

# STMA in Action

## All Eyes on Florida

**F**lorida Chapter # 1 met on Oct. 17, 2000, at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fla. Host for the event was Kevin Hardy, Sports Turf Manager-Athletics for the University.

Events kicked off at 8 a.m. with registration. Attendees enjoyed the coffee and donuts sponsored by Pro's Choice as they exchanged greetings and caught up on their networking. Parking passes for the day were co-sponsored by Hernandez Trucking and STMA.

Events kicked off at 8:30 a.m. with a tour of the University of Miami Hect Center led by Hardy. This was followed by a presentation by Steve Trusty, STMA executive director, on "Professionalism for Sports Turf Managers." Next on the program was Tim Moore, ballfield coordinator for the Maryland National Capital Parks & Planning Commission and STMA secretary. Moore spoke on "Baseball Infields—Build Them for Optimum Playability and Easy Maintenance." Then Hardy teamed up with consultant John Rowland for a presentation titled, "Fertility Requirements at the University of Miami on GN1 Bermudagrass."

Attendees moved to the field for a demonstration conducted by Hardy on Infield Grooming and Mound and Batters Box Repair.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m., following more networking over the lunch which was also sponsored by Pro's Choice.

### Chapter News

**Midwest:** The Midwest Chapter awarded the annual Field & Facility Award to Hoffman Estates High School and Bob Glascott, groundskeeper. The Chapter's two scholarships for the STMA 12th Annual Conference in Tampa, January, 2001, were awarded to: Scott Phippen, Supervisor of Streets and Parks for the Village of Lincolnshire, and Randy Stoneberg, Assistant Foreman Grounds for Northwestern University. The Chapter's scholarship to the Illinois/Indiana Turf Shortcourse was awarded to Tony Diaz of the Waukegan Park District. For information on the Midwest Chapter or pending activities, call: The Chapter Hotline (847) 622-3517.

**KAFMO:** The chapter will participate in the



Northeastern Pennsylvania Turf Conference and Trade Show on Jan. 25, 2001, in Wilkes-Barre; the Western Pennsylvania Turf School and Trade Show, Feb. 27 to March 1, 2001, in Monroeville, and the Northwest Pennsylvania Athletic Field Turf & Ornamentals Conference on March 20 in Meadville. The 5th Annual KAFMO Athletic Field Conference will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 9, 2001, at the Holiday Inn in Grantville, Pa. The program includes: "Sports Field Design, Installation and Maintenance," and "Managing Multipurpose Facilities," both presented by Boyd Montgomery, CSFM, of the Sylvania (Ohio) Recreation Department; "How We Do Things," by Mike Dickert of Manor Township; "Turf Growth Throughout the Year," by Doug Linde of Delaware Valley College; and "Is Your Field Safe?" by Jeff Fowler of Penn State University Extension. The KAFMO Annual Awards Program presentations also will take place during this event. For information on the KAFMO/STMA Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club, at (610) 375-8469, extension 212 or via the chapter e-mail address: kafmo@aol.com.

**Iowa:** The chapter will participate in the Iowa Turfgrass Conference and Trade Show to be held from Jan. 29 to 31, 2001, at the Polk County Convention Complex in Des Moines, Iowa. The Sports Turf Workshop and the Low Budget Sports Field Workshop both run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Jan. 29. The Jan. 30 General Session features Keynote Speaker Dan Gable, The University of Iowa's all-time winningest wrestling coach. The afternoon sports turf section runs from 1:30 to 3 p.m. The ISTMA Annual Membership Meeting and Election will be held from 3 to 4

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p.m. on January 30. The sports turf section on Jan. 31 runs from 8 to 11:30 a.m. A professional development concurrent session is offered from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. featuring Dr. Mark Redmond of Iowa State University addressing, "Team Building: making it work for you!" For 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) or e-mail: Lori@iowaturfgrass.org.

