



# PGA 2011 PGA OF AMERICA AWARDS

## PGA GOLF PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR



**CHIP ESSIG**  
Hickory Stick Golf Club  
Greenwood, Ind.

The PGA Golf Professional of the Year Award is determined annually by The PGA of America to honor the working PGA Professional whose total contributions to the game best exemplify the complete PGA Professional. Originally suggested by Richard S. Tufts, of Pinehurst, N.C., former president of the United States Golf Association, the award embraces a wide range of services executed by the PGA Professional.

The highest annual honor bestowed upon a PGA Professional, the award is based on the candidate's entire record, with special emphasis placed on performance and achievement over the past five years in the following criteria: overall performance as a PGA Professional at his/her facility; service to the PGA Section and the Association; leadership ability; image and ability to inspire fellow PGA Professionals; and promotion of golf.

### PGA Golf Professional of the Year Through the Years

1955	Bill Gordon	Tam O'Shanter CC, Chicago	1983	Ken Lindsay	Colonial CC, Jackson, Miss.
1956	Harry Shepard	Mark Twain Community GC, Elmira, N.Y.	1984	Jerry Mowlds	Columbia-Edgewater CC, Portland, Ore.
1957	Dugan Aycock	Lexington CC, Lexington, N.C.	1985	Jerry Cozby	Hillcrest CC, Bartlesville, Okla.
1958	Harry Pezzullo	Mission Hills GC, Northbrook, Ill.	1986	David Ogilvie	Flossmoor CC, Flossmoor, Ill.
1959	Eddie Duino	San Jose CC, San Jose, Calif.	1987	Bob Ford	Oakmont CC, Oakmont, Pa.
1960	Warren Orlick	Tam O'Shanter CC, Orchard Lake, Mich.	1988	Hank Majewski	Wakefield Valley GC, Westminster, Md.
1961	Don Padgett	Green Hills CC, Selma, Ind.	1989	Tom Addis III	Singing Hills CC, El Cajon, Calif.
1962	Tom Lo Presti	Haggin Oaks GC, Sacramento, Calif.	1990	Jim Albus	Piping Rock Club, Locust Valley, N.Y.
1963	Bruce Herd	Flossmoor CC, Flossmoor, Ill.	1991	Joe Jemsek	Cog Hill G & CC, Lemont, Ill.
1964	Lyle Wehrman	Merced G & CC, Merced, Calif.	1992	Martin T. Kavanaugh II	Hamilton Cty. Park Dst., Cincinnati, Ohio
1965	Hubby Habjan	Onwentsia Club, Lake Forest, Ill.	1993	Don Kotnik	Toledo CC, Toledo, Ohio
1966	Bill Strausbaugh Jr.	Turf Valley CC, Ellicott City, Md.	1994	Dick Murphy	Peachtree GC, Atlanta
1967	Ernie Vossler	Quail Creek CC, Oklahoma City, Okla.	1995	David C. Price	Bent Tree CC, Dallas
1968	Hardy Loudermilk	Oak Hills CC, San Antonio, Texas	1996	Randall Smith	Royal Oaks CC, Dallas
1969	A. Hubert Smith	Arnold Center CC, Tullahoma, Tenn.	1997	Tom Sargent	Mesa Verde CC, Costa Mesa, Calif.
	Wally Mund	Midland Hills CC, St. Paul, Minn.	1998	Ken Morton Sr.	Haggin Oaks Golf Complex, Sacramento, Calif.
1970	Grady Shumate	Tanglewood GC, Clemmons, N.C.	1999	Ed Hoard	Athens Country Club, Athens, Ga.
1971	Ross Collins	Dallas Athletic Club, Dallas	2000	Charles "Vic" Kline	Indian Tree GC, Arvada, Colo.
1972	Howard Morrette	Twin Lakes CC, Kent, Ohio	2001	Tony Morosco	Weston (Mass.) CC
1973	Warren Smith	Cherry Hills CC, Englewood, Colo.	2002	Jock Olson	Interlachen CC, Edina, Minn.
1974	Paul Harney	Paul Harney's GC, Hatchville, Mass.	2003	Jim Brotherton Jr.	Old Overton Golf Club, Vestavia Hills, Ala.
1975	Walker Inman Jr.	Scioto CC, Columbus, Ohio	2004	Craig Harmon	Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N.Y.
1976	Ron Letellier	Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y.	2005	Bill Eschenbrenner	Lone Star Golf Club, El Paso, Texas
1977	Don Soper	Royal Oak GC, Royal Oak, Mich.	2006	Jim Manthis	Les Bolstad/U. of Minnesota G. Crs., St. Paul, Minn.
1978	Walter Lowell	Canton Public GC, Canton, Conn.	2007	Brent Krause	Wynlakes G & CC, Montgomery, Ala.
1979	Gary Ellis	Pittsburgh Field Club, Pittsburgh	2008	Jim Antkiewicz	The Club at Nevillewood, Presto, Pa.
1980	Stan Thirsk	Kansas City CC, Shawnee Mission, Kan.	2009	Jack Barber	Meridian Hills Country Club, Indianapolis, Ind.
1981	John Gerring	Atlanta CC, Marietta, Ga.	2010	Jim Mrva	Monroe Golf Club, Pittsford, N.Y.
1982	Bob Popp	Omaha (Neb.) CC	2011	Chip Essig	Hickory Stick Golf Club, Greenwood, Ind.

## PGA TEACHER OF THE YEAR



**MIKE MALASKA**  
Superstition Mountain Golf &  
Country Club, Superstition, Ariz.

The PGA Teacher of the Year Award was inaugurated in 1986, to honor outstanding teachers of golf among the ranks of the PGA of America membership. This Award is based on the PGA Professional's overall performance in teaching; unusual, innovative and special teaching programs the Professional has initiated or played a key role in implementing; articles published in books and magazines; as well as outstanding golfers the Professional has instructed.

