

# ASSOCIATION NEWS

## Illinois Turfgrass Foundation plans fund-raisers for research projects

The Illinois Turfgrass Foundation's board of directors is planning activities for 1990 that include several "Golf Days" to generate funds for research.

In recent years the foundation has contributed an average 20 percent of gross income in direct support to university programs, and the new budget calls for at least 22 percent of income directed to new and

ongoing research projects.

The foundation is led by President Michael D. Vogt, Vice President Kerry G. Anderson and Secretary-treasurer Robert W. Graunke.

John M. Turner is immediate past president and directors are Phillip H. Hall, Conrad J. Stynchula, Jim Ashby, Warren Shafer, Robert J. Dore and David Ward.

## McMullen plans mechanics school for Michigan

Fritz McMullen, of Forest Lake Country Club in Bloomfield Hills, was chosen by Michigan Turfgrass Foundation board members to lead the foundation into the 1990s.

Meeting during the recent Michigan Turfgrass Conference, the board unanimously elected McMullen as its new president. He succeeds Kurt Thuemmel.

McMullen's initial priorities as president include establishing a golf course mechanics school at MSU and appointing an environmental turfgrass specialist.

Serving with McMullen will be Jim Bogart of Turfgrass, Inc., who was elected vice president for 1990. Re-elected by board members were Gordon LaFontaine from Lawn Equip-

ment Co., executive secretary; Kurt Kraly of Wilkie Turf, recording secretary; and Jeff Gorney of J. John Gorney, Inc., treasurer. In addition, Dave Longfield of Garland Golf Club was appointed to assist the treasurer.

McMullen's election followed the annual Michigan Turfgrass Foundation meeting during which the foundation membership re-elected all four incumbent board members.

Dave Longfield will serve a second term representing the Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association, while Tim Doppel continues as lawn-care representative. Also re-elected were Ron Juip of the Sod Grower's Association of Michigan and Kurt Kraly as an at-large board member.

## Midwest supers give to Musser

The Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents became the first chapter in the country to donate money to the Musser International Turfgrass Foundation of Sharon Center, Ohio.

Presenting a \$1,000 check at the GCSAA International Golf Course Conference and Show, MAGCS President Bruce Williams, of Bob O'Link Golf Club in Highland Park, Ill., said, "We hope that other chapters will consider supporting the work of doctoral candidates in

turfgrass science."

Musser Foundation President Frank Dobie echoed Williams' hopes that other superintendents associations would follow suit.

Melodee Kemp, a doctoral candidate at Rutgers University and one of three Musser scholarship recipients for 1990, said:

"All of us associated with the turfgrass industry are fortunate to have an organization like the Musser Foundation supporting turfgrass education.

## HAGCSA calls for research support

The Heart of America Golf Course Superintendents Association has put out a call to all sectors of the golf industry to join it in supporting scholarship and research.

HAGCSA is seeking donations so that it can continue to grant scholarships as well as support turfgrass research at Kansas State University and the University of Missouri Columbia.

The association held its annual scholarship and research tournament on June 4 and will donate the proceeds to Kansas State and UMC for turfgrass science and research programs, as well as to the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Scholarship and Research Fund and the USGA/GCSAA Committee for Environmental Research.

People may contact Duane Patton at Lawrence (Kansas) Country Club.

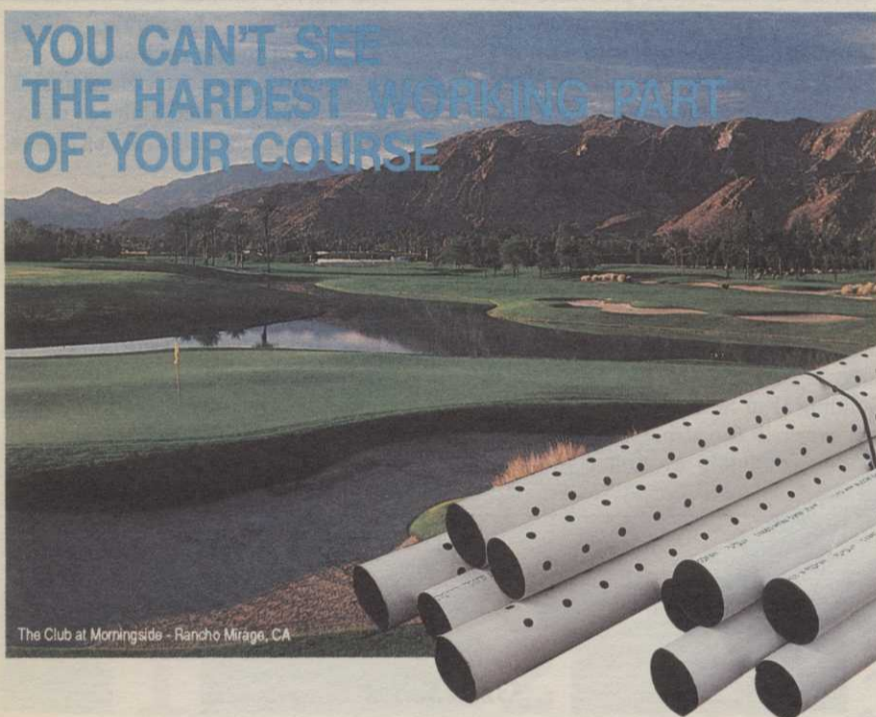
## ASTA conclave set

The American Seed Trade Association's 107th annual meeting June 25-29 in Orlando, Fla., will feature a variety of educational programs as well as many family activities, according to President Jerry Peterson.

All of the ASTA divisions and most committees will meet during the convention to deliberate on the progress and problems facing the association and to chart the course of its activities for the coming year. The convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Hotel and Resort.

More information is available from ASTA Assistant to the Executive Vice President Robert J. Falasca at the ASTA, 1030 15th St., N.W., Suite 964, Washington, D.C.

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