

# From The Blind

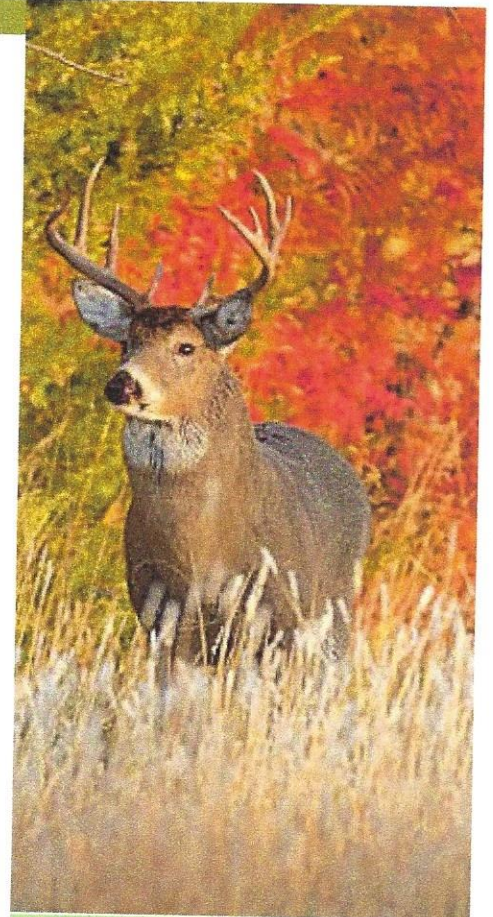


October first brings upon us the opening of an annual right of passage. Hours before sun up parents are escorting their kids into a darkened path of timber. Quietly and without words, they sneak into an area where weeks before they scouted and made a game plan.

Finding a trail here, a scrape there and the Holy Grail.... A RUB! A plan is put in place. Place the stand or blind here!

As the sun begins to peak through the limbs and the world awakens, they begin to hear all the familiar rustling in the distance of crunching leaves. Their hearts begin to pound, the breaths quick and their eyes begin to water, being afraid to blink. Closer and closer the sounds come. The bow is removed from its position and an arrow is nocked. Closer and closer this giant moves in. Then out of the branches comes charging every hunter's heart stopper. The North American Grey Squirrel!

After the excitement comes the calm. Sometimes hours are spent just sitting. Both of these hours spent are memories that will last forever and the squirrel will be remembered !



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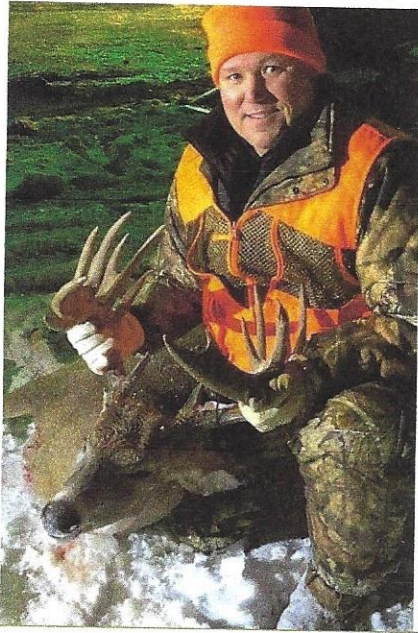
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## Youth Deer Harvest Contest

Submit a photo of a youth hunter under 15 years with his or her successful hunt to me at [Smitty@TeachOutdoors.org](mailto:Smitty@TeachOutdoors.org). Photos will be published on the website. Please respect non-hunters and refrain from graphic photos.

Contest runs through December 15, 2018. Winner will be interviewed and their story published in the January 2019 issue of "From The Blind".

### A Few Safety Tips

- A) Always let someone know where you are going.
- B) Always let someone know when you will be back.
- C) Always wear a harness when in an elevated stand.
- D) Always know your target and what's beyond it.
- E) Always tag it before you BRAG IT!
- F) Never carry out a deer, always drag it.

