The Turfgrass Pathology Research Fund

In 2013 the MTC voted unanimously to support an effort to establish an Endowed Chair of Turfgrass Pathology Research in the Department of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture (PSLA) at the University of Maryland. The Mid Atlantic Association of Golf Course Superintendents is supporting the MTC in trying to raise as many funds as possible.

All Donations will be put to good use in supporting turfgrass research infrastructure, such as campus labs and the Paint Branch Turf Research Facility and the turfgrass pathology position, in the Department of Plant Sciences and Landscape Architecture at the University of Maryland.

MAAGCS has already committed \$25,000 over 5 years to this important fund. MAAGCS also donated \$520.00 that was collected from the 50/50 at last month's Education Seminar. However there's a long way to go to reach the \$1.5 million needed to make this a full endowed chair position for University of Maryland. We are about half way there at this point with some very generous donations from other allied associations as well as private donors. Let's see how much money we can raise for the Turfgrass Pathology Research Fund! There are currently three ways you may donate to this fund. The first two ways are when you renew your MAAGCS membership and every time you sign up for an event online you will have the option to donate \$10,\$20, or \$50.00. The third way you can donate to this fund is by going to <u>www.maagcs.org</u> and clicking "Donate" right on the front page. This will allow you to donate any amount you wish.

All donations no matter the size will be greatly appreciated and put to great use.

