

# 2023 Special Awards Candidate Bio Form

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Email \*

afarabaugh@ccdetroit.org

Name of Nominee: \*

Adam Farabaugh

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher & Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Country Club of Detroit

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2010

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

1. Overall impact on teaching/coaching at the candidate's facility to include number/hours of lessons/clinics and dollars generated

The Teaching and Coaching program at the Country Club of Detroit has been growing year after year. This year we added a second Teaching Instructor to the program bringing the total to three full-time instructors at CCD. This creates a tremendous reach to the membership for enhancing their game by adding extra private lessons, clinics and schools to all ages. Together we generated \$142,000 from Instruction. As of 10/20, I personally generated a revenue of \$86,055 with 823 total hours of private instruction, and 31 hours of clinics and schools.

2. Unusual, innovative or special teaching programs initiated or implemented

Last year we implemented a more laid-back approach to a beginner women's program, which turned out to be a huge success. Due to the triumph of the program and the demand that followed, this clinic became the "Season 1" program. This format is similar to a tv show in that all of the participants in their "season" will stay with their group each year, and each season moving forward will progress to provide more instruction tailored to their developing needs. Season 1 focused on fundamentals and included games to keep the women engaged on the range, short game area, and the golf course. The season 1 finale concluded the season with play on the short course. This year's "Season 2" participants continued to develop their knowledge of fundamentals on the range, short game area, and short course, but began to spend more time on the Championship course. The Season 2 finale was a continuation of last year's finale, but this time the participants played a full nine holes on the Championship Course.

This has made a positive impact on the club in many ways. After each session, the ladies would head over to the patio area of the club house to have dinner and a glass of wine. Additionally, the majority of the Season 2 participants purchased their first full set of clubs from our Golf Shop and played on the Championship course with their families outside of the clinic. This, in turn, helped the club generate revenue through increased golf shop sales, golf car fees and the food and beverage operation.

3. Instructional articles, videos or publications written or produced

Every quarter I write an instructional piece for the Country Club of Detroit's magazine titled "In Good Company," as well as post instructional videos on my Instagram account @afarabaugh\_PGA. One of my favorite articles I wrote was about being inside the ropes of this year's U.S. Amateur hosted by Ridgewood Country Club. One of my students participated in this event and I had the opportunity to carry his golf bag alongside of him and witness something more than memorable for the both of us.

Please click on the link below to read the article:

<https://www.ccofd.com/Files/Library/IGC-2022-4-FALL.PDF>

4. Examples of innovative techniques/technologies used or specialty certifications that enhance the candidate's programs, lessons and ability as an instructor

As mentioned above, we expanded our coaching staff here at the Country Club of Detroit. With this in mind, I felt the need to stress the importance of our Teaching Manual to the additional coaching staff and assistants at the club. I created this teaching manual to help develop and build our instructional program by expanding each instructor's capabilities as a teacher in order to make sure the membership at CCD is exposed to a consistent, knowledgeable and professional instructor, whoever it may be.

The manual gives an in-depth understanding of the process of learning, fundamentals of golf and the golf swing itself. It gives instruction on how to run a lesson, interviewing the student and identifying the stages of your player. Once the Instructor finishes the manual, they are then tested on the information. Upon passing, that instructor is then deemed certified to teach.

This has not only been beneficial for the instructors for continuing their education, but also for the members in creating a consistent learning environment; one in which the student chooses as an instructor with full confidence that they are in good hands. This has been very beneficial to our schools and clinics because we are able to provide a clear and concise message. By creating this system, we have experienced a good amount of growth in all of our beginner programs. It also insures that the instructor running the program understands the task at hand and makes sure the first step has been understood/learned before moving on to step two.

5. Continued education and training in the area of golf instruction

- PGA Class A Professional
- PGA Certified Professional in Teaching and Coaching
- Jim McLean Certified Instructor
- Trackman Level 1
- Dr. Kwon Biomechanics Level 1

- Golf Digest Best Young Teacher of America 2021-2022
- Golf Digest Best in State 2022

#### 2022 Player Highlights

Coalter Smith (University of Wisconsin)- Top 5 at B1Gs, B1G All Tournament Team, 5th Place at GAM Championship, Medalist at US Amateur qualifier, US Amateur participant at Ridgewood CC

Lorenzo Pinili (Brother Rice)- 2nd Place at State championship, Brother Rice State Champions, AJGA champion at Randy Wise, T3 at AJGA Coca Cola, Medalist at US Four-ball qualifier, Michigan Super Team, Detroit section boys golf Player of Year

Leandro Pinili (Brother Rice)- Michigan Jr State Amateur Champion 15 and under, (1) Golfweek win, Michigan First Team, Brother Rice State Champions.

Multiple Juniors winning Golfweek tournaments (Brennan Sullivan, Aanya Bansal)

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Adam Schriber

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher/Coach of the Year 2022

Facility Employed at: \*

LochenHeath Golf Club & Tour Prep Golf

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2002

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

Three ( 3) Documents Inserted Here

1. Adam Schriber's Response on Criteria for Teacher/Coach of the Year
2. Adam Schriber's Bio/Profile ( long form)
3. Adam Schriber's Students-A Sampling

1. Adam Schriber's Response on Criteria Michigan PGA Teacher/Coach of the Year

October 2022

Criteria (from the Michigan PGA)

#### TEACHER & COACH OF THE YEAR

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 Instructional articles, videos or publications written or produced  
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 Continued education and training in the area of golf instruction

Four years ago, I was honored to be named as Michigan PGA Teacher/Coach/Instructor of the Year for 2018.

I am therefore especially thrilled and honored that my ongoing work continues to be recognized, and to be nominated again in 2022.

My Career Profile/Resume (long form) is enclosed. Set out below is an update on my recent activities in the five Michigan PGA Teacher/Instructor of the Year criteria areas.

