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Atlantic City, NJ in December each year. Speakers from around the country deliver education to our sports field professionals with the latest information and technology. Pesticide credits, including Category 13 School IPM, are awarded for completion of the sessions.

In addition to our regular field days, SFMANJ holds other events throughout the year such as clinics for local little leagues and district meetings. Anyone interested in hosting such an event can call the office at 856-514-3179.

Our newsletter, Update, is published quarterly and is full of timely and informative articles and advertising. Each issue is mailed out but can also be viewed on our website (www.sfmanj.org) or accessed through Michigan State University Libraries (http://archive.lib.msu. edu/tic/updat). Here you can also find all past issues dating back to July 2001.Anyone interested in advertising in Update should call the office at 856-514-3179 or download a form from our web site.

Our website also contains links to many documents that may be of help with your fields, photos from recent events as well as a calendar of upcoming events that may be of interest to you. There is also a vendor directory with active links for your convenience. Membership registration forms are available for download if you are interested in joining our organization.

Recently, SFMANJ has embraced social media by creating a facebook page. Activity there is starting to pick-up. Also, we have initiated putting a QR code on mailers, newsletters, etc., so get your code reader ready. With an SFMANJ membership, not only does one receive our quarterly newsletter, but also Sportsturf, the monthly publication of STMA. Each issue contains articles written for and by sports field professionals. You will also receive the annual SFMANJ Membership Resource Directory to help you contact other sports field managers or commercial members to discuss any issues you may have with your fields. Another benefit to membership is a 10% tuition discount on all Rutgers Office of Continuing Professional Education Athletic Field courses.

Any individual, organization, institution, or vendor/supplier who has interest in athletic field safety and playability would benefit by becoming a member of SFMANJ.We represent high school, college, and professional facilities, parks and recreation departments, educators, youth leagues, contractors, and commercial vendors.

SFMANJ members are always welcome to attend our board meetings, which are generally held on the first Wednesday of each month at Hort Farm 2, North Brunswick, NJ.We appreciate member input and thrive on new, fresh ideas from all areas of the sports field industry. We are here for our members and want to bring to them the things that interest and help them the most. Anyone interested in attending, should call us at 856-514-3179 to confirm time and location.

If you would like more information on SFMANJ, please call 856-514-3179 or visit our web site and see what we're all about.

