

## EQUIPMENT NEWS

### V.I.T. expands sales force

V.I.T. Products of Escondido, Calif., has expanded its sales representation with Spectronicks International LTD of Salem, Ore., and D & S Horizon of Sparks, Nev.

"Both companies will dramatically increase our visibility within the specification market on the West Coast," said V.I.T. President Don Pagano.

Spectronicks International LTD, headed by John A. Church, will represent V.I.T. Products in the

Pacific Northwest. Joe DePiano is in charge of D & S Horizon's representation throughout northern California.

V.I.T. Products, Inc. manufactures Cinch-Tie, Twist-Brace and House and Wire, which are staking and tying devices for trees, and The Pipe Stabilizer for stabilizing pipe on hillsides. Root Barrier and Root Deflector are the latest arbor care products introduced by V.I.T. Products.



Warren's Turf Nursery, Inc., General Manager Mike Holmes, center, presents the Warren's Turf Club Award to co-winners Steve Zwilling, left, of Winchester, Calif., and Frank Berns of Suisun City, Calif.

### Warren's honors its best

Warren's Turf Nursery, Inc., of Crystal Lake, Ill., presented its Turf Club Award for 1989 to co-winners Steve Zwilling of Winchester, Calif., and Frank Berns of Suisun City, Calif.

During three days of meetings at its annual Kick-Off Conference, the national producer and marketer of turfgrass seed, sod and related products hosted branch management and sales personnel from throughout the country.

University of Illinois, Texas A&M University and Colorado State University professors spoke at the conference.

Attendees participated in workshop sessions covering a wide range of technical and managerial topics.

### Best creates Flowtronix Int'l

Flowtronex International has been formed by Best Equipment to continue providing the turfgrass industry with cost-effective, skid-mounted integrated pump systems previously sold under the Best Equipment name.

Although Best Equipment has been engineering, servicing and marketing "modular" pumping systems for more than 10 years, company management agreed that a new corporate division would greatly enhance product development, sales and service.

Best Equipment, which was founded as a pump distributor in 1979 and has produced and installed custom-engineered pump systems around the world, will continue selling and servicing pumps and components under the Best Equipment name in various industrial markets.

A number of golf courses are using Flowtronex International modular pumping systems (previously marketed under the Best Equipment name).

### Pennant label amended

The Environmental Protection Agency has approved several label amendments for Ciba-Geigy's Pennant liquid and granular herbicide for problem weed control in ornamentals.

Pennant now can be used on all landscape and nursery plantings in addition to commercial landscapes and ornamental nurseries.

Ciba-Geigy's manager of technical support, Dr. Doug Houseworth, said the revision "greatly expands the number of sites where Pennant can be used. New users will be able to take advantage of the product's excellent weed-control properties, particularly against difficult-to-control yellow nutsedge.

The number of container-grown ornamental plants on which the product can be used increased from five to 50 with the new label, and more weeds are now included.

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