

*Professional Golf Turf
Management School*

Class of 2014

*Graduation Ceremony
and the
25th Annual Turfgrass Student
Awards Banquet*



*Saturday
November 15th, 2014
Cook Student Center
New Brunswick, New Jersey*



Welcome to our 25th Annual
Professional Golf Turf Management
School Graduation Ceremony and
Student Awards Banquet



*We greatly appreciate your presence here
this evening and hope that you will spend an
enjoyable evening with family and friends
celebrating the achievements of our students.
We promise you a truly memorable program,
great food, and ample opportunity to
recognize academic growth and achievement.*

We gratefully acknowledge the generous support of our

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Storr Tractor Company, Somerville, NJ

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Chartiers Country Club, Pittsburg, PA

in honor of graduate Brian Young

Greenacres Country Club, Lawrenceville, NJ

in honor of graduate Francisco Borges

John Zimmers, Superintendent Oakmont Country Club

in honor of graduate Brian Young

Randall Smith, Retired Superintendent

in honor of graduate Adam Ayers

Our Instructors

Dr. Stacy Bonos	Richard Buckley	Patrick Burgess
Chris Carson	Joe Clark	Dr. Bruce Clarke
Robert D. Dobson	Dr. Josh Honig	William Jamison
Stephen Kay	Steven Kristoph	Steven Langlois
Edward Lipman, Jr.	Steve McDonald	Dr. William Meyer
Jim Morris	Dr. James Murphy	Bruce Neary
Dr. Karen Plumley	Marie Pompei	Sabrina Tirpak
	Gene Westmoreland	

Program

Welcoming Remarks

Chris Carson

Presentation of the Rutgers Turfgrass Alumni Association Achievement Award

Joseph Bianco, Thom Ritchie

Presentation of the Rutgers Professional Golf Turf Management School Certificates

Steven Langlois, Fran Koppell

Scholarship Presentations

Josh Honig

Keynote Speaker

Paul Dotti, Class of 1994

Closing Remarks and Best Wishes

Chris Carson

Professional Golf Turf Management School

Fall Class of 2013

Ryan Ades
Joshua Anderson
Natalia Arlint, *Honors*
Matt Armstrong
Kirk Bacsu, *Highest Honors*
Christopher Borst
Zachary Breck, *High Honors*
Scott Brewer, *High Honors*
Matthew Carmeci
Stephen Cash
William Creed, *High Honors*
Brent Daniels
Christopher DeBellis
Mitchell Eickhoff, *Honors*
Jerry Elliot
Michael Georgiadis
Michael Hrbek
Christopher Hudson
Derek Johnson, *Honors*

James Lanza
Kyle Lenkey
Benjamin Messinger, *Honors*
Nicholas Miloscia
Cortney Nelson
Eric Nicholas, *Honors*
Nicholas Oram
Justin Ornduff, *Honors*
Miguel Ortega
Raynor Paulsen
Ronnie Porter
Renaldo Rolle, *Honors*
Tyler Shuman
Ryan Sitler, *Honors*
Devin Solovey
Brandon Turnbull, *Highest Honors*
Nicholas VonWiegen, *Honors*
Nicklaus Yackle, *Honors*
Javid Yamin, *High Honors***

