

## **The Dick Ericson Award**

Dick Ericson is one of the Founders of STMA. Besides his own sports turf management activities, he has made significant contributions to the Sports Turf Managers Association, including serving as its first President in 1981-1982. He continues to have an impact in raising the level of professionalism within the industry.

To honor all that Ericson has achieved and to continue the focus on effective management and increased professionalism within the sports turf industry, the Dick Ericson Award has been established.

The award is to be issued annually to someone who plans and executes the sports turf management of their facility, who effectively leads their team to accomplish their goals in field maintenance, and who positively impacts the sports turf industry.

### **Nominees must meet the following criteria:**

- At least five years of service in a sports field-related position.
  - Member of STMA
  - Job performance and work ethic that consistently meets or exceeds expectations
  - Management techniques that make the most of existing resources.
  - Efficient and effective personnel management.
  - Constantly improves the management program, introducing creative and innovative ideas to enhance the field management program.
  - Receptive to ideas and creative skills of staff members and other industry professionals
- Supportive of and works to increase professionalism within the sports turf industry.