

EVENT CALENDAR

February 19

*Sports Turf Association Annual
General Meeting @ the OTS*
University of Guelph, ON
Info: 519-763-9431
www.sportsturfassociation.com

February 19 & 20

Ontario Turfgrass Symposium
Guelph, ON
Info: (519) 767-5000
www.open.uoguelph.ca/OTS/



January 8-10

Landscape Ontario Congress
Toronto, ON, 1-800-265-5656
www.locongress.com

January 15-19

*Sports Turf Managers Association (US)
19th Annual Conference & Exhibition*
Phoenix, AZ
Info: www.stma.org

January 16-18

*Ontario Golf Superintendents'
Association Golf Course Management
Conference & Trade Show*
Toronto, ON, 1-877-824-6472
www.golfsupers.on.ca

January 28 – February 22

*University of Guelph
Turf Managers' Short Course*
Guelph, ON, (519) 767-5000
www.open.uoguelph.ca/turfmanager

February 6 & 7

*Ontario Parks Association
52nd Annual Educational Conference
& Explorations Trade Show (Feb. 6)*
Hamilton, ON, 1-866-560-7783
www.opassoc.on.ca

February 24-27

*Western Canada Turfgrass Association
45th Annual Conference & Show*
Penticton, BC, 604-467-2564
www.wctaturf.com

President's Message Continued...

• you have access to an online membership directory and receive a membership certificate recognizing your membership in and support of the Sports Turf Association.

Over the period of two decades, a number of people, companies and organizations have made their mark on the association and indeed, the turfgrass industry as a whole. To name them all would be impossible. Suffice it to say that without the vision, the enthusiasm, the support and the dogged determination of so many, the association would not be where it is today.

Consider putting your name forward or nominating a colleague who is interested in serving on the Board. Nominations deadline is December 21, 2007.

As we look back, we realize it is of equal importance to look ahead. This winter, your Board of Directors will participate in a strategic planning exercise to proactively plan the future of the Sports Turf Association further examining where we are, where we want to be and how we are going to get there. We welcome your input in order to determine how best to continue to serve the needs of the mem-

bership. Please forward your suggestions to any Director or to Lee Huether, Executive Manager, by mail, email or fax.

You will have received by now the Call for Nominations for the 2008 Board of Directors. Consider putting your name forward or nominating a colleague who is interested in serving on the Board. The nominations deadline is December 21, 2007. All will be presented at the Sports Turf Association's Annual General Meeting during the Ontario Turfgrass Symposium.

The Ontario Turfgrass Symposium: *The New Green* is February 19th and 20th, 2008. Sports turf related sessions are highlighted inside. Visit the symposium website www.open.uoguelph.ca/OTS for all the details or consult the brochure which you will receive by mail. We hope you'll join us for both the conference and our Annual General Meeting.

This issue also carries my last President's message. At the AGM in February, a new president will be selected. I have been a part of this organization for 14 years, as a director for 9 years and president for the last 2 years. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as president of the Sports Turf Association, and look forward to serving on the board for many years to come. I would especially like to thank Lee for her hard work and dedication.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous new year. ♦



ODDS & ENDS

STA Membership Plaques

Display membership plaques are available in executive engraved walnut for \$50 plus S&H. To order, contact Lee at the STA office.

Spring 2008 Submissions

If you have something you'd like to submit for the next issue, please forward it to the STA office by February 22, 2008.

Editorial Content

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