Thursday, December 10, 2026

Check-In 8:30 - 9:00 AM - The ARC, Columbia, MO

	Golf & Sports Turf The ARC - Room A	Park & Facility Maintenance The ARC - Room B	Natural Resources The ARC - Room C
9:00 - 10:00 AM	**From Superintendent to the Dark Side** Ten things you need to know before you get into sales. How taking and assessing risk can impact your career. *Paul Hurst* *Greenspro*	**Ladder Safety** Learn the basics of simple maintenance, risk, and proper use of ladders. May seem easy, but there's more you probably do not know. *Luke Kroon* *City Of Columbia Risk Management*	**MDC: Floating Wetlands and Pond Maintenance** Learn about multiple ecosystems and their unique properties, and how to maintain them. This one is specifically on our wetlands and ponds, and how to maintain those in your parks! *Scott Voney* *Missouri Department of Conservation*
10:10 - 11:10 AM	**Golf Course Issues & New Products Coming Out** Golf course issues over the past year. Timing of applications and new products coming online, and how they can benefit your department. *Conrad Pannkuk* *Syngenta*	**Distracted and Defensive Driving** Identify and discuss different distractions while driving, possible consequences of distracted driving along with rules, laws, policies and definitions for driving fleet vehicles ending with tips for defensive driving. *Luke Kroon* *City Of Columbia Risk Management*	**Discussion of Landscape Plant Struggles & Successes** A look at common landscape plants which are starting to underperform given changing conditions and what underutilized species can fill those gaps in your day to day parks and ones that are rarely utilized. *Danny Moncheski* *SiteOne*
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM Lunch			
12:10 - 1:10 PM	**What's New with Grass Seed Selection** Discussion of the newest grass seed selections, where to put them, and the cost for your department for great new seeds! *Danial Earlywine* *Parc Research Facility*	**Milbank: Enclosed Controls** Custom power distribution and control solutions for your everyday maintenance needs. *Nick Frederking* *Butler Supply*	**Stihl Safety and Maintenance of Small Engines: Part 1** The presentation will cover best safety practices, and basic maintenance on STIHL handheld equipment. The focus will primarily be on chainsaws and cutquicks (concrete saw). We focus on these units for two reasons; 1. They are the units most commonly used by this department, and they also carry a higher risk of injury than other handheld equipment. Individual topics we will cover include (but not limited to) · Use of personal protective equipment (PPE) · Chainsaw and Cutquick Safety · Chainsaw chain operation and sharpening *Andy Williams* *Crader Distributing*
1:20 - 2:20 PM	**Normandie Golf Course Redesign & Grow-In** The process of redesigning and growing the Normandie Golf Course! How you can redesign yours and what to grow in it. *Matt Czarnecki* *Normandie Golf Course*	**Sportsbeams** Sports Lighting solutions for city parks and recreational fields, of multiple different costs and solutions to fit the needs of your park facilities.. *Nick Frederking* *Butler Supply*	**Stihl Safety and Maintenance of Small Engines: Part 2** This is a part two of the session prior to this where we will go in depth on chainsaw and cutquick safety. Make sure you attend both to get all the information! *Andy Williams* *Crader Distributing*