



# PGA

Michigan Section

## BIO OF SPECIAL AWARDS CANDIDATE

Name of Nominee: David VanLoozen

Year Elected to Membership: 2006

Award Nominated for: Teacher of the Year

Briefly describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award:

- Conducted over 17,000 lessons to golfers of all skill levels, ranging from beginner to professional.
- Developed and directed group clinics and golf schools.
- Students have been awarded college scholarships to Georgia Tech, Michigan State University, University of Michigan, University of Detroit, University of Central Florida, University of Toledo, Tufts University, Grand Valley State University and Saginaw Valley State University.
- Students have won several tournaments including the Michigan Junior Amateur, Michigan Senior Amateur and Michigan Senior Open. Other wins include seven AJGA events, High School Districts, High School Regionals and High School State Championships (both boys and girls divisions).
- Students have qualified for the U.S. Amateur Championship, U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship, U.S. Senior Amateur Championship, U.S. Senior Open and U.S. Junior Amateur.

I was introduced to the game of golf over 45 years ago by my father, PGA Professional Paul VanLoozen. Following his example, I have studied the game of golf most of my life. First as a player, striving to take my game to the next level, and for the past 20 years as an instructor, dedicating my time to improving the games of thousands of students.

My philosophy is simple, to quote my father "If you are going to charge for a lesson, they better get better!" I spend every day in pursuit of that ideal; learning from each student, traveling and taking lessons from some of the world's top instructors, and investing in state of the art technology to help speed up the learning process for my students.

Golf is my passion and I consider myself extremely fortunate to do what I do. I am honored to be nominated for Teacher of the Year.