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The 1997 STMA Conference and Exhibition will be held January 15-19, 1997, in Colorado Springs, CO. Great plans are in the works.

Thank-You Notes from National

Special thanks to the members of the Southern California Chapter for all their work on – and hospitality at – the national Sports Turf Managers Association Conference, held in Anaheim, CA, on January 24-28, 1996. A round of applause goes to Chris Bunnell, Steve Guise, Dave Ashman, Bob Sparnicht, Ron Bond and Mike Uraire for all their extra efforts before and during the conference.

Special thanks go to the Florida Chapter for staffing the national Sports Turf Managers Association booth at the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) International Golf Course Conference and Show in Orlando, FL, February 9-11. Kudos to chapter president Tom Curran and past-president Ed Birch, who anchored the booth outreach and whose friendly smiles and helpful attitudes attracted a great crowd. Thank you!

Chapter News

Florida Chapter #1: Date change: March 27 is now the date for the South Florida Research Station Field Day and Exposition, which will be held at the Institute of Food and Agricultural Science in Davie, FL. (This is a change from March 29, the original meeting date.) Continuing education units will be issued.

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 these events, the Florida Chapter, and other pending activities, contact: John Mascaro (305) 938-7477.

Colorado Chapter: The chapter election results announcement following the December meeting was missing two names. Belated congratulations go to Joe Adams, Greeley Parks and Recreation Department, who was elected vice president; and By Hanson, Jefferson County Schools, who was elected as a director.

CCSTMA will be holding their Spring Seminar on April 4 at Clement Park, Littleton, CO. Seminar host is Kim Rice with Foothills Park and Recreation District. The seminar focus will be on multi use facilities and their care. A combination of tours and educational sessions will be included on the program. More details will be announced soon.

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

Midwest Chapter: The Midwest Chapter's next meeting is scheduled for May 22 at South Park of the Park Ridge 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. More details will be announced soon.

For more information on this meeting, the Midwest Chapter or other upcoming events, call: The Chapter Hotline (708) 439-4727.

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

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

Kansas Chapter: 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.

Minnesota Chapter: For information on the forming Minnesota Chapter or for details on becoming a member, contact: Brian Deyak at (612) 255-7223.

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