### PGA Teacher of the Year Through the Years

1986	Manuel de la Torre	Milwaukee CC, Milwaukee, Wis.	1993	Hank Haney	Hank Haney Golf Ranch, McKinney, Texas
1987	Gary Wren	PGA National GC, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.	1994	Jim McLean	Doral Golf Resort, Miami
1988	Jim Flick	The GC at Desert Mountain, Scottsdale, Ariz.	1995	Jack Lumpkin	Sea Island/Golf Digest Learning Center, St. Simons Island, Ga.
1989	Harvey Penick	Austin CC, Austin, Texas	1996	Chuck Cook	Barton Creek CC/Lakeside, Spicewood, Texas
1990	Charles Sorrell	Lake Spivey GC, Jonesboro, Ga.	1997	Rick Martino	Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club
1991	Mike Hebron	Smithtown Landing CC, Smithtown, N.Y.	1998	Dave Glenz	Crystal Springs GC, Hardyston, N.J.
1992	Bill Strausbaugh	Columbia CC, Chevy Chase, Md.	1999	Mike McGetrick	Mike McGetrick Golf Academy, Englewood, Colo.
			2000	Jim Suttie	Cog Hill Golf Club, Lemont, Ill.
			2001	Craig Shankland	Hidden Lakes CC, New Smyrna Beach, Fla.
			2002	Randy Smith	Royal Oaks CC, Dallas
			2003	Laird Small	Pebble Beach Golf Academy, Pebble Beach, Calif.
			2004	Hank Johnson	Greystone Golf & Country Club, Birmingham, Ala.
			2005	Peter Krause	Windsong Farm Golf Club, Independence, Minn.
			2006	Bill Forrest	Troon Country Club, Scottsdale, Ariz.
			2007	Jim Hardy	Jacobsen/Hardy Golf Design, Houston, Texas
			2008	Martin Hall	Ibis Golf & Country Club, West Palm Beach, Fla.
			2009	Mike Bender	Mike Bender Golf Academy, Lake Mary, Fla.
			2010	Todd Anderson	Sea Island Golf Club, St. Simons Island, Ga.
			2011	Mike Malaska	Superstition Mountain Golf & Country Club, Superstition, Ariz.

## PGA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



**LARRY NELSON**  
Marietta, Ga.

Inaugurated in 1988, the PGA Distinguished Service Award honors outstanding individuals who display leadership and humanitarian qualities, including integrity, sportsmanship and enthusiasm for the game of golf. It is The PGA of America's highest annual honor.

### PGA Distinguished Service Award Through the Years

1988	Herb Graffis	Fort Myers Beach, Fla.
1989	Bob Hope	Palm Springs, Calif.
1990	No Recipient	
1991	Gerald Ford	Rancho Mirage, Calif.
1992	Gene Sarazen	Marco Island, Fla.
1993	Byron Nelson	Roanoke, Texas

1994	Arnold Palmer	Bay Hill, Fla.
1995	Patty Berg	Fort Myers, Fla.
1996	Frank Chirkinian	Augusta, Ga.
1997	George H. W. Bush	Houston, Texas
1998	Paul Runyan	Pasadena, Calif.
1999	Bill Dickey	Phoenix, Ariz.
2000	Jack Nicklaus	North Palm Beach, Fla.
2001	Mark McCormack	Windermere, Fla.
2002	Tim Finchem	Ponte Vedre Beach, Fla.
2003	Vince Gill	Nashville, Tenn.
2004	Pete Dye	Carmel, Ind.
2005	Wally Uihlein	North Dartmouth, Mass.
2006	Fred Ridley	Tampa, Fla.
2007	Jack Burke Jr.	Houston, Texas
2008	Dennis Walters	Jupiter, Fla.
2009	William Powell	East Canton, Ohio
2010	Billy Casper	Springville, Utah
2011	Larry Nelson	Marietta, Ga.

## PGA PROFESSIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR



**DAVID HUTSELL**  
The Elkridge Club  
Baltimore, Md.

Begun in 1984, the PGA Professional Player of the Year is determined over a period from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31 of the current year. The award is based on points earned in the following events: PGA Championship, PGA Professional National Championship, U.S. Open, PGA Stroke Play Championship, PGA Match Play Championship, regular PGA Tour events, Nationwide Tour events, PGA Tournament Series, Section PGA Professional Championship and final Section Player of the Year standings. The PGA Professional Player of the Year standings are published throughout the year, with updates in March, July, October and concluding Dec. 31. The PGA Professional Player of the Year Award is presented at The PGA of America Awards program in January at the PGA Merchandise Show.

### PGA Professional Player of the Year Through the Years

1984	Bill Schumaker	Crooked Lake GC, Columbia City, Ind.
1985	Ed Dougherty	Edgemont CC, Edgemont, Pa.
1986	Lonnie Nielsen	Crag Burn Club, East Aurora, N.Y.
1987	Lonnie Nielsen	Crag Burn Club, East Aurora, N.Y.
1988	Bob Ford	Oakmont CC, Oakmont, Pa.
1989	Lonnie Nielsen	Crag Burn Club, East Aurora, N.Y.
1990	Brett Upper	Feather Sound CC, Clearwater, Fla.
1991	Bruce Zabriski	Oyster Bay GC, Southampton, N.Y.
1992	Tom Wargo	Greenview GC, Centralia, Ill.

1993	Mike San Filippo	Shaker Hills GC, Harvard, Mass.
1994	Bruce Zabriski	Winged Foot CC, Mamaroneck, N.Y.
1995	Jim Estes	Evanston GC, Skokie, Ill.
1996	Bruce Zabriski	Westchester CC, Rye, N.Y.
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1999	Jeff Freeman	Tamarisk CC, Rancho Mirage, Calif.
2000	Rick Hartmann	Atlantic GC, Bridgehampton, N.Y.
2001	Tim Thelen	Baywood CC, Pasadena, Texas
2002	Don Berry	Edinburgh GC, Brooklyn Park, Minn.
2003	Bob Sowards	Wedgewood G & CC, Powell, Ohio
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2006	Mike Small	University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.
2007	Mike Small	University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.
2008	Sonny Skinner	River Pointe Golf Club, Albany, Ga.
2009	Rick Schuller	Swaders Sports Park, Prince George, Va.
2010	Mike Small	University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.
2011	David Hutsell	The Elkridge Club, Baltimore, Md.

## PGA SENIOR PROFESSIONAL PLAYER OF THE YEAR



**SONNY SKINNER**  
River Pointe Golf Club  
Albany, Ga.

Begun in 1995, the PGA Senior Professional Player of the Year is determined over a period from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31 of the current year. The award is based on points earned in all tournaments comprising the "regular" PGA Professional Player of the Year award, in addition to the following senior events: the Senior PGA Championship, U.S. Senior Open, PGA Senior Professional Championship, PGA Senior Stroke Play Championship, Champions Tour events, Senior Division of the PGA Tournament Series and Senior Section Championships. The PGA Senior Professional Player of the Year standings are published throughout the year, with updates in early March, July 1, Oct. 15 and concluding Dec. 31. The PGA Senior Professional Player of the Year Award is presented during the PGA of America Awards program in January at the PGA Merchandise Show.

