EDITOR'S NOTE: News of Stanley Zontek's sudden passing in late August took many in the industry by surprise. Pat's column about Stan generated a lot of feedback and online discussion.

You can read Pat's column, "For Stanley" by entering bit.ly/PqNBzo into your Web browser.

Remembering Stan

I just finished reading your article about Stanley Zontek . Thank you for writing that piece. As a lot of people in the turf industry can claim, I, too, had a long-standing relationship with Stanley. He truly was a great man and passionately loved the game.

As you stated, Stan was "a great storyteller." In your article you mentioned the White House putting green. I had the honor of working closely with Stanley from 1997-2004 on the White House putting green. The many trips to the White House to consult on the green (50 plus) trips were always interesting.

Just a few days before his passing Stanley visited us at Woodmont Country Club for our Turf Advisory Service (TAS) visit. He did mention he hadn't been feeling too well as of late, but he had the normal Stanley passion for what he did.

As you stated, Stanley will really, really be missed by all us in the industry.

James Weaver Woodmont Country Club Rockville, Md.

To make a donation

Donations in Stanley's memory may be made to the following organizations:

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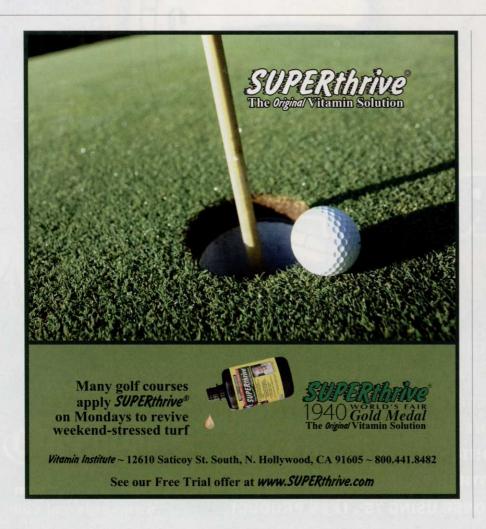
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