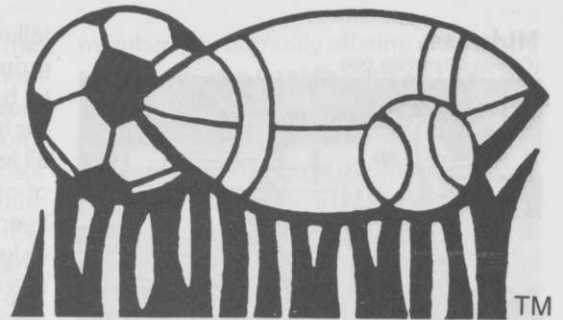


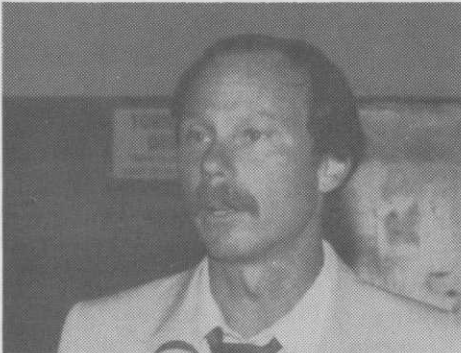
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From The President . . .



Steve Wightman, President, STMA

A lot is happening with STMA for 1986. The board has approved the services of a professional association consultant to review STMA and make recommendations on ways we can better serve our ever increasing membership.

The foundation of STMA is the free flow of pertinent information and ideas on sports turf management with the membership. With the tremendous interest that has evolved within the last year, not only with STMA but with the sports turf industry as a whole, the accomplishment of that original goal is even more paramount. With the help of a professional consultant we hope to better meet the needs of you, the member.

In addition to developing short and long range strategies for STMA, we are also putting the final touches on our regional

DUES WERE DUE

Your 1986-1987 Membership Dues were due on July 1st. Notices were mailed in June (our fiscal year is from July 1 to June 30). If you haven't paid your dues, there is still time but don't delay because we are getting ready to publish our new Directory soon!

education seminar and trade show to be held in Chicago on Thursday, December 11, 1986 in conjunction with the Illinois Turf Foundation. Also, the sessions, tours, and arrangements for our national seminar in Phoenix on January 31, February 1 and 2 are well on the way, so be sure to keep these dates available and plan to attend this very informative conference.

For details on the Phoenix Seminar, be sure to see: "PHOENIX FOR CONFERENCE" on Page Four.

Also, STMA is offering two scholarships this year to two deserving student members pursuing a career in sports turf management. Although only the beginning, we feel STMA's scholarship program is an integral part of the Association's pledge to expand and promote those committed to the sports turf industry. It is our hope that their contributions will enhance the industry.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a hearty thank you to the STMA board for all their unselfish time and effort they so graciously have donated to the association. Particularly, Dr. Kent Kurtz and Bill Wrobel. Without a dedicated commitment from volunteers, it would be impossible for any association to survive. Thank you all!!!

Steve Wightman,
President, STMA

Midwest Sports Turf Institute A Success

The Midwest Sports Turf Institute held at the College of DuPage on June 26th was attended by Sports Turf Managers and commercial affiliates from a multi-state area. The event attracted over 300 conferees and speakers from Washington D.C., California, Florida, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, Kansas, Missouri, Indiana, Illinois and Minnesota. More than 45 commercial companies were on hand to show products, equipment, supplies, and other useful items for sports fields.



Trade Show on College of DuPage Soccer Field.

Speakers covered a multitude of topics related to the construction and maintenance of sports turf and athletic facilities. According to George Rokosh, Director of Buildings and Grounds at the College of DuPage, "This event was long overdue in the Chicago area. People are hungry for information and help, we definitely will hold this conference here in June of 1987."* The Institute was co-sponsored by the Business and Professional Institute at the College of DuPage and was coordinated by Susan Benson,

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*George Rokosh was in charge of assigning space to the commercial exhibitors.