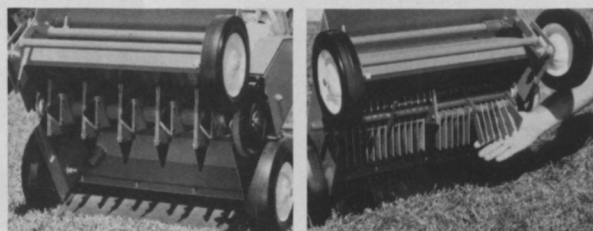


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Trees for Nebraska Conference, March 13-14, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb. Contact: Dave Mooter, Douglas County Extension Office, 8015 W. Center Rd., Omaha, NE 68124; (402) 444-7804.

Reinders Turf Conference, March 18-19, Waukesha County Expo Center, Wisc. Contact: Ed Devinger, 13400 Watertown Plank Rd., Elm Grove, WI 53122; 84149 786-3300.

Missouri Park & Recreation Association Annual Conference, March 25-27, Tan-Tar-A Resort, Lake Ozark, Mo. Contact: David Ostlund, MPRA, 1203 Missouri Blvd., Jefferson City, MO 65101; (314) 636-3828.

APRIL

Menninger Flowering Tree Conference & Southern Tree Workshop, April 5-9, Quality Inn, Cypress Gardens, Fla. Contact: Jack Siebenthaler, P.O. Box 6524, Clearwater, FL 33518; (813) 446-3356.

New York State Recreation and Park Society's 47th Annual Conference And Exhibition, April 5-8, Kutsher's Country Club, Monticello, N.Y. Contact: Arthur Ambuhl, NYSRPS, 119 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12210; (518) 463-1232.

South Florida & Caribbean Landscape Trade Show, April 10-11, Miami Expo Center, Miami, Fla. Contact: Charlye Roberts, 19160 N. Krome Ave., Miami, FL 331887; (305) 235-2035.

Southeastern Turfgrass Conference, April 13-14, Tifton, Ga. Contact: Dr. Glenn Burton, Dept. of Agronomy, Coastal Plain Experiment Station, Tifton, GA 31793; (912) 386-3353.

Annual Turf and Landscape Institute, April 27-29, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, Calif. Contact: Ed McNeill, 2492 E. Mountain St., Pasadena, CA 91104-9965; (818) 798-1715.

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