### STMA in action

# Take advantage of recorded Conference Education sessions!

**STMA PARTNERED WITH PEACH NEW MEDIA** again this year to bring you recorded education sessions. Log on to the STMA website to access the recordings in the Knowledge Center under Conference Education. The 2013 Conference had an exciting lineup of speakers and topics. Twenty different sessions of varying topics were recorded in their entirety to meet the diverse needs of Sports Turf Managers. The presentations available for purchase include:

#### **Environmental Issues:**

- Strategies for Maintaining Turfgrass in Response to "No Pesticide" Legislation
- Phosphorus Environmental Issues
- Maintaining Sports Fields the Natural Way

#### **Synthetic Turfgrass Surfaces:**

- Tackling the Issues with Synthetic Turf What Does the Research Say?
- Tale of Two Fields; Synthetic vs. Natural

#### **Facility and Field Management:**

- Athletic Field Use and Maintenance Planning
- 3 Keys to Providing High Quality, High Traffic Athletic Fields
- Building it Right ...... for all the Right Reasons
- Converting from Cool Season to Warm Season Grass
- Managing Turfgrass Soil Physical Properties
- Turf Equipment Care and Maintenance

#### **Cultural Practices:**

- Making Plant Growth Regulators Work for You
- Back to Basics: Getting the Most from Your Granular Fertilizers
- Fertility Management for Sand-based Systems
- Water Management to Improve Turf Performance

#### **Pest Control:**

- New Strategies for Annual Bluegrass Control in Cool-Season Turfgrass
- New Options for Weed Control in Athletic Field Turf
- · Common Diseases of Sports Turf

#### **Baseball:**

- Applying MLB Practices to Low Budget Facilities
- K-16 Baseball Field Maintenance & Renovation with Limited Resources

#### **Professional Development:**

- New Challenges, Take Risks, and Achieve Goals
- Communication and the Art of Conflict Resolution

In addition, nine quick tips for success in sports field management are also available for FREE! All recordings are available online only. These recordings benefit conference attendees unable to make it to concurrent sessions and sports turf managers unable to make it to the conference. The recordings are also valuable as a refresher throughout the year for sports turf managers to stay current and educated in the industry.

2013 Conference attendees receive a special discounted price of \$10 to purchase all of the recordings from this year's conference. But hurry this special pricing only lasts 60 days! Select "Full 2013 STMA Conference," click purchase, and select "Conference Attendee" to apply the discount. Regular prices apply to non-conference attendees. Make sure to take advantage of this valuable opportunity to enhance your education and stay current with industry trends and research!

# Join STMA for a webinar on fertility management

STMA WILL BE FEATURING one of the most popular education sessions from the 2013 Conference. On Thursday, March 21 from 11 am – 12 pm EST, Dr. Nick Christian's presentation "Fertility Management for Sand-based Systems" will be rebroadcasted online. The presentation includes basic information on the soil chemistry of sand-based sports fields and a discussion on how to manage these areas most effectively. The session will provide attendees with an expanded knowledge of soil chemistry, the ability to relate basic concepts to sand-based soil media, and options to manage sand-based sports fields. This session will be available to anyone for one low price of \$10. Registration will be available on the STMA website (www.stma.org) starting in March. STMA is committed to providing relevant educational content to help take you and your facility to the next level.

## Are your bases covered

**YOUR HEAD GROUNDSKEEPER** and crew need to negotiate rigorous and often unpredictable issues regarding the playing surface at your stadium.

That's where the Sports Turf Managers Association comes in. STMA members are expertly equipped to deal with these issues and are up-to-date on all the latest information in the industry. Their expertise in resource utilization, operations management, and agronomics allow you to protect your players on the field and reduce your expenses while doing it.

Support your grounds crew's STMA membership for access to the latest information, education, and industry developments. For more than 30 years, STMA members have ensured their fields are among the safest, most playable and most beautiful around.

# Are your bases covered? Is there an STMA member on your grounds crew?

To become a member, go online to www.stma.org or call 800-323-3875.





### Correction

Last month we mistakenly ran the wrong photo of SAFE Scholarship winner Andrew Wilhelm of Purdue University. Here is Andrew, right, being congratulated by Boyd Montgomery of Toro at the STMA Conference Awards Banquet. We regret the error.