### PGA Professional Player of the Year Through the Years

1995	Mike Joyce	Amelia Island, Fla.
1996	Steve Veriati	Austin, Texas
1997	Roy Vucinich	Moon Township, Pa.
1998	Roy Vucinich	Moon Township, Pa.
1999	Jim Ahern	Phoenix, Ariz.
2000	Ed Sabo	Bear Lakes CC, West Palm Beach, Fla.

2001	Jay Overton	Palm Harbor, Fla.
2002	Jay Overton	Palm Harbor, Fla.
2003	Bob Ralston	Little Rock, Ark.
2004	Darrell Kestner	Glen Cove, N.Y.
2005	Darrell Kestner	Glen Cove, N.Y.
2006	Chris Starkjohann	Cardiff by the Sea, Calif.
2007	Chris Starkjohann	Cardiff by the Sea, Calif.
2008	Kirk Hanefeld	Acton, Mass.
2009	Chris Starkjohann	Oceanside, Calif.
2010	Sonny Skinner	River Pointe Golf Club, Albany, Ga.
2011	Sonny Skinner	River Pointe Golf Club, Albany, Ga.

## PGA PLAYER OF THE YEAR



**LUKE DONALD**  
Evanston, Ill.

The PGA Player of the Year Award is given to the top PGA Tour player based on his tournament wins, official money standing and scoring average. The point system for selecting the PGA Player of the Year was amended in 1982, and is as follows: 30 points for winning the PGA Championship, U.S. Open, British Open or Masters; 20 points for winning The Players Championship; and 10 points for winning all other designated PGA Tour events. In addition, there is a 50-point bonus for winning two majors, 75-point bonus for winning three, 100-point bonus for winning four. For top 10 finishes on the PGA Tour's official money and scoring average lists for the year, the point value is: first, 20 points, then 18, 16, 14, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2. Any incomplete rounds in the scoring average list will result in a .10 penalty per incomplete round.

### PGA Player of the Year Through the Years

1948	Ben Hogan
1949	Sam Snead
1950	Ben Hogan
1951	Ben Hogan
1952	Julius Boros
1953	Ben Hogan
1954	Ed Furgol
1955	Doug Ford
1956	Jack Burke Jr.
1957	Dick Mayer
1958	Dow Finsterwald
1959	Art Wall
1960	Arnold Palmer

1961	Jerry Barber
1962	Arnold Palmer
1963	Julius Boros
1964	Ken Venturi
1965	Dave Marr
1966	Billy Casper
1967	Jack Nicklaus
1968	No Award
1969	Orville Moody
1970	Billy Casper
1971	Lee Trevino
1972	Jack Nicklaus
1973	Jack Nicklaus

1974	Johnny Miller
1975	Jack Nicklaus
1976	Jack Nicklaus
1977	Tom Watson
1978	Tom Watson
1979	Tom Watson
1980	Tom Watson
1981	Bill Rodgers
1982	Tom Watson
1983	Hal Sutton
1984	Tom Watson
1985	Lanny Wadkins
1986	Bob Tway
1987	Paul Azinger
1988	Curtis Strange
1989	Tom Kite
1990	Nick Faldo
1991	Corey Pavin
1992	Fred Couples

1993	Nick Price
1994	Nick Price
1995	Greg Norman
1996	Tom Lehman
1997	Tiger Woods
1998	Mark O'Meara
1999	Tiger Woods
2000	Tiger Woods
2001	Tiger Woods
2002	Tiger Woods
2003	Tiger Woods
2004	Vijay Singh
2005	Tiger Woods
2006	Tiger Woods
2007	Tiger Woods
2008	Padraig Harrington
2009	Tiger Woods
2010	Jim Furyk
2011	Luke Donald

## VARDON TROPHY



**LUKE DONALD**  
Evanston, Ill.

The Vardon Trophy, named by The PGA of America in honor of famed British golfer Harry Vardon, was placed in competition among American professionals in 1937. It was the successor to the Henry E. Radix Trophy, which had been awarded annually to the professional having the finest tournament record in the U.S. The Vardon Trophy is a bronze-colored plaque measuring 39" by 27" and features sculpted hands replicating Vardon's famed overlapping grip on a golf club. From 1947 to 1987, the Vardon Trophy was awarded to the professional golfer with the lowest scoring average. In 1988, the criteria was adjusted to award the Vardon Trophy to the touring professional with the lowest adjusted scoring average. It is based on a minimum of 60 rounds, with no incomplete rounds (i.e. stipulated rounds as defined by the Rules of Golf, as approved by the USGA and the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Scotland), in events co-sponsored or designated by the PGA Tour. The adjusted score is computed from the average score of the field at each tournament. As a result, a player's adjusted score may be higher or lower than his actual score. For example, a player shoots 70 each day at a tournament while the field average was 73. His 280 total would then be adjusted to 268 since he actually played 12 shots better than the field did during the tournament. Any player with an incomplete round will be ineligible to win the Vardon Trophy.

### Point System

1937	Harry Cooper	500
1938	Sam Snead	520
1939	Byron Nelson	473
1940	Ben Hogan	423
1941	Ben Hogan	494
1942-46	No Award - WW II	

### Lowest Scoring Average

YEAR	WINNER	AVERAGE
1947	Jimmy Demaret	69.90
1948	Ben Hogan	69.30
1949	Sam Snead	69.37
1950	Sam Snead	69.23
1951	Lloyd Mangrum	70.05
1952	Jack Burke	70.54
1953	Lloyd Mangrum	70.22
1954	E.J. Harrison	70.41
1955	Sam Snead	69.86
1956	Cary Middlecoff	70.35
1957	Dow Finsterwald	70.30
1958	Bob Rosburg	70.11
1959	Art Wall	70.35
1960	Billy Casper	69.95
1961	Arnold Palmer	69.85
1962	Arnold Palmer	70.27
1963	Billy Casper	70.58

