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VIRGINIA TURFGRASS COUNCIL

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

FIFTY YEARS
of Making You More Green



MONDAY, January 18

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Nutrient Management Seminar
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Certified Irrigation
Contractor Class (Day 1 of 2)

Trade Show: Move in Large Equipment

TUESDAY, January 19

Trade Show: Set Up
Landscapers' Challenge
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Certified Irrigation
Contractor Class (Day 2 of 2)
8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Morning Seminars
Lunch (on your own)
1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Trade Show
5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. 50th Anniversary Celebration

WEDNESDAY, January 20

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Reports from Virginia Tech
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Certified Irrigation
Contractor Exam
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Trade Show and Lunch
1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. VTC Annual Meeting and
Reports from Virginia Tech
2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Concurrent Educational Tracks
Golf
Sports Turf
Sod
Lawn and Landscape

THURSDAY, January 21

7:00 a.m. Registration
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Initial Certification Review
Session for Core Exam
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Recertification Class, Part 1
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch (on your own)
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Recertification Class, Part 2
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Initial Certification Exam

TUESDAY MORNING CLASSES

TIME (times may vary)			
Session One 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Strategies for Golf Course Career Success (David Chalmers, Ph.D.)	Ground Ivy and Other Tough Weeds (Zachary Reicher, Ph.D.)	Communicating with Golfers, Bosses and Other Annoying People (Pat Jones)
Session Two 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Greens Aeration to Dilute Organic Matter (Erik Ervin, Ph.D.)	Annual Bluegrass Weevil & Masked Chafers (Rod Youngman, Ph.D.)	Turfgrass and the Environment (Thomas Samples, Ph.D.)
Session Three 10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Tall Fescue Management Misconceptions (AJ Powell, Ph.D.)	The Environmental Politics of Turf (Pat Jones)	Lake Management (Lloyd Hipkins)
Session Four 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Diseases (David McCall)	Top 10 Lessons Learned from the Transition Zone to Texas (David Chalmers, Ph.D.)	<i>Poa trivialis</i> : Control it Before it Controls You (Zachary Reicher, Ph.D.)

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

TIME (times may vary)	GOLF	SPORTS TURF	SOD	LAWN/ LANDSCAPE
2:30 p.m.	VGCSA Annual Meeting	VSTMA Meeting	TPI Speaker	LCO Meeting – Thriving in a Tough Economy (Bruce Sheppard)
3:00 p.m.	(3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) Trends in Renovation (Lester George)	A Year in the Life of a Ball Field (Dave Chalmers, Ph.D.)	Weeds (Shawn Askew, Ph.D.)	<i>Poa trivialis</i> and Other Weeds (Zachary Reicher, Ph.D.)
3:45 p.m.	—	Actual Costs of Managing Sports Fields (Thomas Samples, Ph.D.)	Working With the Texas Sod Industry (Dave Chalmers, Ph.D.)	Urban Certification (DCR)
4:30 p.m.	(4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.) 2009: The Year In Review* (Darin Bevard, USGA)	Avoiding the 10 Most Common (and expensive) Mistakes in Sports Turf (Zachary Reicher, Ph.D.)	Sod Grower's Meeting	Perceptions and Realities in Organic Lawn Care (Mike Goutley, Ph.D.)

*The talk will cover the trends that we have seen over the last year on golf courses as well as the good, the bad and the ugly of the 2009 growing season.