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1995 MTF Fund Raiser June 19 The Gailes at Lakewood Shores Resort

The Northern Michigan Turf Managers Association is proud to announce that the 1995 Michigan Turfgrass Foundation Benefit Day will be held at the "Gailes Course" at Lakewood Shores Resort on Monday, June 19th.

The outstanding young architect, who has gained deserved acclaim for his accomplishments at the "Gailes" and his other creative design and construction ventures is Kevin Aldridge. His creativity has nestled a true "Scottish Links" course in Northern Michigan. The "Gailes" at Lakewood Shores won the prestigious Golf Digest distinction as "Best Resort" for 1993 and has also been voted by Golf Digest as the fourth best golf course in Michigan.

Our host for the day and owner is Mr. Stan Aldridge who has also gained a reputation both locally and nationally with his many ideas and accomplishments with the "Old Course" at Indian Wood and his hosting of the Ladies 1989 and 1994 U.S. Open. Rick York, host superintendent, has through his diligent concern and guidance helped the course mature to its current stature. Craig Peters, general manager/head professional, has been a great help with the preparation of the day's event.

With the success generated from previous tournaments and the reputation the "Gailes" at Lakewood Shores has already gained, we are anticipating our 1995 "Benefit Day" to be a continuing success.

See insert for details and registration.

1995 MTF Field Day

The 1995 Michigan Turfgrass Field Day will be held Thursday, August 17, 1995, at the Hancock Turfgrass Research Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

Details regarding this event will be mailed in July.

For further information contact Kay at 517/321-1660.

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1995 Meeting Schedule

July 11	White Pine National Hubbard Lake
August 15	The Rose, Leroy
September	The Natural, Gaylord NMTMA Fundraiser
October 10	The Legend, Bellaire Chapter Championship

- NOTICE - NEXT MEETING:

July 11th
White Pine National
Hubbard Lake

Watch *Turf Times*
for details

Michigan Pesticide Container Recycling in 1995

There are 116 dealerships and co-ops that have agreed to hold pesticide container recycling programs in 1995.

Check with your local dealer to determine if they are participating. For a list of the participants, contact Lynnae Jess at the Pesticide Education Program office via e-mail jess@msuces.canr.msu.edu or (517) 355-0117.

Each dealer will be inspecting their own containers and we are encouraging them to collect containers throughout the season. Some dealerships may only collect on the first Tuesday of the month, some may collect every Wednesday, and others may collect whenever their customers bring containers in.

The goal is to collect 25% of the containers which would be about 125,000 containers.

The following are the dealerships and co-ops in our area that have agreed to hold pesticide container recycling programs:

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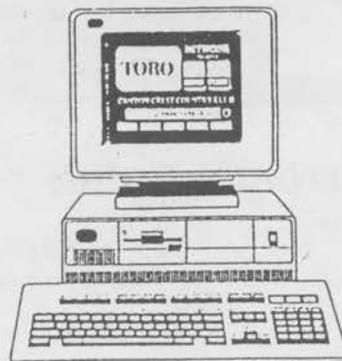
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1995 Pesticide Waste Cleanup to be Scheduled

May 31, 1995

Dear Pesticide Handlers:

A fourth Agricultural/Turfgrass Pesticide Waste Collection Program is being planned for the seven county area of Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse County, Kalkaska and Leelanau in August of 1995. The collection will include farms, the turfgrass industry, nurseries, and the Grand Traverse Band farms.

The pesticide collection program in the fall of 1992 was very successful. Seventy-five growers in the five county region participated and 4,662 pounds and 1,262 gallons of materials were collected at a cost of \$37,607, funded by a Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) Grant. Although there was no cost to the operator, the NW Farm Pesticide Collection Program in the Fall of 1992 incurred an average cost of \$500 per farm.

The program will be a cooperative effort between the Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division of the MDA, MSU Extension, the Grand Traverse County Deputy Administrator, the Michigan DNR and the Michigan Department of Public Health, the N.W. Area Farm Bureau county and Regional Offices, along with the support of the County Boards of Commissioners, Northern Michigan Turfgrass Managers Association, Native American Intertribal Council and the Grand Traverse Band.

The funding for the 1995 Agricultural/Turfgrass Pesticide Collection comes from a grant through the MDA. They are utilizing a Clean Sweep Grant from the EPA along with MDA funds to make the program possible. We do not anticipate any costs to participate in this year's program. However, donations will be accepted to defray costs and take in more material. If the amount of materials to be disposed of exceeds available funding, we may have to reduce the amounts individuals can bring in or charge on a cost per pound basis for amounts above allocations.

The costs and risks of retaining old, unlabeled pesticides can be great. The liability and clean up costs of incidents can be high. To properly dispose of these chemicals through licensed waste haulers has proven to be very expensive.

To plan the 1995 collection program, we are asking each interested firm operator to **fill out the form on the back of this letter and return it to the MSU Extension Office in their county by June 9.** The forms you submit will be returned to you at the time delivery schedules are announced so you can utilize the list in assembling your materials on the collection day.

Pesticides eligible for this collection include those that are no longer labeled, discontinued, or unusable.

The information will be confidential and will not be shared with anyone, with the exception of MSU Extension staff and other individuals on the collection program planning committee.

After the forms are returned, you will be contacted with further information, including a specific delivery schedule. The collection will be at the facility in the Traverse City area along with some Waste Hauler Truck stops in Emmet, Charlevoix and Antrim Counties.

