

# U.S. Amateur Championship

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Oakmont, Pennsylvania, USA  
Oakmont Country Club

## Matthew Sharpstene

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Another exciting match. You like them close.**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: I told my dad walking up 18, I was like, I just can't get a match done before 18.

**Q. How about the bunker shot at 17?**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: Yeah, that was good. I think it started on 16. Lost 15 to go 1-down and I had a pretty difficult bunker shot on 16; ended up rolling in like a 20-footer for par and that got me going.

17 I hit a good drive and --

**Q. What did you hit off the tee?**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: I hit driver, yeah. And that bunker shot, I had a good lie, so that made things a little bit easier. Yeah, it was a good shot.

**Q. And then your thoughts as you played 18.**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: Yeah, you know, when I saw 'em drive it in the bunker and I was in the fairway I was like, Wow, I've got the upper hand here now. I hit a good shot and just had a smooth 7-iron. I didn't really -- wasn't that stressful really. I did think that he was going to make that putt for par on 18. Thought it was a pretty makable putt.

But what a guy he is. He's a great guy.

**Q. And you've known him before?**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: Oh, yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

**Q. And you played college golf?**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: Yeah.

**Q. Last question is: Here you are making that one step closer. It's familiar territory for you. What's that**



**feel like?**

MATTHEW SHARPSTENE: Yeah, I just take that experience from last year, take it into this year, and it gives me a lot of confidence going forward. Just keep playing my game and see where it goes.

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