My professional instruction/coaching activities in 2022 evolved to a blend of

1. Director-Instruction at LochenHeath GC, Williamsburg, MI
2. PGA Tour members. Typically this involves 4 players full-time ( 60-70 hours/week), but unusual circumstances in 2022 saw that increase to 7 Tour members – 5 on the PGA Tour and 2 on the PGA Tour Korn Ferry, with significant travel as the Tours moved around the country. [ Today, I am turning players away in order to maintain high standards of student-focus and professionalism.]
3. Accomplished Amateurs looking to compete nationally, in college, in USGA and State-level Amateur Championships, and in Major Amateur Golf Tournaments. <https://www.amateurgolf.com/amateur-golf-tournaments/TheMajorsOfAmateurGolf>.

#### IMPACT

2022 was a strong year.

- 4 of my 5 PGA Tour students/clients qualified for the FedEx Cup Playoffs, by finishing in the top 125 on the FedEx Cup Points List.
- + PGA Tour Rookie David Lipsky (previously a 2-time winner on the European PGA Tour)
  - + Kelly Kraft - a Major-Medical Status (i.e., returning from injury) former US Amateur Champion
  - + J.J. Spaun - 1st Tour win '22; qualified for FedEx Cup playoffs 4/5 yrs
  - + Sam Ryder- 5th year in a row qualified for FedEx Cup playoffs

See enclosed Sampling of Adam Schriber's Students

Two amateur students/clients qualified for the USGA Amateur Four Ball Championship, including finishing first in their Regional Qualifier.

For the second time, I was asked by University of Texas Director of Golf John Fields—2022 National Coach of the Year <https://texassports.com/news/2022/6/24/mens-golf-john-fields-named-golfweeks-mens-national-coach-of-the-year.aspx> — to work with a talented but underperforming member of the team. The player responded well and earned his first 3 starts for the team that eventually won the 2022 NCAA Division 1 National Championship, with my student also earning a place on the All-Big 12 Conference Academic team. [The first Univ. of Texas player I coached was Kramer Hickok, now on the PGA Tour.]

LochenHeath GC—continued with member instruction.

REVENUE. Total Instruction Revenue for the year exceeded \$300,000.

#### INNOVATIVE TECHNIQUES & TECHNOLOGIES/CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

My approach to instruction is grounded in establishing in each student a sound understanding of the biomechanical fitness necessary for superior results in golf, and tailoring instruction techniques as the student improves his/her own biomechanical fitness. Much of the background can be viewed at my Instructional website which includes over 200 videos.—  
[www.tourprepgolf.com](http://www.tourprepgolf.com)

I continue to dedicate my continuous professional improvement to deepening my knowledge of biomechanics, patterns of movement and athletic performance, and sharing it with/collaborating with/learning from other Top Instructors. In 2022 this included the following

on-going consultation on ground forces in the golf swing, and 3 D motion capture technology, with GASP force plate system certifications with Prof. Mike Duffey of Penn State University and the U.S Olympic Committee.

<https://golfsciencelab.com/practical-application-biomechanics/>

Four (4) explanatory videos can be viewed at <https://golf.psu.edu> <https://www.linkedin.com/in/mike-duffey-ab09b56/> Also <https://www.gaspsystems.com/certifications>

on-going collaboration with fellow Top 100 Instructor Chris Como (Golf Channel- Swing Expedition series) including GASP force plates and other technology at his “Living Room Lab” studio with Bryson DeChambeau. I take several of my students to this facility a number of times/year to teach collaboratively with Chris. Check out these youtube videos in links in the APPENDIX -- VIDEO Link #1 Como's Living Room Lab-Dr Mike Duffy, Adam Schriber, Chris Como, and my PGA Tour students/clients Sam Ryder and David Lipsky.

VIDEO Link #2 Como's Living Room Lab PGA Coach Adam Schriber and PGA Player David Lipsky

“Understanding Player Patterns”, a podcast with Tony Ruggiero [Golf Digest Top 50 Teachers, Golf Magazine Top 100 Instructors] which is available on The Tour Coach Podcast, on iTunes, Soundcloud, etc  
<https://soundcloud.com/user-386281725/adam-schriber-what-you-need-to-do-to-be-good-at-playing-and-coaching>

Sportsbox.ai—This innovative technology emerged in 2022, and I was in the launch group of Golf Instructors field testing it with students and providing feedback to Sportsbox. The technology is styled “ 3D Motion Capture in the Palm of your Hands”, because it uses cell phone technology to capture 3D video of player swings, to be used for training and instruction. Many coaches are familiar with GEARS, which delivers 3 D images through a network of multiple cameras—indoors— at a cost of \$50,000 and more. Sportsbox provides the same approach through I-phones at a fraction of the cost, both indoor and outdoor. I provided the Sportsboxtechnology to my Tour players and a number of amateurs, we used it in training and instruction. I provided feedback to Sportsbox leadership, and participated in several webinars.

This collaborative approach has been a longstanding, consistent theme in my Instruction Journey—learning better practices from peers and sharing my knowledge with all interested coaches/instructors. Here is one early example that still resonates-

Apple podcast with Mark Immelman

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ke/podcast/adam-schriber-on-activating-the-power-source-in-the/id1096925460?i=1000457173166>

High Pointe GC 2022. I joined the team reviving High Pointe Golf Club, Tom Doak’s legendary first solo design in Traverse City, MI. High Pointe was a public course that earned Top 100 Ranking by Golf Magazine 1993-99. Unfortunately HPGC was a victim of the

2008-09 Great Recession, closed its doors, and the property was sold, with the front 9 used in a hops farm. The back 9 lay in-tact but unused for several years. Private developer Mr. Rod Trump (no relation to the ex-President) who purchased the site, and Mr. Doak, are reviving HPGC with 6 holes from the back 9 along with 12 new ones designed by Mr. Doak on adjacent property. The project is currently late in the local government permitting process.

