REMINDER - Take Me Out to the Ball Game is the theme of the July 19 meeting of the Rockford, IL, Park District's Sportscore. The event will begin with a tour of the Rockford Cubs, for a behind-the-scenes tour of Marinelli Field, home of the Illinois State University turf of the Year. The meeting will then move to the Cubs baseball game. The Midwest Chapter will charter a bus from the Chicago area for this meeting. This site was one of the practice facilities used for World Cup Soccer. The workshop on "Rapid Turf Renovation- Stabilizer" is the centerpiece of the day. The workshop is offered by STABILIZER, INC., with the support of the National STMA. The chapter must pay $100 to affiliate with the National STMA. The chapter also pays $10 for each of its members who are not a National STMA member. The initial outlay may sound painful, but careful budgeting early on and the right dues structure will eliminate those worries.

The Colorado Chapter plans to host four workshops per year. We try to find a field and maintenance practice to highlight that will offer something we can all learn from. Good luck in your chapter endeavors. Bill Whirty STMA Board Member