

## Ewing Adds to Turf Expert Team



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**PHOENIX, ARIZ.**— Superintendents, sports field managers, groundskeepers and other turf managers now have access to more expert help with the expansion of Ewing's national turf products sales team.

Green Industry professionals in Southern California, Colorado, Utah, Oklahoma, Texas, Florida and the Carolinas will receive support and expert assistance with turf and ornamental products selection, fertility programs, disease management, and pest identification and control. Ewing's turf specialists will also offer guidance and support with hydroseeding, seed establishment and grow-in and erosion control.

Here are Ewing's new Turf Team experts:

**Don Frantz – Colorado and Utah:** Specializing in golf and sports turf, Franz's scope of experience includes time spent on the field" serving as a groundskeeper for the Colorado Rockies, Richmond Braves and Kansas City T-Bones baseball clubs. He forayed into the sales and distribution side of the business in 2008 working for a national landscape supplier before joining Team Ewing. Operating out of Ewing's Commerce City, Colo. location, Don will serve as a resource for turf management professionals in Colorado and Utah. He can be reached at (303) 513-8404 or [dfrantz@ewing1.com](mailto:dfrantz@ewing1.com).

**Jeff Gazaway – Central and Western Oklahoma:** Gazaway joins Team Ewing with 14 years of experience serving in a variety of capacities, including assistant superintendent at Shawnee Golf & Country Club, State Turfgrass Extension Assistant for Oklahoma State University, and landscape superintendent for the Brickman, LLC, account manager for Total Environment, and owner of Gazaway's Lawn and Landscape Services. Operating out of Ewing's Edmond, Okla. location, Gazaway can be reached at (405) 431-8316 or [jgazaway@ewing1.com](mailto:jgazaway@ewing1.com).

**Lee Smith – San Antonio, Texas:** Specializing in golf, landscape and sports turf, Smith joins Ewing with a diverse background that includes time spent

serving at the Texas A&M Turfgrass Research Center, Traditions Golf Club, Brookhaven Country Club and Masco Contractor Services. Operating out of Ewing's San Antonio, Tex. location, Smith will serve as a resource for turf management professionals in the Greater San Antonio, Tex., area. He can be reached at (210) 560-9051 or [lsmith@ewing1.com](mailto:lsmith@ewing1.com).

**Cole Swaford – Florida:** Swaford's experience includes multiple golf construction projects and time spent serving as east coast territory representative for an agronomic supply company, as well as a range of environmental services with Lake Placid-based MTC Environmental, Inc. Swaford is also familiar with all facets of golf course grounds management with experience on multiple golf courses, including serving as assistant superintendent of the Old Marsh Golf & Country Club-a Pete Dye 18-hole championship golf course-and as Legend Course superintendent at Ibis Golf & Country Club, a Jack Nicklaus signature championship golf course. Operating out of Ewing's Kissimmee, Fla. location, Cole can be reached at (407) 744-4752 or [cswaford@ewing1.com](mailto:cswaford@ewing1.com).

**Michael Guran – The Carolinas:** Guran's more than 20 years of green industry experience, includes 10 years in golf management for golf courses in Ohio, Florida and North Carolina, as well as 10 years serving as an outside sales representative for a multi-state distributor of nursery and landscape materials. As Turf Products Specialist serving the Carolinas, Michael Guran provides service, product education, and technical support for golf course, sports field, and residential and commercial turf applications. Operating out of Ewing's Pineville, N.C. location, Michael can be reached at (980) 333-7863 or [mguran@ewing1.com](mailto:mguran@ewing1.com).

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