I am developing an Instruction Academy for the new High Pointe, to be known as the "The Lab", with state-of-the-art technology and methods. We are developing a special world class facility, culture and environment. Focus will be on fitness/golf training/performance/recovery, where nothing will hold back a player from achieving their goals, and where coaches/instructors and other industry leaders can collaborate and innovate. Top 100 Instructor Chris Como is assisting me in the effort.  
<https://www.traverseticker.com/news/the-return-of-high-pointe-golf-club/>

Youth Golf & Not-For-Profit. In 2020, I founded Make a Difference Golf, [MAD Golf] as a Michigan Not-for Profit corporation with the following purpose:

"youth golf and fitness education, instruction, training, and competition, exclusively for charitable, educational, scientific, fostering amateur sports competitions purposes under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future tax code"

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I was also honored to be ranked again by Golf Magazine as a Top 100 Teacher (continuously since 2009) <https://golf.com/instruction/golf-magazine-top-100-teachers/> and Best Teacher in Michigan by Golf Digest for 2022-23. <https://www.golfdigest.com/story/best-teachers-state-ranking>

#### APPENDIX:

I am not sure all the links provided will come through in making the input to the Michigan PGA Form. They are repeated here for completeness.

#### VIDEO LINK #1

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KehyZv-Ddbc>

Como's Living Room Lab—Adam Schriber, Chris Como, Dr. Mike Duffey, David Lipsky, Sam Ryder

#### VIDEO LINK #2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQLufxJ190o>

Como's Living Room Lab PGA Coach Adam Schriber and PGA Player David Lipsky

## VIDEO LINKs

Dr Mike Duffey, Professor Penn State University—Ground Forces in Golf and other Sports  
<https://www.linkedin.com/in/mike-duffy-ab09b56/>

<https://www.gaspsystems.com/certifications>

<https://golf.psu.edu>

Podcast- Tony Ruggiero -The Tour Coach, with Adam Schriber

<https://podcasts.apple.com/be/podcast/adam-schriber-what-you-need-to-do-to-be-good-at-playing/id1448181884?i=1000564187147>

<https://www.traverseticker.com/news/the-return-of-high-pointe-golf-club/>

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Document 2. Adam Schriber's Bio/Profile ( long form)

ADAM SCHRIBER [\*Golf & Golf Digest Logos did not transfer to this Form].  
 PROFILE (long form)

Executive Summary: Adam Schriber is recognized by peers and multiple golf media\* as one of the top 100 instructors across the globe, and a pioneer in the integration of fitness, biomechanical-influenced instruction, and digital technology tools.  
[adamschribergolf@gmail.com](mailto:adamschribergolf@gmail.com)

10 years as Director of Instruction-USA for the David Leadbetter Golf Academies.

Adam's students achieved an astonishing 100% college golf scholarship rate while at Castle Hills in Dallas, producing 3 NCAA Div 1 All-Americans, including US Womens Open Champion Brittany Lang.

Family returned Adam to Michigan where he lead instruction programs to new levels at Crystal Mountain Resort, High Pointe GC, the Kingsley Club, and LochenHeath Golf Club, where he continues today as Director-Instruction. Adam was Michigan PGA Instructor of the Year in 2018.

In response to rising demand, Adam began working with players seeking to qualify for PGA Tours, perform at a high level to stay on Tour, or to achieve a return to Tour playing privileges. More than 70% of Mr. Schriber's students have secured status on PGA or LPGA-Sanctioned Tours Adam's alumni have been multiple winners on Tour, members of Ryder, President, Solheim, Curtis and Walker Cups, ranked in top 10 in World Rankings, the World's # 1 ranked Amateur player and multiple College and AJGA All-Americans. Learn more at Adam Schriber's Students- a Sampling.

Adam's holds a B.S. (Business) Ferris State Univ/PGA of America Professional Golf Management Program.

Career History: Mr Schriber's lifelong commitment to golf started early, caddying and playing in tournaments in Florida. Adam graduated from the PGA of America Golf Management University Program at Ferris State University in Michigan, B.S (Business).  
<https://www.pga.org/membership/universi-typrogram/> Adam has been a PGA member since 1987; a Michigan PGA Member since 2002.



After graduation from Ferris, Adam pursued a playing career, rising to the PGA Nationwide Tour [now known as PGA Tour Korn Ferry], and the PGA Tour. Injuries derailed Adam's playing career, and his focus evolved to teaching, with emphasis on golf fitness and biomechanical performance.

1991-2001. When legendary golf instructor David Leadbetter started Leadbetter Golf Academy, Adam Schriber was among his initial hires. Leadbetter Academies eventually grew to 135 instructors at 27 sites worldwide. Over 10 years Adam rose quickly to Director of Instruction for all the USA locations. In 2001 Mr Leadbetter sold the USA business to what became IMG Golf Academies, and Adam struck out on his own in instruction, technology, fitness and golf management.

2001-04. Adam served as Director of Golf and Instruction at The Landmark Academy by Performax, and Director of Golf Applications for Skill Technologies 3 D Motion Analysis Systems. Adam's instructional and management skills helped turn around the fortunes of Roaring Fork Golf Club - Aspen, CO and Castle Hills - Dallas TX. In Dallas, Adam revitalized an Arnold Palmer Golf Academy, added golf for PE credit in local schools, and achieved an astonishing 100% college golf scholarship rate, producing 3 NCAA Div 1 All-Americans, including US Women's Open Champion Brittany Lang.

