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A limited budget, a packed schedule and Wisconsin's short growing season make baseball field maintenance a constant challenge for Park Manager Greg Freix and his staff. So, it was a sweet moment when their field won the 1996-1997 Beam Clay Baseball Diamond of the Year Award in the Schools, Municipalities and Parks category.

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20 Trends in Fitting Fields to Stadiums

To justify the financial commitment necessary to build and maintain a modern crowd-appealing, owner-pleasing stadium, a field must be able to accommodate multiple revenue-raising events day after day, rain or shine. Steve Guise outlines advances in design, construction and maintenance that are making field longevity and the financial success of stadiums possible.

26 Sod & Squad Work Miracle at Lambeau Field

Last January, 600 tons of bluegrass and a sod squad from the East raced 1,000 miles to Wisconsin in an attempt to transform the pigpen of Lambeau Field into sure-footed turf for the onslaught of the Green Bay Packers-Carolina Panthers playoff game. Overcoming near-zero-degree temperatures, snow storms and other adversities, they succeeded beyond anyone's wildest expectations.

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On the Cover: Chief Scientist Jim Beard (right) of International Sports Turf Research Institute (ISTR) and Bob Vaughn of Pure Seed Research conduct tests with ISTR's wear machine at Pure Seed's facility near Canby, Oregon. Photo courtesy: Steve Guise.