Columbia posts

Rick Schroeder has been hired by Signal Landmark as golf course superintendent for the championship-caliber course being developed at Eagle Crest Country Club in Escondido, Calif.

Schroeder, who is responsible for all the firm's accounting functions, personnel and legal administration, served seven years in public accounting as a manager of Price Waterhouse and Morton, Nehls & Tierney.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, he has specialized in working as a C.P.A. for manufacturing clients.

Quick worked eight years with Briggs & Stratton Corp., two years with Harley-Davidson Golf Cars and seven years with Chrysler Outboard. His primary responsibilities are management and performance of Columbia ParCar’s entire drive/power train system.

Bach selling for Farmers

Farmers Marketing Corp. of Phoenix, Ariz., has appointed Gerald Bach to market and sell grass seed to golf courses, landscapers, sport field managers and others in Arizona.

Bach is experienced in turf-product sales, and has been an assistant golf course superintendent and landscaper.

Until recently, Bach worked for Lesco, Inc. He will be responsible for helping to introduce and promote NuMex Sahara bermudagrass throughout Arizona as well as testing other material from Farmers’ turf-breeding program.

Vaubel super at new Eagle Crest

Harold Vaubel, who has supervised the maintenance of some of the country’s top golf courses, has been hired by Signal Landmark as golf course superintendent for the championship-caliber course being developed at Eagle Crest Country Club in Escondido, Calif.

Vaubel, a certified golf course superintendent, is already involved in construction of the 18-hole course. When completed, it will be the centerpiece for Signal Landmark’s gated-guarded Eagle Crest community, which will include 580 luxury residences.

“We are thrilled to have someone with Harold’s background and qualifications as part of the Eagle Crest Country Club team,” said Don Collett, president of Don Collett & Associates, the management firm for the country club. “He is both a certified golf course superintendent and agronomist—an outstanding combination for this position.”

Vaubel earned a bachelor’s degree with distinction in agronomy from the University of Arizona, with an emphasis on turfgrass management.

Working for the PGA Tour for more than four years, he supervised Tournament Players Courses at TPC Starpass, which hosted the Tucson (Ariz.) Open and at TPC Prestancia in Sarasota, Fla. He was also turf agronomist for the Desert Forest Golf Club in Carefree, Ariz.

“At Eagle Crest Country Club, we are incorporating many water elements, native oak trees specialized grasses and a fully computerized irrigation system—all of which require special care,” Vaubel said. “Once the course is ready for play, about a year from now, we will have a full-time maintenance staff of about 20 people to maintain the golf course and clubhouse landscaping.”

Mori Hayashi

Kubota Credit president named

Mori Hayashi has returned to Kubota Tractor Corp. as president of Kubota Credit Corp. and vice president of Kubota Tractor Corp., overseeing finance, accounting, administration and information systems.

Hayashi joined the Comptor, Calif.-based Kubota Tractor Corp.’s parent company, Kubota Corp., immediately after graduating from Okayama University in 1969.

He then joined Kubota Tractor Corp. in 1977 as the assistant to the president, and later was also named vice president of Kubota Credit Corp.

Hayashi left KTC in 1983 to return to Kubota Corp. The Kubota Credit Corp. was established in 1982 to offer a wide range of financing programs for KTC’s diverse customer base.