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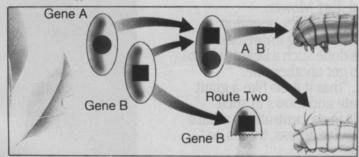
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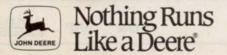
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Hallelujah. Hip-hip-hooray. Huzzah, huzzah.

They're finally doing it. Three of the top professional organizations in the green industry are combining their conference/trade shows into one.

The Associated Landscape Contractors of America (ALCA), the Professional Grounds Management Society (PGMS) and the Professional Lawn Care Association of America (PLCAA) will hold the first "Green Industry Exposition" this coming October in Nashville, Tenn.

This consolidation was a long time coming. Too long, as a matter of fact; just ask your friendly local trade magazine editor, who's flown hither and you while family and friends savored his last four birthday cakes.

"Yeah, I was getting a little tired of those long road trips," he would say. "This year, it was four days in Lost Wages, Nevada, followed by four more at the Gateway to the West."

That's 10 days away from home and office, including travel time, podners. And that's enough to easily tucker out most of us old tenderfeet from east of the Pecos.

Suppliers, too, are breathing a sigh of relief. The consolidated conference, notes Bill Culpepper of Elanco Products, "will bring some economies into play which are critically important." Major players in the industry like Toro, Jacobsen, Deere, Cushman and Lesco can cut expenditures 33 to 50 percent by attending one rather than two or three important trade shows.

It's also a good move for directors of the respective organizations. "For a change, I'm not coming off as the bad guy," observes the PGMS's Alan Shulder. (Shulder, you may know, isn't really a "bad guy." Never has been. But it's understandable that he might have felt like one in years past when forced to ask suppliers if they would exhibit at yet another trade show.)

Finally—and most importantly—the consolidation better serves the fraternity of landscape managers. Each of the Green Team Expo's three co-sponsors will hold separate break-out educational sessions. That means attendees will be able to see just about every major supplier plus visit sessions tailored especially for their interests, all in one place at one time.

We're talking "aces around," if you'll forgive a metaphor left over from a recent western gambol. As ALCA president Ron Kujawa says, "It's a win-win situation."

And it's about time. See y'all in Nashville.

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LAWN CARE

LCOs celebrate in Vegas; Steinau issues challenge

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Richard Steinau was installed as new president of the Professional Lawn Care Association of America (PLCAA) at its 10th annual convention and trade show here last month. In his acceptance speech, Steinau challenged the organization's membership.

"The choice is yours: spectator or participant?," Steinau said. "I'm going to offer you the chance to get involved as you never have before—to shape your future and the future of an entire industry. We need to hear your thoughts; we need your participation."

Steinau is president of Greenlon Lawn Care Services in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bob Parmley, bringing an end to his one-year presidential tenure, pointed to advances in PLCAA affairs. "We raised dues a bunch," he recounted. "It was truly a painful decision, (but) your organization is now better equipped to be proactive and cope with the issues facing the industry."

Secretary David Sek's report noted 184 new members during fiscal 1989 to bring the PLCAA's total to 1259. The trade show, he said, was extremely successful with a pre-registration of 1101, 167 exhibitors and 67,000 sq. ft. of exhibition space.

Executive vice-president Jim Brooks said that even more members are



New PLCAA president Rick Steinau (below photo) issued a challenge to LCOs, then past president Bob Parmley (top photo, with knife) joined founding members in celebrating the organization's 10th anniversary convention and show.



needed.

"We are colleagues, not competitors, at meetings like this," he said. "I'd like us all to carry that colleaguesmanship back to our communities. Do your part to bring other companies to be a part of us, and it'll really pay off."

"Our new competitors are the environmentalists and legislators. We set a goal in 1990 of having 2,000 members, but we won't meet that goal without help from you, our current members."

Former PLCAA president Russ Frith, president of Lawn Doctor and chairman of the new Education and Research Committee, reported pledges amounting to \$118,500. Lawn Care Industry magazine led the way with a pledge equal to \$50,000 over the next three years. The E&R Committee also realized \$4,000 in profits from a pre-show benefit golf tournament.

Other officers elected unanimously at the annual meeting: J. David Fuller of Fullcare, Louisville, Ky. and Joseph L. Winland of Tru Green Corp., Alpharetta, Ga. as vice-presidents and Neal A. Deangelo of Lawn Specialties, Hazelton, Pa. as secretary/treasurer.

Directors elected to three-year terms are Edward J. Coia of Lawnmark, Hudson, Ohio; Denny Linnell of LawnLife Corp., Salt Lake City, Utah; Jerome L. Faulring of Hydro Lawn, Gaithersburg, Md.; Patrick J. Nibler of ProGrass, Wilsonville, Ore. and Daryle L. Johnson of All American Turf Beauty, Van