

Twin City Seed Co. Appoints Dave Gamez As Turf Specialist

Twin City Seed Co. is pleased to announce the appointment of Dave Gamez as Turf Specialist. Dave brings over 15 years experience in the seed business with six years in the former Peterson Seed facility in Shakopee, Minn. Dave serves on the board of the Minnesota Erosion Control Association, and has done public speaking on various

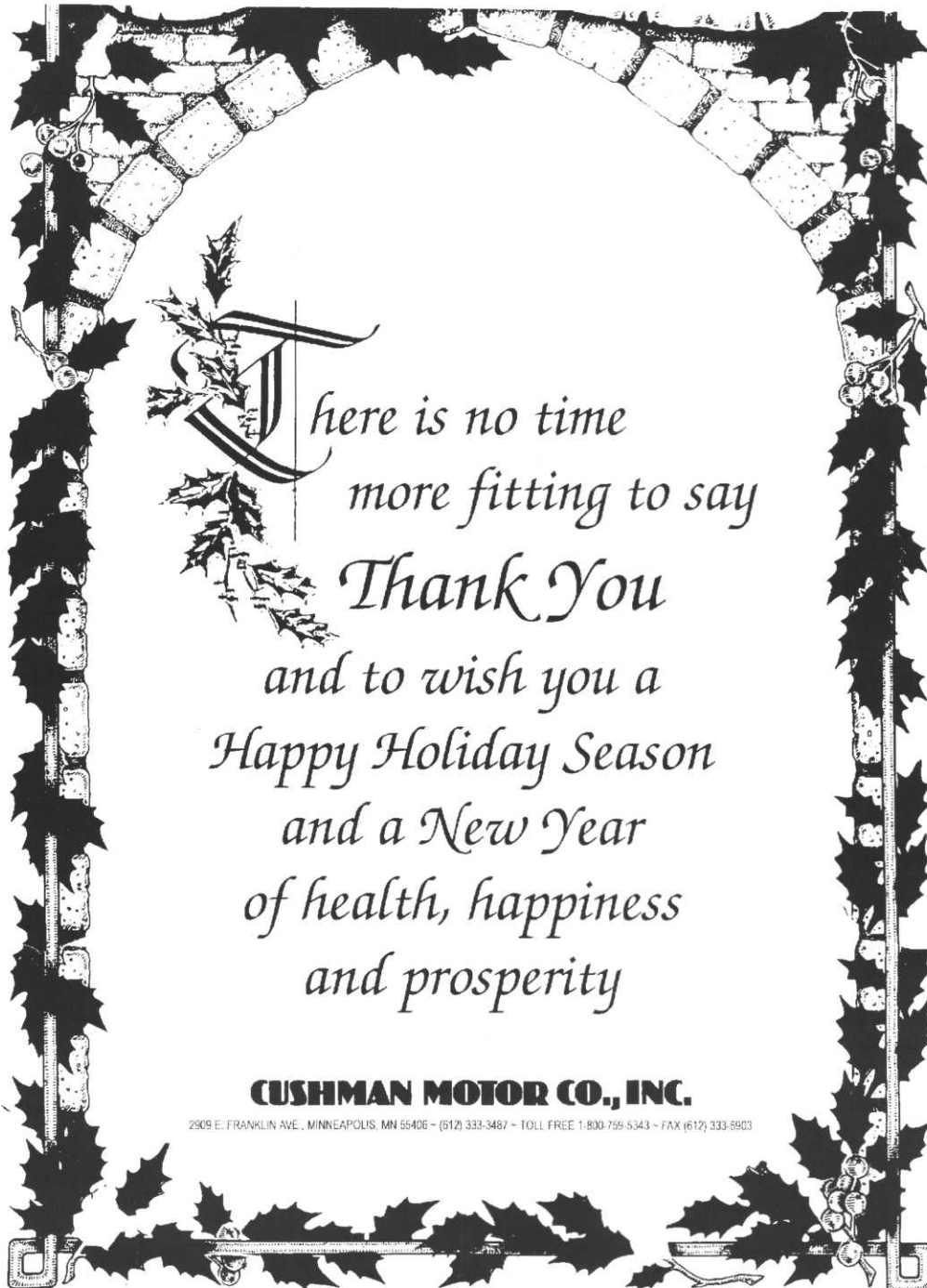
turf topics for the University of Minnesota Extension Service.

