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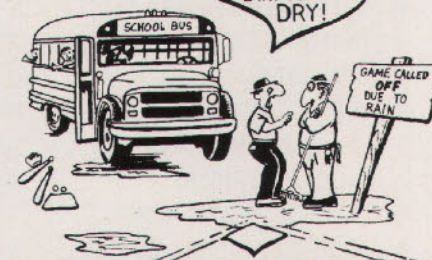
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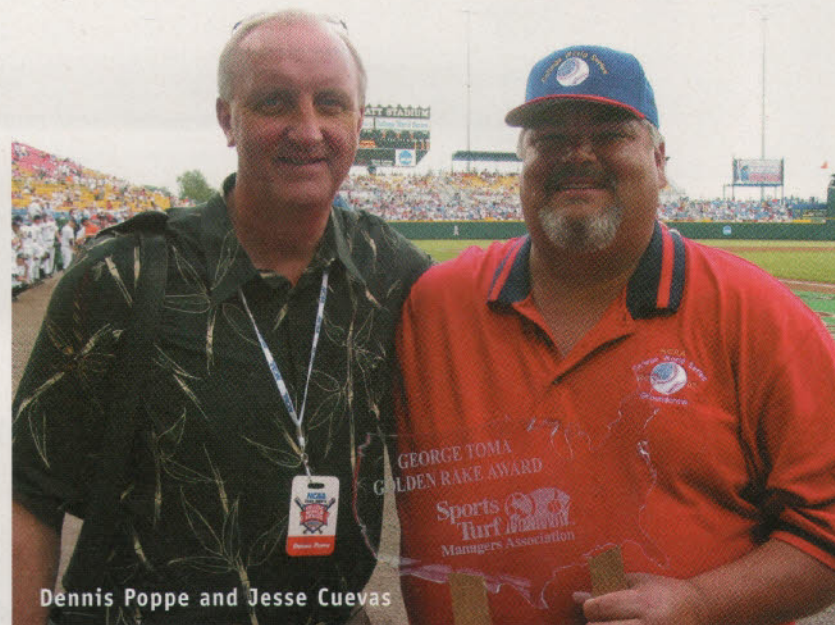
Jesse Cuevas honored at CWS

The NCAA added another special event to the 2003 College World Series (CWS). Between games June 15 Jesse Cuevas, stadium superintendent for Omaha's Rosenblatt Stadium, stepped up to home plate to receive top honors from the Sports Turf Managers Association (STMA). Cuevas received the Association's 2002 George Toma Golden Rake Award from STMA executive director Steve Trusty.

Cuevas had been scheduled to speak at the STMA's Annual Conference last winter, and the award would have been presented at the Awards Banquet during that event. But Cuevas was advised not to fly because of an inner ear infection, and he had assumed his Award would be mailed to him.

Instead, upon hearing of the missed opportunity for the formal presentation, Dennis Poppe, the NCAA's director of championships, arranged for the ceremony in Omaha. Just before the start of the Stanford-Cal State Fullerton game, the PA announcer directed the crowd's attention to home plate for the presentation. The fans responded with a rousing round of applause.

This Award was named for one of the Founders of STMA, George Toma, whose work with the Kansas City Royals, and with the National Football League on Super Bowl field preparation, has made him one of the Association's most high profile members.



Dennis Poppe and Jesse Cuevas

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The recipient of this Award is an individual who is on that quest to reach their goals and is demonstrating the "and then some" spirit which is so much a part of Toma's approach to sports turf management.

Cuevas has demonstrated the "and then some" factor throughout his career. He started at Rosenblatt as a ball shagger and earned his way onto the grounds crew and to the top position through his eagerness to learn every aspect of sports turf management.

Rosenblatt Stadium is not only home of the Kansas City Royals Triple-A affiliate, it is the site of such other events as concerts, scout camp outs, minor league football games, and numerous fireworks displays. For 2 weeks each year, Cuevas serves as an ambassador for the sports turf profession as he interacts with all the college, NCAA, and media personnel who gather for the CWS. And he keeps the field in great shape throughout the event. He also has coordinated the field construction upgrades that have been a frequent occurrence at Rosenblatt to accommodate the CWS. In addition, he has become a mentor to many turf professionals. His outstanding dedication and commitment exemplify the standards recognized by the George Toma Golden Rake Award.