This was also the time when Adam began working with a young Anthony Kim, who rocketed to the top of Junior Golf (AJGA), All-American status at the Univ. of Oklahoma, and the PGA Tour. In 6 short years, Mr Kim won 3 times on Tour, had 22 top 10 finishes, earned over \$12 million, and helped lead USA teams to winning Walker Cup, Ryder Cup and President Cup victories. Unfortunately, a serious injury cut short his stellar playing career, but Mr. Schriber continues with Mr. Kim as Instructor and Friend. See enclosed Sampling of Adam Schriber's Students.

2005-2011 For family reasons, Mr. Schriber relocated to Michigan, where he lead instruction programs to new levels at Crystal Mountain Resort, High Pointe GC and The Kingsley Club in Northern Michigan.

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Adam's Tour Prep Golf (TPG) and affiliation with LochenHeath GC continues today. Many of Adam's methods and techniques are available at his web site [www.tourprepgolf.com](http://www.tourprepgolf.com)

A sampling of Adam Schriber's current students is enclosed.

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### TESTIMONIALS

—Anthony Kim, 3 Time PGA Tour Winner; #3 World Rankings; 4 time NCAA All American

“Adam Schriber’s instruction and training is how I built my golf swing. Schribes’ is the program if you want to get stronger, faster, and more flexible while you learn to swing the club. It’s like Schriber always told me; you don’t have to do it. You will only do it if you want to find out how good you can be!”

—Chris Como, No. 9 Best Teachers in USA (Golf Digest) Former Coach-Tiger Woods. Host-Golf Channel’s “Swing Expedition”

“Adam Schriber is one of my first mentors and helped light a passion in me for teaching and using golf to help others when I was around 19. I use to drive from LA to Palm Springs regularly to watch him teach at Desert Willow. It was amazing to me how easily he made changes and how creatively he communicated to students by tapping into their athleticism. He developed Anthony Kim starting at 13 and helped him become one of the best players in the world using this overall philosophy...There is so much gold in his work and ideas and I highly recommend anyone to check out his new website and program. He has been a great friend and a huge influence for me as a coach and IMOP one of the best teachers in the world. “

— David Leadbetter-David Leadbetter Golf Academies No. 5 Best Teacher in America (Golf Digest)

“I have known Adam for many years and he is one of the best teachers to come through our stable,” Leadbetter said. “Adam is extremely knowledgeable, passionate, and has great communication skills. He has taught all levels of players...a tremendous asset to LochenHeath.”

\* Golf Magazine Top 100 Instructors; Golf Digest #1 Instructor in Michigan

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Document 3 Adam Schriber's Students -A Sampling

#### ADAM SCHRIBER'S STUDENTS

A Sampling ...

Anthony Kim

4 PGA Tour wins; # 3 World Rankings. Earned over \$12.2m as pro  
Member of victorious Ryder Cup, Presidents Cup, Walker Cup teams  
3 time NCAA All American; 4 time AJGA All American

Sam Ryder

PGA Tour, PGA Tour Korn Ferry, PGA Tour Canada  
PGA Tour FedEx Cup Playoffs - 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022  
earned over \$5m on Tour to date. #1 Ball Striking PGA Tour his Rookie Year  
7 NCAA wins, incl Atlantic Sun Conf. Championship-Stetson University

J.J Spaun

3 Professional Tour wins, earning over \$8.5m career earnings to date  
qualified for Fex Ex Cup playoffs 4/5 years on Tour  
2x NCAA D-1 All Mountain West Conf. Team/ Player of the Year

Kelly Kraft

over \$5.3m PGA Tour career earnings. 4x-Fed Ex Cup Playoffs '17;'18'19;'22  
 Tour Major Medical Extension/surgery '21-'22  
 Won 2011 U.S. Amateur Championship. Member 2011 Walker Cup Team  
 1 win PGA Tour Korn Ferry - Chitimacha Louisiana Open  
 Won '11 Trans-Mississippi Amateur; 2x winner Texas State Amateur; 4 NCAA wins

David Lipsky

3 Pro victories: 2 wins European PGA Tour; 1 win PGA Tour Korn Ferry  
 earned over \$6 million in pro career  
 earned PGA Tour Card 2021-22 via #10 2020-21 PGA Tour Korn Ferry Points list  
 qualified for Fed Ex Cup playoffs in rookie year 2022  
 NCAA All-American Northwestern University, Big Ten Champion

Jonas Blixt

3 time winner on PGA Tour  
 over \$10.2m in career PGA Tour earnings  
 NCAA All American at Florida State University. Native of Sweden.

Evan Harmeling

Winner on PGA Tour Korn Ferry & PGA Tour Latinoamerica.  
 Earned a car with hole-in-one at VISA Open de Argentina. Gave car to his caddie.  
 All-Ivy Conference- Princeton University (Captain)

Chris Baker

PGA Tour, PGA Korn Ferry Tour, European Challenge Tour, PGA Tour LatinoAmerica  
 5 professional wins; over \$1.2m career earnings, incl. European Challenge Tour Moroccan Golf Classic  
 Iowa State University All American, All Big 12 Conference

Prior Students....

Brandel Chamblee

4 professional wins incl. PGA Tour Over \$4m pro career earnings  
 3 time All American University of Texas  
 Current Golf Channel Analyst

David Chung

Ranked # 1 World Amateur Rankings (Stanford University)  
 Won Western Amateur, North & South Amateur, Porter Cup  
 Runner-up US Amateur-USGA, earning Masters & US Open invites

Candi Kung

5 time LPGA winner  
 US Amateur Public Links Champion-USGA  
 2 time NCAA All-American - University of Southern California . AJGA- POY

Morgan Pressel

Won LPGA Major at age 18 [Dinah Shore-Kraft Nabisco]  
 2 LPGA Tour wins out of 5 pro wins. Achieved # 4 World Rankings  
 6 time member Solheim Cup. AJGA-POY

Brittany Lang (with C.J. Geocks)

