

STMA IN ACTION

ASSOCIATION NEWS

STMA CHAPTER NEWS

Chesapeake Chapter:STMA—The Chesapeake Chapter's Annual Field Day and Workshop held August 5 at the University of Maryland's Byrd Stadium and practice football field was a resounding success. More than 150 attendees enjoyed the combination of workshops, information exchange sessions, and panel presentations.

Special Reminder—The Chesapeake Chapter's Quarterly Meeting will be held at the Reading Phillies Baseball Stadium, Reading, PA, from noon to 3 p.m. on September 23. All members, potential members, and those curious about what STMA might offer them are invited to attend this informational session.

For specific details about this meeting, contact Dan Douglas, head groundskeeper, at (215) 375-8469.

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

STMA Florida Chapter #1:Note This Date Change—The "Get Dirty Seminar," originally scheduled for November 3 has been moved to November 4. Meeting hours are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the location is Pompano Stadium in Pompano, FL. Registration begins in the stadium at 8 a.m., followed by an 8:45 welcome by Ed Birch at the third base grandstand. Presentations include: "Making of Pitchers' Mounds and Home Plates," by Ed Miller; "Dragging Fields," demonstrated by the stadium staff at the Four Field Complex; "Turface Use on Ballfields," by Ed Miller; "Stenciling: How to Make and Use," by Jim Romeo of Joe Robbie Stadium; and a wrap-up question and answer session. Lunch will be served. Tom Curran is host of the meeting.

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.

Colorado Chapter Sports Turf Managers Association:Special Reminder—The CCSTMA "End of the Seasons" Workshop will be held September 24, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the City of Greeley Parks. You'll want to

take advantage of the special tips on field winterization for spring play readiness and hints for handling winter season sports events. Contact Mark Leasure of the Colorado Springs Sky Sox at (719) 338-0381 for further details on this workshop.

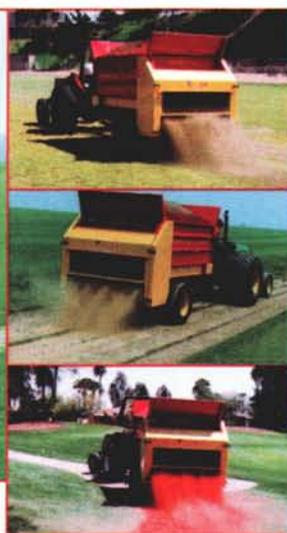
For other information about the Colorado Chapter and its activities, contact Bill Whirly at (303) 221-6660.

Midwest Chapter: STMA—A University/College Sports Turf Management Workshop will be held

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October 22 at the Illinois State University in Normal, IL, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The program will include a tour of the facility and fields. Educational presentations will be made by: Chuck Scott, ISU superintendent of grounds; Mike O'Grady, ISU athletic turf supervisor; Ron Wellman, ISU athletic director; Jeff Stewart, ISU baseball coach; and Dr. Hank Wilkinson, plant pathologist at The University of Illinois. For more information on this workshop, contact Don Michaels at Lake-Cook FS (800) 300-4887.

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

Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association—Nearly 40 people attended the Special Sports Turf Clinic held at the Carroll, IA, Community Schools on August 11. Informative presentations and industry exhibits combined to provide a fact-filled forum for the attendees. A rare cool, dry day offered an excellent opportunity for hands-on demonstrations of commercial equipment on the football and baseball fields.

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.

The New England Chapter: STMA—This newest addition to the STMA regional chapters was officially formed August 12. Approximately 140 people attended the sports turf institute and workshop at the New England Patriots facility at Foxboro, MA. A tour of the facilities, informative speakers, and cooperative exhibitors combined to set the tone for an active new chapter.

Newly elected officers include: John Barry, facilities manager for Phillips Academy in Andover, MA, president; Pierre Landry, field manager for the New England Patriots, vice president; Mary Owen, extension specialist in turf, University of Massachusetts Cooperative Extension System, secretary; Bernie Keohan, department of facility maintenance, Harvard University, treasurer, and board members: John Connelly, Evergreen Lawn; Bob Romano, O.M. Scott & Sons; Donna Dolven, Hamden County Day School; John Schmidgall, tree and grounds supervisor, Danvers Park Dept.; Joe Kovolyan, Interstate Landscape; and alternate board member Jim Berardo, parks and recreation dept., East Lyme, CT. The executive board will be formulating plans for future activities to be announced soon.

For more information on the New England Chapter, contact Mary Owen at (508) 831-1225.

SOUTHWEST TURFGRASS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

The Southwest Turfgrass Association will hold its Annual Conference October 7-9 at the Las Cruces Hilton in Las Cruces, NM. Dr. Don White from the University of Minnesota will be the keynote speaker.

The conference will include workshop sessions on Sports Turf Management, given by Mark Doble, and Equipment Maintenance, given by James Eby. There will also be educational sessions, a golf tournament, and an annual awards breakfast.

For registration materials, contact Lynn Ellen Doxon, Executive Director, 9301 Indian School Rd., NE, Suite 201, Albuquerque, NM 87112, or call (505) 275-2576.

GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES REPORT

The Golf Course Maintenance Expenditures Report offers detailed information on more than 25 specific maintenance budget areas, including water usage, golf car maintenance, and capital expenses.

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