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Some other organizations involved: AAN, ALCA, PLCAA, NAA and OPEL

Corrections

- Readers: please note these corrections to articles and advertisements which appeared in our November issue:
- An advertisement for Dimension on pages 36-37 should not have been mailed to our New York and California readers, since it is not registered in those states. If you live in either of those states, please do not attempt to purchase or use the product.
- In the pie chart on page 26, soil composition for poorly drained soil should read: 45% minerals, 5% air, 45% water, 5% organic. Our apologies to Dr. Charles Darrah III, who authored the article, and to any readers inconvenienced.
- In the article on pages 14-15 about spreaders. Turfco Manufacturing was inadvertently omitted. Turfco's address and phone number are: 1655 101st Ave. NE, Blaine, MN 55434; (612) 785-1000. We apologize for the omission.

GREEN INDUSTRY EVENTS

JANUARY

16-18: Empire State Tree Conference, Holiday Inn, Suffern, N.Y. Phone: (518) 783-1322.

17-18: Arkansas Turfgrass Conference & Trade Show, Arkansas State Convention Center. Phone: Angie McSwain, (501) 663-8810.

17-21: Golf Course Maintenance Short Course, Columbus, Ohio, Phone: Barbara Bleotscher, (614) 292-7457.

18-19: Louisiana Turfgrass Assn. Conference & Trade Show, LSU, Baton Rouge. Phone: Dr. Tom Koske, (504) 388-

18-20: Mid-America Green Industry Convention, Hilton Plaza Inn, Kansas City, Mo. Phone: Olivia Golden, (816) 765-7616.

18-20: Michigan Turfgrass Conference, Holiday Inn, Lansing, Mich. Phone: Kay Patrick, (517) 321-1660.

19: Landscape Contractors, Turfgrass

Management and Grounds Maintenance Conference & Trade Show, Columbia. S.C. Phone: (803) 656-2459.

19: Professional Turf and Landscape Conference, Westchester County (N.Y.) Center, Phone: (914) 636-2875.

19-22: Tropical Plant Industry Exhibition (TPIE), Ft. Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center. Phone: FNGA, (407) 345-8137.

19-20: California Assn. of Nurserymen Legislative Days, Sacramento. Phone: Bob Falconer, (800) 748-6214.

20-22: American Sod Producers Assn. Midwinter Conference, Scottsdale, Ariz. Phone: ASPA, (708) 705-9898.

20-22: Mid-America Horticultural Trade Show, Chicago, Phone: (708) 526-

20-22: Idaho Horticultural Convention & Trade Show, Boise, Phone: (800) 462-4769.

20-22: Tropical Plant Industry Exhibition, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Phone: TPIE, (407) 345-8137.

21: Connecticut Tree Protective Assn. annual meeting, Plantsville, Conn. Phone:

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21-22: National Tropical Foliage Short Course, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Phone: FNGA. (407) 345-8137.

23-26: ALCA Executive Forum, Waikoloa, Hawaii. Phone: Associated Landscape Contractors of America, (800) 395-2522.

24-26: Iowa Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show, Des Moines Convention Center. Phone: (515) 294-1439.

24-27: Professional Horticulture Conference of Virginia, Virginia Beach. Phone: Polly Carden, (804) 523-4734.

25-Feb. 10: Short Course in Horticulture, Los Angeles (Calif.) Arboretum, Sequoia Athletic Club (Buena Park, Calif.), Radisson Hotel (San Barnardino, Calif.). Phone: Roberta Bybee, (909) 387-2184.

26: Iowa Sports Turf Managers Assn. Annual Meeting, Des Moines Convention Center. Phone: Gary Peterson, (515) 791-0765.

26: Poinsettia Seminar, Orlando, Fla. Phone: FNGA, (407) 345-8137.

26-28: Wyoming Groundskeepers and

Growers Assn. Conference & Trade Show, Casper Events Center. Phone: Tammy Young, (307) 637-7060.

28-29: Commercial Lawn Care Equipment Exhibition, Jacksonville (Fla.) Agricultural Grounds. Phone: Professional Landscape Services Assn., (904) 778-9632.

31-Feb. 1: Grounds Maintenance Seminar, Las Palmas Hotel, Orlando, Fla. Phone: Floyd Perry, (800) 227-9381.

31-Feb. 4: Turfgrass Ecology and Management Short Course, Blacksburg, Va. Phone: (703) 231-5183.

31-Feb. 7: International Golf Course Conference & Trade Show, Dallas, Texas. Phone: GCSAA, (913) 832-4480. or (800) 472-7878.

FEBRUARY

3: Turf Management Seminar for Lawn Care Operators, Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass. Phone: Mary Owen, (508) 892-0382 or Karen Connelly, (508) 287-0127.

3-6: AAN Management Clinic, Louisville, Ky. Phone: American Association of Nurserymen, (202) 789-2900.

6-8: Fertilizer Institute Annual Meeting, J.W. Marriott, Washington, D.C. Phone: (202) 675-8250.

8-11: Louisiana State University Turf School, Baton Rouge, La. Phone: Dr. Dennis Shepard, (504) 388-2158.

8-12: NAA Annual Meeting & Management Conference, Waikoloa, Hawaii. Phone: National Arborist Association, (800) 733-2622.

9-10: Garden State Nursery & Landscape Conference & Trade Show, Garden State Exhibit Center, Somerset, N.J. Phone: (609) 291-7070.

10: Estimating Management & Principles, Hinds Community College, Raymond, Ala. Phone: Martha G. Hill, (601) 857-3290.

10-11: Northern California Landscape Expo, Santa Clara Convention Center. Phone: Ginger Nunes, (510) 490-6282.

10-11: Ohio State Lawn Care Short Course, Columbus. Phone: Barbara Bloetscher, (614) 292-7457.

14-16: Pennsylvania Nurserymen and Allied Industries Conference, Hershey, Pa. Phone: PNA, (717) 238-1673.

ON PRICING...The Associated Landscape Contractors of America has released "Pricing," a how-to primer that walks landscapers through each of the elements of pricing what you sell. Included: valid pricing methods including markup of direct costs; putting together an estimating system; and making a proposal that sells. Author is Frank Ross of Ross-Payne Associates, Barrington, Ill. Cost is \$30 for ALCA members, \$50 for non-members. To order, phone (800) 395-2522 or (703) 620-6363.

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