

WSU PUYALLUP HIGHLIGHT

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R. L. Goss Research Farm dedication brings new focus to WSU Puyallup Research



Above (left): Gwen Stahnke, Matt Johns, and Eric Miltner take a short photo-break after a successful morning; (right) Marcie and Roy Goss stand patiently for the cameras beside the one of the new signs at the newly dedicated R. L. Goss Research Farm.

This year's Washington State University/Oregon State University turf field day combined a historic dedication with nine different field and demonstration presentations to over 200 people. The morning began with welcoming comments and introductions from WSU Puyallup's Gwen Stahnke, Turfgrass Extension Specialist, and Eric Miltner, Associate Scientist. Dr. Roy Goss



(Ralph Cavaleri (left center) and Bill Pan (center, right) listen to Dr. Roy Goss.)

spoke briefly to the audience, detailing some of the history of the turfgrass program and its current applications. "I'm pleased for this honor," the octogenarian Goss told some 200 people gathered for the dedication. "This honor is usually reserved for people who are already under the turf. I checked the obits this morning and I'm not there, so this really is quite an honor."*

After the ceremonies, the audience was divided into groups and proceeded through the field and demonstration sites organized around the newly dedicated research farm. WSU Puyallup presenters, Eric Miltner, Craig Cogger, Andy Bary, Matt Johns, Gwen Stahnke, Randi Luchterhand, Norm Dart, Gary Chastagner, and Rita Hummel, were joined by others from WSU Pullman and Oregon State University.

* quote from WSU press release written by Denny Fleenor.

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