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Last but not least is league participation. Include the leagues using your fields in your maintenance plan. As the leagues see improvement in the field quality and feel a part of that improvement they will continue to help in your endeavors. Set up practice goals and designate practice areas off the field to minimize traffic in the game goals. If at all possible redelineate the fields mid season to minimize traffic in the wear areas and allow for more effective overseeding and repair of these areas.

Everything that occurs on your field has either a positive or negative impact on the quality of your field. The positives have to outweigh the negatives. Your only hope of maintaining or improving the quality of your fields is to have a plan in place, which addresses all those forces impacting on quality. Remember, "Address for Success". ▲

SFMANJ Membership Districts

The following Districts were created in order to increase membership as well as serve you better. Our objective is to have meetings during evenings or weekends where sports field managers can gather in or near their areas to discuss similar problems as well as have the opportunity to bring in a speaker. A dinner could be served or you can gather at a picnic grove as a small group.

Here is another opportunity to get involved. We are trying to make it easier by keeping Districts small so you will not have far to travel. We are looking for members who are interested in helping get this off the ground.

If you are interested in gathering with others who are in the same situation as yourselves and would like an

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey

opportunity to participate in round-table discussions call your Committee Chair from your district, let them know you want to get involved.

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey is growing rapidly as we have over 230 members to date. We would like to see more activities in the North and South. This is a great way to meet people in your area who have similar problems and answers about fields and equipment.

District I – Committee Chair, John Salisbury (201) 390-6025, Committee members, Steve Ratto Eleanor Murfitt Hudson, Sussex, Passaic, Morris, Bergen, Essex, Union

District II – Committee Chair, Fred Castenschiold, (908) 722-9830, Committee members, Jim Gavigan, Dean Marzocca, Jim Hermann Hunterdon, Somerset, Warren, Middlesex

District III – Committee Chair, Bud Perdun, (732) 289-3048 Committee Members, Tom Torpey, Jeff Cramer Mercer, Monmouth, Ocean, Burlington

District IV – Committee Chair, Larry George (800) 942-0134 Gloucester, Atlantic, Salem, Cumberland, Camden, Cape May.

DON'T DELAY---CALL TODAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! ▲

WANTED:

Recreation Program Coordinator/ Sr. Activities person.

Minimum one year experience in recreation programming. Associated degree or certification in recreation preferred.

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(Morris County) 54 Rock Rd., Long Valley,
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