

The KAFMO Chapter joined Delaware Valley College for a field day at James Work Stadium October 13. Forty-nine KAFMO members, 14 vendors, and students in the DVC Turfgrass Management program turned out for the event in Doylestown, PA, on a beautiful fall day.

After a welcome from KAFMO President Dan Douglas, Keith Evans of Lebanon Valley College Grounds Department gave a presentation on field layout. Evans covered steps to lay out soccer, field hockey, and football fields for practices and games. He involved the audience in the discussion and answered many questions.

Washington Redskins' Don Follett came all the way from Jack Kent Cooke Stadium to demonstrate logo and field painting techniques. He also provided information on ways of making and obtaining stencils.

Follett showed how quickly a logo job can be done. He had the complete outline for the Redskins logo painted on a corner of the practice field in a matter of minutes. It might take a non-practiced individual a little longer, but the principles are the same.

STMA Executive Director Steve Trusty reported on the National STMA and the Certified Sports Turf Manager program over lunch. The vendors then introduced their products and services in a show and tell session.

The afternoon continued with a session on late-season goal mouth repair by Jim Welshans, Dauphin County Extension. A tour of the Delaware Valley College turf research plots and a session on turf identification led by Dr. Douglas Linde, Assistant Professor of Agronomy and Environmental Science, wrapped up the day's activities.

This program was some distance from KAFMO's core membership, so attendance was lower than usual. But attendees felt that the day was very

educational and informative, and the distance traveled was worth the effort.

Chapter news

Mid-South Chapter: The chapter will hold a field day at Memphis University School in Memphis Dec. 16. Registration opens at 8:15 am, and educational sessions begin at 8:30 am.

Afternoon events will include on-

Keynote speaker Gerry Sweda of Sweda Training will speak at 10:15 am Jan. 26 on the topic: "How could a job that felt so good in the past, feel so bad today?" A two-hour "Continuing Pesticide Instructional Course" begins at 1:30 pm Jan. 27.

ISTMA will hold its annual meeting 3-4 pm Jan. 26.

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KAFMO Chapter:

KAFMO members are encouraged to attend the Pennsylvania Turfgrass Council's Eastern PA Turf Conference and Trade Show. Four hours of athletic field related seminars and four hours of trade show are scheduled Jan. 7.

Feb. 19 KAFMO/STMA will sponsor an athletic field conference in Grantville, PA, featuring seminars and vendor displays. Presentation topics will include: drainage, liability, sprayer calibration, low-budget turf care, innovative establishment systems, and more.

Mar. 23 KAFMO/STMA is co-sponsoring the Northwestern Pennsylvania Athletic Field, Turf, and Ornamental Conference in Meadville, PA. Contact Jeff Fowler for details on this event: (814) 437-7607.

For general information, contact Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club: (610) 375-8469, ext. 212.

Great Lakes Chapter: GLSTMA has elected its 1999 board: Boyd Montgomery, Sylvania Recreation *President*

Joe Zelinko, Athletic Field Services *Immediate Past President*
Duane Smith, Baldwin Wallace College *President Elect*
Dave Conover, Conover Supply Company *Commercial V.P.*
Karen Zelinko, Athletic Field Services *Secretary*



Don Follett demonstrates logo techniques.
Courtesy: STMA

field demonstrations on re-doing a grass infield and building a pitching mound.

Plans are also moving forward for a January field day. The date and location will be announced soon.

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Iowa Chapter: ISTMA will again participate in the Iowa Turfgrass Conference Jan. 25-27 at the Des Moines Convention Center. Special sports turf educational sessions will be held 8:30 am-4 pm Jan. 25, 1:30 pm-3 pm Jan. 26, and 8 am-11:45 am Jan. 27.