



Sports Turf Happenings



Chapter Events

The MAFMO Chapter STMA

MAFMO will hold a Seminar on Wheels on June 26th. Tour stops will include Byrd Stadium, home of the Maryland Terrapins; Jack Kent Cooke Stadium, home of the Washington Redskins; and Prince George's Stadium, home of the Bowie Baysox. Following the tour of Prince George's Stadium, the group will share a picnic dinner in the left field pavilion and take in a game between the Baysox and the Portland Seadogs.

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

Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association

The Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association will meet on July 8th at Kinnick Stadium at the University of Iowa in Iowa City. Featured speakers for this event are Dale Getz of the University of Notre Dame, Ted Thorn of the University of Iowa and Mike Andresen of Iowa State University.

The Chapter also will participate in the Iowa Turfgrass Field Day which will be held July 16th at the ISU Horticulture Research Station in Ames.

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

Mid-South Chapter STMA

The Mid-South Chapter STMA is STMA's newest affiliated chapter. Their next meeting will be held on July 8th at Millington, Tennessee, in conjunction with Floyd Perry's Groundskeepers Management Academy.

Construction of the new Redbird Stadium in Memphis is under way. A tour of this facility is in the planning stages.

For more information on these events, the Chapter, any of the regions, or other pending activities, contact: Chip Houmes at (901) 377-5081 or Jim Calhoun at (901) 755-1305.

Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association

The Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association will hold their CSTMA Mountain Seminar on July 17th at Steamboat Springs.

CSTMA's Annual Golf Tournament, "Lawnmower Man Open," will be held on Monday, July 13th, at West Woods Golf Course in Arvada. For more information on these events, or on the Colorado Chapter and other upcoming activities, call the 24-Hour CSTMA Chapter Hotline/FAX: (303) 438-9645.

Minnesota Chapter:STMA

The Minnesota Sports Turf Managers Association will hold their Workshop on Wheels on July 15th with the starting point Midway Stadium in St. Paul. The next stop is McMurray Field for groomer demonstrations. The tour moves on to Winter

Park, the Minnesota Vikings' Training Facility; then to Canterbury Park, a horse racing facility. Following lunch at Canterbury Park, the group heads to Lakeville for a tour of the high school athletic fields and on to the University of St. Thomas. The Workshop wraps up back at Midway Stadium for tailgating, networking and enjoying the St. Paul Saints game. The Chapter also is planning a September Workshop.

For information on the Workshop on Wheels, the September event, the Minnesota Chapter or other pending activities, contact: Connie Rudolph at (612) 646-1679.

Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO)

Plans are in the works for a mid-July meeting. For information on this event, other upcoming activities, or the KAFMO Chapter STMA, contact: Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club, at (610) 375-8469, extension 212.

Midwest Chapter: STMA

The Midwest Chapter will hold an Athletic Field Construction Seminar on July 29th at the Carol Stream Park District, Carol Stream, Illinois. The Panther Football Field will be highlighted at this Seminar.

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

Florida Chapter #1: STMA

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

Northern California Chapter: STMA

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

The Chapter is planning its annual community service project for early August at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut (LA County). Further details will be announced soon.

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

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Arizona: The Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona is planning a July meeting in Show Low. For information on this meeting, the Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona or upcoming events, contact: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Department, at (602) 994-7954, or Kris Kircher, City of Chandler Parks & Recreation Department at (602) 786-2728.

Indiana: Plans are moving forward for the formation of a new chapter in Indiana. For information on this developing chapter, contact: Terry Updike, B & B Fertilizer, at (219) 356-8424 or Pat Hickner at (800) 672-4273.

Michigan: A new chapter is taking shape in Michigan under the name Michigan Sports Turf Managers Association. They will be meeting from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM on June 25th at the West Ottawa Public Schools. Recertification credit can be earned through this meeting's educational sessions: "Calibrating Spray Equipment," presented by David Gilstrap of Michigan State University (MSU); "Timing is Everything" and "Putting an IPM Program to Good Use," presented by Dr. Paul Rieke of MSU. Also making presentations are Doug Coe, 1998 Football Hall of Fame Coach, and Steve Trusty, STMA Executive Director. The meeting's afternoon events include outdoor demonstrations of equipment and materials for baseball and football field care.

Plans for additional meetings include a July event at Michigan State University which will include a presentation on field marking and a tour of the athletic facilities and an August event with presentations on football field compaction. More details will be announced soon.

For information on these events, the developing chapter or other pending activities, contact: Rick Jurries, West Ottawa Public Schools, at 616/395-2364.

The Great Lakes Sports Turf Managers Association continues to move forward. They have elected the following officers for the 1998 term: President - Joe Zelinko, Athletic Field Services; President-elect - Boyd Montgomery, Sylvania Recreation; Vice President - Dave Conover, Conover Supply; Commercial Vice President - Rick Wiegand, Medalist America Seed; Treasurer - Karen Zelinko, Athletic Field Services; and Secretary - Duane Smith, Baldwin-Wallace College.

A June event, an August Golf Outing and a November meeting in Toledo, Ohio, are all in the planning stages.

A July 10th Field Day will be held at the Akron Arrows Stadium beginning with a tour of the facility at 9:30 AM. Events include on-field demonstrations, lunch, and an evening ball game.

Executive board meetings are scheduled for June 30th, July 28th, August 25th, September 29th, and October 27th.

For information on these events or the newly forming Chapter, contact: Joe Zelinko at (800) 897-9714 or Boyd Montgomery at (419) 885-1982.

Great Plains Sports Turf Managers Association: For information on the Great Plains Sports Turf Managers Association or upcoming activities, contact: Mark Schimming, City of Wichita, at (316) 337-9123.

Nevada: The newly forming Nevada Chapter of STMA continues to make progress. For information on this developing Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Ibsen Dow at (702) 649-1551 or Alan Paulson, Clark County School District, at (702) 799-8724.

Wisconsin: The newly forming Wisconsin Chapter is working on the details of their first meeting. It will be held on July 22 in Stevens Point, Wisconsin. More details will be announced soon. For more information on this event, or on the forming Chapter, contact: Rich Riggs, R.H. Rettler & Associates, (715) 341-2633.

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