

Sports Turf Happenings



Chapter Events

WELCOME to the four newly affiliated STMA Chapters: MO-KAN, Nebraska, New Jersey and Virginia. All of these Chapters were officially recognized at the STMA Annual Meeting held in Tampa, Florida, on January 20, 2001.

The Virginia Sports Turf Managers Association

For information on the Virginia Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Chapter President, Tim Swaim of Landscape Supply, Inc., Richmond, Virginia, by phone: (804) 675-3050 or via e-mail: cardscowboys@cs.com.

The Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey

For information on the New Jersey Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Jim Gavigan, Lesco, at (732) 248-8979 or Eleanora Murfitt, Director, Township of Clinton Parks & Recreation Department, at (908) 735-5999.

MO-KAN Sports Turf Managers Association

The MO-KAN Chapter will hold their Spring Field Day on March 14, at the Lawrence Free State High School Sports Complex. For information on the MO-KAN STMA Chapter, or on upcoming events, contact: Trevor Vance at (816) 504-4271; Gary Custis at (816) 460-6215; or Jody Gill at (913) 681-4121.

Nebraska Sports Turf Managers Association

For information on the Nebraska Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Gregg Bostelman, City of Grand Island, at (308) 385-5426.

Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO/STMA)

The Northwest Pennsylvania Athletic Field, Turf, & Ornamentals Conference will be held on Tuesday, March 20, 2001, at Allegheny College in Meadville, PA. This event is cosponsored by KAFMO/STMA, Penn State Cooperative Extension and Allegheny College. Athletic Field Topics will include: Record Keeping with Technology, Eight Steps to an Easy Field Facelift, Soccer Goal Mouth Renovation, Poor

Directions Followed Well, and Sports Field Preventive Medicine. For further information on this event, please contact: Jeff Fowler at (814) 437-7607.

For information on the KAFMO/STMA Chapter or other upcoming events, contact: Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club, at (610) 375-8469, extension 212 or via the chapter e-mail address: kafmo@aol.com.

Tennessee Valley Sports Turf Managers Association

TVSTMA is planning a March meeting to be held at MTSU in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Also in the planning stages is a June Meeting at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee.

For information on the TVSTMA Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Bill Marbet, Southern Athletic Fields, Inc. at (931) 380-0023 or (800) 837-8062.

The Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona

The Arizona Chapter's Spring Kick Off Meeting will be held on Friday, April 20th, at ASU in Tucson. More details on this event will be announced soon.

For information on the chapter or other upcoming events, contact: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale Park, Recreation and Facilities Manager, at e-mail: bmurphy@ci.scottsdale.az.us or phone:(480) 312-7954.

Wisconsin Sports Turf Managers Association

The Wisconsin Chapter is planning a spring meeting at Miller Park, the new stadium of the Milwaukee Brewers. More details will be announced soon.

For more information on the Wisconsin Chapter or pending events, contact: Richard Miller, at (608) 756-1150.

Minnesota Chapter:STMA

The Minnesota Chapter is planning a Spring Workshop for early May. Their annual Minnesota/Iowa continued on page 13

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Chapter Clash is planned for July 13 and 14, 2001. The annual Tour on Wheels will be held on July 25, 2001. Further details on these events will be announced soon.

For information on the Minnesota Chapter or other upcoming events, contact: Ron Unger, Director of Parks & Recreation, City of Kasson, by phone at: 507/634-4165 or via e-mail at: ParkNRec@CityofKasson.com.

The Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association

The Iowa Chapter will be joining the Minnesota Chapter for the annual Clash on July 13 and 14, 2001. More details will be announced soon.

For 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) or e-mail: Lori@iowaturfgrass.org.

The Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association

The Board is working on the 2001 calendar of events. For information on the Colorado Chapter or upcoming activities, check the website: www.cstma.org or call the CSTMA Chapter Hotline: (303) 346-8954.

Florida Chapter #1: STMA

For information on the Florida Chapter or pending activities, contact: John Mascaro at (954) 341-3115.

Southern California Chapter:STMA

For information on the Southern California Chapter or pending activities, contact: Ron Kirkpatrick at (858) 453-1755.

