

# HAPPENINGS

## Groundskeepers Management Academy Announces Dates

Groundskeepers Management Services has announced the sites and dates of their academies, which include 12 hours of educational classroom instruction on topics such as turf physiology, soil analysis, pest and weed control, easy maintenance techniques, irrigation and field liability.

Academy members also participate in 20 hours of field preparation including mound/homeplate repair, edging, dragging, watering and grass mowing techniques.

The 1996 academy sites and dates are as follows: Millington, TN, on June 12-13; Kissimmee, FL, on September 15-19; Peoria, AZ, on September 29-October 3 and Orlando, FL, on January 19-23, 1997. For more information, call Floyd Perry, Grounds Maintenance Services, (800) 227-9381.

# ROOKIES

## PRODUCT UPDATE

### Ridge Remover Attachment



The Kromer Co., of Mound, MN, has developed a new attachment for its popular Athletic Field Maintainer (AFM). Due to incorrect infield maintenance, a dangerous ridge of infield material is often hidden by the grass around the skinned area of ball diamonds. The new attach-

ment, designed to remove this ridge, is a rotary hydraulic-driven nylon bristled broom that spreads this ridge to the infield where it is leveled by the broom attached to the AFM vehicle.

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### Sod Stake System

After a turf manager lays sod strips or pieces, re-work is often required because the strips and pieces did not stay in place or the edges curled up, dried up and died. Turf Tacs are biodegradable stakes for holding sod pieces in place. Spike-shaped for sod pieces and "U"-shaped for netting and groundcover pieces, they are made from a mixture of corn by-products and peat and biodegrade in three to six weeks. The Turf Tacker is a durable stainless steel tool designed to install the Turf Tacs.

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### Multi-Purpose Spreader



GROTECH's Multi-Purpose MPS-125 is designed to spread fertilizer, seed, granular chemicals and even color marking compounds. It mounts on any tractor, utility vehicle, front mower or tractor, or it can be pulled behind a golf cart with a simple trailer attachment.

The spinner height adjusts 24 inches vertically, on a three-point hitch mount. Designed to give an even spread, regardless of the throttle rpm or terrain, the spreading pattern adjusts from four to 40 feet. The MPS 125 has a nine-cubic foot/600-pound capacity. A single lever joystick allows the operator to control the spreading pattern from his or her seat.

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## Rain Booster

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- The benefits of big guns are now available where minimal or no water pressure is available.
- Totally self contained unit can be used as a primary pumping unit using surface water or as a booster unit to increase lower pressure available from existing pipelines.
- Irrigation and drainage for golf courses, parks, athletic fields, acreages, nurseries, market gardens, etc.
- Reaches hard to get at and irregular shaped areas.
- Higher water pressure provides uniform distribution/gentle application.
- Trailer mounted with flotation tires for portability. One man operation.
- Self priming high pressure pump.
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