



# Make a Difference— Donate Prizes for the SAFE Raffle

**The Foundation for** a Safer Athletic Field Environments (SAFE) needs your help for this year's STMA Conference Raffle. As in previous years, SAFE is conducting a Live and Silent Auction at the Conference in Phoenix on January 19-23, 2005. We need prizes for the raffle and will accept almost anything. Donations in the past have included team gear and logo items such as shirts, hats, jackets, autographed baseballs and footballs and industry suppliers' products such as mowers, field rakes, fertilizer, etc.

Be creative; any donation is appreciated. To help us plan and appropriately promote your donations, please call Tom Curran, Raffle/Auction chair at 954-786-4138, or Steve Torske at 402-472-4778. Send your donations to our STMA Show Office, 28 Pelham Street, Newport, RI 02840.

Have you ever wanted to work on a crew preparing for a major event? If you have any type of sports field work experience, you have a chance by partic-

ipating in the SAFE raffle. One lucky person will be selected to work at Comerica Park, the home of the Detroit Tigers, for 4-5 days preparing for the All-Star Game July 12. Experience first hand everything that goes into the All Star game, including media events, entertainment rehearsals, and of course, the field preparation. You will be part of 2005 baseball history!

A 501(c)(3) corporation, SAFE is the charitable entity of STMA that funds sports field specific research, educational programs, and scholarships. In addition to funding from this raffle, SAFE receives donations from a variety of sources, including the Jacobsen-sponsored golf tournament held annually at the Conference, Toro scholarship funding, from Chapters and from members. Don't forget to indicate a donation to SAFE on your annual membership renewal application, which you will receive this month. Look for a complete listing of those who donated to SAFE in 2004 in the next issue of *SPORTSTURF*.

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