

## "A Sense of Belonging"

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we are all turf managers". This is so true and is exactly why this organization is growing by leaps and bounds. Everyone I talked to was so glad to share information and willing to help in any way. It was especially nice to see the looks of happiness and pride on the faces of all the award winners at the banquet. It was just as wonderful to watch their expressions of surprise and accomplishment as it was to receive an award. From the tours to all the seminars and sessions, the networking and information that can be gained is immeasurable. I now take great pride in showing pictures and saying, "That is Rich Moffit, our President. That is Tim Moore, our Secretary and Awards chairman, and the list could go on. I am so proud to be a member of The Sports Turf Managers Association.

In conclusion, I encourage each member of STMA to make every effort to attend the National Conference. I promise it will have an impact not only on your job, but your life as well. Then you, also will have gained that "Sense of Belonging."



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## STMA 2000 Scholarship Recipients

Once again STMA received a record number of excellent and worthy scholarship applications. Once again, a record number of scholarships were awarded through the generosity of those participating in the 2000 Conference Silent Auction, Live Auction and Raffle, and through the designated funds of the Dr. Fred Grau memorial, and of The Toro Company on behalf of Dr. Jim Watson.

This funding provides not only for the actual scholarship awards as noted below, but also up to \$500 each to be applied toward the travel and lodging costs for the STMA Annual Conference. STMA provides complimentary Conference registration for each Scholarship recipient.

With the establishment of the SAFE Foundation, and beginning with the 2001 Scholarship program, the scholarship program will be administered through the Foundation, bringing tax benefits to those who make auction donations. Funds collected during the 2001 Silent Auction, Live Auction and Raffle, and the designated Grau and Watson funding will continue to support the scholarship program.

The presentation of the following Scholarships took place during the STMA Awards Banquet held on January 19, 2001, in Tampa, Florida.

**Dr. Fred Grau Two-Year Program Scholarship: \$500**  
Thomas Gmelch - Walla Walla Community College

**Undergraduate - Four-Year Program Scholarships**  
Dr. Jim Watson: \$1,000 - Matthew Money - Clemson University

STMA: \$750 - Jason Smith - Mississippi State University

Dusty Robinson - Texas A & M  
Andrew Hollman - University of Wisconsin - Madison

Garlon Rainey - Auburn University

**Graduate Scholarships**

Dr. Jim Watson: \$1,500 - John Soroohan - Michigan State University

STMA: \$1,000

Deying Li - Iowa State University  
Chad Follis - University of Missouri - Columbia

