## **News from the Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation**



## MPSA/MSTMA Merge To Form Minnesota Park and Sports Turf Managers Association

Two allied associations of the MGCSA are merging. As we all deal with shrinking budgets, less staff and more demands on our time, we are faced with difficult decisions and new challenges. With that in mind, members from both the Minnesota Sports Turf Managers Association (MSTMA) and the Minnesota Park Supervisors Association (MPSA) Board of Directors held a series of meetings to merge the organizations together.

The new association is the Minnesota Park and Sports Turf Managers Association (MPSTMA).

The two organizations have been running a parallel course and it was felt that now is the time to merge. The belief is that this will be a win-win situation for everyone involved.



The general feeling is to incorporate the traditional activities that each organization has enjoyed in the past. This will lead to more opportunity for education, networking and more access to conferences, schools and workshops.

To learn more about MPSTMA, visit www.mpstma.org.

#### **ABOUT THE MTGF**

You, as a member of the MGCSA, are also a member of the MTGF.

The Minnesota Turf and Grounds Foundation (MTGF) is a non-profit organization that was formed in 1993. It is a partnership of seven Minnesota turf and grounds related associations and the University of Minnesota.

They are: Minnesota Association of Cemeteries; Minnesota Educational Facilities Management Professionals;

Minnesota Golf Course Superintendents' Association;

Minnesota Park and Sports Turf Managers Association; Minnesota Turf Association; Minnesota Society of Arboriculture, Minnesota Turf Seed Council.

The mission of the MTGF is to promote the green industries in Minnesota through support of research, education and outreach at the University of Minnesota and elsewhere.



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