



Pre-Registration (prior to Feb. 21st, 2020):  
Please fill out a separate form for  
each person attending.

Register On-Line: [www.sdgcsa.org](http://www.sdgcsa.org)

Registration Options:	Pre-Register	On-site
Monday-Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> \$315	\$385
Tuesday - Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/> \$235	\$335
Monday only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$160	\$245
Tuesday only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	\$230
Wednesday only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	\$185

Above pricing INCLUDES ANNUAL DUES!!

Turf Student: Free conference registration no meals

Turf Student with meals  \$50 \$75

TOTAL REMITTED:\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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7102 Prestwick Rd., Rapid City, SD 57702

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Ask for GCSA of SD Rate  
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Pay dues & conference registration on-line!

The Golf Course Superintendents  
Association of South Dakota  
7102 Prestwick Rd.  
Rapid City, SD 57702

FORWARDING AND ADDRESS  
CORRECTION REQUESTED

36th Annual

# TURFGRASS SEMINAR & TRADE SHOW

Sponsored By:

The Golf Course Superintendents  
Association of South Dakota

March 2nd - 4th, 2020

Location: Best Western Plus  
Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center  
3200 West Maple Street, Sioux Falls



Grant support for program  
speakers provided by the South  
Dakota Golf Association (SDGA)

## SUNDAY, MARCH 1

5:00 pm - GreatShots for social and fun!

## MONDAY, MARCH 2

11:30 am-1:00pm - Registration Open

1:00pm - 5:00pm - "How to live in a place where excellence becomes your average". - Brigadier General Mike Oster

5:30pm - 7:00 pm - Trade Show Floor Setup 7:00pm - Opening Reception

## TUESDAY, MARCH 3

7:30 am - Registration Open

8:30 am - 10:30 am - "Irrigation Distribution Uniformity" - Steve Southard, CGCS

10:45 - 12:00 pm - "Water Hazards: 2020 Climate Outlook for SD" - Laura Edwards

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Lunch

1:00 pm - 1:45 pm - GCSAA Update - Steve Randall

1:45 pm - 2:45 pm - Annual Meeting SDGCSA

3:00 pm - Trade Show Opens

5:30 pm - Hors d'oeuvres/refreshments/prizes

7:30pm - Greg Lee/Zimco Supply, Pizza/Pool Party

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

8:00 am - Registration Open

8:30 am - 9:30 am - "Remote sensing of golf course greens to improve knowledge and management of winter stress in cold climates" - Dr. Eric Watkins

9:30 am - 10:30 am - "Advances in fine fescue research" - Dr. Eric Watkins

10:45 am - 11:45 am - "Golf Course or Nature Preserve: Why not both?" - Paul Carter, CGCS

11:45 am - 1:30 pm - Lunch with Vendors

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm - "Advancing your career through environmental stewardship and professional development" - Paul Carter, CGCS

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm Vendor Prizes & Adjourn

## DOOR PRIZES

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

## Introducing our lineup of speakers



Michael has been presenting to and training groups and organizations for over 20 years. His background ranges from being born and raised on a small family farm in eastern South Dakota to working for a Fortune 500 company. He has served as an elected official, owns and operates private businesses, has participated and continues to sit on a

number of volunteer boards, and has been wearing the uniform of the United States Army through over 33 years of service in the South Dakota Army National Guard. Michael is a veteran serving in both Operation Iraqi Freedom in Kuwait and Iraq, and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. He continues to serve in the Army National Guard to this day and currently holds the rank of Brigadier General.

Through service in these positions, continued professional education in performance excellence, 31 years of marriage to his wife Jo and raising four kids ranging in age from 30 to 18, Michael has acquired a tremendous background in leadership, teamwork and motivating people. He understands what it takes to build and maintain a positive attitude and how to motivate those around you to be better than they believe is possible.



Eric Watkins is a professor in the Dept. of Horticultural Science at the University of Minnesota. Eric received his Ph.D. in plant biology from Rutgers University. His research focuses on the development of low-input turfgrass cultivars for use in cold climates. Research activities involve germplasm improvement of several cool-season turfgrass species including fine

fescues & perennial ryegrass. He is also involved with turfgrass cultivar evaluation and other turfgrass science research. Eric teaches several undergraduate courses.



Laura Edwards is the South Dakota Extension State Climatologist since 2017 based out of the Aberdeen Regional Extension Center. She has been with Extension since 2011. She holds a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Minnesota and Masters Degree from University of Maryland. She lives outside of Aberdeen with her family.



Paul Carter is the certified golf course superintendent at The Bear Trace at Harrison Bay, an 18 hole Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course located just outside of Chattanooga, Tennessee. He also serves as the Director of Agronomy for the Tennessee Golf Trail, a collection of nine hole golf courses spread across Tennessee which are owned & operated

by the Tennessee Dept. of Environment and Conservation. His passion for & promotion of the environmental benefits of golf courses has garnered his golf course multiple environmental awards including the 2015 GCSAA President's Award for Environmental Stewardship, the 2013 GCSAA Environmental Leaders in Golf Overall & National Public Award, & the 2013 Golf Digest Green Star Award for Outstanding Environmental Practices. His golf course has garnered international attention for the Harrison Bay Eagle Cam, a live internet stream of a nesting pair of bald eagles. The Bear Trace at Harrison Bay is certified as an Audubon International Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary, was the first site in the state of Tennessee to be certified as a Groundwater Guardian Green Site by the Groundwater Foundation, and is one of only 12 golf courses in the US to be certified by the Golf Environment Organization of Europe as a GEO Certified Site.

Mr. Carter serves on the GCSAA board of directors and is involved in numerous committees and task groups for GCSAA. He also serves on the Tennessee Chapter of GCSAA BMP committee & as chairman of the Rounds 4 Research committee.



Steve Randall - Director of Chapter Outreach, received his bachelor's degree in business/communications from St. John's University in Minnesota and a masters degree in mass communications from the University of South Dakota. Randall has worked in golf administration since 1993 when he was asked to coach the South

Dakota State University men's and women's golf teams while working in the sports information department. Randall also worked for four years at the Minnesota Golf Association in Junior golf, media relations and regional affairs and was the executive director of the Sun Country Amateur Golf Association (the regional golf association for New Mexico and West Texas) prior to joining GCSAA.

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