



Presidential Perspective

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I hope everyone is having as fun a spring as I am.

We deserve this after the ugly start to the 2011 season! I have had the opportunity to play a few places and playing conditions are spectacular! Why is it that with everything in great shape, compared to last year, my staff and I seem busier then ever? Hard to explain but the days are going by very fast. I hope this continues to about October first.

One of my staffers and I had a great conversation the other day. This particular guy has worked for me the past few years but went another direction last year. It is a treat to have him back in the fold as he is a jack of almost all trades! Anyway, after a year away he was commenting on how much fun it is to be back and feel appreciated. I asked

what he meant by that. He continued with the fact that at the end of everyday one of my assistants or me personally sees everyone out, gets the re-cap on what did or did not get done and says a very sincere “Thank you for another great day! See you tomorrow.” He commented that no one ever said thanks at his last job. He said that we probably never hear it but that little “Thank you” goes a long way with all the staff.

While I have always tried to do that at the end of every day, I am not always successful. My mentor, Mark Kuhns, CGCS, always did this. I guess I learned that is what needs to be done at the end of the day, but perhaps, somehow, I had forgotten how important those words really are. I am grateful to Dave for reminding me. So in turn, I remind you say thanks. The little things go on a lot longer than we think.

Cheers to the remainder of 2012.

**“I’ll see you at ‘The Scramble’ on June 11!!!
A great piece of property, a great cause!”**

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