More than 100 new STMA members have taken advantage of the annual ‘3 Months Free’ membership promotion. By joining STMA in October, the new member receives a full 2008 membership and the remaining months of 2007. New members joining in November and December also had their memberships activated for those months, at no additional charge.

New members take advantage of free promotion

Merrett Alexander, Whitesburg, GA
Andre P. Aymar, State College, PA
Andrea Bakalyar, Owings Mills, MD
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Ron Baum, Las Vegas, NV
Cody J. Beckley, Rexburg, ID
Bill Blackman, Phoenix, AZ
Randy Blackman, Riverside, CA
Dan Blank, Buffalo, NY
Benjamin R. Bleau, Nashua, NH
William K. Bosland, Las Cruces, NM
Shane M. Bower, Columbia, MO
Jack Bresnen, Cincinnati, OH
Shawn T. Brewer, Lubbock, TX
Brian Brown, Edmonton, AB
Kyle Chambers, Des Moines, IA
David L. Cook, Elgin, IL
Pete Cookingham, E Lansing, MI
Russell Cooper, Glendora, CA
Rob Copple, Wallingford, PA
Kristopher Decola, Golden, CO
Kenneth R. Degraeve, Shawnee, KS
Tanner C. Delvalle, Pottsville, PA
Robin Dickens, Hattiesburg, MS
Noah L. Diercks, Sioux Falls, SD
Patrick D. Dixon, Halifax, NS
Gary Drennen, Wildwood, MO
Cliff Driver, Hebron, MD
Matthew T. Elmore, State College, PA
Don H. Farr, Starkville, MS
Joseph C. Fetter, Middletown, RI
Seth Flowers, College Station, TX
Jim E. Garrett, Crestview, FL
Eric Gold, Seattle, WA
Matthew T. Greiner, Columbus, OH
Phil D. Haney, Lubbock, TX
Bill Harbstreet, Olathe, KS
Drew Harrison, Tifton, GA
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Matthew S. Hesselsberg, Ft Collins, CO
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Matt A. Hoffman, Ames, IA
Mark K. Holder, Roswell, GA
Dan Jameson, Reno, NV
Eric Jones, Parkville, MO
Gerry Korb, Palmyra, MO
Joseph T. Lache, Columbus, OH
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Nicholas R. Leviere, Ellwood City, PA
Mark D. Lyon, Rock Springs, WY
Richelle Marshall, Washington, DC
Daniel E. Martinez, Las Cruces, NM
Richard McDonald, McKinney, TX
Brian J. McDougal, E Lansing, MI
Adam R. McElhattan, Broken Arrow, OK
Samuel R. Metots, Hollywood, FL
Kyle E. Miller, Indianapolis, IN
Shawnee Moore, Nashville, TN
Derek R. Morton, Saline, MI
Robbin Muller, Carlsbad, CA
Giovanni Murillo, Montclair, CA
Heath Naramore, Hoover, AL
Kevin F. Newhouse, Lansing, MI
Seth Oakes, Viennebunk, ME
Matthew B. Olivi, Piscataway, NJ
William J. Owens, Alexandria, VA
Kevin G. Pack, Keizer, OR
Kevin Ponte, Brooklyn, NY
Anthony D. Puzzuoli, Plymouth, MI
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Zachery R. Rogers, Jacksonville, FL
Nathan Roncone, Lancaster, NY
Richard Roncone, Lancaster, NY
Ryan A. Rosebeary, Rialto, CA
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Dale Santistenan, Ignacio, CO
Chandra Scott, North Huntinton, PA
Connor Schutzman, Nashville, TN
John Sears, Lakewood, CO
Michael A. Shelley, State College, PA
Joseph A. Soensken, Clinton, IA
Erik D. Standish, Brookings, SD
Constance B. Storey, Sioux Falls, SD
Chase M. Straw, Frankfort, KY
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Dennis Toney, Collinsville, VA
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Michael B. Wilson, Rossville, GA
Keith Winter, Midland, MI
Jon D. Wood, Ames, IA
Field of the Year & MiLB Winners

The STMA Awards Committee met in October and selected the association’s prestigious Field of the Year awards and the Minor League Baseball Sports Turf Manager of the Year.

