Successful Grant Year for Turfgrass Program

While state budget woes are seriously impacting statutory colleges at Cornell, the turf program is holding its own. The turfgrass faculty has worked very hard this past winter writing proposals to secure outside funding. We are happy to report a very successful year. Listed below are the major grants and gifts obtained:

- $12,500 from NYSTA to the turf program. This brings NYSTA’s contribution for the current matching funds year to $50,000!
- $10,600 from the NTEP Grants Program to Norm Hummel and Eric Nelson. Project Title: Screening of NTEP Bentgrasses and Fine Fescue/Bentgrass Mixtures for Disease Resistance.
- $130,000 over two years from the USDA Northeast Regional IPM Program to a research team of Eric Nelson, Marty Petrovic, Mike Villani, and Norm Hummel. Project Title: Organic-based Construction Mixes in Golf Course Putting Greens for the Suppression of Soil-borne Turfgrass Pests and Alleviation of Pesticide Leaching Potential.
- $80,000 over three years from the USGA to Eric Nelson. Microbial Basis of Disease Suppression in Composts Applied to Golf Course Turf.
- $250,000 over three years from the USGA to Marty Petrovic. Project Title: Mass Balance Assessment of Pesticides and Nutrients Applied to Golf Turf.
- $43,100 from NYS Ag and Markets (IPM Program) to Norm Hummel, Eric Nelson, and Mike Villani, for an IPM Demonstration, Biocontrol of Diseases, and Scarab Grub Monitoring projects, respectively.

Several other corporate gifts and grants help fund our research program. We would especially like to acknowledge the following associations who have contributed to this years matching funds program (1990-91):

- Metropolitan Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Central New York Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Northeast Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Finger Lakes Association of Golf Course Superintendents
- Western New York Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Hudson Valley Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Adirondack Golf Course Superintendents Association
- Pocono Golf Course Superintendents Association

Thank you very much for your support!

Cornell Turfgrass Field Day

Time is running out for you to register for the Cornell Turfgrass Field Day.

The Field Day will be held on Thursday, June 27 at the Turfgrass Field Research Laboratory in Ithaca. Following registration at 9:00, tours and discussions of current research projects will be the order of the day.

A chicken barbeque lunch, and the Cornell Research Report is included in the $18 cost. On site registration is $20 and does not include lunch. The plots are located just off of Warren Road, about 3 miles south of Route 13.

A Golf Tournament to benefit the newly formed New York State Greengrass Association Research Foundation will be held Wednesday, June 26 at 1:00.

For more information or registration materials for the Field Day or Golf Tournament, contact Cheryl Koroluck at 607-255-1789, or your county Cooperative Extension office.

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