

STMA in Action

The Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association: ISTMA will host a Little League "Baseball Field Maintenance" mini-workshop on April 20 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the South DSM Little League Complex.

ISTMA will hold a "Soccer/Football Facility Workshop" at the Dubuque Soccer Complex on June 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registration opens at 8:00 a.m. Morning sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. and include the following topics: "Volunteerism"; "Soil Sampling and How to Tailor a Fertilizer Program to Test Results"; "Football/Soccer Field Use Management"; "Aeration Explanation and Demonstration"; and "Topdressing Explanation and Demonstration." The noon break features lunch with the vendors and the official opening of the demonstration area.

Afternoon activities include the following: "Mowing Techniques and Demonstration"; "Irrigation Alternatives"; "Seeding/Overseeding Practices and Demonstration"; and "The Safety Inventory and Its Importance."

For more information on these meetings, the Iowa Chapter or other upcoming activities contact: Lori Westrum at The Turf Office at (515) 232-8222 (phone) or (515) 232-8228 (fax).

Florida Chapter #1: The Florida Chapter will meet on May 21 at Joe Robbie Stadium. Meeting topics will include the field's prescription athletic turf (P.A.T.) system. The field will be set up for baseball, and a tour of the facility will be provided. Meeting host is Alan Sigwardt, sports turf manager of Joe Robbie Stadium.

For more information on this meeting, the Florida Chapter, and other pending activities, contact: John Mascaro (305) 938-7477.

Midwest Chapter: The following are the chapter officers for 1996: Lonnie Berg, Hinsdale South High School, president; Marc Van Landuyt, Van's Enterprises, Ltd., past president; Scott Pippen, Village of Lincolnshire, vice president; Don Michaels, Conserv FS, treasurer; and Mike Trigg, Waukegan Park District, secretary.

The Midwest Chapter's next meeting is scheduled for May 22 at South Park of the Park Ridge Recreation and Park District in Park Ridge, IL. The central theme is turf irrigation systems. Industry experts will discuss the pros and cons of different irrigation systems and methods.

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"Training with the Bears" is planned for Wednesday, July 24, at the Chicago Bears Training Facility in Lake Forest, IL. The meeting will include a tour of the new state-of-the-art training facility.

For more information on these meetings, the Midwest Chapter or other upcoming events, call: The Chapter Hotline (847) 439-4727.

Minnesota Chapter: The following are the chapter's 1996 officers and board of directors: Ken Dehkes, Hamline University, president; Mike McDonald, University of Minnesota, Bierman Athletic Complex, past president; Shannon Hendrickson, Farmington I.S.D. #192, president-elect; Tom Rudberg, University of St. Thomas, Minnesota Turf & Grounds Foundation, representative; Mark Sullivan, Truegreen-Chemlawn, director at large; and Brian Deyak, secretary/treasurer.

The chapter's second "Workshop on Wheels" has been set for Tuesday, July 16, in conjunction with a St. Paul Saints game. More details on this day-long event will be announced soon.

For information on the workshop, the Minnesota Chapter or other upcoming activities, contact: Brian Deyak at (612) 255-7223.

Colorado Chapter: CSTMA will be holding its "Summer Seminar" on June 5 at Coors Field in Denver, CO. Educational sessions will be held in the morning, followed by field tours in the afternoon. Seminar host is Mark Razum, head groundskeeper of the Colorado Rockies' Coors Field.

CSTMA also will hold a "Mid-Summer Seminar" on July 12 in Grand Junction, CO. More details will be announced soon.

For information on these seminars, the Colorado Chapter or other upcoming events call the 24-Hour CSTMA Chapter Hotline/FAX: (303) 438-9645 and leave a message, or contact: Troy Smith, Denver Broncos, at (303) 649-9000.

Southern California Chapter: The SO CAL Chapter will hold "Sports Turf Day" at Dodger Stadium on Sunday,

April 28, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Activities will include a behind-the-scenes tour of the stadium, a special presentation by a Dodger speaker, a Major League brunch in the Stadium Club and great seats for the 1:05 p.m. game between the Dodgers and the Chicago Cubs. Cost is \$40 per person. Attendance is limited to 50 people. Registrations must be post-marked before April 19. Call or fax reservations or questions to Steve Guise at (714) 578-0215.

For more information on the Southern California Chapter and other upcoming activities, contact: Chris Bunnell at (619) 432-2421.

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Arizona: The newly developing Arizona Sports Turf Managers Association will be meeting April 11 from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The morning sessions will focus on baseball field preparations and will be held at the Oakland A's Training Facility at Papago Park. For the afternoon, the meeting will move to Arizona State University's Sun Devil Stadium, where sessions will focus on soccer and football field preparations.

A second meeting is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on May 8 at the University of Arizona at Tucson. Meeting host is Dr. David Kopec. More details will be announced soon.

For more information on these meetings or the forming chapter, contact: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Department at (602) 994-7954.

Kansas: Chapter formation is underway in Kansas. A steering committee has been formed, and monthly meetings are on the docket. For more information — and especially to get involved — contact: Mark Schimming of Wichita Baseball, Inc. at (316) 267-3372.