

## SPORTS TURF MANAGER

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Field of the Year Program Expanded

ach year STMA presents Field of the Year Awards in Baseball, /Softball, Football and Soccer. Selections are made by a panel of judges within the following categories: professional, college and university, high school, municipal or park. Each field is evaluated on the qualities of the field along with how well you utilize the resources available for the maintenance of the field.

This year, we are expanding the program to include the Facility of the Year Award for multiple use facilities.

The Field of the Year will be featured in an article in SPORTSTURF Magazine. And - thanks to the continued support of our Awards Sponsors: Advanced Drainage Systems, Covermaster Inc., Hunter Industries, Partac Peat (Beam Clay®), Textron Golf, Turf & Specialty Products, Turf-Seed, Inc. and West Coast Turf; our Field of the Year recipients will receive a plaque, a jacket and up to six crew shirts, one registration for the STMA 2004 Annual Conference & Exhibition in San Diego, California, and up to \$500 toward travel expenses for the Conference.

Spring is finally here! The air is warm - no



more snow - and hey, by the way, your field looks GREAT! So, why not take pictures now for submission into the Field of the Year program? Take shots of the

sidelines, centerfield, the infield and outfield areas.

Show us your field prepped for action - show us you and your crew on the field, painting, mowing, all of those things that you do. Give us action shots of players. And make sure to include a few "verticle" shots, especially a "beauty" one. You may get a cover shot in SPORTSTURF when your field is featured!



Detail the challenges

you've faced and overcome, your maintenance program, your budget for one year, a description or outline of the equipment used to maintain your field and an outline or organizational chart of how your staff or crew are organized (to include the total number of maintenance staff). Include your own special "tricks of the trade" and why you feel that your field is a FIELD OF THE YEAR.

Complete criterion on the Awards Program will be sent of members shortly.

Don't Miss Out!

If you haven't paid your membership dues for 2003 this is your LAST newsletter!!

