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## EVENTS CALENDAR

June 7 — OGSA Spring Field Day. Contact: OGSA (416) 241-5551.

June 20 — 4th Annual Sports Turf Association Field Day, Kitchener Auditorium. Contact: Peter Kleschnitzki (416) 338-4171.

July 24-27 — Ontario Parks Association Conference, City of Windsor/Town of Amerhertsburg. Contact: Dave Stuart (519) 255-6708.

July 25-27 — American Sod Producers' Association, Summer Convention, Ottawa. Contact: ASPA (708) 705-9898.

November 5 — 3rd Annual GTI Educational Symposium. Contact: Mira Soni (519) 824-4120 ext. 3814.

**December** 9-12 — Canadian Turfgrass Conference, Montreal Convention Centre. Contact: CGSA (416) 249-7304.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is no doubt, that this is our busiest season of the year, in a matter of a few weeks you will initiate many programs such as aerifying, fertilizing, topdressing, spraying and mowing to get your sportsturf areas ready to survive a season of use.

Your executive committees have been working many extra hours completing their association work during this busy season. Peter and Chris have arranged the speakers, location and exhibitors for our upcoming June Field Day. It looks like again we will have another informative day. The newsletter has been revamped and looks excellent. Bill has put together an operational budget for the Association. This will be extremely important for the planning of our association's future projects. Lastly, Geoff has been doing the preparation work for our upcoming December Conference in Guelph, Ontario.

I have been busy representing our association at many meetings. I have attended several Green Care Ontario meetings. This association is trying to deal with the Ministry of Environment on their new pesticide spraying posting regulation. This amendment is going to greatly inconvenience any users of your sportsturf. Please take time to read the G.C.O. update insert. This matter is a long way from being solved.

Lastly, we will have the position of the Association's Executive Secretary filled by this summer and operating by this fall.

See you at the June Field Day.

Bruce Calhoun

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