MICHIGAN TURF CONFERENCE WELCOME

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Bruce J. Wolfrom, President

Welcome to the 56th annual Michigan Turfgrass Conference. We are very pleased to have all of you in attendance and certainly wish you a rewarding, educational experience these next two days.

This conference is put on by Michigan State University and the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation. The MTF is proud to be part of this conference and wants you to know we are celebrating our 30th year as a foundation. For those of you who are not members of the foundation, we hope that you will take the opportunity during this conference to find out more about the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation and consider joining our organization. As most of you are aware, the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation's primary function is to support turfgrass research at MSU.

As we are about to begin with today's sessions, I must reflect for a moment on the forefather's of this great nation and the vision they had to develop the land grant educational system that we benefit from today. One important aspect of that system is what we are all about to take part in....continuing education. No matter what our educational background; whether it be grade school, high school or college degrees, we all can come together for the opportunity to grow through this educational experience.

So let's get started.