Welcome New STMA Members

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Karl K. Smith Hunter Industries Batavia, IL

T.I.P., Inc. Steve Tatro *Custer, WI* Mark Stasi One Source Landscape Tampa, FL

Brett Torgrude Student Sioux Falls, SD Ken Stein Wisconsin Lutheran H.S. *Milwaukee, WI*

Turf Specialties, Inc.

Winter Haven, FL

Art Lewis

Brian K. Sword City of Atascadero Atascadero, CA

> David Wise Pima County Stadium Dist. *Tucson, AZ*

Robert Szymanski, Jr. Town of Stratford *Stratford, CT*

Chris Zugel Student/Colorado State Univ. *Ft. Collins, CO*

Members on the Move

Steve Dutra, former project coordinator with the City of Yuba City (CA), has taken the position of Parks Maintenance Supervisor for the City of Tracy (CA). you can reach Steve at 209/831-4477.

Tom McAfee, formerly Head Groundskeeper for the Nashville Sounds, is now Turf Manager at Nelson Wollfe Stadium, San Antonio, TX. Tom's new phone number is 210/207-3754.

Douglas Bradley, formerly with the University of Louisville, is now Turf Manager for the Cincinnati Bengals. Doug can be reached at 513/929-0404.

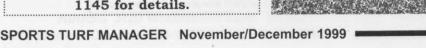
Mike Fee, former Parks Supervisor with the River Trails (IL) Park District, has taken the position of Director of Operations with the Oswegoland (IL) Park District. Mike's new number is 630/554-1010.

David Ashman has been named Director of Parks & Recreation for the City of Long Beach, CA. You can reach David at 562/570-3126.

Congratulations guys! If you, or someone you know, has changed positions, let us know so we can get the word out.



We currently have multiple job listings available. Please contact the STMA Jobs Hotline at 712/366-1145 for details.







Meet Your New Board Member!

Mr. Dave Rulli, Sports Stadium Manager, Jeffco Stadium, Lakewood, Colorado, is your newly appointed Board Member, Category III. STMA President, Steve Guise, appointed Dave to this position following the Category changes which moved Dr. Tony Koski to the new Category VIII position.

Dave has been very active in the STMA for several years at both the National and Chapter levels. He was President of the Colorado Chapter: STMA in 1996 and 1997 and has been on the chapter's Board of Directors for 3 years. Dave was also very instrumental in assuring the success of the 1997 Conference in Colorado Springs. He has two years of College and another 20 years of hands-on experience in turf management. He lists his hobbies as golf and traveling.

Why did you decide to become a member of the STMA?

To increase my knowledge of the sports turf industry and to help bring about change and increase awareness of our industry.

What do you feel are the major issues facing the sports turf industry today?

I believe that the major issue facing the sports turf industry today



is the recognition of the impact that the sports turf manager has on providing safe, playable athletic fields regardless of the level of the athlete.

What would you do to resolve this issue?

I feel that it is important to be associated with and involved in a professional organization such as the STMA. I also feel that the STMA Certification Program will go a long way to resolving this issue.

Do you have any words of wisdom for your peers in the STMA?

Become active and involved both locally and nationally. There is an opportunity for everyone to help somehow - in some way - and have fun at the same time!