### Lowest Adjusted Scoring Average

YEAR	WINNER	AVERAGE
1964	Arnold Palmer	70.01
1965	Billy Casper	70.85
1966	Billy Casper	70.27
1967	Arnold Palmer	70.18
1968	Billy Casper	69.82
1969	Dave Hill	70.34
1970	Lee Trevino	70.64
1971	Lee Trevino	70.64
1972	Lee Trevino	70.57
1973	Bruce Crampton	70.57
1974	Lee Trevino	70.53
1975	Bruce Crampton	70.56
1976	Don January	70.32
1977	Tom Watson	70.32
1978	Tom Watson	70.16
1979	Tom Watson	70.27
1980	Lee Trevino	69.73
1981	Tom Kite	69.80
1982	Tom Kite	70.21
1983	Ray Floyd	70.61
1984	Calvin Peete	70.56
1985	Don Pooley	70.36
1986	Scott Hoch	70.08
1987	Dan Pohl	70.25

YEAR	WINNER	AVERAGE
1988	Chip Beck	69.46
1989	Greg Norman	69.49
1990	Greg Norman	69.10
1991	Fred Couples	69.59
1992	Fred Couples	69.38
1993	Nick Price	69.11
1994	Greg Norman	68.81
1995	Steve Elkington	69.62
1996	Tom Lehman	69.32
1997	Nick Price	68.98
1998	David Duval	69.13
1999	Tiger Woods	68.43
2000	Tiger Woods	67.79
2001	Tiger Woods	68.81
2002	Tiger Woods	68.56
2003	Tiger Woods	68.41
2004	Vijay Singh	68.84
2005	Tiger Woods	68.66
2006	Jim Furyk	68.86
2007	Tiger Woods	67.79
2008	Sergio Garcia	69.12
2009	Tiger Woods	68.05
2010	Matt Kuchar	69.61
2011	Luke Donald	68.86

## HORTON SMITH AWARD



**JOHN J. ROGERS**  
Majestic Ridge Golf Club  
Chambersburg, Pa.

The Horton Smith Award was donated by the PGA of America Advisory Committee in support of the Association’s continuing work to promote and improve The PGA’s educational programs throughout its 41 Sections. The award is designed to give special recognition to an individual PGA Professional for outstanding and continuing contributions to professional education.

A PGA World Golf Hall of Fame inductee and 37-year member of The PGA, Horton Smith served as the Association’s president from 1952-1954 and devoted much of his time to improving educational programs. A two-time Masters Champion and winner of its inaugural event, Smith represented the United States on seven Ryder Cup teams and never lost a match. He died on Oct. 15, 1963.

### Horton Smith Award Through the Years

1965	Emil Beck.....	Black River CC, Port Huron, Mich.	1987	Ken Lindsay.....	Colonial CC, Jackson, Miss.
1966	Gene C. Mason.....	Columbia-Edgewater CC, Portland, Ore.	1988	Guy Wimberly.....	Arroyo Del Oso GC, Albuquerque, N.M.
1967	Donald E. Fischesser.....	Evansville (Ind.) CC	1989	Verne D. Perry.....	Cedars GC, Brush Prairie, Wash.
1968	R. William Clarke.....	Hillendale CC, Phoenix, Md.	1990	Mike Hebron.....	Smithtown Landing CC, St. James, N.Y.
1969	Paul Hahn.....	CC of Miami, Miami	1991	Joe Terry.....	Gulf Shores (Ala.) GC
1970	Joe Walser.....	Oklahoma City CC	1992	Conrad Rehling.....	Univ. of Alabama GC, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
1971	Irvin Schloss.....	Dunedin, Fla.	1993	Rick Burton.....	Burlington, N.C.
1972	John Budd.....	New Port Richey, Fla.	1994	Bill Eschenbrenner.....	El Paso (Texas) CC
1973	George Aulbach.....	Pecan Valley CC, San Antonio, Texas	1995	Ken Morton Sr.....	Haggin Oaks GC, Sacramento, Calif.
1974	Bill Hardy.....	Chevy Chase (Md.) Club	1996	Ed Hoard.....	Athens (Ga.) Country Club
1975	John P. Henrich.....	Elma Meadows GC, Elma, N.Y.	1997	Warren "Stoney" Brown.....	Crane Creek CC, Boise, Idaho
1976	Jim Bailey.....	Adams Park Golf Course, Brighton, Colo.	1998	Ed Ibarguen.....	Duke University GC, Durham, N.C.
1977	Paul Runyan.....	Green Gables CC, Denver	1999	Coleman Plecker.....	Manor CC, Rockville, Md.
1978	Andy Nusbaum.....	Siwanoy CC, Bronxville, N.Y.	2000	David Normand Jr.....	Indian Hills GC, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
1979	Howard E. Smith.....	Riverside GC, Diamond Bar, Calif.	2001	Paul Bergen.....	The Legends Club of Tennessee (Franklin)
1980	Dale Mead.....	Del Rio G & CC, Modesto, Calif.	2002	Brent Krause.....	Wynlakes Golf & CC, Montgomery, Ala.
1981	Tom Addis III.....	Singing Hills CC, El Cajon, Calif.	2003	Ray Cutright.....	Idle Hour Golf Club, Macon, Ga.
1982	Kent Cayce.....	Evansville (Ind.) CC	2004	Ralph Bernhisel.....	Phoenix (Ariz.) CC
1983	Bill Strausbaugh.....	Columbia CC, Chevy Chase, Md.	2005	Warren Bottke.....	Abacoa Golf Club, Jupiter, Fla.
1984	Don Essig III.....	The Hoosier Links, New Palestine, Ind.	2006	Thomas Tatnall.....	Tatnall Associates LLC, Ridgeland, Miss.
1985	Larry Startzel.....	CC of Lansing, Lansing, Mich.	2007	Tom Carpus.....	Kennett Square (Pa.) Golf & Country Club
1986	Mark Darnell.....	West Lake CC, Augusta, Ga.	2008	Mark Wilson.....	Watermark Country Club, Grand Rapids, Mich.
			2009	Derek Hardy.....	Talega Golf Club, San Clemente, Calif.
			2010	John Kennedy Jr.....	Westchester Country Club, Rye, N.Y.
			2011	John J. Rogers.....	Majestic Ridge Golf Club, Chambersburg, Pa.

## HERB GRAFFIS AWARD



2011 COLORADO  
PGA SECTION

From 1974 to 2001, the Herb Graffis Award was presented annually to The PGA of America Section with the highest financial contribution to National Golf Day/National Golf Month charities. In 2006, the PGA Board of Directors established a special award recognizing the PGA Section for extraordinary and exemplary contributions in Player Development, whether by conducting or supporting Play Golf America initiatives. The Herb Graffis Award is presented at the PGA Merchandise Show.

