

## Par Aide Acquires Accuform Golf Course Bunker Rakes From Midwest Rake Company

Par Aide Products Co. of St. Paul, MN, is pleased to announce the acquisition of the Accuform brand of golf course bunker rakes from Midwest Rake Company LLC of Warsaw, IN. "Accuform, with the introduction of their short tine bunker rake design in 1988, literally changed the look and function of bunker rakes in the industry. We are very pleased and fortunate to have acquired this prestigious name and outstanding bunker rake," said Steve Garske, President of Par Aide. "Furthermore, this acquisition provides Par Aide with a full line of Accuform branded maintenance tools for our Superintendent customers."

The transaction was completed only hours before the opening of the GCSAA Conference and Show in Dallas, TX, where it was announced to the industry. Midwest Rake is a leading manufacturer of high quality tools for turf maintenance, as well as epoxy, cement and asphalt coating applications. "The sale of the "Accuform" name and bunker rake products to Par Aide will allow us to expand our product line and penetration into the sports turf and floor coating application markets, developing areas of great opportunity

for Midwest Rake," stated Bill Henthorn, President of Midwest Rake Company. Henthorn went on to say, "Although we will continue to supply quality maintenance tools to the golf course industry under the Midwest Rake brand, we are pleased with the marriage of Accuform and Par Aide, for both represent quality and distinction within the golf course industry."

### Watson Fellows Named

Four Turfgrass researchers have been named winners of the GCSAA Watson Fellowship. The program, sponsored by the Toro Co. in honor of James Watson, Ph.D., recognizes academic excellence among graduate students in turfgrass science and promotes careers in university research and instruction. Each recipient received a \$5,000 stipend and an expense-paid trip to last month's conference and show in Dallas. Following are the 2001 winners:

\*Brian Horgan, new Turfgrass Extension and Research Specialist at the University of Minnesota. At the time of this award Horgan was a Ph.D. candidate in horticulture at the University of Illinois.

\*Neil Heckman, University of Nebraska, Ph.D. candidate in turfgrass physiology and management.

\*Darin Lickfeldt, University of Illinois, Ph.D. candidate in natural resources and environmental science.

\*Nikki Rothwell, University of Massachusetts, Ph.D. candidate in turfgrass entomology.

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## CONCRETE CART PATHS

6' - 7' - 8' - 10' wide

30% inclines are possible

Reference list available

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