

**Thanks to all who attended the Nebraska Turf Conference
January 23, 2015**

On behalf of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the Nebraska Turfgrass Association (NTA), we'd like to thank everyone who attended and/or helped with the 2015 Nebraska Turf Conference held at the LaVista Conference Center January 6-8. Highlights included:

- Nearly 600 professionals registered for workshops and educational sessions covering all areas of lawn, sports, and golf turf management.
- The tradeshow included nearly 40 booths and was heavily trafficked during open hours.
- The general session was packed with Bill Deacon of the New York Mets discussing what really goes into managing a major league baseball field, followed by Tim Gay of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Physics Department explaining the physics of football.
- The Extra Mile Award was presented to Craig Ferguson of Lochland Country Club, for his dedication and service to the NTA and UNL turfgrass research.
- The Presidential Awards is given to an individual who has made significant contributions to the turf industry in Nebraska. This year's winner was Charles Hadwick, longtime superintendent of the Country Club of Lincoln and advocate of the Nebraska turf industry.
- The NTA Board of Directors welcomed new directors: Jeff Calentine of the City of LaVista, Tony Vacarro of D&K Products and Jen Roeber of Lincoln Pro Baseball. The 2015 NTA President will be Troy Urban of Zimco Supply and Jeremy Buhl of PBI-Gordon will serve as Vice President.

Thank you again for your support and another successful conference. Conferences like this take a tremendous amount of behind-the-scenes work and we'd like to thank the NTA Board of Directors as well as the entire turf program at UNL.

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