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Gary Carls (left) received the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation's (MTF) Norman W. Kramer Outstanding Scholar Award. Carls is a two-year student at Michigan State University (MSU). Patrick Klein (center), also a two-year student at MSU received the MTF's Outstanding Student Award. Thomas Smith (right), received the Burt Bradshaw Outstanding Student Award. Smith is a four-year student at MSU



Left: Ron Juip presents a check from the Michigan Sod Producers Association to Gordon LaFontaine, president of MTF, for support of turfgrass research at MSU. Below: Alan Nielsen (left) and Steven Brown (right) received the Upjohn Company Scholarship Awards from Robert Yarborough, the area sales representative. Nielsen is a two-year turf management student at MSU and Brown is a four-year student.





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Williamsburg Garden Symposium, Williamsburg Conference Center, Williamsburg, Vir., Apr. 1-4. Contact: Mrs. Peggy Sabol, Registrar, The Williamsburg Garden Symposium, P.O. Drawer C., Williamsburg, VA 23185, phone: 804/229-1000, ext. 2370.

Spray Adjuvant Workshop, Hopkins Agricultural Chemical Co., Holiday Inn, Burlington, Iowa, **April 2.** Phone 608/222-0624.

Municipal Tree Inspector Workshop, Grand Rapids, Mich., **April 4.** Contact: Agricultural Extension Service, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108, 612/373-0725.

First Annual Meeting of the Lawn and Garden Manufacturers Association, Sheraton O'Hare Hotel, Chicago, April 8-10. Contact: Stuart Greenblatt, LAGMA, One Illinois Center, 111 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago, IL 60601, 312/644-6610.

33rd Annual Southeastern Turfgrass Conference, Georgia Costal Plains Station and Rural Development Center, Tifton, Ga., **April 9-10.** Contact: Clara Wheeler, P.O. Box 748, Tifton, GA 31794.

Development of Recreation Areas Conference, Snowbird Village, Snowbird, Utah, **April 18-21.** Contact: The American Socity of Civil Engineers, 345 47th St., New York, NY 10017, 212/644-7671.

Southern California Turf and Landscape Institute, Convention Center, Anaheim, April 18-19. Contact: Ed McNeill, 1000 Concha St., Altadena, CA 91001, 213/798-1715.

1979 Arizona Turfgrass Conference, Tucson, Arix., May 9-10. Contact: Prof. William Kneebone, The University of Arizona, College of Agriculture, Department of Plant Sciences, Tucson, AR 85721.

A Symposium on Turfgrass Diseases, Ohio State University, OARDC, & Chemlawn Corp., University Holiday Inn, Columbus, Ohio, May 15-17. Write: A Symposium of Turfgrass Diseases 1979, 2865 E. Orange Rd., Galena, OH 43021, or phone: Dr. P. O. Larsen, 614/422-6987, or Dr. B. G. Joyner, 614/885-9588.

Western Chapter, International Society of Arboriculture, Rochelle's, Long Beach, Calif., **May 17-18.** Contact: E. C. Bundy, phone: 217/328-2032.

Texas A&M University Turfgrass Research Field Day, TAMU Turfgrass Field Lab, Agronomy Road, TAMU Campus, College Station, Tex., May 24. Contact: Dr. Richard Duble or James Beard, Department of Soil and Crop Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843.

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