

## Mountains



ROCKY MT. CONCLAVE SET FORT COLLINS, Colo. — The 42nd annual Rocky Mountain Turf Conference, to be held Dec.

6-8, will provide additional research funds for Colorado State University.

Last year's Turf Conference provided funding for the RM Turfgrass Research Foundation which awarded \$25,000 in research grants.

Since 1988 the Rocky Mountain Turfgrass Research Foundation has provided research grants to Colorado State University professors in excess of \$184,000. The 1995 grants of \$25,000 were awarded to four professors.

Dr. Tony Koski will use his

grant for research on "Changes in the composition of Kentucky Bluegrass/Perennial Ryegrass, and Poa supina mixtures during establishment and with simulated traffic."

Also, "High-Altitude Perennial Ryegrass Variety trials"; Quality, drought resistance, root production, and disease occurrence on Kentucky Bluegrass as affected by irrigation frequency/ timing, fertilizer type/amount, and mowing height."

Funds will also be used for maintenance and equipment at the turf facility.

Dr. Whitney Cranshaw will use his grant for completion of his insect publication as well as education materials, periodicals and travel.

Dr. Harrison Hughes' grant will be used to complete salttolerant buffalograss lines isolated in vitro filed evaluation and hydroponic evaluation. The grant to Dr. Bill Brown will be utilized to support his diagnostic laboratory.

The primary funding for the foundation is derived from the Annual Turf Conference held each December in Denver.



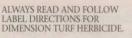
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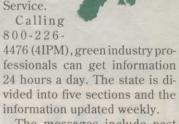
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The messages include pest management strategies, growing degree days correlated with plant growth activity, educational opportunities and other cultural issues.

## **North Central**



## **UST ASSURANCE HUNT IN ILLINOIS**

Underground storage tank (UST) owners and operators in Illinois have been scrambling to replace the Illinois Underground Storage Tank Fund as their financial assurance mechanism. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 5 officials said the Illinois UST Fund, which has more than \$30 million in unpaid claims, no longer provides UST owners with effective coverage for cleanup costs and compensation of third parties for bodily injury and property damage

The EPA requires that the state's 12,000 UST owners have coverage to ensure that leaking tanks can be properly cleaned.

South Central



ARKANSAS READIES CONFERENCE LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — The Arkansas Turfgrass Association will host its annual Conference and Trade Show on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 22-23. It will be held here at the Arkansas Statehouse Convention Center and the Excelsior Hotel. For more information contact Angie McSwain at 501-663-8810, or Arkansas Turfgrass Association, Penthouse Suite, 1123 S. University, Little Rock, Ark. 72204.



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