

HAPPENINGS

Gwynn to Keynote STMA Conference

Future Hall-of-Famer Tony Gwynn of the San Diego Padres will be among the top speakers at the Seventh Annual Sports Turf Managers Association National Conference and Exhibition, January 24-28 in Anaheim, CA. Gwynn will keynote STMA's awards banquet with a player's perspective on field conditions and provide an entertaining look at life in the big leagues. Gwynn has been a member of the Padres for more than ten seasons, earning five batting titles and completing 12 consecutive seasons of hitting .300 or better. As a strong supporter of local charities and educational efforts, Gwynn gives inspiration to sports turf managers in their efforts to gain new knowledge through the STMA Annual Conference.

The conference will also include educational sessions, facility tours and hands-on product demonstrations. For more information about the conference, call the national STMA headquarters at (312) 644-6610.

Video Showcases Louisville Expo

Where should all members of the lawn, garden and power equipment industries be July 28-30, 1996, if they want to stay on the cutting edge? Expo 96, in Louisville, KY. The dates are set, plans are under way and contracts reserving exhibition space are being returned daily for the 13th annual International Lawn, Garden and Power Equipment Expo.

For more information, call Bill Lewis, (214) 709-5562.

Gravely, DewEze Sign Joint-Venture Agreement

Gravely International of Winston-Salem, NC, and DewEze of Harper, KS, announced a joint-venture agreement for the manufacture and marketing of DewEze mower products. Gravely International is a division of Ariens Co. of Brillion, WI.

DewEze manufactures three models of all-terrain mowers sold primarily to federal and state governments, municipalities and commercial markets. Gravely International will assume worldwide marketing and distribution of DewEze products. Manufacture of the all-terrain mowers will continue in Harper, KS. Gravely International was founded in 1916 by Benjamin F. Gravely, the inventor of the motor plow.

Grounds Maintenance School Set

The Southern Illinois Grounds Maintenance School, sponsored by the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, College of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service is scheduled for February 28-29, 1996, at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville, IL.

The program features two keynote speakers and 18 educational sessions covering topics such as woody ornamentals and landscaping, turf and herbaceous plants. A trade show is also included. For more information, contact Ron Cornwell, (618) 692-9434.



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