

## Ruppert Landscape **NEWS**

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## Promotions and Returning Staff in Ruppert's Gainesville Landscape Management Branch

*Laytonsville, MD* – Ruppert Landscape is pleased to announce the promotion of **Cynthia Corrales, Jake Heuple** and **Joe Beretz** and the return of **Rob Groves** in our Gainesville Landscape Management Branch.

Corrales, a resident of Manassas, VA, has been promoted to Branch Administrator. She joined the company in 2014 as Receptionist/Assistant Branch Administrator. Prior to joining the company, she worked as a dispatcher at Dulles International Airport. As Branch Administrator, she will be responsible for maintaining and organizing all communication in and out of the office, weekly payroll, accounts payable and receivable processing as well as generating/maintaining financial reports and other general office duties.

"Cynthia shined in her previous role, so when this opportunity came up we were happy to offer her this well-deserved promotion," said Gainesville Landscape Management Branch Manager, Collins Fitts.

Heuple, a resident of Gainesville, VA, has been promoted to Enhancement Manager. He first started with the company in 2013 as an intern from Virginia Tech, where he studied Landscape and Turf Management. He graduated in May of 2014 and was officially hired that same month as Enhancement Field Manager. In his new role as Enhancement Manager, he will be responsible for producing all of the branch's enhancement work, purchasing and selling a portion of that work, and ensuring customer satisfaction.

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"Jake has excelled in his previous roles and is always willing to go above and beyond to ensure the success of the team," said Fitts.

Beretz, a Landscape Certified Industry Technician (CLT) and resident of Warrenton, VA, has been promoted to Area Manager. In 2008, he graduated from SUNY Cobleskill with a Bachelor of Science degree in Landscape Contracting and joined Ruppert Landscape as a Field Manager in our Gainesville Landscape Management branch. In 2010, he was promoted to Enhancement Manager and transferred to our Forestville Landscape Management branch, where he worked for five years. In 2011, he was honored with a Branch Impact Award for his outstanding contributions and dedication to the organization. He returned to the Gainesville branch in early 2015 and will stay on in that branch in his new role as Area Manager.

"Joe is no stranger to excelling at new challenges," said Fitts. "I look forward to seeing take on his new role."

Groves, a resident of Rixeyville, VA, has rejoined the company as Area Manager. He has a combined 14 years of industry experience and holds an Associate of Applied Science degree in Landscape/Horticulture Technology from Pennsylvania College of Technology. Groves first joined the company in 2006 as Enhancement Field Manager and a year later was promoted to Enhancement Manager, a position he held for almost eight years. In 2012, he was honored with a Branch Impact Award for his hard work and positive impact on the organization. Groves spent a brief period pursuing other opportunities earlier in 2015 and has returned with additional experience and knowledge to apply to the Area Manager position.

"Rob's many years of experience will be a valuable addition to our branch," said Fitts. "We're glad to have him back on our team."

As Area Managers, Beretz and Groves will respectively be responsible for the sale, renewal and production of the branch's landscape management work; the training and development of personnel; and ensuring quality, customer service and customer retention.

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