

# ~TIME FOR CHANGE~

After many years of superior service Kathy Hopfel has decided to move to new challenges. Kathy has served as the executive secretary for our association since 2003. I would like to thank Kathy, on behalf of the association, for her many years of service to the SFMANJ. She has been an instrumental aide to our board over the past five years.

Kathy has been very helpful to the growth of our organization over the years. To date, she is the only one to have ever held the position of executive secretary for SFMANJ. She has helped define her position by willingly accepting additional responsibilities as needed for the growth of our association. She has worked on our website, helped with our field days, newsletter, and always made sure all the fine details were taken care of. Kathy has always been there for us (the board and association) when ever we needed her. Her presence will be missed.

On behalf of the board I would like to congratulate Kathy on her new position and wish her much success on her future endeavors.

*Craig A Tolley, President, SFMANJ*

## DID YOU KNOW?



**The last ever regular season game to be played at Yankee Stadium is Sunday, September 21, 2008 when the New York Yankees take-on the Baltimore Orioles.**

## New Jersey Turfgrass Expo

December 2008

Trump Taj Mahal Casino-Resort, Atlantic City, NJ

## 2008 Sports Field Managers Expo Program

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2008

- 1:00-1:30 SFMANJ Business Meeting
- 1:30-2:15 Communication and leadership skills for Sports Field Managers  
*Boyd Montgomery, CSFM, SCPS, The Toro Company*
- 2:15-2:45 A director of recreation's perspective on synthetic infill fields  
*M. Bruce Kaufmann, CPRP, Town of Westfield*
- 2:45-3:30 A National look at Sports Field Management  
*Kim Heck, Sports Turf Managers Association*
- 3:30-4:00 Update on synthetic turf human health issues  
*Jerry Fagliano, NJ Dept. of Health & Senior Services*

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

#### THURSDAY AM

- 7:00-8:00 Early bird Sports Field Managers  
*Networking roundtable*
- 8:00-9:00 Turfgrass Management for Sports Field 101  
*Dr. James Murphy, Rutgers University*
- 9:00-9:30 Recent Turfgrass Traffic Tolerance Research at Rutgers  
*Brad Park, Rutgers University*
- 9:30-10:00 Developing Utility Sports Fields using Farming Principles  
*Dr. John Grande, Rutgers University*

#### THURSDAY PM

- 12:00-12:30 Renovation of First Energy Stadium, Reading, PA  
*Dan "Dirt" Douglas, Reading Phillies*
- 12:30-1:00 Responsibilities of a New Jersey School IPM Coordinator  
*Erik Hammerdahl, Morris-Jointure Commission*
- 1:00-1:30 Authoring Specifications and Managing Sports Field Construction  
*Tom Miller, Environmental Resolutions*
- 1:30-2:00 Sports Field and Grounds Management at a New Jersey High School  
*Kevin Shipman, Kingsway High School*