Mountains

FOCUS IS ON IRRIGATION

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Seminars targeting irrigation efficiency and xeriscaping will highlight the Southwest Horticultural Trade Show, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 9-10, at Phoenix Civic Plaza.

The "Irrigation Efficiency" seminar, sponsored by Cactus and Pine Golf Course Superintendents Association and the national association, will be led by Dr. Ken Solomon from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 9. 

Sponsored by the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association, the "Xeriscaping: Nature’s Choice of Landscape" workshop will be held from 7:30 to 3 p.m. Sept. 10. It will include seminars about sustainable design, plants adapted to the desert environment and efficient irrigation to preserve water resources.

A Pesticide Credit Seminar will be conducted by Dr. Michael Pfeiffer from 8 a.m. to noon Thursday.

More than 300 booths featuring equipment, nursery items, fertilizers and chemicals, and hard goods are expected.

More information is available from the Arizona Nursery Association at 1430 W. Broadway A125, Phoenix 85282; 602-966-1610.

Far West

FAITH, which helps children with cancer re-enter age-appropriate activities by improving their motor skills, confidence and self-image.

"This new direction of service to our community has been fostered through the desire of developing community relations beyond the boundaries of green grass and putting surfaces," said Past President David R. Pease.

Pease said the GC SANJ will continue and expand its support of turfgrass research programs. The annual Golf Course Superintendents Championship Tournament will be held at Deal (N.J.) Golf and Country Club on Oct. 21.

North Central

MINN. CHANGES OPEN BURNING

As a result of statutory changes enacted by the Minnesota Legislature, permits for open burning can no longer be obtained from Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

Starting Aug. 1, open burning permits are available only for vegetative material and will be available from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources fire wardens and forestry offices. Forestry personnel have issued permits in the past and now will have the sole responsibility for issuing permits statewide.

The MPCA reminded Minnesota residents that, except for issuing permits, the state’s open burning laws have not changed. The agency encourages the use of less harmful disposal methods for vegetative wastes, including chipping and composting. Burning household wastes is not allowed.

Special permits for permanent tree and brush burning sites and for fire department training must be issued by forestry offices. Municipalities with current permits for permanent tree and brush burning sites should apply for new permits through their local forestry office by Aug. 18.

Permits for fire department training after Aug. 1 must also be issued by forestry offices. For additional information, contact George Meadows of the Department of Natural Resources at 612-256-4490.

Northeast

NEW JERSEY FIELD DAYS

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — The Rutgers University research team will host tours of its turf plots and 87 exhibitors will demonstrate equipment and other wares at the 29th annual Field Day at Rutgers Horticultural Farm II on Ryders Lane here, Oct. 5.

The event, which opens at 9 a.m., will be hosted by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of New Jersey.

More information is available from GC SANJ headquarters at 201-379-1100.

PROJECT F.A.I.T.H. INSTITUTED

The Golf Course Superintendents Association of New Jersey has inaugurated a new program for a new direction in its community service. The organization has started Project

Many leaders have come and gone since 1964.