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How to Comply with Regulations 636 and 637 in the Turfgrass Industry

Dr. Frank Rossi to Speak at Sept. 9th Meeting:

At our September 9th meeting and golf outing at Shanty Creek's "The Legend", we will have the privilege of hearing Dr. Frank Rossi address Michigan's most recent environmental legislation. Regulations 636 and 637 should be somewhat familiar to all of us, and Dr. Rossi will surely inform us about their impact on our industry.

Below he clearly explains his views on the importance of learning about environmental, legislative and public policy issues.

"The turfgrass industry is currently facing a situation that many perceive as threatening to their livelihood. For some, this may actually be the case, especially those professionals who choose not to pay heed to the current sociological and legislative climate regarding the use of pesticides. Even more frightening is that most of these individuals will not become educated and will continue to contribute to the public outrage. As I have said in recent programs, it is this outrage, fueled by the lack of attention paid to communication and public relation skills, that

drives public policy.

"It is no secret that pesticide use for turfgrass management is under continued scrutiny by an alarmed and concerned public. A major by-product of public unrest is the formation of policy and legislation. Clearly, whenever policy dictates practices it behooves us to assert ourselves and join the policy making procedure.

"It appears as though on a federal and local level legislation is being promulgated to insure the safe handling and use of pesticides. This in and of itself is not bad, however, if pesticide use becomes excessively regulated then our greatest fears could be realized. As an industry we must become more proactive and be involved in the promulgation of new federal and local legislation. Yet, to reach proactivity we must have an industry committed to education."

Dr. Rossi will be presenting a series of seminars on environmental issues and the turfgrass industry. See the calendar on page 4 and watch for details.

Golf, Meeting and NMTMA Fund Raiser at "The Legend", September 9th

Brent Nelson is our host superintendent for this year's NMTMA Fund Raiser at Shanty Creek's "The Legend". Proceeds from this outing will benefit the Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association to bring you fine speakers like Dr. Rossi, to continue supporting turfgrass research, and to continue serving the members of the NMTMA. Our thanks to you, Brent and your staff, for making all of this possible at one of Northern Michigan's premier golf courses.

Golf will begin with an 8:15 a.m. shotgun start. The event will be a four-man scramble, with team and individual prizes, including two hole-in-one golf carts. Golf will be limited to 120 players, and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Please call Shanty Creek's pro shop **before September Third** with your four-

some: (616) 533-8621.

Please be considerate of others: if you drop out of the event please call or find a substitute (last year 100 people signed up, 80 showed up).

Cost for golf, cart, prizes and a chicken/ribs buffet is \$60.00 per person payable with cash or checks only. Make checks payable to NMTMA. Dinner will follow golf at approximately 1:30. Cost of dinner only is \$25.00. Please call Brent Nelson for dinner only reservations: (616) 533-6859. Shanty Creek is located west of U.S. 131 on M-88. Go to Bellaire, and follow the signs to "Shanty".

About the course: The Legend opened in August of 1985 as the collaborative effort of Arnold Palmer, Ed Seay and Bob Walker. The greens are Penneagle bentgrass mowed at

3/16"; the tees are bentgrass mowed at 1/2"; and the fairways are Pennway bentgrass mowed at 1/2". The course is irrigated "wall to wall" with a two row system. There are 78 bunkers on this par 72 course. The yardages are 4953 from the red tees; 5801 from the white tees; 6269 from the blue tees; and 6764 from the black tees.

Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be the annual NMTMA/Tuck Tate Championship on October 3rd at Huron Breeze. David Little will be the host superintendent. This will also be our annual meeting. Watch Turf Times for details.

"Represent your organization with class. Nice sport clothes are required for all golf outings no blue jeans, t-shirts and the like. Sweaters or jackets with ties are recommended for all dinners and meetings. Good golf etiquette, fairness and sportsmanship are expected at all golfing events."

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The Michigan State University School of Turfgrass Management

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and Science of Turfgrass Management*

THE SCHOOL:

The MSU School of Turfgrass Management provides **50 Hours** of intensive in-depth training in the biology, ecology, and cultural management of turfgrass. Technical information will be presented in both lecture and laboratory settings on the basic applications of turfgrass management (eg. golf course management, lawn care, athletic field management, sod production). Demonstrations and hands-on learning will be integral aspects of the learning experience and provide extensive interaction with the wealth of turfgrass expertise at Michigan State University.

THE PLACE:

The school will be held at the W.K. Kellogg Biological Station Education Center on Gull Lake in Hickory Corners, MI.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Turfgrass Professionals of all skill levels will benefit from this school, however, it will be particularly useful for individuals entering the turfgrass industry, as well as professionals interested in enhancing their technical expertise.

