

News Notes

ZONTEK RECEIVES AWARD



From left: Dr. David Silvia, head of the Penn State Department of Crop and Soil Sciences, Stan Zontek, and Dr. Pete Landschoot, professor of turfgrass science in the department.

Stanley Zontek, director of the USGA Green Section's Mid-Atlantic Region, was awarded the Department of Crop and Soil Sciences Outstanding Alumni Award for 2007 from Penn State University. Stanley graduated from Penn State in 1970, and shortly afterward he was hired by the USGA as an agronomist in the Northeast Region. He went on to become director of the Northeast Region in 1976 and later became director of the North Central Region from 1980 to 1985. In 1985 he was appointed director of the Mid-Atlantic Region, where he has worked ever since.

In presenting the award, Dr. Pete Landschoot noted, "The reason for giving Stanley this award is for his unending efforts to help thousands of golf course superintendents all over the world with their everyday problems and sometimes with huge career-changing challenges."

MID-ATLANTIC REGION GREEN SECTION COMMITTEE MEETING



Members of the Green Section Committee in the Mid-Atlantic Region met on October 30, 2007, at Old South Country Club in Lothian, Maryland. USGA Green Section staff members from the Mid-Atlantic Region updated the Committee on Green Section activities, including the Turfgrass and Environmental Research Program, Turf Advisory Service, future USGA championships in the region, and other topics. These meetings provide an opportunity for staff and Committee members to exchange ideas to maintain and improve the perception of the Green Section in the Mid-Atlantic Region and beyond.

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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