Won US Womens Open- USGA 5 Solheim Cup Teams. Curtis Cup team  
 Won Western Amateur, North & South Amateur, Trans National Amateur  
 Atlantic Coast Conference-POY (Duke University)- won 6 times in 2 years  
 Won 8 AJGA Tournaments; 2 time Polo Junior All American

Angela Park  
5 times AJGA Winner  
2007 LPGA Rookie of the Year  
earned over \$2 M career pro earnings

Irene Cho  
3 times NCAA All American - University of Southern California  
Honda Award—top collegiate golfer  
7 years on LPGA Tour

Amy Hung  
won 50 Junior & Amateur tournaments  
Won RO China Ladies Open as an amateur  
7 years on LPGA Tour earning over \$1.3m

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Name of Nominee: \*

Brandon Roby

Award Nominated for: \*

Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Cascade Hills Country Club

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2004

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

My name is Brandon Roby. I have been a Teacher and Assistant Golf Professional in Michigan for eighteen years and a Director of Instruction at Cascade Hills Country Club for nine years. My passion for teaching and knowledge for the golf swing has led me to seek out and work with some of the best professionals around the nation. I believe that every player has an opportunity to learn and grow in the game of golf.

I am truly invested in all my players and I want to take them to the next level whether that be to compete competitively or learn to hit more fairways. I have had 16 players reach the College ranks and even taken one to a Major with the PGA Championships in back to back years. This year I have taught over 1800 hours in lessons and have developed a group coaching format that I see over 100 people per week. I have always tried to be as available to my students as much as I can, this is why I continue with my own golf App.

My teaching philosophy is pretty simple, treat everyone differently as not everyone is created equally.

I am truly honored to be nominated for Teacher of the Year and thank you for taking time to read my bio.

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Name of Nominee: \*

Bret Hartman

Award Nominated for: \*

MI PGA Teacher and Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Rick Smith Golf Academy at Oakland University

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2006

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

I would like to thank all of you for reading my bio and achievements/accomplishments as you consider me for MI PGA Teacher and Coach of the year. I have over 20 yrs of teaching experience and have been a PGA member in the MI section ever since I graduated from the Ferris State PGM program in 2006. While there I graduated on the national deans list and was a member of the FSU golf team. I have been the Head of Instruction for the Rick Smith Golf Academy at Oakland University for over a decade and this year was the most challenging after losing 2 full-time instructors after the season started. However, I was able to still achieve the same amount of lesson revenue as previous years by working 100+ hours a week. I was tweaking and creating instructional programs, hiring part time help, and teaching more than I thought I was physically/mentally capable of. I was still able to run all the same programs and even added in new custom golf schools and corporate instruction. I hired and trained part-time help so the group programs were successful and to help take on new private lesson inquires.

After building up a very sought after golf academy the past 10 years the phone is ringing off the hook, the programs are full and I need to keep hiring additional instructors. I try hard every year to put my instructors in a position to have the best financial situation possible along with equipment staff deals, apparel and fringe benefits. This season my lesson book was full 4-6 weeks in advance and my touring professionals had to fly in to see me in MI because I was so busy and was committed to fulfill all the lessons inquiries at the Rick Smith Golf Academy and lesson requests from the OU membership and guests.

1. Overall Impact on teaching/coaching at the candidate's facility to include number/hours of lessons/clinics and dollars generated.

As the Head of Instruction my overall impact was substantial. I have hired and trained every instructor at the RSGA at OU, but this season my impact really was everything. I lost two full time instructors in the end of April/early May and it was just me. I had built up a busy sought after academy so the phone was ringing off the hook, but my lesson book was already full and I had no instructors. So that's how I can confidently say my impact was everything to the facility. This year I worked 50 -100 hours a week depending on the week. The Academy is on pace to match or exceed last years total lesson revenue of \$102K and the 2 full time instructors that were gone, generated 55% of that lesson revenue. So I stepped up even more!

I worked all junior camps and our 8-wk junior league, that I have not done in years. I was slammed 8-12hrs a day teaching private and group lessons, golf schools, charity outings, corporate clinics, playing lessons and club fittings. I also sold over \$10K in club sales. I taught more hours than I ever have in my 20+ years teaching. All of this was on top of creating programs, shooting lesson videos, hiring/training, payroll, meetings, updating websites, and other managerial tasks. So I think my impact was substantial. We are on pace to exceed \$100k in total revenue and I would be responsible for roughly 80% of that revenue. I would like to thank my new part-time PGA Teaching Professional, Brian Moore for helping me make this season a success.

Lastly, I believe having tour players and top junior players in the state coming to take lessons from me positively impacts the facility. This year my student won the girls regionals as a sophomore with a 31-39 (-2). She was shooting in the low 80's and after 5 lessons this year she is challenging to beat par now when she tee's it up. I have also helped Birmingham Seaholm go on win the state title. Willy Pumarol from the PGA Latino tour, started working with me and then won 5 times, which then qualified him for his first PGA Tour event in the Dominican Republic. I have many other student success stories, but being trusted by Tour players and top youth talent to maximize their potential does positively impact the Rick Smith Golf Academy and Oakland University.

2. Unusual, innovative or special teaching programs initiated or implemented.

I initiated almost every program at the RSGA, along with online lesson booking to eliminate the need/cost for a shop assistant and so the instructors can focus on teaching and not scheduling. From successful junior programs to golf schools to custom private group lessons, an innovative money making mindset was taking the initiative to create a corporate outing instructional program that was included as an option, every Monday at the club. To really increase revenue to big dollars, group instruction has to be maximized because you're making more money and reaching more students in less time. I also did test out small group semi-private lessons, where you get 3-6 students for a 2-hour block and charge them 75% of a 1-hour private lesson. My feedback on this was extremely positive and I am going to advertise and run many more of them next season. As the instructor you get to impact and teach more students. The students get a price discount, they spend more time at your facility practicing under PGA Professional Guidance, it creates a more fun and engaging group atmosphere and the Instructor/facility make more \$ per hour. It's a win-win!



