

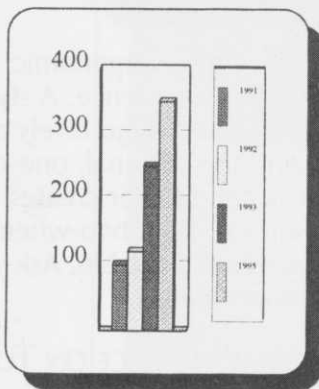
News From STMA Homeplate

by Bret Kelsey, Executive Director

Fresh from the 6th Annual Conference & Exhibition in Bradenton, FL, I must say that I am inspired!

Co-chairs Mike Schiller, Schaumburg Park District; Dr. Henry Indyk, Turfcon, and Eugene Mayer, O.M. Scott, put together a program that drew attendees and exhibitors from all walks. The turnout among members and soon-to-be-members, attendees and exhibitors, people from the North, South, East and West, showed tremendous energy and support for the Sports Turf Managers Association. For those of you who were unable to be there, we hope to bring you portions of the presentations made, through the pages of this publication throughout the year.

In terms of attendance, the 1995 Conference was the best ever. As you can see from this



chart, attendance has tripled in the last three years. We intend

to build on this success with the 1996 Conference which will be held in the Anaheim/Orange County, California area in late January or early February. Look for a formal announcement in the next newsletter.

At the Member Business meeting in Florida, the vote for the two open Board of Directors positions was finalized. Mary Owen, University of Massachusetts Extension Agent, and L. Murray Cook, Stadium Superintendent of the City of West Palm Beach, will each serve a two year term. Other director positions remained unchanged in 1995 (refer to the listing inside the first page).

Congratulations to all of the Awards of Distinction winners - a complete listing appears elsewhere in the newsletter.

On behalf of the STMA leadership and members, I want to extend a special thanks to Mike Hurd, Jeff Podobnick and the Pittsburgh Pirates organization for their hard work and hospitality. Mike and Jeff arranged for an informative Seminar on Wheels bus tour, and Mike and his grounds crew made the Field Day at Pirate City productive for exhibitors and a fantastic educational experience for attendees.

The mix of speakers, including Dr. James Beard, Sports Turf Institute; John Souter, Souter of Sterling, Ltd.; Tom Jadin, Winnebago Mental Health Center; and Larry Barnett, American League Senior Umpire; gave, as one attendee said, "four years of education in four days."

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