The Gateway Chapter Sports Turf Managers Association

For information on upcoming events or on the chapter, contact: Mark Jennings at (314) 983-5345 or Jim Anthony, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO, at: (314) 977-2956.

Indiana Chapter: STMA

For information on the Indiana Chapter or pending activities, contact: Terry Updike, B & B Fertilizer, at (219) 356-8424.

The Mid-Atlantic Field Managers Organization (MAFMO Chapter STMA)

The 2001 Irrigation Seminar will focus on "Troubleshooting Irrigation Problems." The date and location will be announced soon. For information on the MAFMO Chapter or pending activities, contact the Hotline: (410) 290-5652.

The Michigan Sports Turf Managers Association

For information on the Chapter or other pending events, contact: Rick Jurries, West Ottawa Public Schools, at (616) 738-6974 or check the chapter's website: www.mistma.org.

Midwest Chapter: STMA

The Midwest Chapter is hosting the Award Luncheon & Meeting March 6, 2001 at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. Keynote Speaker is Randy Walker, Northwestern Head

Football Coach and Big Ten Coach of the Year.

For information on this Meeting or pending activities, call: Ted Baker, CSFM 847/681-2189 or the Chapter Hotline (847) 622-3517.

The Northern California Chapter of the Sports Turf Managers Association

For information on the Nor-Cal Chapter or pending events, contact Janet Gift at (530) 758-4200.

Ohio Sports Turf Managers Association

For information on the OSTMA Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Joe Zelinko at (800) 897-9714 or Boyd Montgomery at (419) 885-1982 extension 50, or the website: www.glstma.org.

The North Texas Sports Turf Managers Association

The NTSTMA will meet at the Gerald J. Ford Stadium on the SMU campus in Dallas, TX, from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM on March 20. This will include educational sessions, details of the SMU maintenance program and a tour of the facilities.

For information on the North Texas Chapter or pending activities, contact: Kayla McAfee at (972) 234-6584, or Rene Asprion at (972) 647-3393 or check the website: www.ntstma.org. *continued on page 18*

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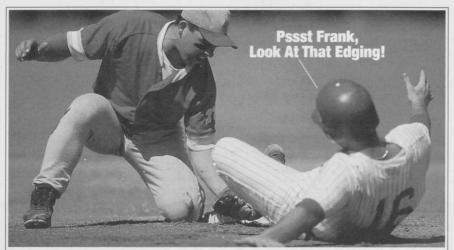
For information on the chapter or upcoming events, contact: Tom McAfee, Nelson Wolff Municipal Stadium, San Antonio, at (210) 207-3754.

The Mid-South Chapter STMA

For information on the Mid-South Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Robert Bodi at TURF419@aol.com or Jim Calhoun at (901) 755-1305.

Chapters On The Grow

The newly-forming New York Chapter will meet at 10:30 AM on the third Wednesday of each month at the National Soccer Hall of Fame. For formation, contact Kevin Meredith, National Soccer Hall of Fame, via email at Kevin@wpe.com or by phone at (607) 432-2953.



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Members on the Move

David Mellor, former Assistant Director of Grounds for the Milwaukee Brewers, is now Director of Grounds for the Boston Red Sox. As soon as a permanent phone number is established for David, we'll let you know.

Tom Rudberg, CSFM, former Groundskeeper with the University of St. Thomas, has taken a position with S & S Tree and Horticultural Specialists, where he manages the new Athletic Turf Management Division. Tom can be reached at (651) 451-8907.

Raechal Sager, formerly with the W. Michigan Whitecaps, is now the Assistant Director of Grounds for the Milwaukee Brewers. You can contact Raechal at (414) 902-4462.

Keith Van Der Leest, with SMG Jacksonville/Jaguars, has a new title - Operations Manager. Keith's new phone number is (904) 633-6109.

Todd Vanek, former Project Superintendent with the S.W. Franks Construction Company, is now Vice-President of RTM Sport, Inc. You can reach Todd at (301) 421-0070.

CONGRATULATIONS PEOPLE!

If you, or anyone you know, has changed positions, let us know so we can help Spread The Word!

Note: In your 1999-2000 Sports Turf Topics Compendium, photos for the article "Laser Grading: Know What You're Getting," by Grove Teates, were incorrectly identified. Credits should read: Photos Courtesy of Grove Teates.