

## A Note from the Editor

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At a monthly Board Meeting last year, I accepted the editorial responsibilities for our SFMANJ Update newsletter beginning with the November/December 2005 issue. As a frequent contributor and self-described amateur writer and photographer, I felt then as I do now that I can make a positive contribution to our publication as Editor.

I would like to express my sincere praise for the work of Jim Hermann, CSFM and Eleanora Murfitt-Hermann, CRS who served as co-editors of SFMANJ Update since its inception. The growth of our newsletter in circulation and information quality, along with addition of color formatting is a direct result of their efforts.

I would also like to acknowledge our many advertisers who make publication of this newsletter possible.

It is my high priority to maintain SFMANJ Update as a source of practical sports field information as well as a means to report on the activities to which SFMANJ is engaging to fulfill its mission to improve the safety, playability, and appearance of athletic fields.

While the current newsletter format has been tremendously successful, I would like to reach-out to other Sports Turf Managers Association (STMA) Chapters across the country to include articles from their newsletters in SFMANJ Update. In return, I would offer our articles to other STMA Chapters. This strategy will allow our readers to learn from sports field managers outside of our Chapter as well as give our SFMANJ contributors national exposure.

Your comments are always welcome. – Brad

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