Another innovate lesson avenue I started using this year is virtual and video analysis. It has lower costs and can be used for students who are out of state or can't come in for a lesson. I have instructions for my students on how and where to shoot down-the-line and face-on videos from and how to send it to me. From there, I analyze it and send back a video with voice over explaining what needs to be corrected along with some drills. I am going to launch this on a bigger scale on my website where I can refer them to specific video's on my website lesson library. This innovative and virtual technique is going to allow me to bring in residual income by charging them a monthly membership fee to assess all my lesson videos online via my website. My website has also brought in a lot of new business because I invest money to have it appear on the first page of a browser search. I believe investing in yourself is always the best play, before you invest your money elsewhere.

### 3. Instructional articles, videos or publications written or produced.

I have done all the above including radio and commercial. They all have been very successful, but serve different purposes and reach different audiences. I believe written articles, posting videos, running commercials, creating a website, using digital and social media platforms are keys to constantly growing your student base and increasing revenue streams. It also allows you to reach those that you cant see in person or who are working with another instructor and want to discretely get your opinion. It helps grow your brand and most importantly grows the game with the guidance and knowledge of a PGA Professional, instead of all the other questionable information that's out there. Below are some of the things I have done and what I have found to be successful in each category.

#### Instructional Articles:

I have posted written articles with demonstration pictures around my facility in high traffic areas, in news articles, email blasts and on my website. I found that in order to be successful this content has to true for every player and has to be very fundamentally simple with pictures if possible. The topics I used were: how to set up a practice station for proper alignment and ball position, how to take proper divots on the range, learn from your divot pattern, drills for proper body motion, sequence of motion drills, chipping fundamentals, rules and etiquette to name a few. I laminate them and post them on the range and bulletin boards around the facility. I also send them electronically in membership newsletters, monthly student emails, social media and my website [www.brethartmangolf.net](http://www.brethartmangolf.net). However, it's typically best to post videos when using social media, website and other digital platforms.

#### Instructional Videos:

I have done a ton of instructional videos that I have posted on Youtube, social media, monthly newsletters to our membership and on my website. This year, I shot a series of instructional videos covering the fundamentals of setup, grip, backswing, downswing, impact, and follow-through. Additionally, I included videos on chipping, pitching, bunker play, putting, how to fix a slice/hook, impact drills, specialty shots, increasing clubhead speed, and many others. These are and will continue to be posted on my website under the video lessons page and anyone can view them for free right now. However, I am going to start charging small monthly membership fee to view all of these video's and give them an option to purchase a video analysis lesson at a fraction of the cost of an in-person lesson. You can view all these videos at [www.brethartmangolf.net](http://www.brethartmangolf.net)

#### Commercials/Publications:

I shot a chipping instructional commercial for 'live long live well' that aired on PBS. Now it has 1.4 million views on Youtube. There is the link <https://youtu.be/oM5l-Wlyu8A>.

I also did a instructional bunker video for a local new channel commercial. Now it posted on Youtube at this link: <https://youtu.be/aoeDd0BmON4>.

Multiple times on was on WJR with Beckman talking golf instruction tips for the local amateurs both at Oakland Hills CC and at Oakland University.

I did a commercial with Rick Smith for Voice Caddie that was shot at Desert Mountain in Carefree, AZ. It was then aired on the Golf Channel.

### 4. Examples of innovative techniques/technologies used or specialty certifications that enhance the candidate's programs, lessons and ability as an instructor.

I believe being innovative and using the best technologies is key to staying current with the changing times in this digital world. I

have listed about a new things that would also fit in this category, but here is a lot more that I have not listed that I have done to become the best instructor possible;

I use Trackman and video analysis, along with top training aids in all my lessons and club fittings. I am a certified club fitter for Titleist, Taylor Made and Callaway. I am a certified coach on PGA.coach and I would encourage everyone to do so since it has brought in new business and costs nothing. I also think its important to keep my game as sharp as I can because students do like it when I demonstrate as well as impress them during lessons. I compete every year in our Chapter and section events and share those experiences with my students. Additionally, I share the advice and experiences I have had through training touring professionals. In doing so it helps solidify my abilities/knowledge and illustrate my understanding of the pressure that comes with tournament play, both mentally and physically. As a result, I can help them overcome roadblocks.

#### 5. Continued education and training in the area of golf instruction.

I always will continue to educate and train my expertise in the area of golf instruction, technologies, equipment, body movement/fitness/flexibility, mental approach, course management, managerial and communication skills. This January I attended the PGA Merchandise show in Orlando, FL to continue to grow my knowledge as Head of Instruction, as well as section and chapter meetings/seminars. I also attended equipment/product seminars from top manufacturers Taylor Made and Callaway. I really get a lot of continued education by shadowing in person lessons from top instructors Rick Smith and Butch Harmon. I have been on the PGA Tour many times as an instructor/player support. From my student participating or Rick Smith bringing in my younger years. Every time I learn a ton! I even learn from some of my veteran students on the PGA Tour, PGA Champions Tour or PGA Latino Tour. They have great knowledge and experience that they share and I am thankful that I am apart of that circle. I have letters of recommendation from those top players and instructors in case it is needed for this prestigious award. Those names include, Rocco Mediate, Gary Nicolaus, Willy Pumarol, Rick Smith, Tyler McCumber, Rory Sabatini, and Brian Moore who has worked at many top Golf Academies around the country. With that being said, I would like to thank all the PGA Teachers/Professionals around the globe and most importantly my fellow Michigan PGA Professionals that have helped me become the successful PGA Teacher and Coach that I am today. I appreciate your time for reading my bio for the MI PGA Teacher and Coach of year award and will be forever appreciative for your vote. Your are always welcome to give me a call or come up to RSGA at OU if you ever need anything. I am always here and happy to help any of my fellow MI PGA professional colleagues!

