The FTGA is trying to make it more economical for all to attend by having special package pricing this year: registered superintendents will be able to bring their managers with them for free and all registrants will receive lunch coupons. In addition, there will be a New Product Showcase and your only opportunity for show sale pricing from some of our 300 exhibitors.

The FTGA would like to recognize the Seven Rivers Chapter of the FGCSA, World Woods Golf Course, Barbaron, Inc. and Glen Oberlander for their dedication to turfgrass research and thank them for arranging and hosting the 6th Annual Envirotron Classic.

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