



## COVER STORY

### 08 STMA 2001 Parks & Rec Softball Field of the Year

The McInnish Softball Complex, pride of Carrollton, TX.

## Features

- 16 In & On the Ground**  
When painting a field, several factors determine whether the end result will be a masterwork: set up steps, tools, application methods, the climate and, of course, the paint.
- 28 Topdressing your skinned infields**  
Groundskeepers take different approaches to building and maintaining infields. However, the overall goal should be the same: To create a safe, playable surface day and night, rain or shine.
- 30 Maintaining the Grounds**  
Early turf beats late in most situations, but does early beat "on time" or "peak" turf performance?
- 40 Around the Grounds**  
With the ever-increasing amounts of money being spent on stadiums (and turfgrass fields), the revenue-hunters don't allow these venues to sit empty for too long.

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