

January 7th, 2020 Turfgrass Research Day Conference
 American Family Corporate Headquarters – Building A
 6000 American Parkway, Madison, WI

8:00 – 8:30am	Registration
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome and Scholarships - Auditorium
8:45 – 9:30	New Insights for Dollar Spot Control Dr. Paul Koch– University of Wisconsin – Plant Pathology
9:30 - 10:15	Highlights and Progress in 2019 Graduate Students
10:15 – 10:30	Break
10:30 - 11:15	Lets Talk Glyphosate Dr. Mark Renz – University of Wisconsin - Agronomy
11:15 - 12:00	Pump House Renovations, Upgrades and Updates Gabe Lopez – Irrigation Protection Services
12:00 – 12:50	Lunch
1:00pm – 1:30	2019 TDL Update Kurt Hockemeyer – Turfgrass Diagnostic Lab
1:30 – 2:15	Summer Trials & Robotic Mowers Dr. Doug Soldat – University of Wisconsin – Soil Science
2:15 – 3:00	Ask the Professionals – Roundtable Discussion Dr. Paul Koch and Dr. Doug Soldat Moderator Jens Arneson – Assistant at Maple Bluff Country Club



Paul Koch is an assistant professor in the Department of Plant Pathology as well as the Molecular and Environmental Toxicology Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He joined the faculty in January of 2014. His research has focused primarily on fungicide breakdown in the environment and snow mold diseases on golf course turfgrass.



Dr. Renz’s research focuses on weed management on invasive plants. His goal is to develop information that will improve management decisions related to weeds to maximize benefits while minimizing environmental impact.



Gabe Lopez started out in this business in the fall of 1988 at Lake Lawn Lodge. He then moved onto Geneva National during the initial construction and grow in of the Palmer and Player course simultaneously. Then he went off the grid for a year and worked in road construction before returning to the golf business as the irrigation service manager for Reinders for 17 years. Finally in the fall of 2012 he started his own company, Irrigation Protection Services, focusing on pump station repairs, renovations and sales in the Midwest.



Kurt manages the Turfgrass Diagnostic Lab at the O.J. Noer Research and Education Facility. He also oversees the field trials conducted as part of Dr. Paul Koch’s research program. He received his B.S. in Turf Science and his M.S. in Turf Pathology both from Purdue University. He has been a member of Dr. Koch’s research team since fall of 2015.



Doug Soldat is a professor and turfgrass extension specialist in the Department of Soil Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He advises turfgrass management students at the UW and teaches courses in the fields of turfgrass management and general soil science.



Jens Arneson is an Assistant Golf Course Superintendent at Maple Bluff Country Club since May 2013. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with degrees in Soil Science-Turfgrass Management and Scandinavian studies. He is active on the WGCSA Assistant’s committee, is a Grassroots Ambassador and is currently in the GCSAA EXCEL Leadership Program.

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December 30th, 2019. Registrations received after December 30th, will be an
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