Practice With a Purpose,

Bret Hartman, PGA  
Head of Instruction & Operations  
Rick Smith Golf Academy  
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Cell: 248-459-0488  
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#### Awards & Recognition:

Competed in 2012 PGA National Championship  
8 Professional victories  
Certified Titleist & Taylormade Club Fitter  
Video Analysis & Launch Monitor Specialist

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Email \*

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Name of Nominee: \*

Daniel William Lock

Award Nominated for: \*

2023Teacher & Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Lock Golf Academy @ Teacher and CoaTanglewood Golf Club

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2019

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

- Overall impact on teaching/coaching at the candidate's facility to include number/hours of lessons/clinics and dollars generated
- 595 Private Half Hour and Hour Lessons generated \$48732
- 17 Indoor One Hour Lessons Generated \$2543
- 170 Outdoor Group Lessons Generated \$17500

Often regarded as the hardest-working professional my students have worked with, my drive to help others in the game of golf keeps me energized to put in the hours and help people succeed. Thus far in 2022, I have invested in 170 golf students through a variety of group programs including 5 Get Golf Ready courses, 5 women-specific clinics, 3 Junior Fundamental courses, 2 Junior PGA Par Classes, 2 before and after school programs for Novi Middle School, and 1 Power and Drive Clinic. In addition to establishing these highly sought-after group programs, I have advanced the skills of 611 golfers of all ages during personalized 30 and 60 minutes lessons.

Looking back, I was fortunate to grow up in a family of accomplished golf professionals and players. My three mentors not only introduced me to the game of golf but also inspired my deep love of teaching the game. My great-grandfather, PGA Professional William Francis Lock, my grandfather, John Henry Lock, as well as my father, William John Lock spent countless hours supporting my growth and respect for golf. Because of their mentorship, I advanced to playing competitive golf in high school. In addition to school and golf, I also worked as a caddy at Dearborn Country Club for 4 years and played hockey. At the age of 20, I thought a career in engineering with golf as a hobby would be my future. I quickly learned, golf was more than just a hobby for me and that a career in the golf industry was where I belonged.

My hunger for learning the intricate techniques of a successful, well-rounded golf game took over and pushed me to obtain my USGTF Master Certification and PGA Certification. Stopping my education there has never been an option for me. In 2022, I proudly completed the PGA Specialized Professional Program in the specialty of Teaching and Coaching. With these certifications along with the other rigorous requirements met, I will now be starting the Certified Professional Program.

During my education journey, I have remained grateful for the wisdom so many established professionals and players have shared with me. My goal has always been to pass that impact on to my students. The best way I can continue to improve as an instructor and equip my students with winning skills is by staying up to date on all of the industry trends, technologies, and research. For this reason, I took advantage of the American Development Model and Professional Golf Management class as well as the Coach Tools class provided at the 2022 PGA Show. Following industry-leading coaches and renowned players on a variety of internet platforms also helps quench my thirst for new coaching techniques.

- Unusual, Innovative or special teaching programs initiated or implemented.

-Get Golf Ready 1&2 – Level 1 Aimed at bringing new people to the game. 5 sessions including on-course instruction. In 2022 I created a level two Get Golf Ready for people that have taken level 1 and are looking for more advanced instruction.

-Jr Fundamentals – Aimed at getting kids of all age's interested in the game as non-experienced JR. 4 sessions. To make golf available to as many children as possible, our before and after school program is provided at a reduced rate.

-Golf provides an outlet for our juniors while teaching them not only a sport, but also honesty, respect, and integrity. Lock Golf Academy has opened its doors to host the children of Novi Middle School. After-school programs aimed at getting kids trained in the basics of golf. Many kids in this program have gone on to play on the high school teams as Freshmen that have been involved. 6 sessions

-South Lyon Girls & Boys Golf Team Summer Camps. Designed to help incoming freshmen and new golfers get ready for the season at the high school level. 10 sessions. The reason that I donate my time to assist the high school coaches is because of the restrictions that are placed on the coaches during the off-season. Because of my competitive nature, I find it rewarding to see these kids grow in the game of golf and compete. Hopefully, we are developing future PGA professionals and members.

-Par Club Jr PGA Golf Academy. Designed for kids that have some experience or advanced kids. The course includes Range and on-course instruction. 5 Sessions

-2 Person, 3 Person, 4 Person Semi-Private Lessons. Designed because of covid to put small groups and families in a more

controlled setting because of covid 19. This was very successful over the last couple of seasons. Because of this type of lesson it provides friends and family to take lessons at an affordable rate, they may have not taken otherwise.

· Instructional articles, videos, or publications written or produced.

-14 Video's Produced for web use either through our website, youtube, or student use for the 2022 season.

Recognizing my ability to share a wealth of knowledge and insights, I have also published coaching videos on YouTube. Designed to target any audience member interested in getting started in the sport, my videos are welcoming and offer introductory to advance pointers. Thus far my golf career in-person lessons and clinics have been my priority, but looking ahead, Lock Golf Academy's web presence will be growing.

