



Chapter Events

WELCOME TO STMA'S NEWEST AFFILIATED CHAPTER: The Mid-South Chapter STMA has completed all requirements for affiliation and was officially recognized as an affiliated chapter by the STMA Board at the January 13th, 1998, Board Meeting. The Mid-South Chapter serves Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, and parts of Louisiana, Missouri and Kentucky. For more information, contact: Chip Houmes at (901) 377-5081 or Jim Calhoun at (901) 755-1305.

Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO Chapter STMA)

On March 17th, the KAFMO Chapter will participate in the Northwest Pennsylvania Athletic Field, Turf, and Ornamentals Conference which will be held at Allegheny College in Meadville, PA. For additional information on this event contact: Jeff Fowler at (814) 437-7507.

For information on other upcoming activities, or the KAFMO Chapter STMA, contact: Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club, at (610) 375-8469, extension 212.

Florida Chapter #1: STMA

The Florida Chapter #1 will participate in the University of Florida IFAS Field Day on March 12th in Davie, FL.

The meeting at Pro Players Stadium, originally scheduled for March 18th, has been tentatively rescheduled for March 24th. The meeting focus will be Field and Equipment Safety.

The Chapter also is planning a meeting for May 19th in conjunction with the Miami Shores Parks and Recreation Department. This meeting will focus on all-purpose sports field maintenance.

For more information on these events, the Florida Chapter or other pending activities, contact: John Mascaro at (954) 938-7477.

Midwest Chapter: STMA

Plans are in the works for the Midwest Chapter's 1998 events calendar. The Chapter has appointed an Executive Secretary, Ms. Susan Green. Please note the new Hotline number.

For information on the Midwest Chapter or pending activities, call: The Chapter Hotline (847) 622-3517.

The Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association

The Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association recently held its election. President is Dale Roe, Iowa State University. Other Board Members elected are: Mike Andresen, Iowa State University; Bill Antons, Boone Community Schools; Ron Crooker, Upper Iowa University - Fayette Campus; Mike Grooms, United Seeds; Doug

Hoffman, Quality Care; Jim Lynch, Martensdale St. Mary's Schools; Rick Simpson, South Tama Schools; Charles Vance, AVP Const./Creative Landscapes of IA; Brad Vermeer, City of Sioux Center; Kevin Vos, Muscatine Soccer Complex; Bryan Wood, Commercial Turf & Tractor; Luke Yoder, Greater Des Moines Baseball.

For more information on the Iowa Chapter or upcoming activities, contact: Lori Westrum at The Turf Office at (515) 232-8222 (phone) or (515) 232-8228 (fax).

MAFMO Chapter

The MAFMO Chapter STMA will hold a "Specification Writing Seminar" from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM on April 16th at the Holiday Inn in College Park, Maryland. Further details will be announced soon.

To make communication even easier -- MAFMO will soon be on the Internet!

For information on this event, the Internet "connection," the MAFMO Chapter, or upcoming activities, contact the Hotline: (410) 290-5652.

Colorado Chapter

The Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association has elected their 1998 Board of Directors. President is Abby McNeal - Pleasant View Sports Complex; Vice President is Troy Smith - Denver Broncos; Past President is Dave Rulli - Jeffco Stadium; and Commercial Representative is Richard McDonald - RBI. Directors are: John Kasza - City of Westminster Parks; Jeff Henke - City of Fort Collins Parks; Jim Lamb - Littleton Public Schools; Jim Mueller - City of Westminster Parks; and Dave Brueggeman - South Suburban Parks and Recreation. CSTMA Executive Secretary is Bobbi Smith.

For information on the Colorado Chapter and other upcoming activities, call the 24-Hour CSTMA Chapter Hotline/FAX: (303) 438-9645.

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Minnesota Chapter:STMA

The Minnesota Chapter is holding their Spring Workshop March 25th. Location to be announced.

New Board Members for the Minnesota Chapter are Paul Griffin, President, Joe Long, President-elect and Lori Gislason, Treasurer.

For information on the Minnesota Chapter and pending activities, contact: Connie Rudolph at (612) 646-1679.

The Northern California Chapter of the Sports Turf Managers Association is in the process of planning its 1998 schedule of events. Details will be announced soon.

For general information about the Nor-Cal STMA Chapter, contact Gail Setka at the UC Davis Grounds Office at (916) 752-5035 or Fax at (916) 752-9631.

Southern California Chapter:STMA

For information on the Southern California Chapter or pending activities, contact: The Chapter Hotline: (1-888) 578-STMA (toll free in Southern California).

Chapters On The Grow

Arizona: Join the STMAZ as they move towards affiliation with meetings on February 19, March 12 and April 9. These meeting will be held at 6:00 PM at A to Z Equipment Rental & Sales located at 4050 E. Indian School Road in Phoenix. A summer seminar is also in the works to be held in Show Low.

This year's community service project is under way with a renovation of the softball/multi-use field at the Chandler Boy's and Girl's Club with a completion date of April 4. For more information and work times, contact: Kris Kircher, City of Chandler Parks & Recreation Department at (602) 786-2728.

For information on meetings, the Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona or upcoming events, contact: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Department, at (602) 994-7954.

A new Chapter is developing. The Great Lakes Sports Turf Managers Association will include Ohio and Michigan, and reach into areas of Indiana and Ontario, Canada. The first general meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on March 24th at Sylvania Pacesetter Park, 8801 Sylvania Metamora Road in Sylvania, Ohio.

For information on this event or the newly forming Chapter contact: Joe Zelinko of Athletic Field Services at (800) 897-9714 or Boyd Montgomery of the Sylvania Recreation Corporation at (419) 885-1982.

Plans are moving forward on the formation of a Nevada Chapter of STMA. For information on this developing Chapter, contact: Ibsen Dow, Phone (702) 649-1551.

Great Plains Sports Turf Managers Association - The next meeting of the Great Plains STMA will be held March 12 in Wichita from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. For information on the Great Plains Sports Turf Managers Association or upcoming activities, contact: Mark Schimming, City of Wichita, at (316) 337-9123.

Awards of Recognition

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The Presidents Award was given to Mike Trigg, Superintendent of Parks for the Waukegan, Illinois, Park District, in acknowledgment of his outstanding efforts on behalf of STMA's Raffle and Auction held each year at the Conference. Funds raised through these efforts have allowed STMA to greatly expand its Scholarship program.

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