Gamez will be calling on golf courses; garden centers; landscapers; hydro-seeders; Dot highway seeders; sod growers; utility restoration companies; sports and turf professionals, and government purchasing agencies.

Along with Dave's experience, John

Glatty, president of Twin City Seed Co. brings 25 years of seed experience and a newly expanded line of erosion control blankets, hydro mulch and small packaging.

If you would like to contact Dave Gamez, please call 1-800-545-TURF or 612-961-2824 or by e-mail at dave_gamez@qwest.net.



Bluebird Conference Set April 13

Now, during the off season is a good time to repair and paint your bluebird houses. Enlarged entrance holes (from squirrels or wood peckers) should be replaced to prevent starlings from entering your boxes. Painting boxes (outside only) helps prevent boxes, especially roofs, from warping, cracking or just falling apart. Also it is a good time to relocate any houses that have been unproductive or inhabited by Wasps, ants or House Wrens.

Our next Bluebird Conference will be held Saturday, April 13, 2002 in Faribault at their Middle School. The Conference is free to the public and will host several great speakers. This will be the third year that BBRP will be selling berry bushes at or below our cost. This year we are encouraging MGCSA members to attend and pick up some Bittersweet berry seedlings for their Golf Course.

If you cannot attend, but are interested in purchasing some Bittersweet seedlings; you can advance order then now by calling Jack Hauser at 952-831-8132 or e-mail him at jghauser@net-zero.net. Bittersweet seedlings will sell at 4 for \$2.00 at the Conference. Advanced orders can be picked up in Bloomington in April, or delivered within the Twin Cities at \$5.00 for minimum orders of 20 plants.

Back in Orbit:

Par Aide Re-introduces the Satellite Tee Marker and Water Cooler Station

Par Aide announces that its classic Satellite Tee Marker is back and better than ever. The recently re-designed Satellite Tee Marker has the same weight and shape as the original, but is now constructed of solid ABS plastic.

The Satellite Tee Marker has been one of Par Aide's hallmark products ever since it was first introduced in 1965. The marker was briefly unavailable last year after one of the materials used in manufacturing, compressed wood flour, became unavailable.

Par Aide is confident that with ABS plastic, the Satellite Tee Marker is better than ever. ABS plastic won't split or crack and there's no paint to chip. UV protection makes the markers fade resistant. ABS is also one of the best plastic materials for repainting. And, they float.

The markers are available in all the original colors: red, white, blue, yellow and black.

A Refreshing New Sight on the Golf Course... Par Aide Introduces the Water Cooler Station

Par Aide has recently introduced its Water Cooler Station, a

new product that brings refreshment to players on the course without bringing maintenance headaches to golf course superintendents.

Creating a little oasis out on the course has never been easier. The new Par Aide Water Cooler Station is a two-part stand that holds a water cooler up top and a built-in large capacity trash receptacle below.

Constructed of recycled plastic wood slats over a powder-coated steel frame, the Water Cooler Station offers stability without warping. Double doors make it easy to take the water cooler in and out, and there's plenty of room inside for cup storage. The built-in locking system eliminates the need for bulky padlocks. And, best of all, the Water Cooler Station can be placed anywhere—even up against a wall or fence because the cooler is accessible from the front.

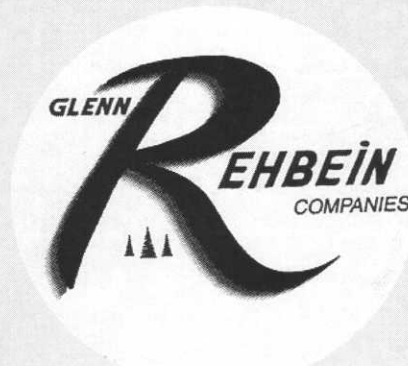
The Water Cooler Station joins the family golf course accessories that Par Aide has been manufacturing for over 45 years. Par Aide products are distributed by authorized dealers to golf courses across the country and around the world. Product information is also available on the company's website, www.paraide.com.

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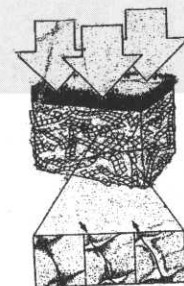
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