

**Congratulations and Welcome to STMA's Two Newly Affiliated Chapters:** The Georgia Sports Turf Managers Association and the Pacific Northwest Sports Turf Managers Association.

**Georgia Sports Turf Managers Association:** GA-STMA participated in their first official event as a chapter with a booth and members conducting educational sessions at the Georgia Recreation and Parks Association (GRPA) Facilities & Grounds Section Field Day that was held June 26 at Lost Mountain Park. For information on the chapter or upcoming events, contact Lori Turek at 770-509-3663 or [gastma@earthlink.net](mailto:gastma@earthlink.net).

**Pacific Northwest Sports Turf Managers Association:** PNWSTMA is in the process of planning a Field Day at the Mariners for August 19. More details will be announced soon.

For information on the chapter or upcoming events, contact in Washington, Jay Warnick at [JayW@Seahawks.com](mailto:JayW@Seahawks.com) or in Oregon, Mike Wagner at [MWagner@Oregon.UOregon.edu](mailto:MWagner@Oregon.UOregon.edu).

**Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association:** The Colorado Chapter is planning a Summer Workshop in the City of Aurora on July 9. Soccer, football, baseball, and softball field maintenance issues will be covered.

The CSTMA 2002 Lawnmower Man Open golf tournament will be held at Westwoods Golf Course in Arvada on July 23.

For information on the Colorado Chapter, or upcoming activities, visit the Chapter's website—[www.CSTMA.org](http://www.CSTMA.org), or call the CSTMA Chapter Hotline at 303-346-8954.

**Minnesota Chapter STMA:** The Minnesota Chapter challenges the Iowa Chapter to the annual "Chapter Clash" on July 12 and 13. The MSTMA Seminar on Wheels will be held August 9.

As its Community Service Project, MSTMA will be selecting a local baseball/softball field to renovate based on written entries received by the MSTMA Chapter Office. For more information contact Mike McDonald, CSFM, at tel. 612-625-6097.

For information on the Minnesota Chapter, or upcoming events, contact Jeff Hintz, Bethel College & Seminary, St. Paul, at 651-638-6075 or e-mail: [j-hintz@bethel.edu](mailto:j-hintz@bethel.edu).

**The Florida Chapter** will hold a Workshop at the Dolphins Training Camp in Davie July 16. The educational focus is on fertilization of athletic fields in Florida. The Chapter also will participate in the Florida Turfgrass Association Show to be held in Tampa September 16-18.

For information on the Florida Chapter, or pending activities, call John Mascaro at 954-341-3115.

**Tennessee Valley Sports Turf Managers Association (TVSTMA):** TVSTMA is planning a July 18 event at Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis. Also in the planning stages is an August event with the Tennessee Titans.

For information on the TVSTMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call Bill Marbet, Southern Athletic

Fields, Inc., at 931-380-0023 or 800-837-8062 or visit the chapter's website: [www.tvstma.org](http://www.tvstma.org).

**Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association:** The Iowa Chapter will participate in the Iowa Turfgrass, Nursery & Landscape Field Day will be held July 18 at the ISU Horticulture Research Station north of Ames. Registration begins at 7:30 am. Pre-registration is strongly recommended. Morning tours begin at 9:00 am. The Sports Turf Tour includes: Sand Field Fertility, Pre-emergence Weed Control, Seeded Bermuda Traffic Study, Variable Traffic Intensity Study, Summer Patch Control, Turf Painting Trial, Species Traffic Study, Kentucky Bluegrass and Fine Fescue Variety Trial, and Equipment and Product Demonstrations. Lunch will be followed by a Mower Safety Demonstration and the choice of three options: Product Demonstrations; Pesticide Applicator Training; and Turf, Weed, Disease and Insect ID.

The Chapter also is invited to take part in the First Annual "Field Day Classic" benefit golf tournament July 17 hosted by the Iowa Turfgrass Institute.



For information on the Iowa Chapter, or upcoming activities, contact Lori Westrum of The Turf Office, 515-232-8222, or fax 515-232-8228, or e-mail: [Lori@iowaturfgrass.org](mailto:Lori@iowaturfgrass.org).

**Ohio Sports Turf Managers Association (OSTMA):** The OSTMA chapter will take part in a Joint Golf Outing with the Ohio Lawn Care Association July 25 at Apple Valley Golf Course in Howard. The Chapter will participate in the OSU/OTF Research Field Day in Columbus August 14. The OSTMA Fall Field Day will be held at Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy in Cincinnati August 20. This event will include great educational opportunities and vendors demonstrating their newest line of sports turf equipment and supplies. The Chapter also will participate in the Paul Zwaska Ball Field Workshop to be held September 10 at the OSU Intramural complex off Lane Avenue in Columbus.