**Arizona:** The Arizona Chapter is planning February workshops with Little League and High School coaches. The Chapter's Spring Kick Off Meeting will be held on Friday, April 20, in the Phoenix area. More details on these events will be announced soon. For information on the chapter or other upcoming events, contact: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale Park, Recreation and Facilities Manager, at e-mail: bmurphy@ci.scottsdale.az.us or phone:(480) 312-7954.

**Colorado:** For information on the Colorado Chapter or upcoming activities, log on to the Chapter's Web site: www.cstma.org or call the CSTMA Chapter Hotline: (303) 346-8954.

**Florida #1:** For information on the Florida Chapter or pending activities, contact: John Mascaro at (954) 341-3115.

**Southern California:** For information on the Southern California Chapter or pending activities, contact: Ron Kirkpatrick at (858) 438-1755.

**Gateway:** For information on upcoming events or on the chapter, contact: Mark Jennings at (314) 983-5345 or Jim Anthony, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, Mo., at (314) 977-2956.

**Indiana:** For information on the Indiana Chapter or pending activities, contact: Terry Updike, B & B Fertilizer, at (219) 356-8424.

**Mid-Atlantic:** For information on the MAFMO Chapter or pending activities, contact the Hotline: (410) 290-5652.

**Michigan:** For information on the chapter or other pending events, contact: Rick Jurries, West Ottawa Public Schools, at (616) 738-6974 or click on your computer to www.mistma.org to visit the chapter's NEW Web site.

**Minnesota:** For information on the Minnesota Chapter or other upcoming events, contact: Ron Werner at (507) 634-1176.

**Northern California:** For information on the Nor-Cal Chapter or pending events, contact Janet Gift at (530) 758-4200.

**Ohio:** For information on the OSTMA Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Joe Zelinko at (800) 897-9714 or Boyd Montgomery at (419) 885-1982 extension 50, or click on your computer to www.glstma.org to visit the chapter's Web site.



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For more information, contact STMA Headquarters at phone: 800/323-3875, 712/366-2669, fax: 712/366-9119 or e-mail: SportsTMgr@aol.com

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**North Texas:** For information on the North Texas Chapter or pending activities, contact: Rene Asprion, Diamond Pro, at (800) 228-2987 or Dr. James McAfee, Texas A & M University, at (972) 952-9220, or log onto [www.ntstma.org](http://www.ntstma.org) to check out the Web site.

**South Texas:** For information on the chapter or upcoming events, contact: Tom McAfee, Nelson Wolff Municipal Stadium, San Antonio, at (210) 207-3754.

**Tennessee Valley:** For information on the TVSTMA Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Bill Marbet, Southern Athletic Fields, Inc. at (931) 380-0023 or (800) 837-8062.

**Wisconsin:** For more information on the Wisconsin Chapter or pending events, contact: Rich Riggs, R. H. Rettler & Associates, Inc. at (715) 341-2633.

**Mid-South:** For information on the Mid-South Chapter or upcoming events, contact: Robert Bodi at [TURF419@aol.com](mailto:TURF419@aol.com) or Jim Calhoun at (901) 755-1305.



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## Chapters On The Grow

**New Jersey:** For information on The Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey or upcoming events, contact: Jim Gavigan, Lesco, at (732) 248-8979 or Eleanora Murfitt, Director, Township of Clinton Parks & Recreation Department, at (908) 735-5999.

**Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas:** For information on MO-KAN STMA, the newly forming chapter, or on upcoming events, contact: Trevor Vance at (816) 504-4271; Gary Custis at (816) 460-6215; or Jody Gill at (913) 681-4121.

**Nebraska:** For information on the forming chapter or upcoming events, contact: Gregg Bostelman, City of Grand Island, at (308) 385-5426.

**New York:** A chapter is forming in Central New York. The group will meet at 10:30 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the National Soccer Hall of Fame. Interested? Want more information? Contact Kevin Meredith, National Soccer Hall of Fame, via e-mail at Kevin@wpe.com or by phone at (607) 432-2953.



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