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Sports Turf Managers Association
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Stabilizer Solutions, Inc.
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A list of all scheduled speakers at the 2001 STMA National Convention

Mr. Lee Roy Selmon
Thursday, Jan. 17, 10:30-11:00 a.m.
Lee Roy Selmon earned his way into both the College Football Hall of Fame and the Pro-Football Hall of Fame. Along the way, he amassed a tremendous record. During his senior year at Oklahoma University, he earned both the Outland Trophy and The Lombardi Trophy, was an Academic All-American and made the Dean's Honor Roll. As the first-ever draft choice of the newly formed Tampa Bay Buccaneers, he honed his skills to become such a dominant force on the team, his jersey (No. 63) is the only one they've ever retired. After a back injury forced his retire-

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Lee Roy Selmon, former defensive end for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, is a member of the NFL Hall of Fame.

ment at the end of the 1985 season, Selmon continues to build on the positives as Associate Athletic Director for External Affairs at the University of South Florida. Selmon is creating a new legacy in his position as the associate athletic director at the University of South Florida, where he is helping to rebuild the school’s football program. Said Athletic Director Paul Griffin: “Lee Roy Selmon is everything we want our students to be.” In his presentation, Mr. Selmon will provide insight on “The Sports Turf Perspective: Pro Player to Associate Athletic Director.”

Mr. Bucky Dent
Thursday, Jan. 17, 11:00-11:30 a.m.
Russell “Bucky” Dent honed his baseball skills as a three-time American League All-Star and played on two World Championship teams with the New York Yankees. In the 1978 Divisional Playoff game against the Red Sox, he shocked Boston with a three-run home run over the Green Monster at Fenway Park. Mr. Dent was named the 1978 World Series MVP as the Yankees won their second straight championship. He played in a total of 1,392 MLB games with the Chicago White Sox, New York Yankees, Texas Rangers and Kansas City Royals, compiling a .247 batting average. Mr. Dent is in his sixth season as the Texas Rangers’ dugout coach and infield instructor. He also positions infielders during the games. He’s known throughout the baseball world as one of the most respected defensive coaches. He also operates the Bucky Dent Baseball School in Boca Raton, Fla. In his presentation, Mr. Dent will provide insight on “The Sports Turf Perspective: Pro Player to Coach.”

Mr. John Souter
Saturday, Jan. 20, 10:45-11:30 a.m.
John Souter is a Turfgrass Consultant based in Braco, Perthshire, Scotland. His relentless pursuit for safer and better sports turf has long been apparent in his work. His expertise has been instrumental in the construction and maintenance of major soccer pitches throughout the United Kingdom and, in other parts of the world, including the U.S. He also has made a strong and continuing commitment to furthering the objectives of the profession worldwide. He was the 1998 recipient of the Harry C. Gill Memorial Award, recognizing the STMA groundskeeper of the year.
Souter’s presentation will bring us up to date on “New Technologies in Construction and Maintenance of Soccer Pitches.”

Mr. Eddie Seaward
Saturday, Jan. 20, 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Eddie Seaward is a head groundsman for The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club of Wimbledon, home of the grand stage of professional tennis—Centre Court. He oversees the permanent staff of 14 in the care of the 34 grass and nine hard courts of the Club. Mr. Seaward began his career in 1959 as an assistant groundsman at a private school, local to his home. After serving 10 years there, he went on to hold the position of head groundsman at various sports clubs before joining The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club in 1990 as head groundsman designate. He assumed his current position in 1991. In his presentation, Seaward will provide a behind-the-scenes view of “The Wimbledon Year.”