A golf historian and founder of several golf magazines, Herb Graffis, with his brother, Joe, also founded the National Golf Foundation and the Golf Writers Association of America. The recipient of the PGA Distinguished Service Award in 1988, Herb Graffis died at the age of 95, on Feb. 12, 1989.

### Herb Graffis Award Through the Years

1974.....	Michigan Section	1986.....	Southern California Section	1998.....	Northern California Section
1975.....	Michigan Section	1987.....	Southern California Section	1999.....	Northern California Section
1976.....	Michigan Section	1988.....	Southern California Section	2000.....	Northern Texas Section
1977.....	Michigan Section	1989.....	Southern California Section	2001.....	Northern Texas Section
1978.....	Carolinas Section	1990.....	Southern California Section	2002-2005.....	No Award presented
1979.....	Illinois Section	1991.....	Southern California Section	2006.....	Northern California Section
1980.....	Southern California Section	1992.....	Southwest Section	2007.....	Carolinas Section
1981.....	Northern Ohio Section	1993.....	Northern Texas Section	2008.....	Philadelphia Section
1982.....	Georgia Section	1994.....	Southern California Section	2009.....	Midwest Section
1983.....	South Central Section	1995.....	Northern Texas Section	2010.....	Metropolitan Section
1984.....	Northern Texas Section	1996.....	Southern California Section	2011.....	Colorado Section
1985.....	Southern California Section	1997.....	Southern California Section		

**PATRIOT AWARD**



**JOHN HINES**  
Baiting Hollow Club  
Baiting Hollow, N.Y.

Originated in 2008, the Patriot Award was first presented at the PGA Annual Meeting and follows the inspiration of Patriot Golf Day founder Maj. Dan Rooney, a PGA Professional from Broken Arrow, Okla., the award's first honoree. The Patriot Award is presented by The PGA of America to a PGA Professional who personifies patriotism through the game of golf and demonstrates unwavering commitment and dedication to the men and women who have valiantly served and protected the United States of America.

**Patriot Award Through the Years**

2008	Maj. Dan Rooney	Broken Arrow, Okla.
2009	Andy Weissinger	Fort Eustis, Va.
2010	Jim Estes	Golf Park, Olney, Md.
2011	John Hines	Baiting Hollow Club, Baiting Hollow, N.Y.

**BILL STRAUSBAUGH AWARD**



**BOB DOLAN JR.**  
Columbia Country Club  
Chevy Chase, Md.

Established in 1979, the Bill Strausbaugh Award is presented to a PGA Professional who by their day-to-day efforts have distinguished themselves by mentoring their fellow PGA Professionals in improving their employment situations and through service to the community. The award reflects the characteristics and qualities of Strausbaugh, a Middle Atlantic PGA Master Professional who died in 1999. Award candidates should demonstrate a record of service to their Section or Association; leadership ability, involvement in civic activities and local charitable causes within their community and be recognized as someone of outstanding character.

**Bill Strausbaugh Award Through the Years**

1979	Dale Mead	Del Rio CC, Modesto, Calif.	1991	Michael Burke	Pass Christian Isles (Miss.) GC
1980	Mal McMullen	Kokomo (Ind.) CC	1992	William Munguia	Plantation GC, Olive Branch, Miss.
1981	William Heald	Riverside GC, North Riverside, Ill.	1993	John Poole	Chester Valley GC, Malvern, Pa.
1982	Robert F. Smith	Wolferts Roost CC, Albany, N.Y.	1994	Kurt Sokolowski	Pinebrook CC, Weston, Mass.
1983	Patrick Rielly	Annandale GC, Pasadena, Calif.	1995	Ed Ibarguen	Duke University GC, Durham, N.C.
1984	Bill Eschenbrenner	El Paso (Texas) CC	1996	William Mitchell	Innis Arden GC, Old Greenwich, Conn.
1985	Roger Van Dyke	Flint (Mich.) GC	1997	Doug Ritter	Meadia Heights CC, Lancaster, Pa.
1986	Richard Churilla	Wheeling (W.Va.) CC	1998	Tom Tetrault	Fall River (Mass.) CC
1987	Richard Walker	Morris Park CC, South Bend, Ind.	1999	William Heald (Ret.)	Riverside (Ill.) GC
1988	Earl Maurer	Onondaga G & CC, Fayetteville, N.Y.	2000	Glenn Brown	Westwood CC, Vienna, Va.
1989	Martin T. Kavanaugh II	Hamilton County Park District, Cincinnati	2001	Gary Reynolds	Hartford (Conn.) Golf Club
1990	Ron Hoetmer	Overlake G & CC, Medina, Wash.	2002	Jerry Hogge	Methodist College, Fayetteville, N.C.
			2003	Steve Napoli	Wannamoisett Golf Club, Rumford, R.I.
			2004	Paul Reinking	Kankakee (Ill.) Country Club
			2005	Tom Nieporte	Winged Foot Golf Club, Mamaroneck, N.Y.
			2006	Michael Harmon	Secession Golf Club, Beaufort, S.C.
			2007	Michael Doctor	Skaneateles (N.Y.) Country Club
			2008	Clayton Cole	Cherry Hills Village, Colo.
			2009	Dennis Satyshur	Caves Valley Golf Club, Owings Mills, Md.
			2010	Nelson Long Jr.	Century Country Club, Purchase, N.Y.
			2011	Bob Dolan Jr.	Columbia Country Club, Chevy Chase, Md.

**PRESIDENT'S PLAQUE**



**BRIAN BAIN**  
Robert T. Lynch Municipal  
Golf Course, Brookline, Mass.

From 1982 to 2001, the President's Plaque was awarded to The PGA of America member with the highest individual contribution to the National Golf Day charities. Beginning in 2006, the PGA Board of Directors established a special award recognizing PGA Professionals at the Section and national level for extraordinary and exemplary contributions in Player Development, which support Play Golf America initiatives. The President's Plaque is presented at the PGA Merchandise Show.

