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## ITEMS THAT KEEP YOU TRUCKIN'

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Whether the duty sheet calls for mowing, seeding, snow plowing or spraying, one piece of equipment is sure to be involved — a truck. In fact, typical landscapers spend almost as much time in or around the company truck as they do in their offices.

One of the key accessories for any truck is the trailer. The right trailer can make the day's work go a lot easier. The wrong one can turn every unloading or loading operation into a drag — it even can make highway transport a drag, quite literally.

This month we look at a number of quality trailers designed to make a landscaper's working life easy. But there are other accessories which can make truckin' around on the job more profitable and more controllable. These range from on-board computers to safety equipment to systems that make handling big loads safer.

All of these truck accessories are designed with the landscaping or lawn care business professional in mind. Check out the products available and send for information on the ones best suited to your needs. Be sure to tell the vendors you saw their products in LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT.

**AA-TACH**  
888/922-8224  
[www.aatach.com](http://www.aatach.com)

The Sweeping System, from AA-Tach, installs on a pickup truck in five minutes, making it a great sweeper for any area. Priced under \$14,000, it is powered by a 20-hp, Wisconsin Robin EY21 engine. It is rust-free and slides onto most domestic or foreign trucks. Unit stores on four stands.

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**ABBOTT ENTERPRISES**  
800/643-5973  
[www.abbott-tach.com](http://www.abbott-tach.com)

Go high-tech. On-board computer system gives a detailed record of date, start-time, service/delivery time, total miles driven and peak speed. AutoMate, from Abbott, stores data on a memory card which downloads into a computer. Software allows owner to create custom reports to meet particular needs.

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## AUTOMATED WASTE EQUIPMENT

**609/588-5400**  
Change from a flatbed to a dump body or a container body in minutes. The Hook-All Hooklift trucks from Automated are designed with a single rotation point and dual-lift cylinders rated at 2400 psi hydraulics. Controls are inside cab.  
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## BIL-JAX

**800/527-5333**  
[www.biljax.com](http://www.biljax.com)  
The Workforce Escalate Equipment Trailer from Bil-Jax has a load capacity of 4,000 lbs. It is designed for safe and simple handling of mowers, trenchers, compactors and other equipment. Trailer's entire bed lowers to the ground, eliminating need to tilt the trailer and risk operator injury. One person easily can load equipment while trailer remains attached to the towing vehicle.  
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## CURB-KING

**877/YES-CURB**  
The 1.6-, 3- and 4-cubic yard trailers are available from Curb-King. Trailers have heavy gauge fenders which double as walkways. Swing-up jack prevents dragging and damage. Locking toolbox saves unloading at night. Smallest unit has 3,500-lb. axle. The 3-yard model has 7,000-lb. axle and 18-foot bed; 4-yarder has dual tandem 10,000-lb. axles and 20-foot bed.  
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## D&D TRAILERS

**609/771-0001**  
The Deande 6000L trailer is a 6,000-lb. gross, 4,500-lb. capacity unit made of 2x4 steel tubing. Main frame is 75 in., with 78 in. between fenders. Length is 96 in. It has 18.5-in. ground-to-deck clearance. There are electric brakes on both Dexter 4-



D&D trailer can haul 4,500 lbs.

in. drop axles with the DOT break-away pack. Unit can be built to 102 in. wide, or fitted with ramp gates, custom color or capacity upgrade.  
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## EZN RAMP SOLUTIONS OF TEXAS

**281/482-8916**  
[pmdeans@earthlink.net](mailto:pmdeans@earthlink.net)  
Turn your truck into a heavy-duty hauler with quick loading capacity on the EZN Ramp from EZN Ramp Solutions. It has a load capac-



### EZN Ramp Solutions of Texas

ity of 2,000 lbs. Unique design allows it to take only 4 in. of cargo space when stowed. Takes seconds to unfold. Anti-slip surface of baked silicon carbide makes loading safe under all conditions.  
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## GALBREATH

**800/285-0666**  
[www.galbreath-inc.com](http://www.galbreath-inc.com)  
The 9,000-lb. capacity U9 hook hoist from Galbreath can be mounted on smaller trucks that



### Galbreath's U9 hook hoist

don't require a commercial license. It accommodates either a 84- or 120-in. CA chassis and can handle containers from 8- to 12-ft. long. It requires a truck with 6,000-lb. front axle and power steering, and 12,000-lb. rear axle.  
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## HOLLAND EQUIPMENT, LTD.

**800/457-8310**  
[www.aerway.com](http://www.aerway.com)

The Aerway Turf Dump Trailer from Holland Equipment in Norwich, Ontario has a full 4-yard capacity, tubular steel frame, 12-gauge steel hopper, 12-ply high flotation tires on 16-in. wheels, double-adjustable cam-latch tailgate and 12,000-lb. GVW. Options include a 12-volt electric/hydraulic power up/down pump and over-sized tires.  
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## LIFETIME PRODUCTS

**800/369-5365**  
The Lift-A-Load trailer line from Lifetime Products is available in sizes from 3,000 to 15,000 lbs. The new EPT4-715 hauls up to 15,000 lbs at 30 mph or 12,000 lbs. at 55 mph.



