## **STMA IN ACTION**

STMA CHAPTER NEWS

**STMA Florida Chapter #1:** Hurricane Andrew made its presence felt at the south campus of Florida International University in South Miami, forcing cancellation of the September 9 seminar. Luckily, there were few injuries. It will take some time to restore conditions to normal as tree damage was massive and mobile homes are currently parked on the athletic fields.

Special Reminder—Plan now to attend the "Get Dirty Seminar" November 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Pompano Stadium in the city of Pompano (The North Fort Lauderdale area). Registration begins in the stadium at 8 a.m. Sessions will include: "Making of Pitchers' Mounds and Home Plate;" "Dragging Fields;" "Turface Use on Ballfields;" and "Stenciling: How To Make and Use."

Looking Ahead—An all day event is scheduled for January 13, 1993, with STMA of Florida and Regal Chemical Company. C.E.U.s (Continuing Education Units) will be issued. Further details will be announced soon.

For information on the South Florida chapter, or for details on meetings and chapter activities, contact: John Mascaro (305) 938-7477 or Ed Birch (305) 938-0217.

Midwest Chapter: STMA — Special Reminder — October 22 marks the date of the Collegiate Sports Turf Management Workshop to be held at Illinois State University, Office of Physical Planning and Operations, 9100 Grounds Maintenance Department, Normal, IL. ISU's Redbird Field was awarded the Beam Clay Award as 1992 College Diamond of the Year.

Registration for the Sports Turf Workshop opens at 9:30 a.m. at the Redbird Arena. At 10 a.m. MC:

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STMA President, Mike Trigg, and ISU athletic director, Ron Wellman, will welcome attendees. Presentations include: "Illinois State University **Campus Maintenance and Working** Relationships with Coaches and Players," by Charles Scott, ISU superintendent of grounds; "Working Together on Field Maintenance," by Jeff Stewart, ISU Baseball Coach: "Award Winning Field Maintenance," by Mike O'Grady, ISU athletic turf specialist; and "Plant Tissue Analysis," by Dr. Hank Wilkinson, plant pathologist, University of Illinois. Lunch will be served at noon. From 12:45 to 2:30 p.m., the program will conclude with ISU athletic field tours and field maintenance demonstrations.

For information on the workshop, contact Don Michaels or Kathy Counley at (708) 526-0007 or Mike O'Grady at (309) 438-2032.

For information on the Midwest chapter and other chapter activities, contact: Mike Trigg, Waukegan Park District, (708) 360-4750.

**Colorado Chapter Sports Turf Managers Association** — The Colorado chapter is asking their general membership to submit nominations for next year's officers and executive board. Two new positions of board-member-at-large are being created, opening up even more opportunities for those who want to serve in this active organization.

Plans are progressing for the annual meeting, which will be held in late November or early December. This meeting will serve as a review of the past year's events and a kick-off for 1993 activities. Details will be announced shortly.

For information about the Colorado chapter and its activities, or for details on submitting names for nominations, contact Bill Whirty at (303) 221-6660.

**Chesapeake Chapter: STMA** — The Chesapeake chapter is finalizing plans for their early January annual meeting and banquet. This event will be held in Baltimore, in conjunction with "Turfgrass '93," presented by the Maryland Turfgrass Council. Further details will be announced soon.

For additional information on the chapter and its programs, contact: Ray Flood at (301) 405-3320.

Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association — Plans are underway for the Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association annual meeting. This event will take place January 19, at the Des Moines Convention Center, Des Moines, IA in conjunction with the Iowa Turfgrass Conference. Details will be announced soon.

For information on the Iowa chapter, its goals and activities, contact: Gary Peterson at (515) 792-6433.

**Carolina Chapter: STMA** — Planning sessions continue for the Carolina chapter as newly elected president, Joe Wilson, works with the board to outline future events.

For information on the Carolina chapter and its activities, contact Marc Farha (Facility Manager of the Charlotte Knights) at (704) 332-3746.

New England Chapter: STMA — At the first official board meeting, the New England chapter appointed committee chairmen and moved towards formal incorporation and the adoption of bylaws. The board also reviewed last August's workshop and began planning for educational and other activities for 1993.

For details on the chapter and its activities, contact Mary Owen, University of Massachusetts Cooperative Extension System at (508) 831-1225. □