**President's Plaque Through the Years**

YEAR	AWARD WINNER	SECTION	HOME COURSE
1982	Steve Braley	South Central	Oak Tree CC, Edmond, Okla.
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1983	Steve Braley	South Central	Oak Tree CC, Edmond, Okla.
1984-89	Randall Smith	Northern Texas	Royal Oaks CC, Dallas
1990	Jeff Walser	Southern California	PGA West, La Quinta, Calif.
1991	Randall Smith	Northern Texas	Royal Oaks CC, Dallas
1992	Orrin Vincent	Southwest	Angel Park GC, Las Vegas
1993-2001	Randall Smith	Northern Texas	Royal Oaks CC, Dallas
2002-05			No Award presented
2006	Bob Baldassari	Middle Atlantic	Cannon Ridge Golf Club, Fredericksburg, Va.
2007	Will Reilly	Philadelphia	Twining Valley Golf & Fitness Club, Dresher, Pa.
2008	Bob Collins	Tri-State	Oak Tree Country Club, West Middlesex, Pa.
2009	Kyle Heyen	Colorado	Hiwan Golf Course, Evergreen, Colo.
2010	Andy Barbin	Philadelphia	Chesapeake Bay Golf Club, Rising Sun, Md.
2011	Brian Bain	New England	Robert T. Lynch, Municipal Golf Course, Brookline, Mass.

## PGA JUNIOR GOLF LEADER



**RICK GRAYSON**  
 Connie Morris Golf Learning  
 Center at Rivercut Golf Course  
 Springfield, Mo.

Started in 1988, the PGA Junior Golf Leader Award recognizes the PGA Professional who is a leader in junior golf and who reflects the ideals of those who work with youth. Work by this PGA Professional includes involvement in the promotion and development of junior golf at the club level and support for national junior golf programs. The interest, concern and ability to provide opportunities and experience for juniors to learn and play golf are qualities of a successful junior golf leader.

### Junior Golf Leader Through the Years

- 1988 Rick Murphy ..... Cardinal G & CC, Greensboro, N.C
- 1989 Tom Sargent..... Yorba Linda CC, Yorba Linda, Calif.
- 1990 Duke Butler.....TPC at the Woodlands, The Woodlands, Texas
- 1991 Mike Crotty .....The Shamrock GC, Powell, Ohio
- 1992 Paul Miner.....Tamarack CC, Greenwich, Conn.
- 1993 Richard Tollette Jr. ....Bunker Hills GC, Coon Rapids, Minn.
- 1994 Sandy La Bauve .....Stonecreek GC, Phoenix

- 1995 Wayne Warms.....Due Process Stable GC, Colts Neck, N.J.
- 1996 Sherwin Cox.....Ross Rogers GC, Amarillo, Texas
- 1997 Alan Abrams.....Indian Tree Golf Club, Arvada, Colo.
- 1998 Lissa Horton.....Tennessee PGA Section, Franklin, Tenn.
- 1999 Harry Hammond.....Whitford CC, Exton, Pa.
- 2000 Bob Dolan.....Columbia CC, Chevy Chase, Md.
- 2001 Charlie Lanzetta.....Rockland (Mass.) GC & Green Harbor GC,  
Marshfield, Mass.
- 2002 Ken Morton Sr. ....Haggin Oaks Golf Complex, Sacramento, Calif.
- 2003 Steve Hogan.....Miller Park Golf Course, Omaha, Neb.
- 2004 John Godwin.....Godwin Creek Golf Course, Columbus, Ga.
- 2005 Will Reilly .....Twining Valley Golf & Fitness Club, Dresher, Pa.
- 2006 Francis Selva.....Race Brook Country Club, Orange, Conn.
- 2007 Danny Harvanek.....The Golf Club at Bear Dance, Larkspur, Colo.
- 2008 Jimmy Headrick.....The First Tee of New Orleans (La.)
- 2009 Vikki Vanderpool.....Approaching the Green, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
- 2010 Ann Finke.....Country Club of Colorado, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 2011 Rick Grayson.....Rivercut Golf Course, Springfield, Mo.

## PGA MERCHANDISERS OF THE YEAR



**JEFFREY KIDDIE**  
 PRIVATE  
 Aronimink Golf Club  
 Newtown Square, Pa.

In 1978, The PGA of America and Sports Illustrated established the PGA Merchandisers of the Year Award to recognize those PGA Professionals who have excelled as businesspersons/merchandisers in the promotion of golf. Today, The PGA of America honors PGA Professionals in three categories: private, public and resort facilities. Candidates are nominated by their respective PGA Section offices. Award consideration is based on the following guidelines:

- A PGA member in good standing
- Overall credit rating
- Credit rating within the industry
- Community Involvement

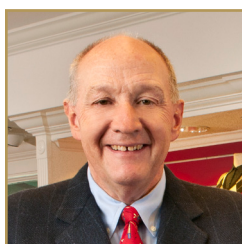
The candidate shall have demonstrated skill in planning and promotion of sales by presenting products to his/her market on a timely basis, and through the use of specialized merchandising techniques that include display and advertising.



