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Reading Body's contractor body and equipment carrier in one



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operated parking brake, power dump bed with removable sides and tailgate, six-gal. tank with fuel gauge, reverse warning indicator and halogen headlights

Omaha Standard

Omaha Standard Landscaper Body Best features:

Bodies available in lengths of 12'6," 14'6" and 16'6" with an outside body width of 96 in.

Inside usable area is 90-in.-wide by 12, 14 or 16 ft. long, allowing loading of pallets side-by-side

Side heights are available in 40 and 52 in. and are made of 10-gauge smooth steel with an optional front-mounted 48-in. side access door on the curbside or street side, making access to the front of the body easy
The bulkhead is also made of 10-gauge steel



Omaha Standard's
Landscaper Truck Body



A 36-in. cab shield or 12-in. weld-on tool tray with perforated base is available as an option

The unitized rear doors are made of 10-gauge steel with top-punched skin sheets. The top full opening rear doors swing around and lock to the sides for loading. The double acting dump gate is hinged at the top for dumping/spreading, and the bottom is hinged for extension of the platform load area or dropping down for dock loading

Platforms are available with wood, smooth steel or tread plate

Reading Body

Platform toolbox combination Best features:

A contractor body and equipment carrier in one. Tools and equipment are carried in lockable toolbox compartments. Bin dividers with a shelf are an option

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Super Lawn Truck

Equipment storage and transportation system Best features:

Equipped with a hydraulically-operated ramp that allows large commercial mowers



to drive right into the back of the truck for easy transport

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The on-board fuel station reduces fuel stops to one per week

SCI Products

Workman slide-out container for pickup trucks

Best features:

 Will slide off or on your truck fullyloaded

Can be used as a job container or dump box

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tures voice encryption, channel scanning, and a backlit LCD display with numeric and icon read-outs indicating programmed settings and radio performance. For more information contact Kenwood Communications at 800/950-5005 or www.kenwood.net / circle no. 285

Keeping watch

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Crunch numbers

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Well-received

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Property at a glance

Location: Boulder, CO Staff: Ned's Lawn & Tree Service, Inc. Category: Small Site Total budget: \$25,200 Year site built: 1975 Acres of turf: 3.5 Acres of woody ornamentals: 5 Acres of display beds: 1 Total paved area: 1.9 acres Total man-hours/week: 25

Maintenance challenges

- Keeping bluegrass lush and green
- Aging irrigation system
- Responsible and efficient employees

Project checklist

Completed in last two years:

- Relandscaped problem areas with more appropriate plant selections.
- Updated irrigation system
- Developed IPM program

On the job

2 full-time staff, 3 seasonal employees

Roche of Colorado Corporation

2001 PGMS Grand Award Winner for Small Site

When Roche of Colorado Corporation, a pharmaceutical company located in Boulder, CO, hired Ned's Lawn & Tree Service to maintain its landscape, it had one simple demand: keep the Kentucky bluegrass lush and green.

This, however, was easier said than done. The company is located at the foot of the Rocky Mountains, where Ned's crew members have found plenty of large rocks and gravel to contend with just beneath the soil. A 25year-old irrigation system which must be monitored bi-weekly doesn't help matters.

Mowing's no cinch either. Numerous berms around the site, as well as steep rolls in the terrain, make mowing an adventure.

Where bluegrass has had trouble surviving, Ned's crews have added flower beds with California poppies, snapdragons, Brazilian verbena, begonia, lobelia,



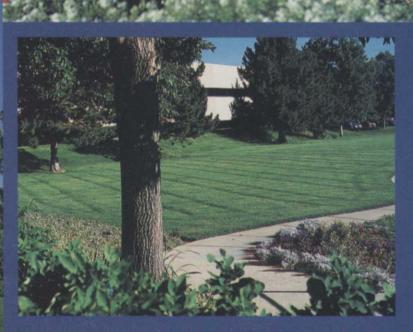
Flat ground is hard to find on Roche of Colorado Corporation's site, which is why most mowing is done with stand-on mowers.

blue salvia, and others. White Nancy has proven to be a great ground cover for the area. With 100% lush bluegrass being unrealistic for this site, Ned has been educating the client on appreciating the diversity within a bluegrass landscape and understanding the principles of site specific landscape design.



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Although there are some display beds on site, the 3.5 acres of Kentucky bluegrass demand the most attention from Ned's crew. Roche of Colorado Corporation issued this directive when hiring Ned's: keep the bluegrass lush and green.

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The awards will be presented during the Professional Grounds Management Society Annual Meeting, Nov. 13-17 in Nashville, TN. Several winners will be featured in *Landscape Management* and PGMS Forum.

Entry Categories

1. Small site (budget under \$80,000)

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2. Residential landscape

3. Public works sites (includes parkways & intersections)

4. Shopping area

Hospital or institution
Government building or complex

7. Cemetery or memorial park

8. Industrial or office park
9. Park, recreation area or

athletic field OR — multiple sites under same management **10.** School or university

grounds OR urban universities

 Condominium, apartment complex or planned community
Hotel, motel or resort

13. Amusement/theme park.

Judging

A distinguished panel of judges selected by PGMS and *Landscape Management* determines the winners.

This program aims to:

 Bring national recognition to grounds care.

Recognize individual efforts leading to high landscape maintenance standards.

Challenge landscapers to achieve a level of excellence.

Eligibility

An entrant must be professionally engaged in, and responsible for, the maintenance of grounds described in ENTRY CATEGORIES. Projects for which an entry was submitted in a design or construction award competition are eligible in the Green Star program, even if the project won an award, because maintenance is the criterion upon which an entry is judged.

Grand Award winning projects cannot re-enter this program for two years (2001 Grand Award winning projects are ineligible until 2003).

Any landscape for which the entrant has the main responsibility for maintenance and beautification may be entered. The size of the landscape operating budget is not a criterion for judging. Rather, the judges will consider the quality, challenge and performance in maintenance of the grounds for a period of at least two years.

How to enter All entries must include:

1. Fifteen (15) color 35mm slides — ten (10) showing the beauty of the total landscape project and five (5) showing the crew at work. DO NOT USE 'POSED' SHOTS. Put a descriptive caption on each slide.

2. Ten (10) 5- by 7-in. color prints — five (5) showing the beauty of the landscape and five (5) showing crew members working in areas that are difficult to maintain. DO NOT USE 'POSED' SHOTS. Label each with a descriptive caption.

Note: Put your best scenes on

the slides, which are critical to judging and awards display.

3. One recent photograph of yourself, as the person in charge, working in the landscape.

4. INDIVIDUALLY LABEL all slides and photographs with the name of the entrant and the site. DO NOT USE TAPE to mount — put in plastic or metal mounts.

5. Include a brief description of the site.

6. All entries must contain a COVER LETTER releasing the material for publication at the discretion of *Landscape Management* magazine. All entries become the property of the sponsors and may be published in *Landscape Management* magazine or used for other purposes the magazine deems appropriate. NO MATERIALS WILL BE RE-TURNED.

7. Enclose a check for the ENTRY FEE: \$125 for members of PGMS or \$180 for nonmembers. To qualify, all elements of the entry must be COMPLETE in one mailing envelope, including entry fee.

Deadline

The deadline for entries is Aug. 4, 2002. All entries must be submitted to the Green Star Professional Grounds Management Awards, c/o Professional Grounds Management Society, 720 Light St., Baltimore, MD 21230.