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Mr. Mike Semler, President
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Dear Mike,

Please convey my sincere appreciation to the Association membership for their generous gift of golf paraphernalia to be purchased with the certificate presented during the Symposium. The clubs will help me retain my habit of digging up turf on golf courses, but using new and improved tools.

While the clubs will be physical reminders of the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association, my most vivid memories will be of the individuals, present and past, who have made your organization what it is today. The hospitality shown by WGCSA members when Lois and I came here in 1960 helped us feel at home almost immediately. This same hospitality, given to other professionals in golf turf on their arrival, is an outstanding characteristic of your organization. It has provided the fresh air missing from many other associations.

I apologize for being incapable of properly expressing my thanks to the audience at the Symposium, but I was simply overwhelmed with emotion. The same thing happened at the presentation of your Distinguished Service Award in 1990, for which I am also embarrassed.

I also regret my inability to give credit where it is due - to Lois, without whom none of this could have happened.

Our thoughts will always be with you all.

Sincerely,

James M. Latham