For information on the OSTMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call OSTMA Headquarters at 740-452-4541 or Boyd Montgomery at 419-885-1982; or visit the chapter's website at [www.ostma.org](http://www.ostma.org).

**Virginia Sports Turf Managers Association:** The Virginia Chapter will participate in the Virginia Tech Turf and Landscape Field Day to be held on the Virginia Tech Campus in Blacksburg July 30 and 31. July 30 events include pesticide certification and recerti-

fication programs and an evening tour of the new Lane Stadium south end zone stands, suites and facilities, the tray drainage field system with TifSport bermudagrass, the Kentucky bluegrass sand-based practice fields and a visit with Virginia Tech faculty members. Events on July 31 include research and demonstration field tours and vendor/equipment displays. A Sports Turf Tour of Worsham Field's Tray Drainage System conducted by Dr. David Chalmers is offered as part of this program. For more information, contact David McKissack via email: [turf1@vt.edu](mailto:turf1@vt.edu) or at 540-231-5897.

For information on the Virginia Chapter, or other upcoming events, contact: Randy Buchanan, County of Henrico Recreation and Parks, via e-mail: [buc06@co.henrico.va.us](mailto:buc06@co.henrico.va.us) or at 804-261-8213.

**North Texas Sports Turf Managers Association:** The NTSTMA Chapter is planning a July Sports Field Educational Program with the main topics aerification, topdressing, soil amendments, and overseeding. The confirmed date and location will be announced soon. For information on the North Texas Chapter, or pending activities, contact Scott Piecha at 817-831-4505 or [sspiecha@aol.com](mailto:sspiecha@aol.com), or Rene Aspiron at 972-647-3393, or visit the website at [www.ntstma.org](http://www.ntstma.org).

**Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey:** The SFMANJ Chapter will hold a Field Day at Dunham Park in Bernards Township from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm August 8. On the program are: soccer field maintenance and renovation; soil tests; Dos and Don'ts of writing specs, Equipment demos; and more.

For information on the New Jersey Chapter, or upcoming events, call Fred Castenschild at 908-722-9830 or email to [mke@blast.net](mailto:mke@blast.net); or call Eleanora Murfitt, at 908-236-9118; e-mail to [HQ@stmanj.org](mailto:HQ@stmanj.org).

**Michigan Sports Turf Managers Association (MiSTMA):** The Michigan Chapter will participate in the MSU/MTF/MiSTMA field day which will be hosted by the MTF at Michigan State University August 13. This event will team sports turf managers and business managers with a focus on the business end of maintaining sports fields.

For information on the Chapter or pending events, contact MiSTMA Headquarters at 517-712-3407, or email Amy Fouty, University of Michigan, at [fouty@umich.edu](mailto:fouty@umich.edu), or go to [www.mistma.org](http://www.mistma.org) to visit the chapter's new website.

**MO-KAN Sports Turf Managers Association:** The MO-Kan Chapter will hold a Fall Turf Management Field Day at the Pembroke Hill High School Football Stadium August 14. The program will cover maintenance and repair on high use football fields, including topdressing and renovation. There will be a field painting seminar with tips and shortcuts to get fields painted accurately and efficiently. "Hands-on" practice painting custom field logos also will be offered. Instructors include: Chuck Dixon, JL Bruce & Assoc.; Brad Fresenburg, University of Missouri; Jim Wilson, Blue Valley Schools; and field paint and equipment sales professionals.

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**M**embers of the Tennessee Valley Sports Turf Managers Association gathered at Franklin Road Academy (FRA) in Nashville last May for seminars both on and off the field.

Tiff Canady led off with a discussion of what he does at FRA to make his fields some of the nicest around. Tiff talked about his equipment, staff, and responsibilities, and gave an overview of the grounds and all the areas he maintains.

Dr. Frank Hale, Nashville UT Extension Service, then discussed pests. Not the people we sometimes call pests, but grubs and other turf pests. He recommended pesticides for specific turf pests and how to time applications to combat them. Dr. Hale used a PowerPoint presentation to help attendees identify the pests and the damage they do to turfgrass.

