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Mission Statement
Committed to enhancing the professionalism of athletic field managers in New Jersey by improving the safety, playability and appearance of athletic fields at all levels through seminars, field days, publications and networking with those in the sports turf industry.

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University, Cook College spoke about Soil Characteristics and Turfgrasses. We got a pretty good discussion going about soils, fertilizers and amendments. Jeff Cramer gave the talk about Understanding Specifications that Dr. Henry Indyk was supposed to give. Dr. Indyk was home recovering from an illness and was unable to join us (please get well soon Henry, we miss you!!!!) We saw a demonstration and discussed the uses of turf blankets (the Cover Sports USA turf blanket was generously donated by John Doyle, JDL Equipment Co.). Brad Park-Rutgers University, Cook College wrapped up the session with a discussion about Pre & Post emergence Selective Weed Control.

Next, we drove about 2 miles to the Tuckahoe Turf Farm where the Betts Family provided a luncheon feast under a big tent. Following lunch, we split into District groups and held brief District meetings. We are hoping to strengthen our District organization in the coming year.

Following lunch and the District meetings, we boarded 2 deluxe motor coaches compliments of Tuckahoe Turf Farm and began a tour of the farm. Tuckahoe Turf Farms is one of the largest growers in the Northeast, and is a leader in new and innovative varieties of sod and growth technology. Their operations include 1500 acres- 800 located in Hammonton and 100 located in Tuckahoe. The balance of the land is used for maintenance and watershed.

George Betts explained that his father Walter Betts and grandfather moved from Stratford, Connecticut in 1931 to Estell Manor, New Jersey and operated a truck farm, producing mainly lima beans and cranberries. In 1967 the family began producing sod and by 1969 devoted their entire

Did You Know?
The only mandatory dimensions on a regulation baseball or softball infield, regardless of level of play are:
1. Distance between the bases
2. Pitching distance
All other dimensions are "recommended" Painting your fairlines on the infield skin will minimize poor playing conditions caused by sticky powdered materials.