E.C.I. names two VPs: Ng and de Garmo

Bruce Wilson, president and chief operating officer of Environmental Care, Inc., has announced the promotion of Arnold Ng to vice president of Sales and Marketing. Ng has been working with the company's sales force in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Nevada and Texas. Ng has brought the sales team to new heights of achievement. In other E.C.I. news, Richard A. Sperber, president of Valley Crest Landscape, Inc., has announced the promotion of Charles de Garmo to the company's vice president and branch manager of Orange County operations. De Garmo had previously worked with Valley Crest Landscape, Inc. in a number of areas including sales, estimating, purchasing and operations.

Environmental Steward application deadline Oct. 31

BURNSVILLE, Minn. — The four sponsors of the Environmental Steward Awards — Ciba Turf & Ornamental Products, Rain Bird, Jacobsen Division of Textron and new sponsor Lebanon Turf Products — have announced the following award dates:

Entry forms available: Aug. 1, 1994
Closing date for competition: Oct. 31, 1994

Entry forms are available from any of the sponsors or Ceres Communications, coordinator of the program. They can also be found in the August issue of Golf Course Management.

Entries are reviewed by an independent panel of judges selected for their expertise in environmental issues and turfgrass management. Awards are given in three categories: public, private and resort. One national winner is selected in each category.

In addition, there may be as many as 21 U.S. regional winners: one public, private and resort winner each in all seven U.S. Golf Association regions. There also may be three winners each in Canada and internationally. Merit winners may be selected at the discretion of the judges.

In 1993-94, 28 golf course superintendents received Environmental Steward Awards, which were created to recognize superintendents for their efforts to care for and enhance their local environments. In addition, the sponsors donated more than $17,000 in the names of the winners to the GCSAA Scholarship & Research Foundation.

For more information about the Environmental Steward Awards, contact Bob Hanvik or Lois Kocon at Ceres; 631 W. Traverse Trail, Burnsville, MN 55337; 612-894-2414, Fax: 612-894-2423.

AGC TEAMS WITH INTERNATIONAL HALSEY, Ore. — Management giant American Golf Corp. (AGC) has named International Seeds, Inc. as its exclusive supplier of grass seed. As part of the contract, Halsey-based International will supply more than 175 AGC courses in the United States and Europe with its seed product.

MILORGANITE TAPS SOUTHERN REPS MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Sylvite Southeast, Ltd. and Fagler and Associates, Inc. have been named to represent Milorganite fertilizer product, in tandem, in the southeastern U.S. Sylvite Southeast is located in Lakeland, Fla., and managed by Lat Vern. Fagler and Associates is based in Savannah, Ga., with Will Fagler heading the business.

Kimmel heads IA

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"Last year, we had a little over 5,000 [attendees]," he said. "This year we expect a show of comparable size. What we've done this year is secured a lot of co-sponsors, regional irrigation associations and growers, for example."

Kimmel said IA members and industry colleagues shouldn't expect any major association shake-ups on his watch.

"It is a changing of the guard, but Pepper did a good job and we don't plan any major changes," he said. "If we do as good a job, I'll be tickled."

As for Putnam, he plans to start a sales agency in the Pacific Northwest.

"I hope for something more than a manufacturers' rep, but there's nothing wrong with being a good manufacturers' rep," said Putnam. "We'll concentrate on irrigation and we want to exploit the golf course marketplace, which is booming out there in the Northwest."

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