Nine Field of the Year winners were awarded for exemplary baseball, soccer, softball and football fields. The six committee members independently scored each entry based on the playability and appearance of the playing surfaces, innovative solutions employed, effective use of budget, and the development and implementation of a comprehensive, sound agronomic program.

The Field of the Year Awards program is sponsored by Carolina Green Corp.; Covermaster, Inc; Hunter Industries; Turface; Turf-Seed, Inc.; and World Class Athletic Surfaces. These sponsors fund a registration to the annual STMA Conference and Exhibition for each award winner, hotel costs up to $500, and signature clothing for the award winners and their staff. The winning fields are also featured in an article in SportsTurf Magazine, the industry’s premier publication. Award winners will be presented with their award during the STMA 19th Annual Awards Banquet Jan. 18, in Phoenix.

The Field of the Year awards are:

**Schools & Parks**
- **Baseball:** Mary Rountree Evans Field, Baraboo, WI, Craig Schlender, Sports Turf Manager
- **Softball:** Tomball High School, Tomball, TX, Jim Wiggins, Sports Turf Manager
- **Soccer:** Pleasant Run, Colleyville, TX, Troy Crawford, Sports Turf Manager
- **Football:** Centurion Field - Christian Academy of Louisville, Louisville, KY, Andy Davis, Sports Turf Manager

**College and University**
- **Baseball:** Hawks Field at Haymarket Park, Lincoln, NE, Josh Klute, Sports Turf Manager
- **Softball:** George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, Josh McPherson, Sports Turf Manager
- **Soccer:** Carroll College, Helena, MT, Gerald Landby, Sports Turf Manager
- **Football:** Kilkenny Field - University of Oregon, Eugene, OR, Eric Fasbender, CSFM, Sports Turf Manager

**Professional (not all categories awarded)**
- **Baseball:** Isotopes Park, Albuquerque, NM, Jared Alley, Sports Turf Manager

STMA sponsors the Minor League Baseball Sports Turf Manager of the Year in cooperation with Minor League Baseball. Each of the 16 Minor Leagues selects a winning sports turf manager. These winners are eligible to submit for the STMA/MiLB Sports Turf Manager of the Year. STMA’s Awards Committee independently judges these submittals, and presents one award to the winning sports turf manager in each classification: AAA, AA, A and Short Season/Rookie during the Baseball Winter Meetings Annual Awards Luncheon.

The winners are:
- **AAA:** Jake Tyler, Toledo Mud Hens
- **AA:** Eric Blanton, New Hampshire Fisher Cats
- **A:** Chris Ball, Myrtle Beach Pelicans
- **Short Season/Rookie:** Joe Hill, Spokane Indians

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Nominating Committee Sets Slate

The Nominating Committee has set the 2008 slate of candidates for the STMA Board of Directors. This slate has been presented to the membership in a mailing of the election ballot and notice of annual meeting. The ballots were mailed in November and are due to STMA headquarters by 5 p.m. December 28. Members can return their ballots by fax, email or mail. To make certain that your ballot can be counted as a legitimate ballot, follow the directions on the ballot for returning it. Election results will be announced at the STMA Annual Meeting, January 17, 12 noon at the Phoenix Convention Center. Exercise your right — vote for the leadership of your association. You can find complete biographies of each candidate on-line at www.stma.org.

OFFICERS

For President: Mike Andresen, CSFM
For Immediate Past President: Mike Trigg, CSFM
For President-Elect: Abby McNeal, CSFM
For Commercial VP: Dale Getz, CSFM, CSE
For Secretary: Chris Calcaterra, M.Ed., CSFM, CPRP
For Treasurer: Troy Smith, CSFM

DIRECTORS

For Professional Facilities †: Open — to be appointed by the President
For College & University: Steve Dugas, CSFM, OR Amy Fouty, CSFM
For K-12*: Jody Gill
For Academic: Mike Goatley, Jr., Ph.D., OR John Sorochan, Ph.D.
For Parks and Rec: Kevin Meredith OR David Pinsonneault, CSFM
For Commercial Representative †: Open — to be appointed by the President

† Current Director is slated as an officer; remainder of term to be filled by appointment per the Bylaws
* Not up for election — in second year of two-year term

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