

Kerkman joins Egypt Farms staff

WHITE MARSH, Md. — Egypt Farms, Inc. added Chris Kerkman to its staff. Kerkman recently received his master's degree in soil science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His thesis, titled, "Root Zone Amendment Effects On The Quality And Nutritional Status Of Creeping Bentgrass Putting Greens," compared 10 different

root-zone mixes containing seven separate amendments, six organic, one inorganic and three different types of sand.

Kerkman's responsibilities will include product quality control, root-zone development and consulting on construction projects. In addition, he will supervise the precision soil blending division of Egypt Farms Inc.

RISE Speakers

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sumer issues to civic, community and school groups in 1997.

Those interested in offering their speaking services, and those who know of groups in need of speakers, should call Debbie Rubin at 309-691-2041.

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Three specialty pest management industry representatives have been elected as officers of the RISE governing board for the 1997 fiscal year. The announcement was made at the association's annual meeting in Palm Beach, Fla.

New officers are Richard G. Holzschu — general manager, urban pest management, DowElanco, Indianapolis, Ind. — elected chairman for a one-year board term; James K. Champion — president, Riverdale Chemical Co., Glenwood, Ill. — named vice-chairman; and Trevor Thorley — director, specialty products, Bayer Corporation, Kansas City, Mo. — elected treasurer. E. Allen James, executive director, RISE, Washington, D.C., serves as secretary.

New board members elected by the membership for three-year terms are Laureen Treu, business director, crop protection division, Uniroyal Chemical Co., Inc., Middlebury, Conn.; and Keelan W. Pulliam, business director, professional products, Zeneca, Inc., Wilmington, Del.

Completing the board are Tommy Reeves, vice president, Oldham Chemicals Co., Inc., Memphis, Tenn., who was re-elected to a three year term; Janet Giesselman, manager, turf and ornamental products, Rohm and Haas Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Eugene Johanningsmeier, president, Turfgrass, Inc., South Lyon, Mich.; Michael P. Kelty, senior vice president, The Scotts Co., Marysville, Ohio; Bill R. Liles, director, turf and ornamental products, Ciba, Greensboro, N.C.; and Michael A. Sotak, vice president, marketing, Lesco, Inc., Rocky River, Ohio, who also was re-elected to a three-year term.

Retiring board members are Jan Novak, president, The Solaris Group, San Ramon, Calif.; and Guy G. Mikel, vice president, specialty business, Sandoz Agro, Inc., Des Plaines, Ill.

Brouwer Turf celebrates 25 years in sod machinery business

DALTON, Ohio — This year, Brouwer Turf Equipment will celebrate 25 years of manufacturing equipment for the sod industry. Since 1972 Brouwer has been a leading manufacturer of sod harvesting equipment. The company prides itself on producing a full range of turf production machinery that has a reputation of being the best in the industry.

The range of products includes: SH155 and

SH1560 sod harvesters, the new RollMax 2400 sod harvester that features one-man automatic operation, HitchHiker 3600R forklifts, palletless fork systems, RM22 Rotary Mowers, BV138 and BV85 vacuums, TR130 and TR224 turf rollers, and the MK213 sod cutter. In 1997 Brouwer will also introduce a range of large-roll sod installation equipment designed to work in conjunction with the Brouwer RollMax 2400 sod harvester.

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