

Docs Dugout



Spring is here and many of you are hastily trying to revive your winter-rested playing surfaces. STMA has just completed two very successful conferences, the annual meeting in Phoenix and the 4th Annual Sports Turf Institute at Cal Poly, and is now in the final planning stages for the 2nd Annual Midwest Sports Turf Institute at the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

The 1987 season should prove to be the most significant for STMA as the association emerges from a collection of individuals who share common interests to a professionally run enterprise that provides a myriad of services and benefits to all members. More than ever before we need everyone, including the board members, to dedicate some prime time and effort and to sacrifice some of their precious moments to help make our organization move forward.

We need members to assist in obtaining advertising for our newsletter and Annual Directory to offset some of our costs. We need your articles for our publications and your services for conferences and seminars.

My commitments to my family, students and other professional obligations have been seriously curtailed due to my work with STMA and I cannot continue this neglect. Without an increase in membership involvement my resignation as Executive Secretary is imminent.

Get behind STMA and give it all you've got. The future of this industry is just beginning. We must all strive for the continued excellence that makes STMA an association we can all be proud of.

We Salute You

A salute to our commercial affiliates and members who contributed towards the STMA Educational & Research Fund.

Without the help and financial support of the following, the scholarship and research fund would be very meager indeed. Hats off to Mike Schiller who contacted many of these firms:

Scholarship and Research Fund Contributors, 1987

Cal Turf	\$200.00
Jacobsen-Textron	200.00
Ransomes, Inc.	200.00
International Seeds	200.00
Lebanon Chemical	200.00
Wilbur Ellis Co.	200.00
Huber Ranch Sod Nursery	200.00
Lesco, Inc.	200.00
Aquatrols Corp.	50.00
Pickseed, Inc.	200.00
Hunter Industries	200.00
Lofts Seed, Inc.	200.00
Nice 'N Green Plant Food	140.00
Turf Seed, Inc.	100.00
Illinois Turfgrass Foundation (speaker honorariums)	600.00
Aimcor	<u>200.00</u>
Total to date	\$3,290.00

Input Please

Comments have been favorable regarding our conference and seminar topics and speakers. But we can always use ideas and input on what STMA members need and want in the way of information. It is our thought that a mixture of topics and speakers from a successful sports turf manager-high school, college, university, stadium, park or other facility to a commercial affiliate or educator-provides the diversity everyone enjoys. So please, give us your ideas, whose doing an exceptional job, a new piece of equipment or product or whatever and we will plug them into our program. STMA is here to serve, but you are STMA.

Calendar of Events

June 24, 1987

Midwest Sports Turf Institute, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, Illinois. Contact: Susan Glasgow, (312) 858-2800, Ext. 2770.

September 15-17, 1987

Southeastern Sports Turf Institute, Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, Florida. Contact: Sam Newpher, Atlanta Braves, (404) 522-7630.

November 18-20, 1987

Pro-Show '87, Dallas Convention Center, Dallas, Texas. Contact: Warren Sellers, (502) 582-1672.