### Lifetime Products Lift-A-Load trailer available in many sizes.

Unit is 15 ft. by 6 ft. 2 in. wide. All units include enclosed hydraulics powered by the tow vehicle's 12-volt DC system. Gooseneck hitch, 30 in. tailgate/ramp and DC-powered winch available as options.  
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## READING BODY WORKS

**800/458-2226**  
[www.readingbody.com](http://www.readingbody.com)  
Sturdy steel platform body is



Reading offers steel platform bodies in 8- to 12-ft. lengths.

available in 8-, 9-, 10- or 12-ft. lengths from Reading Body Works. Redi-Deck floor is 1/8-in. safety tread steel plate. Outside stake rack pockets allow full use of platform floor and are reinforced with 2x1/4-in. flat bar tie-downs for securing loads. Also works with gooseneck trailers. Cutouts allow remounting chassis stop, tail and turn-signal lights.  
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## SMITHCO

**610/688-4009**  
[www.smithco.com](http://www.smithco.com)  
Carry two mowers, loaded front-to-rear on the Double Mow-n-Go from Smithco. Unit uses an automatic lock-down, latching-bar system to hold mowers

firmly in wheel-wells during transport, protecting against damage to knives, reels and rollers or changes in adjustments. Hand lever lowers bed for easy roll-on, roll-off loading. Drawbar adapts to all types of towing vehicles. Turf-tread tires are soft and wide with 13-psi pressure. Unit is customized to carry all major brands.  
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## SOUTH AG DISTRIBUTING

**919/365-5111**  
The Proline tandem axle PLS16 Landscaper Special from SouthAg has a 78-in. wide bed (inside rail to inside rail) and is 16 ft. long. Made of 3-in. channel frame, not angle iron, it has 7,000-lb. GVW and 2.5-ton load capacity. Deck is 17-in. high with a removable 4-ft. ex-



panded metal tailgate. Optional landscaping box is a 2-ft. square locking box for blowers, trimmers, rakes. Box doubles as a work bench.

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#### **SUPERIOR SIGNALS** 800/447-3693

Warn 'em or see 'em. Install a back-up alarm on any unit. The Safe-T-Alert 3000 series from Superior Signals comes in decibel ranges from 82 to 107. The STA-30572 can be manually adjusted. The Super-Sight collision avoidance system allows the driver of a vehicle to see objects out of sight of the rear-view



Superior Signals backup alarm

mirrors. Camera is mounted on the rear of vehicle, monitor put inside cab.

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#### **TAYLOR-DUNN CORP.** 714/956-4040 www.taylor-dunn.com

Move up to 30 people with the E-Tram unit from Taylor-Dunn. Towing unit carries 8 people and pulls a set



Taylor Dunn Corp.

of trailers that carry a maximum of 12 passengers each. Towing unit has 36- or 48-volt drive train and moves as fast as 15 mph with a range of 24 miles per charge. It is designed for use in industrial parks, commercial complexes and universities.

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#### **TIGER LINE** 419/628-3388

#### **forsale@bright.net**

The Side-Dump trailer from Tiger Line is a sturdy unit made of 12-gauge hot-rolled steel. One-person operation allows fast, easy dumping. Also available is the Stow-a-Crane, a 4-in-1, fold-away crane, power winch or trailer hitch. Unit folds down into the bumper but opens out to make handling loads up to one ton easy and safe.

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#### **Woods Equipment Co.** 800/385-9798 www.woodsonline.com

Operator comfort and longer time between maintenance are the leading features of the zero-turn mid-mount M-series

Mow'n Machines from Woods. The M2250 as 22 hp and a 50-in. deck. The

M2560 has 25 hp and a 60-in. deck. Both models have Kohler engines, hydraulic deck height control, extended life spindles and Tunsten® carbide-coated blades.

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# Events

## AUGUST

966-1610; [www.azna.org](http://www.azna.org)

### **18 Ohio Turfgrass Research Field Day**

Columbus, OH; 888/683-3445

### **18 Michigan Turfgrass Field Day**

Michigan State University, East Lansing; 517/321-1660

### **18 University of Rhode Island Turfgrass Field Day**

Kingston Campus, RI; 401/874-2481

### **20 ALCA Environmental Improvement Awards deadline (Exterior)**

ALCA, 800/395-2522; [www.alca.org](http://www.alca.org)

### **24 Building with Trees — Saving Trees at Construction Sites**

Atlanta, GA; National Arbor Day Foundation, 402/474-5655; [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org)

### **26 Turf & Landscape Research Field Day**

Santa Clara, CA; 510/639-1271

### **27-29 ALCA Performance Management Symposium**

Dallas, TX; 800/395-2522; [www.alca.org](http://www.alca.org)

### **12-16 American Society of Landscape Architects Annual Meeting**

Boston, MA; 202/898-2444; [www.asla.org](http://www.asla.org)

### **14 Southern Illinois University Turf Field Day**

SIU campus, Carbondale, IL; 618/536-7751

### **14 Turfgrass Research Conference & Field Day**

University of California, Riverside, CA; 909/787-4430

### **14-16 Northern Plant Symposium**

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI; Michigan Nursery & Landscape Association, 800/879-6652

### **15 Landscape Management Research Conference & Field Day**

Univ. of California, Riverside, CA; 909/787-4430

### **15 Agricultural Research & Extension Annual Field Day**

Virginia Beach, VA; 757/363-3906

### **15 Texas Turf & Ornamental Field Day**

Dallas, TX; 972/231-5362

### **16-18 Florida Nursery & Allied Trade Show**

Orlando, FL; 407/295-7994; [www.fnga.org](http://www.fnga.org)

### **19-22 International Public Works Congress & Expo**

Denver, CO; 800/988-9218

### **27-30 Hawaii Mid-Pacific Horticultural Conference & Show**

Hilo, HI; 808/969-2088; [www.hena.org](http://www.hena.org)

## SEPTEMBER

### **7 Train the Trainer**

Woodbine, MD; ALCA/Husqvarna, 800/395-2522; [www.alca.org](http://www.alca.org)

### **8-11 RISE Annual Meeting**

Beaver Creek, CO; 202/872-3860; [www.acpa.org/riise](http://www.acpa.org/riise)

### **9-10 Southwest Horticultural Trade Show**

Phoenix, AZ; Arizona Nursery Assn., 602/