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SFMANJ SUMMER FIELD DAY 2010

Lacey Township, NJ

By Matt Olivi

The Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey (SFMANJ) Activities and Education Committee has finalized the details for this year's Summer Field Day to be held Lacey Township, NJ. This full day program of events will be held on June 22, 2010 at two of Lacey Township's premier parks. Attendees will begin their day at Hebrew Park – the

At the conclusion of morning presentations and demonstrations, attendees will be provided a complimentary lunch to enjoy during the one hour trade show portion of the program. After a hearty lunch with colleagues and an additional networking opportunity, the afternoon educational program will begin. The program starts off with a backpack sprayer calibration seminar presented by Dr.



2009 SFMANJ Field of the Year. After registration and morning refreshments, Director of Public Works J. Casey Parker, CPWM will present the award winning field and give attendees an overview of its construction and maintenance program. At the end of the presentation, attendees will move just down the road to Gille Park for the remainder of the Field Day activities and events.

Shortly after arrival at Gille Park, attendees will be greeted by industry leading professional vendors of turf and sports field maintenance products. Plenty of time has been allocated so that attendees can network and talk some shop with all of these professionals. After vendor introductions, there will be several turf and sports field maintenance equipment and product demonstrations throughout the park. This will be a great opportunity for sports field managers and decision makers to see some of the newest and most innovative tools of the trade in action.

John Grande of the Rutgers Snyder Research and Extension Farm. At the conclusion of Dr. Grande's seminar, attendees will be able to ensure the proper application of liquid pesticides. As pesticide applications in New Jersey and other states are being regulated more and more heavily, this will be a great opportunity to learn from the best in the business and stay within compliance of pesticide laws. As more and more emphasis is being placed on proper cultural practices, the second part of the educational program will be presented by Craig Tolley, Professor of Horticulture, County College of Morris. Professor Tolley will cover a broad range of topics for the best ways to manage municipal and school grounds. After Craig Tolley's seminar, the educational program will be concluded by Brad Park, Rutgers University. The

focus of this seminar will be turfgrass species identification. This will be a hands-on exercise that is an important component of good integrated pest management practices. Pesticide credits will be available at the conclusion of the educational program for those attendees who need to keep their pesticide applicator licenses up-to-date.

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At the end of the Lacey Township field day activities, there will be a meeting for all SFMANJ members. Members will be given updates on upcoming chapter events and informed of any pertinent business issues within the organization. This will be an open forum where association members can chat with the board of directors and provide feedback and insight.

Registration forms outlining a schedule of events, directions and other information for the summer field day can be downloaded from the association website at www.sfmanj.org. Pre-registration is highly recommended by mailing in a registration form as soon as possible or by contacting SFMANJ headquarters at (856)514-3179.

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Rutgers

LAWN, LANDSCAPE & SPORTS TURF

FIELD DAY 2010

By Brad Park

SFMANJ to again sponsor a Trade Show and Equipment Demonstrations at Rutgers' Adelphia Research Farm

SAVE THE DATE – July 28, 2010

In what has become a highly successful integration of turfgrass education and vendor participation, Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey (SFMANJ) will once again collaborate with the New Jersey Turfgrass Association (NJTA) and Rutgers University to take part in the annual Rutgers Lawn, Landscape, and Sports Turf Field Day at the Rutgers Adelphia Research Farm in Adelphia, NJ. The Field Day will be held on July 28, 2010.

A trade show, sponsored by SFMANJ, will begin at 7:30 am in conjunction with morning registration. Coffee and bagels will be served. Education and equipment demonstrations will begin at 9:00 am. This will be the third year where equipment demonstrations will be integrated into morning tour stop rotations. Expect to see the latest in lawn, landscape, and sports turf equipment each hour of the morning in addition to practical turfgrass information including the newest cool season turfgrass cultivars and pest management strategies.

As always, this is a great opportunity for SFMANJ members and other Green Industry professionals to network with peers and industry representatives as well as examine the latest product offerings from trade show and demonstration vendors. Pesticide credits will be available to those certified applicators in attendance.

Schedule for August 1 is as follows:

- 7:30 am Registration & Trade Show Opening
- 9:00 am Research Tours & Equipment Demonstrations
- 1:00 pm Lunch and trade show
- 2:00 pm Conclusion & Pesticide credits

Look for registration materials to arrive in the mail. Online registration will be available at the NJTA website: www.njturfgrass.org

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