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## **SAFE Raffle A Success!**

he SAFE Foundation Raffle for the NFL Hall of Fame Game and golf scramble package was a great success. Money raised will go into the SAFE Scholarship, Research and Education fund.

The lucky winner is David Ditzler, Turf & Irrigation Specialist, Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa. Dave is new to the Association, having joined in March of this year, and very pleased to have won.



NFL Hall of Fame, Canton, OH

Dave and his wife, Tami, will enjoy the following prize package:

The prize package consists of the following:

- \* Admission to the Pro Football Hall of Fame (HOF), August 5th
- \* Admission to the NFL Experience, August 5th
- \* 2001 HOF Golf Scramble (with NFL players), Shady Hollow Country Club, August 6th
- \* HOF Tailgate Party, August 6th
- \* Tickets to the 2001 NFL HOF Game, St. Louis Rams vs. Miami Dolphins, August 6th
- \* Special Parking Credential
- \* Hotel room for the nights of August 5th and 6th
- \* Travel to and from Canton, OH, for these events

The Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement festivities represent one of the best celebrations of sport in the country! More than 700,000 people participate in 20 events during an 11-day period.

The festivities come to an exciting end with the game on Monday. There will be a special half-time presentation of the 2001 Class of Enshrinees. This years' class, appropriately nicknamed "The Magnificent Seven," are: Nick

Buoniconti, Marv Levy, Mike Munchak, Jackie Slater, Lynn Swann, Ron Yary and Jack Youngblood.

The Pro Football Hall of Fame officially opened on September 7, 1963 as a 19,000 square foot, two-building structure with a Charter class of 17 enshrinees. It has expanded to what you see above. Currently there are 211 Hall of Famers. They include such football legends as Harold (Red) Grange, Lou Groza, Terry

Bradshaw, Dick Butkus, Joe Namath and Joe Montana.

The SAFE Foundation's focus is on the research needs of the industry, providing the methods for obtaining funds, and providing potential tax benefits to the donors. This is a broad reaching initiative as noted in SAFE's Vision Statement: "To use science as the foundation to benefit sports fields in areas of playability, user safety, and the environment." The results of this Foundation's support will assist athletes at all levels with safer playing field environments. This is an excellent fit with STMA's Positioning Statement: "Providing the best sports surfaces for all levels of play."

