



BIO OF SPECIAL AWARDS CANDIDATE

Name of Nominee: *Scott Wilson* _____

Year Elected to Membership: *1998* _____

Award Nominated for: *Teacher of the Year* _____

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

As PGA Director of Instruction at the Crystal Mountain Golf School for over 20 years Scott led a nationally recognized golf school. Rated twice by Golf Magazine as a top 25 golf school in the country and a top 10 Golf School for Women by Golf For Women Magazine. Through the years Scott helped to direct over 20 different PGA members & associates to maintain the quality and success of the Crystal Mountain Golf School.

Over time, as programs began to expand to the youth level through clinics & camps Scott began to realize his greatest passion for growing and expanding the game was with junior golfers. As students became more proficient with their game Scott and Brad Dean, two-time Michigan Section PGA Teacher of the Year, started a year-round training program called Jr. Elite. This program was a very unique approach at the time and has helped over 40 young players realize their dream of playing collegiate golf.

Scott has taken this same platform to Traverse City at Bay Meadows Family Golf Course plus much more over the past 6 seasons. In addition to the year-round TC Jr. Elite program, Scott has grown one of the largest and well run PGA Jr. League programs in the country. Over 90 youth participate annually and Scott's All-Star Jr. League teams have finished 2nd in the state for the 2017, 2018 & 2019 seasons. The Bay Meadows clinics, camps, and other seasonal leagues have grown in participation each year while Scott and his team continue to work hard at expanding the reach of the game to make sure not only golf skills continue to improve, but life skills as well.

Scott continues to improve each student's game by utilizing the latest in golf improvement technology. Track Man, K-Vest, V1 Video plus the use of nutrition, fitness and mental training aspects continue to help his students, especially those in the Jr.Elite program, to accomplish their goals. Annually, Scott's students are in contention and winning events throughout the state of Michigan and around the country.

Scott is most proud of his students' accomplishments over the years. In addition to dozens of players moving into collegiate programs across the country, students in Coach Scott's TC Jr. Elite program over the last 15

years have had success not only on the collegiate level but also on every youth tour including AJGA, FCWT, GAM and of course TCJGA events. They have also performed well at local, sub-regional, regional and national qualifiers in Drive, Chip, and Putt and individual and team MHSAA State Championships. Over the years students in the program have earned 9 MHSAA state individual medalist honors, 32 have been selected with All-State honors, including 9 Super Team members, and the 2016, 2017, and 2018 Miss Golf Award.

Scott believes in simple philosophies that remain consistent over time and cover ALL aspects of playing the game, and that those philosophies are the key to long term enjoyment of the game at each level of play. So whether you are an Elite player, looking to break 100, or just looking for a game to enjoy for a lifetime, Scott is here to help you succeed.

The PGA Northern Michigan Chapter is proud to nominate Scott Wilson for the Michigan Section PGA 2021 Teacher of the Year. Thank you for your support!

PGA of America National and/or Section awards received and year received:

Michigan Section PGA Player Development Award 2007
Michigan Section PGA Player Development Award 2008
Michigan Section PGA Youth Player Development Award 2017
Michigan Section PGA Player Development Award 2018
Michigan Section PGA Youth Player Development Award 2019
PGA of America Youth Player Development Award 2019

Other awards or special recognition from additional organizations:

The Northern Michigan Chapter has awarded Scott Youth Player Development award 5 times, Player Development Award 3 times, Teacher of the Year three times and this years Golf Professional of the Year. He has also been recognized 6-times on the Golf Digest Best Teachers in State list. As Director of Instruction for the Crystal Mountain Golf School, he twice earned them the ranking of a top 25 golf school in America by Golf Magazine and a Top Ten Golf School for Women by Golf for Women Magazine.

Current PGA and Non-PGA boards and activity:

NMPGA Tournament Chair
MPGA Growth of Game Committee Chair
MPGA Special Awards Committee
PGA National Special Awards Committee
Traverse City Jr Golf Association Advisory Board Member

Certifications:

PGA Coach
Level 1 First Tee Coach
Certified US Kids Golf Coach
Double Goal Certified Coach Of the Positive Coaching Alliance

