

Ruppert Landscape NEWS

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New Additions and Promotions in Ruppert's Maryland Landscape Construction Branch

Laytonsville, MD – Ruppert Landscape is pleased to announce the hiring of **Adam Bennet**, **Shane Lear** and **Brian Shadrick** and the promotion of **Camden Kent** and **Sean Davitt** in the company's Maryland Landscape Construction Branch.

Bennet, a resident of Rockville, MD, has been hired as Production Manager. He holds an Associate of Applied Science degree in Turfgrass Management and Landscape Construction from Ohio State University. Bennet has over 14 years' experience in the landscape and construction industries, having held positions such as Foreman and Superintendent. As Production Manager in our Maryland Landscape Construction Branch, he will be responsible for all aspects of the installation of landscape projects, including supervising field personnel, managing subcontractors, overseeing projects, communicating to customers, and maintaining quality standards.

Lear, a resident of Boonsboro, MD, has been hired as Estimator. He graduated from Frostburg State University in 2004 with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration and has over 15 years of experience in the residential construction industry. As Estimator, he will be responsible for verifying material costs, qualifying subcontractor quotes, calculating labor hours, capturing miscellaneous expenses and assigning preliminary margins.

Shadrick, a resident of Ellicott City, MD, has been hired as Project Manager. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Landscape Architecture from Washington State University in 1997 and has over 15 years of landscape industry experience. He is a certified Professional Landscape Architect (PLA) and CSI Construction Documents Technologist (CDT).

Kent, a resident of Huntington, MD, has been promoted to Project Manager. He graduated from the University of Maryland in May of 2015 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Plant Sciences/Turf and Golf Course Management and has worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He joined the company in June of 2015 as an Assistant Field Manager and quickly worked his way up to the Assistant Production Manager position.

In their new positions as Project Managers, Shadrick and Kent will respectively be responsible for the administration and installation of large or specialty landscape projects in the Maryland area.

Davitt, a resident of Damascus, MD, has been promoted to Operations Manager. He graduated from West Virginia University in 2010 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Agricultural Business and is OSHA 30 certified. Davitt is a platinum-level graduate of ABC Metro's Leadership Development Program and has completed the Grinnell Leadership Jumpstart® Program. He's been with the company for over six years, having previously worked as Estimator, Project Manager and Production Manager. As Operations Manager, he will be responsible for all aspects of production in the branch including all field operations, personnel, vehicles and equipment, safety, subcontracts, direct cost accounts and selected overhead expenses.

"With the recent personnel changes in our branch, we are able to round out our team and pave the way for further development and growth," said Maryland Landscape Construction Branch Manager, Rich Schubach. "Their diverse backgrounds and individual talents will be an asset to our team."

Ruppert Landscape, a family and employee-owned business, provides commercial landscape construction and management services in Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Georgia and North Carolina from 18 branch offices and has a long-standing tradition of giving back to the community. Visit us at www.ruppertlandscape.com.