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Kevin's wife Jan is also in the business. With a degree in agronomy from the University of Maryland, she is a division chief for the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Needwood Golf Course in Montgomery County, along with other parks, is under her supervision. "At least we have something to talk about when we get home," declares Kevin.

Kevin's big interest is skiing. His favorite slopes are in Utah and Colorado. Now that his stepdaughter, Maggie, is at the University of Utah, he combines visits and ski trips. Last year after the GCSSA conference in Las Vegas, he and Jan visited Maggie for a short ski vacation.

Kevin and Jan live in historic Dickeyville, the former mill town. Built in 1860, their house, as is the entire area, is on the National Historic Register. To find furnishings, Kevin and Jan often spend weekends haunting favorite antique shops in Hagerstown, Frederick, or nearby Ellicott City. Their home has been in Better Homes and Gardens and on the Maryland house and garden tour. "It's a nice area to live in," says Kevin. "There's a park with a stream and waterfall in back of the house where our chocolate Lab, Lucy, likes to play."

Kevin also loves to travel, especially in the national parks, andto take photographs—landscapes being his favorite subjects. When home, he experiments with gourmet cooking, using Jan as his guinea pig, he says.

Kevin, his assistant Rick Boldissar, and Sparrows Point head pro, John McCloskey, look forward to hosting this, the last meeting of the year.

Meeting: Cocktails, 6:00; dinner 7:00; \$25.

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Directions: From Baltimore: east on I-695. Take exit 41, Cove Rd. Go west; at first light (very near exit) go left on Northpoint Blvd. Go 2 miles to Wise Ave. Turn right. Go 1/2 mile. Entrance to the club is on the left.

From D.C: Take either I-95 or I-70. Go south on I-695 across the Key bridge, then follow directions above.

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## **Kevin's Temporary Greens Formula**

Each winter Sparrows Point moves to temporary greens. Here's how Kevin prepares them.

Location: Level area of approach or green surround. Choose driest area possible. Because of the potential for wet conditions in winter, the temporary should be placed on the side closest to cart path.

Size: 1,000 to 1,200 sq. feet Installation: Aerate with greensaire; remove cores; broadcast ryegrass seed at 12-15 lbs/ 1,000 sq. feet; groove seed with mataway two directions, top dress until holes are filled; drag with steel mat; roll with fairway roller pulled by Cushman approximately 400-lb. weight; fertilize with a starter fertilizer—3/4 lb. N, 11 lb. P, 3/4 lb K.

Maintenance: Mow with walking greensmower at 1/4" as needed; roll with fairway roller twice a week; light top dressing every three weeks.

Other: Use Standard Golf's special event 8" cup. It is helpful if you drill four or five holes in bottom so water will drain out.

- If possible, place all tee markers on blue tee. This adds the distance lost at the green and wear is concentrated on tee that is used the least during the season.
- Top dressing and lower height of cut make the greens stand out with a dark green color compared to surrounding dormant turf.
- Rolling on a regular basis is the key to members' satisfaction with the temporaries.
- · If you want to sell the membership on temporary greens, give them a smooth putting surface all winter. The temps, with constant attention, will actually putt better than regulation ones under winter conditions.

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