**SUSAN ROLL**  
 PUBLIC  
 Carlsbad Golf Center  
 Carlsbad, Calif.

### PGA Merchandisers of the Year Through the Years

PRIVATE	PUBLIC	RESORT
1978 Eldridge Miles Bent Tree CC, Dallas	U.C. Ferguson Lincoln Park GC, Oklahoma City	Roger Maxwell Camelback CC, Scottsdale, Ariz.
1979 Mark Darnell West Lake CC, Augusta, Ga.	Guy Wimberly and Bob Meiering Arroyo Del Oso GC, Albuquerque, N.M.	Harold "Rags" Ragland Mauna Kea Beach Hotel, Kamuela, Hawaii
1980 Bob Hickman Medinah (Ill.)	Al Starr CC Yahara Hills GC, Madison, Wis.	Bob Putt Horseshoe CC, Marble Falls, Texas
1981 Mike Vucinich Greensburg (Pa.)	Stan Shaver CC Pawnee Prairie GC, Wichita, Kan.	Dave Johnson and Jerry Holley Desert Inn CC, Las Vegas
1982 Steve Braley Oak Tree CC, Edmond, Okla.	Bob Sprunk Valleywood GC, Swanton, Ohio	Jay Overton Innisbrook, Tarpon Springs, Fla.
1983 Willie Gibbons Belle Meade CC, Nashville, Tenn.	Gary Dee Bear Creek G. Ctr., Dallas/Ft.Worth	Ken Judd Americana/Lake Geneva, (Wis.)
1985 Bob Ford Oakmont (Pa.) CC	Bill Munguia Holiday GC, Olive Branch, Miss.	Craig Williamson Kapalua (Hawaii) GC
1986 Bob Barrett Shoal Creek (Ala.) CC	Sherwin Cox Ross Rogers GC, Amarillo, Texas	Greg Abadie La Quinta (Calif.) GC.
1987 Russ Garner Windyke CC, Germantown, Tenn.	Luke Veasey Hillandale GC, Durham, N.C.	Gary Wilcox La Paloma CC, Tucson, Ariz.
1988 James Thompson Oneida G & RC, Green Bay, Wis.	Luke Veasey Hillandale GC, Durham, N.C.	Gary Planos The Golf Club, Kapalua, Hawaii
1989 Bob Ross Baltusrol GC, Springfield, N.J.	Marc Cruse Mahoney GC, Lincoln, Neb.	Tim Skogen Marriott Desert Springs, Palm Desert, Calif.
1990 Keith Schneider GC of Castle Pines, Castle Rock, Colo.	Ken Morton Sr. Haggin Oaks GC, Sacramento, Calif.	James Bellington Las Colinas Sports Club, Irving, Texas
1991 Earl Puckett Twin Orchard CC, Long Grove, Ill.	Willis Denmark Jamestown Park GC, Jamestown, N.C.	Kevin Hammock Marriott Seaview GR, Absecon, N.J.
1992 Tim O'Neal Frenchman's Creek CC Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.	Zack Veasey Hillandale CC, Durham, N.C.	Craig Williamson Ko Olina GC, Ewa Beach, Oahu, Hawaii
1993 Charles Raudenbush Pine Valley (N.J.) GC	Tim Corrigan Holiday GC, Olive Branch, Miss.	Anthony Austin Marriott's Orlando (Fla.) World Center
1994 Regi Starzyk St. Charles (Ill.) CC	Ronald Beck Crumpin Fox GC, Bernardston, Mass.	Mike Abbott Las Colinas Sports Club, Irving, Texas
1995 Marty Lass Edina (Minn.) CC	Leigh Bader Pine Oaks GC, South Easton, Mass.	Joseph (Jay) Colliatie Pelican Hill GC, Newport Coast, Calif.



**HILL HERRICK**  
 RESORT  
 The Greenbrier Resort  
 White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

**PGA Merchandisers of the Year Through the Years**

	PRIVATE	PUBLIC	RESORT
1996	Eric Schneider Orchard Ridge CC, Ft. Wayne, Ind.	Courtney Connell Quarry GC, San Antonio, Texas	Michael Abbott Four Seasons Res. & Club, Irving, Texas
1997	Bob Ford Oakmont (Pa.) CC	Joe Shershenovich Grayhawk GC, Scottsdale, Ariz.	Brad Doyle Grand Cypress GC, Orlando, Fla.
1998	Jim Tureskis Wolferts Roost CC, Albany, N.Y.	Ken Morton Sr. Haggin Oaks GC, Sacramento, Calif.	Stephen Cryan Pinehurst (N.C.) Resort & CC
1999	Tim Moher Del Mar CC, Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.	Zack Veasey Hillandale GC, Durham, N.C.	John Jackson The Phoenician, Scottsdale, Ariz.
2000	Gregory Lecker Canoe Brook CC, Summit, N.J.	Marc Cruse Crooked Creek GC, Lincoln, Neb.	Rick Castillo Wailea Golf Club, Kihei, Maui, Hawaii
2001	Dick Hyland Desert Mountain, Scottsdale, Ariz.	Leigh Bader Pine Oaks GC, South Easton, Mass.	John Freitas Hualalai GC, Kapulehu, Kona, Hawaii
2002	Cary Cozby Wichita (Kan.) CC	Joseph "Ted" Gallina Legends Club of (Franklin) Tenn.	Charles "Chip" King Pine Needles Lodge & GC, Southern Pines, N.C.
2003	David Impastato St. Charles (Ill.) CC	John Kerins Tam O'Shanter GC, Hermitage, Pa.	Russ Miller The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs, Colo.
2004	Michael Harmon Secession GC, Beaufort, S.C.	Greg Villeneuve Montage Hotels & Resorts Laguna Beach, Calif.	Paul Earnest Four Seasons Resort & Club Dallas at Las Colinas, Irving, Texas
2005	John Buczek Grandfather G & CC, Linville, N.C.	Fabian McIntyre Falcon's Fire G. Club, Kissimmee, Fla.	Ron Dunham Teton Pines Resort & CC, Jackson, Wyo.
2006	Richard Stewart Kalamazoo (Mich.) CC	Brad Braden Poppy Ridge GC, Livermore, Calif.	Brian Gerard The Ocean Course, Kiawah Island, S.C.
2007	Doug Steffen Baltusrol G. Club, Springfield, N.J.	Adam Carney Big Creek G & CC, Mountain Home, Ark.	Dirk Willis Whistling Straits, Kohler, Wisc.
2008	John Lyberger Jr. Congressional Country Club Bethesda, Md.	Mike Woods Haggin Oaks Golf Complex Sacramento, Calif.	Mike Buccerone The Resort Club at Grande Dunes Myrtle Beach, S.C.
2009	Brian Morrison Olympia Fields (Ill.) Country Club	Nevin Phillips Mahogany Run Golf Course St. Thomas, Virgin Islands	Caroline Basarab-Dennison The Sea Pines Resort Hilton Head, S.C.
2010	Mark Mongell Cherokee Town & CC Atlanta, Ga.	Dennis Johnsen Pine Meadow GC Mundelein, Ill.	Tom Davidson Circling Raven GC Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
2011	Jeffrey Kiddie Aronimink Golf Club, Newton Square, Pa.	Susan Roll Carlsbad Golf Center Carlsbad, Calif.	Hill Herrick The Greenbrier Resort White Sulphur Springs, W. Va

**PGA ERNIE SABAYRAC AWARD**

The PGA of America's Ernie Sabayrac Award for Lifetime Contributions to the Golf Industry was inaugurated in 1994 at the 41st PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando, Fla. The Award was presented to its namesake, Ernie Sabayrac, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., a prominent figure in the origin of the PGA Merchandise Show and a pioneer in the development of the golf shop. Sabayrac revolutionized merchandising among PGA Professionals, introducing golf shoes, soft goods and logoed products in golf shops nationwide. The Ernie Sabayrac Award, presented in alternating years since 2009, was created to reflect The PGA of America's longstanding commitment to golf industry manufacturers and distributors and to recognize the mutually beneficial relationship that has thrived for more than 50 years.