In typical fashion, Cuevas was quick to credit his crew saying, "They should put the 'Rosenblatt Stadium Ground Crew,' on this instead of my name, because those are the guys who get the work done. They figure out the crazy ideas I come up with and they implement them." Cuevas also credited former Rosenblatt Stadium head groundskeeper Frank Mancuso and George Toma for shaping his career, saying, "Between Frank and George, I don't know how anybody could have had two better teachers." **ST**

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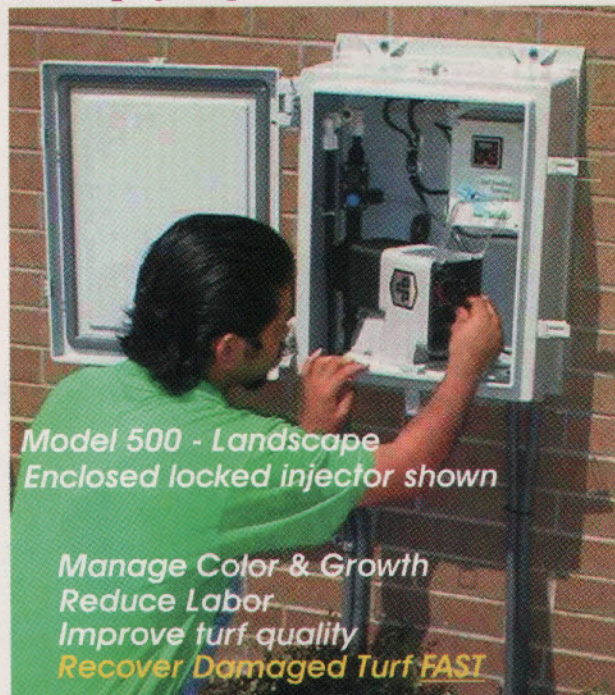
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Wisconsin chapter event evokes "Wows!"

BY BRUCE SCHWEIGER, REINDERS TURF AND IRRIGATION

Here is a recap of a very enjoyable day, for those of you that were not able to attend the summer chapter meeting of the Wisconsin Sports Turf Managers Association (WSTMA) July 11 in Green Bay. The meeting had 78 attendees and was sponsored by the following business partners: American Sod Corporation, Rettler Corporation, Sports Turf Consultants, Olds Seed Solutions, Johnson Turf Equipment, and Reinders, Inc.

The meeting started with some great conversation and a chance to catch up with counterparts and old friends with coffee, OJ, and donuts. President Chris Brindley called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for his or her attendance. Chris then accepted on behalf of the WSTMA a check for \$150 presented by Dale Marach of Reinders, Inc., for proceeds from their Green Bay Packer Scooter raffles over the last year. You may have seen the scooter in their booths at various conferences and fields days.

We were then introduced to Bryan Spencer, the head of grounds at our host site, St. Norbert's College. Bryan gave us a quick overview of his operation and the challenges he faces. He maintains 89 acres of turf, ranging from stadiums to general grounds areas. He told us about his new athletic fields and discussed the challenges of establishing these fields. Bryan has a full-time staff of only 3 people and during the summer season may have as many as 12 interns and summer staff.

With the very limited space and time during the year Bryan faces many challenges like we all do, and that is the lack of time to implement all his pro-



grams. On his sports fields he maintains the turf at 2 1/2 inches and lowers it to 2 inches for competitions. He plans to aerify twice per year, spring and fall, and he slices as often as needed or as often as he has time. Keeping the fields growing in the summer months is the challenge since he has to water most of the areas with a Kifko Water Reel (of which he has only one). This allows him to water one field per day, applying one inch of water in each cycle. Bryan and his staff do a great job, one that would make any WSTMA member proud.

Next on the agenda, Dr. John Stier tackled the tough topic of "How to prepare your fields for fall competition." This was a very broad topic that could easily have offered time for a much-needed nap, but in the style of Dr. Stier it was exceptionally informative while being even more enjoyable. No nap for this reporter!

My notes from Dr. Stier are pages and pages long and there is no way to do his discussion justice, but here are a few highlights and memorable quotes. Many times when the powers be want to talk about getting fields ready for play for fall it is June or usually July, but Dr. Stier said that fall preparation starts when the snow melts in the spring or as he put it, "Turf does not take a holiday. It grows 24 hours a day, 7 days a week."

The next hour of his talk was spent discussing the nuts and bolts of turfgrass management. Dr. Stier talked about nutrients

usage, nutrient losses, water management, cultivation, topdressing, diseases, insect pests, field construction and others. A comment that I found to be critical to educate our powers to be is when Dr. Stier said, "High quality turfgrass