

Ohio Turfgrass Conference headed back to Columbus in 1993

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COLUMBUS, Ohio—The Ohio Turfgrass Conference, this country's largest regional turfgrass conference and trade show, is moving back to Columbus on December 6-9, 1993. After a successful three-year run in Cincinnati, the Ohio Turfgrass Foundation signed a new 10-year contract to house the conference in the newly remodeled and enlarged Columbus Convention Center.

"We really enjoyed our three years in Cincinnati, but our attendance should grow even more having the conference located in the middle of our state," stated Ed Eaton,

chairman of the show and convention committee. "With over 4000 attendees, more than 300 exhibitors, and 32 speakers, the focal point is to have a different educational theme each year," Eaton noted.

"During our 26th Annual Conference in 1992, we initiated a job fair, hooking up prospective employers and job seekers to go through the interview process. We also continued our Silent Auction with over 30 companies donating a vast variety of items to further raise monies for the turfgrass industry," Eaton further explained.

John Street, executive secretary of the

OTF and Fred Bosh, chairman of the program committee, have done a great job in that department. The education workshops, in addition to the split and general session conference, have been extremely successful and they have only scratched the surface of the many future topics to be discussed.

The pesticide license training, testing, and re-certification has been well attended during conference week. Each educational speaker gives out a code word made up of letters and numbers at the "end" of each talk to maintain credibility while ac-

quiring re-certification points to keep abreast of all new pesticide regulations and safety procedures.

All proceeds go toward grants, research, and scholarships under the auspices of The Ohio State University Agronomy Department. Much of the research that is ongoing at OSU is shown off to the turf industry each September during their annual field day, headed up by Dr. Karl Danneberger.

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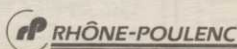


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