This program can help you and our environment by eliminating old pesticides. All the agencies involved urge you to take advantage of this opportunity.

Please review the fact sheet below and call your MSU Extension Office if you need further information. *For counties in Western Michigan south of the above seven county area, call you local MSU Extension Office for details and pick-up sites.*

Sincerely,

Andy L. Norman
District Turfgrass Agent & Coordinator
MSU/NMC Plant Science Program

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EXTENSION

1995 Agricultural/Turfgrass Pesticide Waste Collection Program Fact Sheet

*Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse,
Kalkaska & Leelanau Counties.*

1). Q. What wastes are eligible?

- A. Only pesticide products (herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, etc.) that are waste because they are no longer labeled, discontinued, or unusable. Old pest control poisons are especially targeted.

The following are **NOT** eligible:

Empty containers (empty containers can go to the landfill if triple rinsed and punctured.)

NOTE: 1 and 2-1/2 gallon and larger plastic containers can be taken to the Plastic Pesticide Container Recycling Program at some area chemical dealers.

old solvents and paints	contaminated gasoline
motor oil	antifreeze
household products	

Contact your local Solid Waste Commission or MSU Extension Office for disposal information.

2). Q. I have a product that I do not want anymore but it is still registered and usable, what can I do?

- A. Try to give it to another farmer who can use it. Otherwise, list the material on the form and **note that it is still usable.**

3). Q. Why do you need to know my name?

- A. We need to know not only your name but the types **and amounts** of waste that you would like to dispose of. The nature of some materials may require that we obtain additional information from you. We also need to communicate more information as the collection day approaches.

Throughout this process, and after, your name will be kept in the strictest confidence. You will have the opportunity at any point to withdraw from the program with no questions asked. Information will be destroyed after the program is completed.

4). Q. What are the risks involved?

- A. There are some risks in safely delivering the material to the collection site. However, there exists a significant risk to your farm operation and the environment if left on the farm or if not disposed of properly. After the product is delivered there is no risk; it will be assumed by MDA and/or the licensed hauler.

5). Q. When and where will this collection take place?

- A. In August of 1995. The primary collection site will be in Traverse City. In addition, truck pickups will be made in Antrim, Charlevoix and Emmet Counties. The exact day and location will be sent to you when setting an appointment time for you to deliver your materials.

6). Q. If I have additional questions concerning the Pesticide Waste Collection Program, who can I ask?

- A. Your local MSU Extension Office.

Application for Waste Pesticide Disposal

COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURN TO:

ANDY NORMAN
 MSU North
 812 South Garfield Ave.
 Suite 1/Garfield Courts
 Traverse City, MI 49686-3464

TELEPHONE: () _____

Due Date: _____

I.D. # _____ (Office Use Only)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Company or Farmer's Name	Telephone:
Contact Person:	Telephone:
Mailing Address Street:	
City	State
Zip	
County (Where waste is located if different from address above):	
Use other sheets if necessary I verify that all information provided here is true to the best of my knowledge and that waste pesticides presented for disposal were generated through activities in Michigan.	

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Participate Classification (please circle one)
 A. Farm B. Ag related business C. Turf/Landscape/Greenhouse D. Other _____

Trade Name	Common Name	Is Product Usable	Container Size	Item Needs Repkg	Amount	
					Solids (Pounds)	Liquids (Gallons)
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2.						
3.						
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5.						
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19th Annual Michigan Turfgrass Foundation Benefit Day

The Gailes

Oscoda, MI ■ Monday, June 19th, 1995

Entry Fee:

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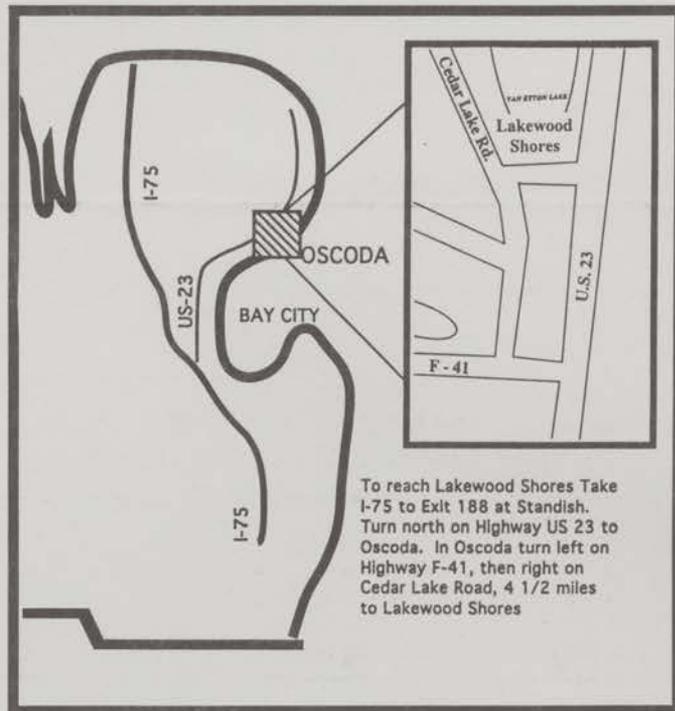


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In case of inclement weather, the banquets will be held as scheduled.

Entry Form

Players	Handicap	Preferred Starting Times
_____	_____	Shot Gun 7:30 a.m. <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	Shot Gun 2:00 p.m. <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	
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