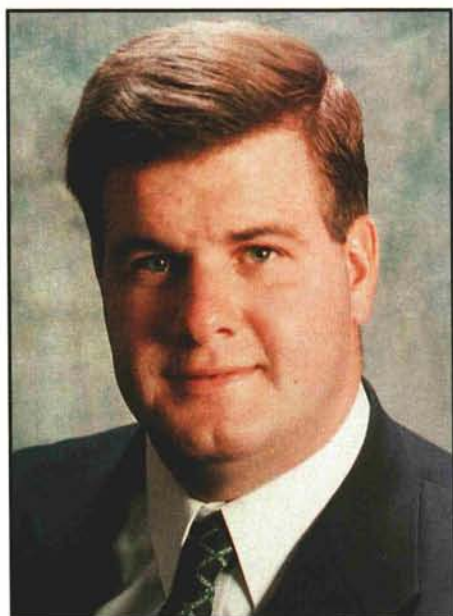


Darin Bevard Joins Green Section Staff



Darin S. Bevard

Darin S. Bevard has joined the USGA Green Section staff as agronomist for the Mid-Atlantic Region. Darin will work with Stan Zontek and Keith

Happ visiting golf courses throughout the five-state region as a part of the Green Section's Turf Advisory Service.

His work experience at several Maryland golf courses will serve him well in the challenges of maintaining turf in the transition zone. Most recently, Darin was the assistant superintendent at Talbot Country Club in Easton, Maryland. He also was involved in course maintenance during the grow-in at Old South Country Club, in Lolham, Maryland, and worked on the crew at Harbourtowne Country Club in St. Michaels, Maryland.

Darin received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Penn State University. Dr. Tom Watschke served as his major professor for his master's degree as he investigated weed control in newly established turfgrass. During his last year of study, he was awarded the Pennsylvania Turfgrass Council Scholarship for outstanding graduate work.

Darin will relocate with his wife, Katie, to West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Zontek Receives Award



Stanley Zontek

Stanley Zontek, director of the USGA Green Section's Mid-Atlantic Region, was presented with the Golf Course Builders Association of America (GCBA) Don A. Rossi Humanitarian Award at the GCBA's annual awards dinner held in conjunction with the GCSAA Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The Don A. Rossi Humanitarian Award is given by the GCBA in honor of the late Don A. Rossi, who was the executive director of the National Golf Foundation from 1970 to 1983, and of the GCBA from 1984 until his death in 1990. It is presented annually to individuals who have made significant contributions to the game of golf and its growth, and who have inspired others by their example.

As a new Penn State graduate, Stanley joined the USGA Green Section in 1971 as agronomist for the Northeastern Region. In his 25+ years on staff, he has served as director of the Northeastern Region, the North Central Region, and in his most current position as director of the Mid-Atlantic Region. In addition to his ongoing responsibilities to the Turf Advisory Service, Stan has assisted in training nearly half of the current Green Section staff.

Stan gives freely of his time to the golf industry. In receiving his award he said, "Being named the 1997 Rossi Award recipient is one of the most pleasant shocks of my life." Congratulations, Stan, from all of your friends in golf.

Schedule Now and Be Budget-Wise

More than a few pennies can be saved by marking an important date on your 1997 calendar.

Golf courses subscribing to the Green Section's Turf Advisory Service (TAS) will receive a \$300 discount for full-day and half-day visits if the payment is received at Golf House on or before May 15, 1997. The fees have

remained the same for the 1997 season. Contact your regional agronomist soon to schedule your 1997 TAS visit.

1997 Turf Advisory Service Visits

	<i>After May 15</i>	<i>Early Payment</i>
Half-day visit	\$1,200	\$900
Full-day visit	\$1,700	\$1,400

Physical Soil Testing Laboratories*

The following laboratories are accredited by the American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA), having demonstrated ongoing competency in testing materials specified in the USGA's Recommendations for Putting Green Construction. The USGA recommends that only A2LA-accredited laboratories be used for testing and analyzing materials for building greens according to our guidelines.

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