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## SHORT CUTS

**FLORIDA PROFESSIONALS...**The projected completion date for the first professional landscape standard in Florida is June 1, according to *Florida Nurseryman* magazine. The Florida and Nursery Growers Association (FNGA) has established a Certified Landscape Contractor (CLC) Committee that is busy formulating the standard. "The program was established in response to unprofessional bidding practices from newcomers who didn't understand the cost of doing business nor have the professional knowledge required," the magazine notes. For more information on the CLC program, contact the FGNA at 5401 Kirkman Rd., Suite 650, Orlando, FL 32819; (407) 345-8137.

**MOWING FOR FREE...**George E. Renault III, superintendent at the Chevy Chase (Md.) Club, won the use of a Ransomes Fairway 5000 mower for one year, in a drawing held at the February GCSAA convention. "It feels great to be the winner," says Renault, "and I'm really looking forward to using the Fairway 5000 this season. We're anxious to put it to the test."

**DECIDING THE FUTURE...**Tom Lied believes the landscaping industry is "young, dynamic and on the threshold of busting loose." In comments to the Ohio Landscape Association, the owner of Lied's Nursery, Sussex, Wisc., stressed the importance of looking ahead. "We look 10 years ahead, we decide where we want to be, then we do something about it," Lied said. According to Lied, "the client is king," and everything a company does must be done to satisfy the client. "We got big by serving our clients, and by listening to them. If they wanted something, we granted their request."

**PLEASE WELCOME...**the Association of Montana Turf and Ornamental Professionals (AMTOP), which was recently formed in Helena. AMTOP's new president is **John Bass**, who believes in the need for unity and professionalism. AMTOP has also selected a board of directors and formed a committee to formulate the group's goals. Welcome to the fold.

**A NEW FACE...**The world's first landscaped garden, begun in the first half of the 18th century, at Stowe in the rolling English county of Buckinghamshire, northwest of London, is to be restored to its original splendor at a cost of £10 million (about \$16 million). A recent anonymous donation of £2 million will be used, along with monies from a public appeal for £1 million. A boys' school, which took over a house on the property, will remain.