**Ernie Sabayrac Through the Years**

1994	Ernie Sabayrac.....	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.
1995	Bob Rickey.....	Cincinnati, Ohio
	Gary Adams.....	Carlsbad, Calif.
1996	Karsten Solheim.....	Carlsbad, Calif.
	Dick Tarlow.....	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.
1997	Bob MacNally.....	Hinsdale, Ill.
	Joe Phillips.....	Juno Beach, Fla.
1998	Ely Callaway.....	Carlsbad, Calif.
1999	Jim Ireland.....	Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

2000	Jim Vincent.....	Camarillo, Calif.
2001	Jim Butz.....	Schaumburg, Ill.
2002	David Branon.....	Greenville, S.C.
2003	Thomas Crow.....	La Jolla, Calif.
2004	Patrick O'Grady.....	Cohasset, Mass.
2005	Ed Abrain.....	Sherman, N.Y.
2006	Ron McPherson.....	Scottsdale, Ariz.
2007	Nancy Haley.....	Golden, Colo.
2008	Phil Trailies.....	Charleston, S.C.
2009	No Recipient	
2010	Barney Adams.....	Dallas, Texas
2011	No Recipient	

**PGA FIRST LADY OF GOLF AWARD**



**MARY BEA PORTER-KING**  
Kapaa, Hawaii

The PGA of America's First Lady of Golf Award, inaugurated in 1998, honors a woman who has made significant contributions to the promotion of the game of golf. Since 2009, the award is bestowed biennially during The PGA of America Awards program at the PGA Merchandise Show.

**PGA First Lady of Golf Through the Years**

1998	Barbara Nicklaus.....	North Palm Beach, Fla.
1999	Judy Rankin.....	Midland, Texas

2000	.....	No recipient
2001	Judy Bell.....	Colorado Springs, Colo.
2002	Nancy Lopez.....	Albany, Ga.
2003	Renee Powell.....	East Canton, Ohio
2004	Alice Dye.....	Carmel, Ind.
2005	Carol Semple Thompson.....	Sewickley, Pa.
2006	Kathy Whitworth.....	Flower Mound, Texas
2007	Peggy Kirk Bell.....	Southern Pines, N.C.
2008	Carol Mann.....	The Woodlands, Texas
2009	Donna Caponi-Byrnes.....	Orlando, Fla.
2010	.....	No recipient
2011	Mary Bea Porter-King.....	Kapaa, Hawaii

## LEGENDS OF THE PGA

The Legends of The PGA program was established in 1995 to recognize past PGA Presidents for their contributions to the Association and the golf industry.

The honorees are recognized with a special display featuring memorabilia from the president’s term in office. The display and audio-visual presentation is featured at the PGA Annual Meeting.

### Legends of the PGA Through the Years

YEAR	HONOREE	PGA PRESIDENT
1995	Max Elbin, Bethesda, Md.	1966-68
1996	Warren Orlick, Birmingham, Mich.	1971-72
1997	William Clarke, Phoenix, Md.	1973-74
1998	Henry Poe, High Point, N.C.	1975-76
1999	Don Padgett, Pinehurst, N.C.	1977-78
2000	Joe Black, Carefree, Ariz.	1981-82
2001	Mark Kizziar, Scottsdale, Ariz.	1983-84
2002	Mickey Powell, Carmel, Ind.	1985-86
2003	J.R. Carpenter, Hattiesburg, Miss.	1987-88
2004	Patrick Rielly, La Canada, Calif.	1989-90
2005	Dick Smith, Williamstown, N.J.	1991-92
2006	Gary Schaal, Murrells Inlet, S.C.	1993-94
2008	Tom Addis III, Beaumont, Calif.	1995-96
2010	Ken Lindsay, Jackson, Miss.	1997-98

## PGA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IN JOURNALISM

The PGA’s Lifetime Achievement Award in Journalism is presented during the Golf Writers Association of America annual spring dinner in conjunction with the Masters. The award honors members of the media for the steadfast promotion of golf, both locally and nationally, throughout their career.

The selection committee consists of representatives of The PGA of America, United States Golf Association, PGA Tour, Champions Tour, LPGA, Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, National Golf Course Owners Association, American Society of Golf Course Architects, National Golf Foundation, European PGA Tour and past recipients.

### PGA Lifetime Achievement Award in Journalism Through the Years

1991	Dick Taylor, Pinehurst, N.C.	<i>Links</i>
1992	Herbert Warren Wind, Weston, Mass.	<i>Author</i>
1993	Jim Murray, Los Angeles	<i>Los Angeles Times</i>
1994	Frank Chirkinian, Jupiter, Fla.	<i>CBS Sports</i>
	Bob Green, Weatherford, Texas	<i>Associated Press</i>
1995	Dan Jenkins, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.	<i>Golf Digest</i>
1996	Furman Bisher, Fayetteville, Ga.	<i>Atlanta Journal-Constitution</i>
1997	Jack Whitaker, Bridgehampton, N.Y.	<i>ABC Sports</i>
1998	Dave Anderson, Tenafly, N.J.	<i>New York Times</i>
1999	Ken Venturi, Marco Island, Fla.	<i>CBS Sports</i>
2000	Jim McKay, Monkton, Md.	<i>ABC Sports</i>
2001	Kaye Kessler, Littleton, Colo.	<i>Links</i>
2002	Nick Seitz, Rowayton, Conn.	<i>Golf Digest</i>
2003	Renton Laidlaw, Drumoig, Scotland	<i>Golf Channel</i>
2004	Bob Verdi, Northbrook, Ill.	<i>Golf Digest/Golf World</i>
2005	Al Barkow, Albany, Calif.	<i>Golf Illustrated</i>
2006	Ron Green Sr., Charlotte, N.C.	<i>Charlotte Observer</i>
2007	Jack Berry, Ann Arbor, Mich.	<i>Michigan Golfer</i>
2008	Marino Parascenzo, Ellwood City, Pa.	<i>Pittsburgh Post-Gazette</i>
2009	Art Spander, Oakland, Calif.	<i>Oakland Tribune</i>
2010	Dave Kindred, Locust Grove, Va.	<i>Golf Digest</i>
2011	Jerry Tarde, Fairfield, Conn.	<i>Golf Digest</i>
2012	Jaime Diaz, Carthage, N.C.	<i>Golf Digest</i>