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# Kenneth Bowden

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Objective To obtain employment in the area of sports turf management

## Experience

April 2008 to November 2009 Edina, MN  
City of Edina Parks and Recreation Department

Grounds crew:: Courtney Fields Baseball Complex

- Maintained, and prepped fields for play (fixing mound/plate, dragging infield, raking and chalking baselines)
- Mowed occasionally from start until mid August. Mowing was then main duty for the last few months of employment
- Maintained general areas of the complex when needed (edging, filling in side of newly paved path with dirt, hand water areas irrigation couldn't reach, seeding areas when needed)
- Assisted in helping fix irrigation issues when they arose
- Picked up trash in concourse, then backpack blew concourse off most morning, and changed trashcan liners as needed.

March 2007 to December 2007 Hagerstown, MD  
Hagerstown Suns Baseball Club

Assistant Head Groundskeeper

- Assisted head groundskeeper in maintaining playing surface (mowing, fertilizing, irrigating, weeding, and spraying)
- Assisted in setting up field for infield and batting practice, then preparing the field for the game each game day. (putting down turf protecting mats, setting up screens and batting cage, raking baselines, setting foul lines, batters/catchers boxes, hosing infield down, and putting in bases)
- Assisted in fixing bullpens, mound, and plate, and prepping field for the next day's game after the game each night.
- Assisted in trash removal from the stadium during and after each game, and special events (beer tasting festival and chili cook-off and music festival)

June 2004 to October 2005 Ohio State University  
Turfgrass Research Center

Student Research Assistant

- Helped maintain research areas/plots (mowing, fertilizing, etc.) (2004)
- Helped in maintaining other parts of the facility (flushing sprinkler heads, weed eating/spraying, cutting brush etc.) (2004)
- Assisted Dr. John Street in maintaining his research plots, and conducted my several studies on my own under his supervision
  - Calcium Silicate effects on Creeping bentgrass (With Pavel Lewinski, a visiting scientist from Poland)
  - Primo/Divot recovery study
  - Ohio State University Velocity trial (2005)

June 2002 to December 2003 AMC Theatres  
(Formerly Megastar Cinema)

Concessionist

- Worked in concession stand making and selling popcorn, pretzels, candy and drinks
- Occasionally worked as an usher taking tickets and cleaning theatres.

June 2001 to September 2001 Blockbuster Video  
Bloomington, MN

Customer Service Representative

- Ran cash register, recommended movies to customers, checked in and put movies back on shelves, stocked merchandise.

Education 2001-2006 Ohio State University Columbus, OH

- Bachelor of Science degree in Turfgrass Management,
- Graduated June 2006

References Mike Showe, Director of Grounds and Stadium Operations (currently the GM of the Bluefield Orioles)  
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