Aquatrols of Pennsauken, NJ has named Tracy D. Moore as its new president. She replaces Robert A. Moore, who is retiring from full service. He will continue part-time as consultant to the company’s research and development and technical departments.

Ms. Moore has been with the company for 10 years. She started as a bookkeeper and was eventually promoted to financial and human resources manager. She has been responsible for implementing many of the firm’s administrative changes during the last decade. Her previous responsibilities will be assumed by Patrick Holroyd, who has been with the company for eight years.

Research Foundation Election Held

At the recent O.J. Noer Directors and Membership Annual Meeting, William Schmidt, general manager and sales manager of E.H. Griffith, Inc., in Philadelphia, was named vice president. Alan Nees, acting manager of sales and agronomy in the marketing division of Milorganite in Milwaukee, was elected director.

The non-profit, tax deductible foundation is dedicated to financial support of scientific research in turfgrass. It was founded in 1959 by associates and friends of O.J. Noer, one of the most widely known and respected turfgrass agronomists.

Fertilizer Doubles as Deer Deterrent

Milorganite has been used for years to discourage deer browsing by garden centers, landscapers and golf courses in New England. Residents of many urban areas throughout the U.S. with growing numbers of deer can attest to the amount of damage browsing deer can do to shrubs and ornamental plants. Milorganite, a fertilizer, is now the subject of applied research to determine its effectiveness in an urban area where deer predation is a problem.

A study at Cornell University’s Cooperative Extension Service is attempting to quantify the result of using the fertilizer to deter deer from browsing on valuable ornamental plants and shrubs.

So far the study shows Milorganite has deterred deer from browsing on Hosta and Taxus (yews) when applied around the target shrubs’ base. While the demonstration is still in the initial stages, the results are positive thus far.

Economics of Public Golf to Repeat

More than 200 delegates attended the “Economics of Public Golf Workshop” presented in Orlando, Fl. As a result of the interest shown, the workshop will be repeated at the next Crittenden Golf Development Expo, planned for May 11-13, 1992 in Palm Springs, CA.

James L. McCumber, chairman and CEO of McCumber Golf, presented a case study of the successful conversion of a private club to an upscale, semi-private facility. In addition to presenting the conversion case study, McCumber and members of his facility management team outlined for the delegates the development of a successful public operation from market study and land acquisition to opening and operation.

O.M. Scott Names Host President

The O.M. Scott & Sons Company has appointed Theodore J. Host as president and chief operating officer.

Host will assume responsibility for Scotts’ Consumer Products Group, Professional Business Group, Operations, Information Systems, Research and Development and Human Resources.

Host joins Scotts after serving as senior vice president, marketing, at Coca-Cola USA. Prior to that, he spent 23 years with American Home Products, the last five years as division president for the company’s Boyle-Midway Household Products division.

Lofts Sponsors Charity Tournament

Professional golfer Thad Daber swung his six iron to a round of 71 and victory at the 1991 One Club Tournament at the Prestonwood Country Club in Cary, NC. Lofts Seed, Inc., sponsored the event, where golfers play 18 holes using one club, even for putting. Proceeds of the event—$4,000 this year—will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is dedicated to fulfilling the special wishes of children up to age 18 who suffer from life-threatening illnesses.

Model Composting Facility Unveiled

The O.M. Scott & Sons Company is helping local governments and private companies solve the environmental problems of yard waste recycling. The company’s model composting facility was unveiled in November at the company’s headquarters, and is the latest addition to a nationwide network of specially designed composting facilities to recycle organic waste material.

The system combines the technical expertise of Scotts and its Hypoxon subsidiary with good site location to provide solid waste managers with an easy, responsible alternative to landfill disposal.

The composting facility is part of a five-year pilot project in cooperation with The Franklin County Solid Waste Management Authority. Ten similar Scotts/Hypoxon facilities are already operating in California, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Alabama, Texas, Georgia, and South Carolina. Other composting sites are currently being planned.

Each of the facilities handles organic waste from sources including golf courses, residential and commercial locations within municipalities, landscapers, tree companies, utility companies, and lawn care companies. Yard waste delivered to the sites includes leaves, grass and brush, and must be loose or in recyclable paper bags.