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My strategic vision for the CSTMA in 2010 is three-fold-- financial health, educational programming, and the *Lawnmower Man Open*. First, the CSTMA must continue to be a fiscally stable organization. Without a strong financial base, any deliverables provided by the CSTMA: educational programming, events and scholarships – are in jeopardy. The 2009 CSTMA Board of Directors was committed to prudent use of the CSTMA financial resources, and this financial discipline must continue for the Chapter to be successful.

Next, in 2010, the CSTMA must expand the educational opportunities provided to the membership over the course of the year. During the first half of 2009, we had forecasted very low attendance at some events, causing the Board of Directors to cancel events. However, in the second half of 2009, the Board of Directors regrouped and the CSTMA held educational events at City of Westminster and Dick Sporting Goods Park. Building upon these successful events in 2010 is critical for the success of the CSTMA. One vital function of the CSTMA events is to allow CSTMA sponsors a chance to interact with the members. Simply put: educational training = member's attendance = financial support of sponsors.

Finally, the annual *Lawnmower Man Open* is one of the most successful golf tournaments in the country. This event raises vital money for turf scholarships, is highly popular with the membership and therefore is a critical function of the organization. The golf tournaments in the past were always well planned and well run. The challenge in these economic times lies in keeping the event a "must-do" on the to-do list of the membership. As the Board of Directors transitions from 2009 to 2010 the golf tournament must remain a priority. In 2010 the challenges for the Board of Directors will be numerous. However, implementing this strategic vision in 2010 will aid the Board of Directors in meeting these challenges. The CSTMA has numerous leaders who are committed to overcoming these obstacles and making the CSTMA a highly successful chapter.