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Mr. Mike R. Bavier, Secretary-Treasurer
Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents
2108 North Elizabeth Drive
Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004
Dear Mike:

I am practically speechless—and, for me, that is saying an awful lot!

The beautiful bronze and walnut plaque arrived today and words cannot truly express my warm feelings toward each and every member of the Midwest Association of Golf Course Superintendents. I just hope that I can continue to live up to the standards expected of me by the membership, even though we are separated by many miles.

The September issue of the "Bull Sheet" also arrived today, and I was very pleased to see that the Midwest Association has taken two very important steps—1) endorsed you as a candidate for the office of Director in the GCSAA and 2) submitted Ray Gerber's name for consideration for the GCSAA Special Merit Award. My best wishes for success on both items.

Mike, are you aware that the Heritage Golf Classic is played each year on our Harbour Town Golf Links, and that all GCSAA members are entitled to complimentary admittance? The 1973 Classic will take place September 13-16, 1973 and I hope that some of the Midwest members can make it, if not, they may consider the fact that the Classic for 1974 (and thereafter) will be held in March of each year and that complimentary admittance to GCSAA members will still be in effect.

I am looking forward to the Anaheim Conference next February and will definitely visit the Midwest hospitality room so that I can see all you fellows again.

Once again, many thanks for the beautiful plaque and the accompanying sentiment which adds so much value in its meaning to me. It will always serve as a reminder of the many wonderful superintendents I have had the pleasure to work with in the Chicago area.

Best regards,
Paul M. Alexander, Ph.D.
Assistant Vice President — Golf
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