INSTRUCTORS:

Without question the strength of the school lies within the depth and expertise of the turfgrass faculty at MSU. This school will allow for extensive interaction with scientists having national and international recognition.

Dr. Bruce E. Branham - Crop and Soil Sciences

Turfgrass and Weed Ecology and Physiology

Dr. Paul E. Rieke - Crop and Soil Sciences

Soil Management and Fertilization

Dr. Joseph M. Vargas, Jr. - Botany and Plant Pathology

Turfgrass Disease Management

Dr. David R. Smitley - Entomology

Turfgrass Insect Management

Dr. John (Trey) N. Rogers III - Crop and Soil Sciences

Turfgrass Management for Golf Courses and Athletic Fields

Dr. Frank S. Rossi - Crop and Soil Sciences

Turf School Coordinator, Weed Control, Pesticides and IPM.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

There will be two registration options:

1. **Regular Registration:** \$750.00. Includes 5 nights lodging at KBS, all meals from dinner on Sunday evening through lunch Friday, banquet (Thurs. 12/5), and resource and instructional material.

2. **Commuter Registration** \$450.00. Includes resource and instructional materials and breakfast at KBS.

The first 35 registrants will receive a ticket to the MSU vs. Nebraska basketball game at the Breslin Center, Wed., 12/4.

All meals are buffet style and include a salad bar with lunch and dinner. Lodging is mostly in shared rooms with 2-4 per apartment. A few singles are available. Space is limited.

TRANSPORTATION:

The Kellogg Biological Station in Hickory Corners is about 65 miles from Lansing, 50 miles from Grand Rapids, and 20 miles from Kalamazoo. Transportation is available into Kalamazoo Municipal Airport from Chicago and Minneapolis on a number of carriers including United and Northwest. Arrangements will be made to shuttle participants from the airport to KBS.

(Registration form on next page)

**Michigan State University
School of Turfgrass Management
REGISTRATION FORM**

Regular Registration \$750.00 per person
Commuter Registration \$450.00 per person

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3 _____ 4 _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
SEND TO: Turfgrass Environmental Education
Plant and Soil Science Building 494D - Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI 48824

**GCSAA Regional Seminar
Nov. 7 in East Lansing**

The GCSAA will present "Maximizing Job Satisfaction" this fall as part of its continuing education program. Cost of the one day seminar is \$100.00 for members and \$120.00 for non-members. Call (913) 832-4444 to register, or for more information.

**Nominations being taken for
NMTMA Board of Directors**

If you, or anyone you know, are interested in running for the NMTMA Board of Directors, please contact someone on the nominating committee;

Tom Reed, Kim Olson or Bob Steinhurst.

Nominations will be taken until the election at our annual meeting on October 3rd at Huron Breeze.

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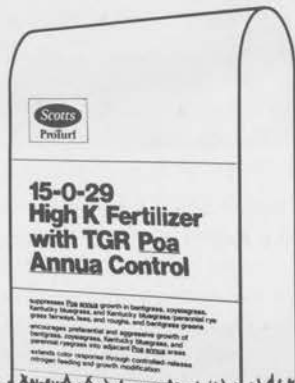
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Special Calendar: Turfgrass Environmental Education Program

September	17	Grayling	Truth and Consequences: the Impact of Turfgrass Management on the Environment.
	19	Grand Rapids	
	20	Novi	
October	8	Novi	Handle with Care: Pesticide Storage Handling, Application and Disposal
	10	Grayling	
	15	Grand Rapids	
December	2-6	Kellog Biological Station Hickory Corners, MI	MSU School of Turfgrass Management
January		Wayne Community College	(CSS 318) Principles of Turfgrass Management MSU Course for Credit and Non-Credit
	20-22	Holiday Inn - Lansing	Michigan Turfgrass Conference
	23	Kellog Center - East Lansing	MTF/MSU Environmental Workshop Think Tanks, Storage Tank issues in the Turfgrass Industry
February	24	Novi	Late Winter Seminar Series Employee Relations: Recruitment, Training, Motivation and Retention of Employees
	25	Grayling	
	27	Grand Rapids	
March		Spring Communication Series Is It Safe? Environmental Communication On the Golf Course	Spring Communication Series Is It Safe? Environmental Communication For Landscape and Lawn Care
	April	Grayling - Grand Rapids - Novi	Legislative Seminar Series Legislative Issues for 1992 Pesticide Core Manual and Category Specific Offered monthly through the spring
July		Hancock Turf Center - MSU	IPM Pest Clinics Integrated hands-on management schemes for diseases, insects and weeds in turf.
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