

Over 200 Attendees Enjoyed The UIM/MTGF Field Day

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MTGF President

Over two hundred individuals attended the annual University of Minnesota Turf and Grounds Field Days hosted by the Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation.

Attendees enjoyed a greet and meet with Allen Levine, Dean of the College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, followed by NTEP trial tours next to the campus and completed at the TROE Center where they observed new maintenance concepts, phosphorous run off trials and turf evaluation experiments. Several vendors had booths and everyone enjoyed the buffet lunch of Famous Dave's BBQ.

Kathy Aro, Executive Director of the MTGF, promises that next year will be even better with a "new" demonstration area for equipment use, more trials, vendors and participants.



Matthew Clark, a research assistant in the Department of Horticultural Sciences at the University of Minnesota spoke on genetic improvement of Prairie Junegrass for use as a turf.



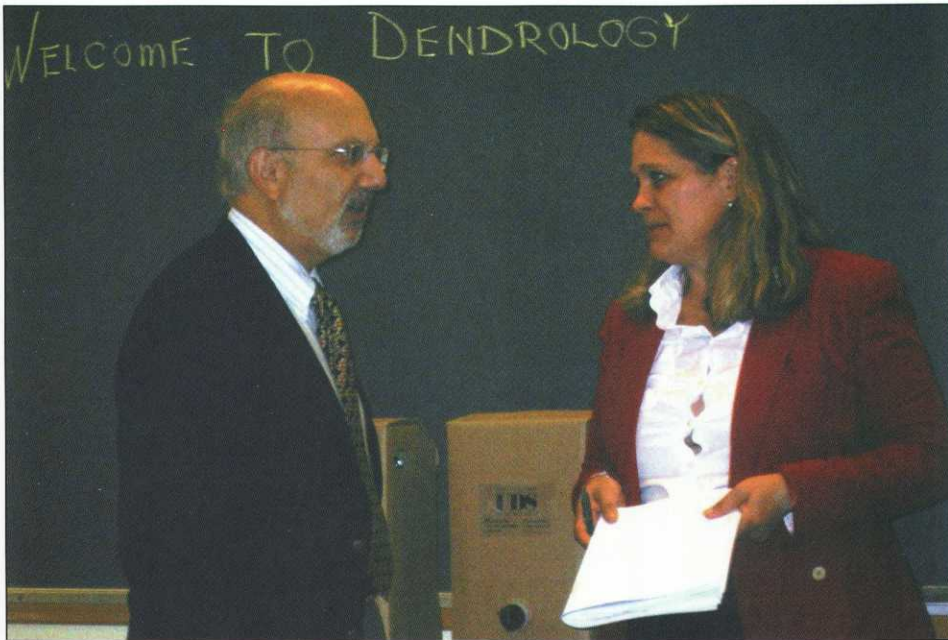
Fine Fescue Cultivars at the University of Minnesota.



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Allen Levine, Dean, College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences, converses with MTGF Executive Director Kathy Aro, MTGF

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Andrew Hollman, scientist, Department of Horticulture spoke on Fine Fescue Cultivars. Pictured below are the National Kentucky Blue trials taking place at the University of Minnesota.

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