Next, Greg Johns with Harrell's Fertilizer gave a presentation on basic understanding of fertilizer. He covered what each element is and its purpose; the mathematics of calculating applications; and the action of nitrogen fertilizers. A discussion of pH along



with soil and tissue testing followed his presentation, which led to other topics, including mathematics, fertilizer balancing, availability, use, etc.

After lunch the seminar moved outside onto the football field to view Marty Kaufman, Clyde Clemons and Brad Benton demonstrating how the Tennessee Titans paint lines, numbers, hashes, and logos. Other techniques were also demonstrated and equipment options were discussed. During the discussion, Johnny Ponce and Ron Templeton offered suggestions and ideas to help identify the multiple options available when it comes to painting techniques.

During the day's final session, four vendors demonstrated their aerification equipment on the football field. This gave attendees the opportunity to see what types of aerification equipment are available and what aerification will do for the fields. These demonstrations resulted in FRA having had almost their entire football aerified. Everyone finished just in time to miss the rain!

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For information on the MO-KAN STMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call Jody Gill at 913-239-4121; Gary Custis at 816-460-6215, or Mike Green at 913-208-6158.

**Midwest Chapter STMA:** The Midwest Chapter will hold its Tour on Wheels in late August.

For information on the Midwest Chapter, or pending activities, visit the Chapter's website, <http://mcestna.org/>, or call Libby Baker at 847-263-7603 or email [Bake60ft6in@aol.com](mailto:Bake60ft6in@aol.com).

**The Greater LA Basin Chapter of the Sports Turf Managers Association:** The Chapter will have a booth at the Turfgrass and Landscape Expo (SCTC) Fairplex in Pomona October 9-10. In the planning stages is an October Field Day at Edison International; date and time to be announced soon.

For information on the Chapter or pending events, call Steve Dugas, California State University-Fullerton, at 714-278-3929 or email [sdugas@fullerton.edu](mailto:sdugas@fullerton.edu).

**Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona:** For information on the chapter, or upcoming events, contact Chris Calcaterra at e-mail: [chrisc@peoriaaz.com](mailto:chrisc@peoriaaz.com) or tel. 623-412-4231 or Bill Murphy, at e-mail: [bmurphy@ci.scottsdale.az.us](mailto:bmurphy@ci.scottsdale.az.us) or tel. 480-312-7956.

**Southern California Chapter:** For information on

the Southern California Chapter, or pending activities, call Ron Kirkpatrick at 858-453-1755.

**Northern California Chapter of the Sports Turf Managers Association:** For information on the Nor-Cal Chapter, or pending events, call Janet Gift at 530-758-4200.

**Gateway Chapter Sports Turf Managers Association:** For information on the Gateway Chapter, or upcoming events, call Mike Krone, Missouri Baptist College, 314-392-2328 or email [krone@mobap.edu](mailto:krone@mobap.edu).

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

**Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO/STMA):** For information on the KAFMO/STMA Chapter or upcoming events, contact Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club, at tel. 610-375-8469, ext. 212; or e-mail to: [kafino@aol.com](mailto:kafino@aol.com).

**Mid-Atlantic Athletic Field Managers Organization (MAFMO Chapter STMA):** For information on the MAFMO Chapter, or pending activities, call the Hotline at 410-290-5652.

**Nebraska Sports Turf Managers Association:** For

information on the Nebraska Chapter, or upcoming events, call Gregg Bostelman, City of Grand Island, at 308-385-5426.

**South Texas Sports Turf Managers Association:** For information on the South Texas Chapter, or upcoming events, call Craig Potts, Texas A & M University, at tel. 979-458-8841, or e-mail: [CPotts@athletics.tamu.edu](mailto:CPotts@athletics.tamu.edu).

**Wisconsin Sports Turf Managers Association:** For more information on the Wisconsin Chapter, or other pending events, call Richard Miller at 608-756-1150.

## Chapters On The Grow

**Kentucky:** For information on the chapter forming in Kentucky, contact Tom Nielsen at [TNielsen@bats-baseball.com](mailto:TNielsen@bats-baseball.com) or Aaron Boggs at [AVBoggs@netscape.net](mailto:AVBoggs@netscape.net).

**Las Vegas:** For information on the chapter developing in Las Vegas, contact Rod Smith, Grounds Manager/Cashman Center at e-mail: [rms@lvca.com](mailto:rms@lvca.com) or at tel. 702-386-7140.

**New York:** For information on the chapter forming in Central New York, contact Kevin Meredith, National Soccer Hall of Fame, at e-mail: [Kevin@wpe.com](mailto:Kevin@wpe.com) or at tel. 607-432-2953.

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