...And the rest

Thursday, January 18

9:00-9:10 a.m.-Welcome-2001: Upward and Onward
STMA president Rich Moffitt, Munie Outdoor

9:10-9:45 a.m.-Certification: For You and Your Profession
Ross Kurcab, CSFM, Denver Broncos
David Fearis, CGCS, Blue Hills Country Club
Boyd Montgomery, CSFM, Sylvania Recreation

9:45-10:15 a.m.-The Sports Turf Perspective: College Player to Pro Player
Mike Newell, NFL Player

10:30-11:00 a.m.-The Sports Turf Perspective: Pro Player to Associate Athletic Director
Lee Roy Selmon, Univ. of South Florida

11:00-11:30 a.m.-The Sports Turf Perspective: Pro Player to Coach
Bucky Dent, Texas Rangers

11:30-Noon-The Sports Turf Perspective: Ask the Panel
Mike Newell
Lee Roy Selmon
Bucky Dent

“The STMA Convention is a great way for students to learn about the real issues facing the industry today. The convention also is a great place to look for jobs, internships, or just make contacts within our growing field.”

-Brad Theodens

CONCURRENT SESSION 1-1:15-4:30 p.m.
Each of the four topics in this set of concurrent sessions will run for 45 minutes. There will be a 15-minute break between the 2nd and 3rd topics in each session.

BASICS
Turf Aerification: What It Is and What It Does
John Mascaro, Turf-Tec International

What you’ll hear: Turf aerification is one of the least understood management practices performed on turf. John will walk you through the invention and history of aerification and what it actually accomplishes for better and safer sports turf fields.

Why you should be there: John is the son of Tom Mascaro, who invented the aerifier in 1946. This slide presentation takes us back in time, before aerification was performed, with the

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aid of slides. The presentation also explains why aerification is performed and when it should be performed.

Topdressing: What, When, How and Why?
Dr. Trey Rogers, Michigan State Univ.

Roots: Getting to the Bottom of Turfgrass
Mary Owen, Univ. of Massachusetts

Give Your Sports Turf a Complete Physical
Dr. George Snyder, Univ. of Florida

What you'll hear: Because of the increasingly high demands that are placed on sports fields, managers need to know the composition and performance of the root zone media. The session will present the mechanics and interpretations of both laboratory and field analyses of the physical properties of sports turf fields. Methods and specifications for choosing the root zone and for its modification will be discussed.

**Why you should be there:** Laboratory and field evaluations of sports fields are complex and expensive. The session will clarify these analyses and leave the attendees with a good understanding of the relevant analytical procedures and their interpretation.

CONSTRUCTION
Methods of Stabilizing Playing Surfaces
Rose Kurcab, CSFM, Denver Broncos

Working with Your Sod Producer to Grow Sports Turf Sod
Randy Graff, Graff Turf Farms

What you'll hear: Power point presentation explaining the benefits of the sports turf manager and the sod farmer working together to achieve the highest quality in athletic turfgrass playing surfaces.

**Why you should be there:** Don't miss this opportunity to hear a point/couterpoint discussion between a sod farmer and NFL turf manager sharing ideas.

Sand-Profile Research
Josh Honig, Rutgers University
Chad Follis, Univ. of Missouri-Columbia

What you'll hear: Presentation of first year's Masters thesis date dealing with rootzone blends for sand-based athletic fields. Objectives include: to find an alternative to the standard 90/10 sand/peat rootzones; to increase nutrient and water holding capacity through natural materials; and to stabilize the rootzone for added safety and playability.

**Why you should be there:** The construction and installation of these rootzones is primarily being looked at for the high school and parks and recreation levels. They consist of a 6-inch cap over a standard drainage and irrigation system. Advantages of these rootzones are the use of natural materials such as topsoil, with increased infiltration and drainage of a standard sand-based rootzone. Hopefully these rootzones will decrease cost of construction, installation and maintenance.

The Sand Cap Field: Construction & Grow-In
Jody Gill, Blue Valley School District

What you'll hear: If you think it's time to consider a sand-based field but can't afford the NFL version, a sand cap field may be the answer. We will discuss design criteria, including subgrade, drainage, irrigation, pea gravel and sand selection, sand stabilization and turf types. Every step in the construction process will be covered from rough grade to established turf.

**Why you should be there:** This PowerPoint presentation is loaded with great pictures and is from the unique perspective of a school district grounds coordinator who also functions as the owners representative on all sports field projects. The Blue Valley School District Grounds Department designs and installs its own irrigation systems and is responsible for installation and grow-in of all turf. District crews working along with contractors to build 13 sand-capped soccer, football, softball and