

AT ST. PAUL CAMPUS

University of Minnesota Field Day Set July 26th

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Have you ever wondered what type of research was being conducted at the University of Minnesota related that would be relevant to turfgrass management? How is that research related to the day to day operation of your profession? Here is your opportunity to experience first hand what is going on at the University.

The University of Minnesota, in conjunction with the Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation is pleased to announce the second annual University of Minnesota Turf and Grounds Field Day.

This event is designed to give you an opportunity hear about the research activities at the University and to examine the field plots where the research is being conducted. The other goal of the field day is to provide an additional opportunity for you to become acquainted with the University faculty and staff that are conducting turfgrass research. This year we are especially pleased to welcome Dr. Brian Horgan to the U of M turfgrass team. The speakers will present their research to small groups and time will

be allotted for questions and discussion.

The turfgrass research will cover a broad range of topics including turfgrass breeding, soils, nutrient fate, ornamental grasses, disease management, and new technologies. Attendees will also have the opportunity to take time to evaluate turfgrass varieties in the National Turf Evaluation Program (NTEP) trials on campus including Kentucky bluegrass, fairway bentgrass, and the perennial ryegrass trial.

In addition to the turfgrass track of the field day we will also be offering a concurrent session that will address arboriculture and landscape. The landscape and arboriculture track will highlight some the features of the demonstration gardens, Dutch elm disease management, and some of the more exotic species cultivated on the University of Minnesota St. Paul campus.

The field day is scheduled to begin at 9:00 AM and end by 1:00. As with last year, special parking privileges will be available for attendees. The cost for participating in the

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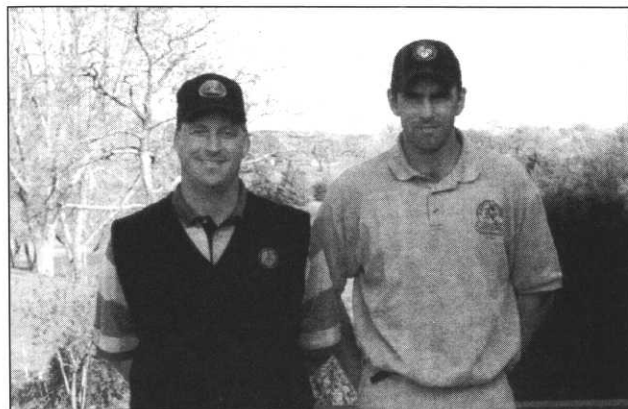
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field day will be only \$10 for persons who pre-register. The sign-in desk will be open from 8 to 9 AM at the demonstration gardens. Registration will be available on the day of the field tours for \$15. All participants will be provided with a field day program at the sign-in desk. Coffee and doughnuts will be available in the morning and refreshments will be available during the field tours. You are invited to stay after the tours to take an extended look at field plots, visit with presenters, or to walk around campus. If you would like a boxed lunch, you may pre-register for one for \$7.50. The proceeds of this event will go to cover field day expenses and to support research and educational activities at the University.

So mark July 26th on your calendar and plan on joining us for this summer event. If you have any questions about the field day feel free to contact Jon Powell at 612/625-5290 or visit the web site <http://www.crc.agri.umn.edu/~jpowell/turf/field-day.htm>



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