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PRODUCT	Rate (Ib ai/A)	% Control 97 DAT 129 [
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PENDIMETHALIN 60WDG	1.5+1.5	98	98	
BARRICADE 65WG	0.75	100		
DIMENSION TEC	0.5		99	
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PENDIMETHALIN 60WDG	1.5+1.5	100	99
BARRICADE 65WG	0.75	100	95
DIMENSION 1EC	0.5	100	86
RONSTAR 2G	2+2	97	24

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contact with the germinating weed seed, it disrupts the seed's biochemical processes, which makes the weed seed stop growing—and start dying—*before* emerging.

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CRABGRAS	S CONTRO	L,
PRODUCT	Rate	% Contro 120 DAT
PENDIMETHALIN 60WDG	1.5	97
BARRICADE 65WG"	.48	92
DIMENSION 1EC	.38	95
RONSTAR 2G	3	92

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alone, or in combination with fertilizer products. Or you can use the sprayable formulations, available as a 3.3 EC, 60 WDG and 60WP.

No wonder professional turf managers have made Pendimethalin the #1 preemergent herbicide.

So take control of your turf—and your reputation. Use Pendimethalin herbicide to control crabgrass and more. Because the only thing you should see growing like a weed on your golf course is beautiful grass. Call now for more information or for the distributor nearest you.

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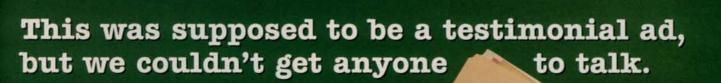
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Our Anniversary Issue will, indeed, be a special publication, one that features many of the people

who have helped make the green industry go and grow since 1962.

Would you like to be one of those we mention? You can be, if you write in soon. Your accomplishment need not be grand or revolutionary. We want to hear about how you, as a serious player in the professional green industry, got your start in the business, and where you are now. Also, how have you seen the industry change, and what do you see happening in the years ahead?

We've gotten a real nice response to our first request, which we made back in April:

One golf course superintendent tells us he got his start in a golf course pro shop in 1971. Ten years later, he got a course to manage.

▶ "I was recruited into the landscape industry in 1985, and it's been a great experience. Twelve years later and I still look forward to getting up and going to work," says Kent Miller, vice president of The Groundskeeper, a four-state, fourstar company out West.

"Bidding gets tougher each year because of the large amount of low bidders and small, upstart companies," writes a landscape design/build subscriber from Illinois.

"Keep up the good work!" says Charlene Crowley of Shaker Hts., Ohio, who is a landscape design consultant with The Pattie Group in Novelty. Her dad started Crowley Lawn Service Co., now owned by Phil Fogarty. With the serious pros, longevity and crossed paths are common.

▶ "My birth as a full-fledged golf course superintendent became a reality in 1962, at the Quincy Country Club, Quincy, Illinois. I am still a golf course superintendent and very proud of

it," writes Oscar Miles of The Merit Club, Libertyville, Ill. "I was very fortunate to have had the friends and professionals encouraging me during my early days of getting an education and experience. My mentors and family gave me the confidence to succeed."

That's what we're looking for. And send along a photo if you can. We need your contribution by September 1.

But also be sure

to let us know how we can better serve you. If you want to see a particular type of topic covered that we've not run for awhile, let us know.

Thanks in advance for your interest, and for your support of LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT through the years! LM

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Barmax	6.3	5.0	6.0	6.1	6.8	5.8	5.0	4.9	5.5	5.0	4.9	5.0	5.7
RAM-1	5.3	5.3	4.0	5.1	6.4	5.7	5.1	4.9	5.3	5.6	5.3	4.3	5.5

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