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Faculty and Student Update

Two students received graduate degrees from the Turfgrass program at Cornell in 1989 and have embarked on new careers.

Mark Carroll received his Ph.D. in June 1989 and is now Assistant Professor of Turfgrass Science in the Agronomy Department at the University of Maryland. Mark worked under Marty Petrovic's direction. His dissertation was titled "Diurnal Water Flux and Soil Moisture Depletion Patterns of Kentucky Bluegrass."

Jim Skorulski just recently received a Master of Professional Study (MPS). Jim has worked the past few months as a Northeast regional agronomist for the United States Golf Association. Jim worked under the direction of Norm Hummel, Marty Petrovic, Eric Nelson, and Mike Villani. Jim's project was titled "Development of Integrated Pest Management Strategies for Turfgrass Pests of Golf Courses."

We wish both Jim and Mark well in their new endeavours.

Short Course a Success

The 1990 Cornell Turfgrass Short Course was once again a success. Sixty two people from New York, Pennsylvania, Vermont, New Jersey, Delaware, Massachusetts, Quebec, and California completed the grueling two week program.

Participants in the short course received over seventy hours of instruction from Cornell and SUNY Ag and Tech Faculty, as well as several individuals from industry.

The short course concluded with an optional exam, the top five scorers receiving plaques. Due to a tie for fifth place, the following seven people received awards: James VanHouten (Orangeburg, NY), Martin Bailey (Branchport, NY), James Rambuski (Canandaigua, NY), Stanley Lisk (Endwell, NY), Danial Daub (Albion, PA), David Coker (Dover, DE), and Anthony Borzeik (Lucernemines, PA). Congratulations to these fine students.

Congratulations also go to Joann Grut-tadauro, coordinator of the short course, for a job well done.

Plans are in the works for an advanced short course this summer on diagnostics. We'll keep you informed.

Thanks to Matching Funds Contributors

Last year was the first of a three year program initiated by Cornell's research office to encourage industry giving to turfgrass research. Thanks to the generosity of many associations and companies, \$37,000 was raised and matched by the research office. These funds have supported technical staff and provided badly needed facility support. For this, we are grateful to the following:

- The New York State Turfgrass Association
- Northeast Golf Course Superintendents Association
- J. & L. Adikes
- Metropolitan Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Nassau Suffolk Landscape Gardenerers Association
- New York Lawn Care Association
- Pine Island Turf Nursery
- Shubeck's Sod
- DeBuck Sod Farms
- DeLea Sod Farms
- Delalio Sod Farms

We would also like to thank the several associations who contributed to the matching funds program through the New York State Turfgrass Association. Thanks also go to S.V. Moffett Co. and Eaton Equipment for their generous donations of equipment. We look forward to a successful matching funds program again in 1990. THANK YOU!!!

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