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2003 GREEN SECTION EDUCATION CONFERENCE

50 Years of Lessons Learned

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For the 22nd consecutive year the annual Green Section Education Conference was held in conjunction with the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Conference and Show. This year, more than 900 people attended the Green Section's program on Friday, February 14, at the Georgia World Congress Center. Bob Brame, of the USGA Green Section's North-Central Region, served as moderator for the morning's program of six speakers who addressed this year's theme, "50 Years of Lessons Learned."