**** Class President**

Professional Golf Turf Management School

Winter Class of 2014

Adam Ayers, *Highest Honors*

Nicholas Bannach

Francisco Borges Octaviani

David Buckner, *Honors*

John Campbell, *High Honors*

Javier Campos, *Honors*

Chase Christiaens, *Honors*

Alexander Daly**

Tyson DeMeyer, *Honors*

Erik Dittmar

Adam Elwell, *Honors*

Daniel Estey

John Ferreri

Joseph Fries, *Honors*

Kyle Gigliello

Lucas Harwell

Jory Horsley, *Highest Honors*

Casey Jahr, *High Honors*

Adam Knieriem, *Highest Honors*

Craig Levitsky

Brian Licata, *Honors*

Joshua Linsmeyer, *Highest Honors*

Wilfred Mazur, *Honors*

Christopher Navin, *Highest Honors*

Brian Opheim, *Highest Honors*

Seth Orr, *High Honors*

Donald Podlish, *Honors*

Paul Precone, *Honors*

Matthew Roderick, *Honors*

Cory Settgast, *High Honors*

Matthew Smith, *Honors*

Andrew Stoldorf, *High Honors*

Jeffrey Swanson, *Highest Honors*

Jacob Talley, *Highest Honors*

Jonathan Tesmer, *Highest Honors*

Thomas Tresnan, *Honors*

Frank Tropfenbaum, *High Honors*

Andrew Unger

Silvio Villalba

Callum Wark, *High Honors*

Brian Woodward, *Highest Honors*

Frederick Yeastedt

Brian Young

** *Class President*

2014 Scholarship Recipients

Dr. Paul Sartoretto Memorial Scholarship

Greg Fischer

Golf Course Superintendents Association of NJ Scholarships

James Hempfling Charles Schmid Yuanshuo (Henry) Qu

Henry Indyk Graduate Fellowship

Hui (Eric) Chen

New Jersey Landscape Contractors Association Scholarships

Ryan Daddio Eric Koch

New Jersey State Golf Association and Ralph Engel Caddie Scholarships

Ryan Daddio Elizabeth Holmes Katherine Wickel

New Jersey Turfgrass Foundation

Hall of Fame - *Ryan Daddio*

Challenge - *David Jespersen*

Louis Vasvavry - *Trent Tate*

Nu-Faram Chemical Company

Erin McAlister

Paul DesChamps Memorial Scholarships

Eric Wiggins Thomas Havelka Cory O'Neil

Peter S. Loft Memorial Scholarships

Vincenzo Averello

Lisa Beirn

Patrick Burgess

Hui (Eric) Chen

Qiang (Richard) Chen

Liang Cheng

Austin Grimshaw

James Hempfling

Elizabeth Holmes

Ryan Jarrett

David Jespersen

Jillian Keough

Nick Kryszinski

Yuanshuo (Henry) Qu

Charles Schmid

Trent Tate

Jinyu Wang

Ruying Wang

Katherine Wickel

2014 Scholarship Recipients

Ralph Engel Scholarship

Justin Lux

Todd Vozdovic

Ralph Geiger Scholarships

Lisa Beirn

Maxwell Boone

Reid Bromley

Patrick Burgess

Hui (Eric) Chen

Aaron Ehlenfeldt

Kevin Fedison

Stephen Grass

Austin Grimshaw

James Hempfling

David Jespersen

Jillian Keough

Eric Koch

Dan McDonald

Andrew Ostrowski

Richard Plemel

Yuanshuo (Henry) Qu

Anthony Rogic

Charles Schmid

Brock Sorenson

Trent Tate

Timothy Titus

Jinyu Wang

Ruying Wang

Rutgers Center for Turfgrass Science

Austin Grimshaw

Rutgers Turfgrass Alumni Association Scholarship

Charles Barton

Justin Brimley

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey

Hui (Eric) Chen

Ryan Daddio

Nu-Faram Chemical Company

Erin McAlister

Association Achievement Award

The *Rutgers Turfgrass Alumni Association* annually selects a recipient of their Achievement Award. This honor was initiated in 1990 by the Association to recognize professionals who have made a significant contribution to the turfgrass industry.

The recipients are awarded a plaque at the Annual Turfgrass Student Awards Banquet to acknowledge their important accomplishments. The following are past recipients of this prestigious award. We thank these individuals for their continued support and many contributions to the turfgrass industry.

1992	Dr. Richard H. Hurley
1993	Mr. Joe Bianco, Sr.
1994	Mr. Edward V. Lipman, Jr.
1995	Dr. Louis Vasvary
1996	Mr. Dennis DeSanctis, Sr.
1997	Mr. Robert Alonzi
1998	Mr. Michael Mongon
1999	Mr. Thomas Ritchie
2000	Dr. Henry Indyk
2001	Mr. Stephen Kristoph
2002	Dr. Richard Caton
2003	Mr. Gary Nokes
2004	Dr. Karen Plumley-Luepke
2005	Mr. Steven Langlois
2006	Mr. Richard Buckley
2007	Ms. Marie Pompei
2008	Mr. Shaun Barry
2009	Mr. Ken Kubik
2010	Mr. Fran Owsik
2011	Mr. James Morris
2012	Mr. William Dickson
2013	Ms. Rosemary Mahony

The New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station Administration (NJAES)

Robert M. Goodman, Executive Dean of Agriculture
& Natural Resources and Executive Director, NJAES

Larry Katz, Director, Rutgers Cooperative Extension

The NJAES Center for Turfgrass Science

Dr. Bruce Clarke, Director

Dr. William Meyer, Associate Director

Josh Honig, Academic Advisor

The NJAES Office of Continuing Professional Education

Fran Koppell, Senior Program Coordinator

The **Professional Golf Turf Management School** Award for Professional Excellence is awarded annually to graduate(s) of the **Turf Management School** who have excelled in the profession. Recipients of this award have consistently displayed leadership, fellowship, high ideals, and a desire to improve the profession.

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| 2003 | Bob Dickson, Class of 1962 |
| 2004 | Robert Alonzi, Class of 1962
Anthony Bertels, Class of 1995
Frank Bevelacqua, Class of 1962
Steve Matuza, Class of 1979
Rick Shriver, Class of 1996 |
| 2005 | D. Philip Shoemaker, Jr., Class of 1980
John Zimmers, Jr., Class of 1993 |
| 2006 | Sean Hoolehan, Class of 1981 |
| 2007 | Joseph A. Bianco, Sr., Class of 1962 |
| 2008 | Joseph Alonzi, Class of 1973
Rick Holanda, Class of 1993 |
| 2009 | Donald Sauvigne, Class of 1980 |
| 2010 | Thomas Ritchie, Class of 1976 |
| 2011 | Kenneth Krausz, Class of 1986 |
| 2012 | Glenn A. Miller, Class of 1984 |
| 2013 | Thomas Breiner, Class of 1991 |



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