

Park Supervisors Association, the Minnesota Society of Arborists, the Minnesota Association of School Maintenance Supervisors, the Minnesota Hospital Groundskeepers, the Grounds Supervisors of Area Colleges, and the Minnesota Cemeterykeepers Association.

"The expo is open to the public and the building and sites are open for tours," Robinson added.

Anoka AVTI's horticulture program draws students from across the five-state area and beyond, according to Robinson, and, he says, "We're here to serve the industry. We have lots of flexibility. Students can work for an employer and then come to school in their off hours.

"It used to be that we had a lot of students who were high school kids going to school because someone told them to. Now, they're coming in here to better their talents. They're already working in the industry, but they'd like to upgrade themselves a little bit. We offer the flexibility they need to suit their educational needs," said Robinson.

A career in horticulture is a challenging one, and one that has some specific qualifications as Robinson emphasized, "You have to have a love for plant materials and for the outdoor life. If you don't like high humidity and warm temperatures, then you better stay in your air conditioned office."

But if you're ready for the outdoor life, if you're ready to get your hands dirty, and if you're not afraid of hard work, look into one of the many varied fields of horticultural study at Anoka AVTI.

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On May 1, 1960 Bartley Supply Company was founded. That same day we started working with the installation of a new sprinkler system for the Sauk Centre Golf Course. Since that first system 25 years ago, Bartley Supply has worked with over 130

golf courses throughout Minnesota, Wisconsin, North and South Dakota providing designs and materials for watering systems and pumping stations.

Starting out primarily as a distributor for Cresline Plastic pipe and Fairbanks Morse pumps, Jerry Bartley, our company's founder, soon became a Master Turf Distributor for Rainbird in the State of Minnesota. During the 1960's Bartley's grew rapidly and expanded its distribution to a full line of plumbing, heating and water well supplies. In 1972 Bartley Supply founded "TOP LINE", a national merchandising program for plumbing and heating contractors.

As we branched out into many product lines we never lost interest in the Turf Irrigation Industry. Today Bartley's continues to maintain a separate sprinkler department working with golf courses, installation contractors and engineers to design and provide irrigation systems and pump stations that keep pace with today's technology and our customers growing needs.

Headquartered in St. Cloud, Minnesota Bartley's also has branch outlets in Brainerd and Alexandria, Minnesota. The wide range of products we distribute and the number of dealers we work with enables us to provide truck delivery to all areas of the state on a regular basis.

Continually striving to provide better service, we recently began stocking a full line of larger horsepower pumps and motors (up to 40 HP!)

Besides distributing a complete line of Rainbird and Hunter Irrigation Products, we also stock pipe, fittings, parts and accessories through 8" diameter. The success Bartley Supply has enjoyed over the past 25 years is directly related to the strong emphasis we place on providing our customers with high quality service. With continued emphasis on our customers' satisfaction we are confident the next 25 years will also be most successful.

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