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Monday, February 9, 2015

4:30 p.m. - Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

7:00 - 1:00 p.m. Trade Show set up

7:15 a.m. Registration desk open. Please sign in and enjoy a continental breakfast (additional sponsorships are available) Co-Sponsored by **TURF EQUIPMENT EQUIPMENT & IRR.** and **MAGIC VALLEY BENTGRASS**

8:00 - 9:15 a.m. **Turfgrass and the Environment** Thomas Nikolai, Ph.D., Turfgrass Academic Specialist, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, Mich.

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. **Travels With Terry: Maintenance Equipment Modification Ideas** Terry Buchen, CGCS, MG, Golf Agronomy International, LLC., Eagle, Idaho

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. **Break**

10:30 - 12:00 p.m. **It is the "Turfgrass Show"** with host Thomas Nikolai, Ph.D., His guests are Rob Golembiewski, Ph.D, and John Sorochan, Ph.D. *Topics this morning are mowing and rolling.*

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. **Lunch** (Sponsorship available)

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. **Effective Mower Configurations to Optimize Putting Green Playability** John Sorochan, Ph.D. Assoc. Professor - Turfgrass Science

Co-Dir. - Center for Athletic Field Safety
University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn

2:00 - 2:15 p.m. **Break** (Sponsorships are available)

2:15 - 3:15 p.m. **Business Meeting:** President Rick Mooney, presiding. Platinum Sponsors will be honored with an award.

3:15 - 5:45 p.m. **TRADE SHOW**

Visit with the leading suppliers and distributors who support our association as they showcase their products and services. Prizes! Beverages and snacks are served. (Sponsorships are available.)

7:30 - 9:00 p.m. **Boise Banter**
Kevin Hicks will moderate an informal audience discussion. Separate EDUs will be available for this session for those that attend. Signup sheet will be available.

Wednesday, February 11, 2015

7:15 - 8:10 a.m. **Enjoy a continental breakfast around the trade show** (Sponsorships are available)

8:10 a.m. - Trade Show Teardown

8:15 - 9:15 a.m. **It's All About the GREEN! Colorants, Pigments and Dyes in Turf** Rob Golembiewski, Ph.D., Greens Solutions Specialist, Bayer

9:15 - 10:00 a.m. - **Turfgrass Potpourri** (Research update from Michigan State University. *Topics covered will include pesticides and fertility programs along with irrigation, cultural and mechanical practices on the*

golf course) Thomas Nikolai, Ph.D., Turfgrass Academic Specialist, Michigan State University, E. Lansing, Mich.

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. **Break**

10:15 - 11:15 a.m. **Understanding, Assessing, and Managing Shade Stress Problems**

John Sorochan, Ph.D. Assoc. Professor - Turfgrass Science Co-Dir. - Center for Athletic Field Safety University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.

11:15 - 12:00 p.m. **Lunch** (Red Lion)

1:00 p.m. **Golf Outing** The Club at Spurwing, Challenge Course, Jerry Palmerton, host superintendent (Collared shirts, no jeans) *Hole sponsorships available.*

Our Speakers:

Terry Buchen, CGCS, MG is a third generation superintendent and agronomist who resides in Eagle, Idaho. He is also a Master Greenkeeper, awarded by BIGGA, one of only 64 in the world. He is a frequent national and international speaker. His presentation, "Travels With Terry – Maintenance Equipment Modification Ideas" is a monthly column he writes for in Golf Course Industry Magazine. Buchen is currently a road warrior correspondent for USA Today and an advisory board member of AutoWeek Magazine. While he was superintendent at the Double Eagle Club in Columbus, Ohio, in 1995, Golf Digest Magazine ranked his course the second best-conditioned golf course in the US – second to Augusta National. Buchen was

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also an agronomist and advance tournament official for the PGA Tour, setting-up all 47 tournaments on the regular tour.

Rob Golembiewski, Ph.D., is a Greens Solutions Specialist for Bayer with the responsibility of providing technical expertise for the Turf & Ornamental Markets. Prior to joining Bayer, he served as the Turfgrass Specialist at Oregon State University. Golembiewski received his B.S and M.S. from Michigan State University and his Ph.D. from The Ohio State University. Golembiewski's career has included positions with Montana State University as an assistant professor, the eastern U.S. turf & ornamental field development biologist for Dow AgroSciences, Paramount Landscape, and a turf faculty member at the University of Minnesota.

Thomas A. Nikolai, Ph.D. worked 10 years on golf courses prior to entering the world of turfgrass research in 1989. He has performed more studies with lightweight rolling, leave mulching, and alternative spike than any other researcher. He authored, *The Superintendents Guide to Putting Green Speed* and is world renowned as the "Dr. of Green Speed," due to the numerous studies he has performed that investigates putting green cultural and mechanical practices. Nikolai has given hundreds of presentations on four continents, 10 countries, and 32 states. In 2003 Dr. Nikolai was voted, "The Outstanding Faculty Member" at Michigan State University and in 2004, he took First Place for a "General Feature Article" in trade magazines. Nikolai also writes a bi-monthly column called *Up to Speed* for GCM Magazine.

John Sorochan, Ph.D., a native of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, began working on the grounds crew at Earl Grey Golf and Country Club in 1987. He is presently Associate Professor & Distinguished Scientist of Turfgrass Science and Management in the Plant Sciences Department at the University of Tennessee (UT). Sorochan is also the Co-Director for the UT Center for Athletic Field Safety. He is responsible for the department's academic turf programs at both the undergraduate and graduate level and teaches several classes. His research program coordinates investigations on environmental turf stress physiology including indirect heat, shade, drought, and wear stress for sports, golf course, and commercial and home lawn turf. A primary research focus is cool and warm season putting green management. Since arriving at the University of Tennessee, Sorochan has given over 100 invited presentations at regional, national, and international professional meetings and is the recipient of many honors and awards. He received his Ph.D. in Turfgrass Science from Michigan State University in 2002.

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