Program

Sunday, July 30, 2006
Pre-Conference Activities
Golf Tournament
Boone and Scenic Valley Railroad

Monday, July 31, 2006
Breakfast and Welcome
• Spotlight on forage and turfgrass in Iowa
• Focus on native grass conservation and restoration
Lunch at Reiman Gardens
• Tour of forage and turf breeding research and
USDA North Central Regional Plant Introduction Station
Barbeque at Reiman Gardens

Tuesday, August 1, 2006
Breakfast
• Forage and turf breeding perspectives from early career breeders
• Focus on endophyte-plant relationships
Lunch at Reiman Gardens
• Innovations in forage and turf biotechnology
• Business Meeting
Adjourn
** Optional Post-Conference tour of turf at Jack Trice Stadium, ISU’s football stadium

Registration Fee
$125, if received by July 1 ($150, after July 1)

Details at
www.plantbreeding.iastate/gbc.html
The 39th Grass Breeders' Conference will feature topics related to research conducted to improve turf and forage grasses. This year's Conference will include lectures on native prairie grasses and forage and turf research in Iowa. We will conduct a tour of turf and forage breeding programs. Special guest speaker, Dr. Kevin Smith, Agriculture Victoria, Australia will lecture on endophytes and review his research on ryegrass molecular breeding. This year's Conference will also spotlight the research being done by young breeders and take a look at the future of forage and turf breeding. Additional information about the Conference, speakers, and program is on our Web site at http://www.plantbreeding.iastate.edu/gbc.

Registration Form

Name ________________________________
Affiliation ____________________________
Address ______________________________
City, State, Zip _________________________
Email _________________________________
Phone _________________________________

Pre-Conference Activity? ___________ Golf
                                    ___________ Train

Require Vegetarian Meal Options? ______

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$125, if received before July 1, 2006
$150, if received after July 1, 2006

We can accept checks or cash only. Please no credit cards. Make checks payable to Grass Breeders' Conference

Mail registration and fee to
Marcia Minear
1301 Agronomy Hall
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Ames, IA 50011-1010

Lodging
Conference lodging has been arranged with the two hotels listed below. Please contact the hotel of your choice. Mention the Grass Breeders’ Conference to receive Conference rates.

ISU Memorial Guestrooms (515-292-1111)
Located on the ISU campus
Single $68
Suite $78+$5 for additional persons over 2
Big 12 Conference, Iowa Universities and Colleges receive $5 discount
http://www.mu.iastate.edu/reservations.php?page=guestRoom

Hotel at Gateway Center (515-292-8600)
Located one mile south of Reiman Gardens
Standard room $89
Executive King $99
Executive King Feature $109
http://www.gatewayames.com/

We urge you to book your rooms early. Hotel space is limited because of a concurrent conference.

Posters
We encourage you to bring posters detailing your research projects. If you are interested in displaying a poster, please contact Marcia Minear at mminear@iastate.edu.

Airport and Transportation
The nearest airport is the Des Moines International Airport located about 40 miles south of Ames. We recommend that you book the rental of a car for your use during the Conference. Taxi service is available between the Des Moines airport and Ames. The fare is about $50 each way. There is no bus service between the Des Moines airport and Ames.