I Think We're Done

Continued from last month, “Are we done yet?” Hopefully by now the rains have ceased and the winds have subsided and all our fall chemical applications have been applied. For me, and I know the boys around me, wonder if the PCNB we’ve applied is just where we put it and not washed away from all the heavy rains we’ve had in the last couple weeks. From a past experience a couple years ago, I had sprayed all my fall chemicals and we had a couple gully washer rain storms. Then I wondered if I might think of reapplying, but didn’t. Once spring came everything was fine. I’m hoping for the same results this upcoming year. As I write this, I felt a little at ease today, October 20. I finished my PCNB applications. By the time you are reading this I’ll have put my other chemicals down. Who knows, there might be snow on the ground by now. Ice on the lakes? Hmmmmm, could be.

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Conference

I look forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming MTGF Conference & Trade Show December 9th, 10th and 11th at the Minneapolis Convention Center. It’s always fun to get together with friends and colleagues and talk about experiences we’ve had on each other’s courses. The educational aspects are great, but getting together with friends that you only see a couple times a year plays a big part for me. In just casual conversations there is so much we can learn from each other to better our profession and ourselves. As mentioned in last month’s edition of Hole Notes, I hope you have made your reservations at a hotel in Minneapolis. There are a limited number of rooms available, so if you haven’t yet, make a reservation today!

R & R

Thinking ahead, rest and relaxation!! In a couple weeks it’ll be Thanksgiving. A nice roast turkey, mashed potatoes and stuffing. Mmmmmm!! Deer hunting….I’m looking forward to it. Or by now already have. The peace and tranquility of sitting in a stand, watching the squirrels, the birds and waiting for that nice buck to round the corner. The feeling that comes with seeing the animal and feeling your heart pounding in your throat as you get an adrenaline rush, that’s what it’s about. It isn’t just the kill I’m after, it’s watching the sun come up on a cold crisp morning. Just getting in touch with oneself, kickin’ back with the guys. Telling stories and solving all the world’s problems in a single night! I hope all who have hunted this year, be it waterfowl, deer or whatever other critters you were after, had a safe hunt. With that, I’ll close. Again I look forward to getting together with you in December. See ya soon!

— Steve Shumansky
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