

STMA Message

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We're On A Roll

The Sports Turf Managers Association is on a roll! STMA international membership is at an all-time high, with the current 2001 numbers over 2,000 at mid-point in the year. This is approaching a level nearly four times as great as the end of year figures in 1995.

STMA Affiliated Chapters number 23. This is over five times the number of affiliated Chapters at the end of 1995. There are numerous groups all across the country working on Chapter formation and moving toward affiliation.

We thank you for your part in making this happen. You are spreading the word that this is THE association for those who want to produce the best possible results in the construction, renovation, management and maintenance of sports fields. You're bringing others in this profession into the information exchange network—and that does so much more than raise membership numbers. Each person who contributes to our overall information "bank" by sharing their knowledge, expertise, experiences and ideas raises the standards for all of us. Providing the best sports surfaces for all levels of play is our goal and, together, we CAN make that happen.

If you are reading this and are not an STMA international and/or Chapter member, please contact STMA Headquarters at 800-323-3875 or via e-mail at SportsTMgr@aol.com to get connected.

We're on a roll for increasing that information exchange as well. The STMA Education Committee and the STMA Chapter Relations Committee are working together to develop a Speakers Bureau. Guest speakers are needed for educational seminars at local, state, regional and national meetings to provide thought-provoking, usable information, which can be taken back to the work environment.

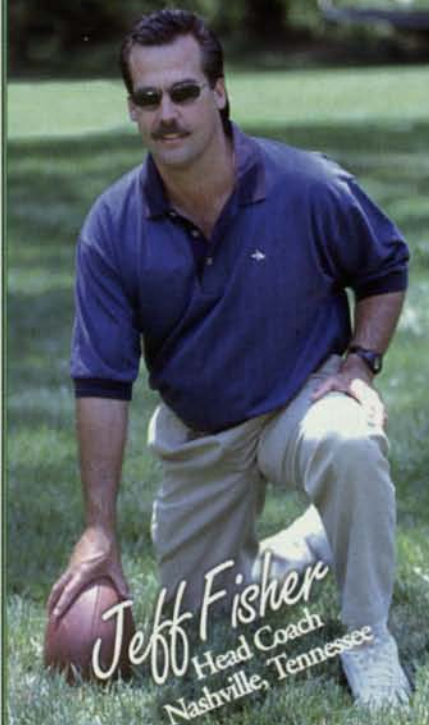
Through the Speakers Bureau, STMA plans to be the "match makers" for those who are seeking speakers on specialized topics related to sports turf management. We plan to make the Speakers Bureau information widely available, on both the local and national STMA levels, as well as to other turfgrass industry related organizations. Forms for potential speakers have been distributed via several methods by both Committees. A form also will be posted soon on the STMA Web Site www.sportsturfmanager.com, if it is not already "up."

We're on a Roll for the STMA 2002 Conference as well. In fact, "We're on a Roll" is the Conference Theme—a great tie in with the progress the Association is making, and our Conference site of Las Vegas! The dates are January 16 to 20. The Headquarters Hotel is the Riviera Hotel and the trade show Exhibition will be held in the Cashman Center. The Conference Committee has been hard at work because it takes more than a roll of the dice to put together another jackpot of a Conference and a Grand Slam Trade Show. In the works are educational sessions and tours, the biggest ever trade show, networking opportunities galore, and more.

Watch for more exciting news, because We're on a Roll!

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STMA President

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