### Northeast

#### PHRAGMITE FIGHT CONTINUES

The Delaware Division of Fish and Wildlife is making matching-grant funds available to landowners to combat



phragmites, a fastgrowing, extremely hard reed which has taken over large areas of wetlands in the state.

Phragmites, which are forcing out other valuable plants, have an

extensive root system and can present a fire hazard during the winter.

The DFW is accepting applications from landowners who want to join the program and set up a two-year herbicidal treatment. Research has shown that phragmites can be controlled in most areas by spraying the Monsanto's Rodeo herbicide during the late summer over two consecutive years.

Under the cost-share program, the landowner will pay about \$30 per acre for the first year's treatment and \$19 per acre the second year. From five to 200 acres are allowed. Approximately \$55,000 is available this year. Last year, more than 600 acres were treated.

#### PINIELLA KEYS N.Y. EVENT

ROCHESTER, N.Y. - The New York State Turfgrass Association in cooperation with Cornell University has announced that Lou Piniella, manager of the Seattle Mariners, is the keynote speaker for the annual Turf and Grounds Exposition. The conference will be held at Riverside Convention Center, Nov. 9-12, Piniella will address the attendees at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 10.

The Turf and Grounds Exposition provides turfgrass professionals with a chance to sharpen their skills, find solutions to their problems and network with peers. The 1992 conference set a record with over 1,700 attendees and 300 trade show booths. This year's program includes seminars on Nov. 9 and split sessions Nov. 10-12.

Pesticide applicator recertification credits are available for New York, Vermont, New Hampshire and Pennsylvania. C.E.U.'s from the Professional Grounds Managers Society, International Society of Arboriculture, the Golf Course Superintendents Association and the New York State Parks and Recreation Society are awarded.

The seminars area Turfgrass Management: Back to Basics, featuring Cornell and SUNY faculty; Residential Landscape Design, presented by leading practitioners; Risk Management, presented by Dr. Frank Rossi; Regulatory Issues involving federal motor carrier regulations and spill prevention, containment and cleanup; and Irrigation Efficiency, presented by Dr. Ken Solomon, Center for Irrigation Technology. Registration for the irrigation seminar only is through the GCSAA (call 913-832-4444).

The complete conference program, registration form and exhibitor registration information are available from NYSTA, P.O. Box 612, Latham, NY 12110; or call 1-800-873-TURF or 518-783-1229.

### Mountains

#### ARBORIST FEATURED IN WYOMING

CASPER, Wyo. - Dr. Alex L. Shigo, an internationally renowned arborist, will be featured at two sessions at the Wyoming



Groundskeepers and Growers Association's (WGGA) Annual Conference and Trade Showhere, Jan. 26-28.

Shigo will speak from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 4 p.m. Jan.

The show, at the Casper Events Center, will also include talks on athletic field drainage, equipment repair and maintenance, irrigation, turf maintenance, playground equipment, safety, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

More than 50 exhibitors are expected. More information is available from Tammy Young of WGGA at 307-637-7060.

## **North Central**



#### **ILLINOIS TURF SHOW SET**

ST. CHARLES, Ill. - More than 40 turf specialists, 16 idea-filled workshops and 150 exhibits of new turf products and services will be featured when the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation holds the 10 anniversary North Central Turfgrass Exposition (NCTE), Nov. 29 to Dec. 1, at the Pheasant Run Resort here.

"This year's exposition will have something for everyone," said ITF President and NCTE Chairman James D. Ashby. "The exposition will address the needs of seasoned turfgrass professionals and will include four sessions of a 'Back to Basics' program being given as part of a comprehensive educational certification program being developed by the ITF.

"The program is part of what ITF hopes will become a vehicle for accreditation in the area of turfgrass management."

The NCTE will feature sessions addressing the needs of golf course mechanics and superintendents, sports and non-sporting turfgrass managers, landscape contractors and designers and lawn care professionals.

On Tuesday, Nov. 30, association President James Ashby will present the winner of the 1993 ITF Distinguished Service Award during a special ceremony to be held during the afternoon NCTE General Session.

Registration and program information for the North Central Turfgrass Exposition may by obtained by contacting Nancy Jones or Jack Lagershausen at the Illinois Turfgrass Foundation, One Illinois Center, 111 E. Wacker Drive, Suite 200, Chicago, Ill. 60601-4298; telephone 312-616-0800.

#### MISSOURI SUPER CERTIFIED

William A. Bologna, superintendent of Hodge Park GC, has been designated a Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS) by the GCSAA.

Bologna has been superintendent of the Kansas City course since 1989. To become certified, a candidate must have five years experience as a golf course superintendent and be employed in that capacity. They must pass a rigorous six-hours examination covering the rules of golf. turfgrass management, pest management, financial and organizational management, and the history, ethics, purpose and procedures of GCSAA.

Also, an on-site inspection of Bologna's golf course operation was conducted by two currently certified superintendents-Kalman Horvath, CGCS, of Overland Park; and Nels Lindgren, CGCS, of Kansas City.

#### KANSAS STORAGE TANK LAW PASSED

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) has adopted new regulations requiring owners and operators of above-ground storage tanks to register and obtain a permit to continue operation of the tanks after Jan. 1

Most tanks larger than 660 gallons and which contain petroleum or hazardous products are covered by the law.

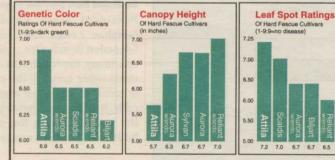
Exempt are tanks smaller than 660 gallons, ones that are used for agricultural chemicals such as fertilizers and pesticides, and those which contain compressed gases such as propane.

The state Legislature in 1992 passed a storage tank act requiring the KDHE to set up and operate a trust fund to help tank owners pay for environmental cleanups when petroleum products are spilled or leak from tanks.

The agency must also obtain information about the location, ownership, and contents of storage tanks, and to adopt federal standards for installation, maintenance and operation of tanks.

The regulations will affect some 6,000 to 8,000 tanks statewide, KDHE officials estimate.

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