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From Your President's Desk



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Take A Moment to Step Back To Take Stock of Your Life

In the wake of the WTC tragedy we must all be watchful of things out of the ordinary. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has asked all those with supplies of chemicals and fertilizers to keep them locked and inventories managed to prevent unauthorized use of these products. It is also prudent to take a moment and step back to take stock of your life. Think about the things that really matter... family, friends and loved ones. Take stock of your finances and be sure that you will be providing for those left behind if, God forbid, something bad were to happen to you. Last of all, take care of yourself.

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On September 25th the Research Scramble was played at Edina Country Club. The field was full and the day was as nice as it could get. Our thanks go out to Mike Kelly and his staff for having the golf course in excellent condition. My team was able to one-putt 14 out of 18 holes, none of the putts were mine. Congratulations to the team from Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul, the winners at 13 under.

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In the "what's going on" department, the Board is busy preparing for the annual meeting in December. Tom Fischer has put together a great slate of candidates. James Bade and the education committee have made the seminar portion of the conference as strong as it has ever been. Plan to attend the conference; it is going to be one of the best ever.

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On that same line, the MTGF is considering running the annual conference in conjunction with the MNLA conference. This would offer all of us a greater educational experience as well as an expanded trade show. The plus side of this plan far outweighs the down side. Stay tuned for more information in the future. If you have strong feelings on this matter, I would suggest that you call Larry Vetter and let him know how you feel.

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Fall is upon us and all of us are looking forward to the slower part of our seasons. Take time to recharge and experience the season for right around the corner is the white stuff.

Respectfully,
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