Hold, Hold hit drill. Drills help students get the feeling of not early releasing the hands at impact and rotation of the lower body so that the club will not early release in the downswing  
<https://youtu.be/k6q-qjSYrEY>

Extension Drill, Drill Helps with creating better extension through the ball after impact. A very good drill for practicing hitting a ball off a tee for par threes.  
<https://youtu.be/qQR2nedQ5qY>

Takeaway Drill, Drill helps get the club started back in the correct location. So the club goes up the swing plain. Helps with teaching a one-piece takeaway.  
<https://youtu.be/sW0tiDiO-Z0>

Split Hand Drill. Drill Helps with Keeping Lag in the downswing and helps with the connectivity of the trailing arm in the backswing. Helps with body rotation  
[https://youtu.be/Feq\\_VaL022Q](https://youtu.be/Feq_VaL022Q)

Push Drill Putting, Drill helps with extension after impact and following through to the hole. Helps to create a long follow-through after the impact.  
<https://youtu.be/5gvxPgN-DbY>

The left Arm Support drill, Helps Students with the motion of extension of the left arm at impact and helps with keeping the arm extended and releasing at Impact  
[https://youtu.be/0M9\\_8D\\_MEVQ](https://youtu.be/0M9_8D_MEVQ)

The Knock Down Drill, Drill Helps with early extension in the downswing and or early release. Also helps students feel what proper hand-forward contact should feel like. Also, help promote lower body rotation.  
<https://youtu.be/-pPNiY0lrw0>

Driver Stop Drill, This video helps you gain club head control with the driver and helps square the club at impact, and helps students stop their hands and release the club at impact.  
<https://youtu.be/p2IMbkzHgKI>

Ladder Putting Drill, Putting Ladder Drill to help create excellent distance control for putting.  
<https://youtu.be/vEwk0pANfAc>

Inside Chipping Drill, Drills that can be performed indoors that will help your chipping Drill created during Covid last year to help people practice indoors  
<https://youtu.be/2gJdFhAdo9A>

Inside Putting Drills, Drills to help your putting that can be performed indoors in the winter time.  
<https://youtu.be/VEeMR--NRf8>

Split Hand Drill Two, Drill helps create a good impact position and body rotation. Also helps feel connectivity with the trailing arm in the backswing.  
<https://youtu.be/6NJd7kCgH98>

Hinge & Hold Drill, Drill is a great way to improve the consistency of your chip shots.  
<https://youtu.be/pPORXHSGlp4>

Full swing drills can be done Inside. Drills to help your full swing that can be performed indoors  
<https://youtu.be/v9LpCK0MIh8>

Continued Education and training in the area of golf instruction.

Most valuable to me, are the lessons I am constantly learning from my students. Exploring the unique personalities of each individual and their golf swing has taught me more than I could have ever asked for. Learning a new successful adjustment from one student and applying it to another to see immediate happiness resulting from a powerful more consistent swing is a driving force in my daily work.

To better understand each individual's differing abilities to learn and progress I have implemented the use of TrackMan technologies into all of my teachings. The learning process is accelerated through the establishment of a perfect set-up position. We then work to perfect a swing that compliments the student's body type and time commitment to practicing the preferred swing. Using the Trackman video analysis system and training aids they will hear and feel what is being taught. To further the process, we conduct an in-depth review of their slow-motion swing video and TrackMan report.

Beyond implementing the advanced benefits of TrackMan, my students gain a unique combination of assets at Lock Golf Academy, both coaching and additional practice time. In 2020, I purchased the range at Tanglewood Golf Club to serve as the home for my academy and as an added perk for my students. While the successful range has grown in popularity with the public, it has also served as an open space for my students to gather, meet fellow passionate players, and share their successes. It is home to all ages and skill levels truly enjoying the game of golf together.

Building this strong golf community starts with instilling the values of golf in our youth. I strive to impact my local juniors in the same way my great-grandfather, grandfather, and father impacted me. Golf provides an outlet for our juniors while teaching them not only a sport, but also honesty, respect, and integrity. Lock Golf Academy has opened its doors to host the children of Novi Middle School. To make golf available to as many children as possible, our before and after school program is provided at a reduced rate. During both fall and spring semesters, enthusiastic juniors are introduced to golf and grow their love of the game through captivating clinics.

My enthusiasm to help people is clear in my work. Seeing others celebrating their golf successes and being proud of their growth gives me the utmost happiness. No one understands this more than my wife, Liz. An active contributor to running the business, Liz provides constant strength and support to grow Lock Golf Academy. Her strength is empowering, it is also the reason we focus on contributing to multiple breast cancer non-profits. Through tournament sponsorship and innovative audience capturing we raised \$1,100 in a single day for the "inflammatory breast cancer". In support of breast cancer awareness month, we are donating a portion of all lessons to "The Pink Fund".

During my education journey, I have remained grateful for the wisdom so many established professionals and players have shared with me. My goal has always been to pass that impact on to my students. The best way I can continue to improve as an instructor and equip my students with winning skills is by staying up to date on all of the industry trends, technologies, and research. For this reason, I took advantage of the American Development Model and Professional Golf Management class as well as the Coach Tools class provided at the 2022 PGA Show. Following industry-leading coaches and renowned players on a variety of internet platforms also helps quench my thirst for new coaching techniques.

#### 2022 Education Accomplishments

American Development Model  
PGA Specialized  
Trackman Master Certification

Throughout this bio, I have shared the various parts of coaching golf that inspire my passion the most. I proudly founded Lock Golf Academy In 2010 and started out doing lessons on a part-time basis. This foundation was built on the pursuit to influence individuals in the same way four generations of influential professionals and players motivated me. Now, this thriving golf community providing sold-out group programs and year-over-year individual lesson growth shows proof of my commitment to expanding my personal education, the implementation of industry-leading technologies, and my unending dedication to my students. I cannot express how thankful I am for this prestigious nomination, but it still pales in comparison to the excitement I

experience every day when yet another one of my students jumps for joy after feeling a perfect swing.

“He who dares to teach must never cease to learn.” – John Cotton Dana.

Thank You for your consideration.

Kind Regards,

Dan Lock

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Email \*

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Name of Nominee: \*

Edward Laprade

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher and Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Bay Meadows Family Golf Course

Year Elected to Membership: \*

1997



Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

I have been teaching players of every level for over 25 years, 23 at Crystal Mountain Resort and now at Bay Meadows Family Golf Course. I have taught high level players, including a High school State Champion and Division 1 College players, but my bread and butter is working with average players. Throughout my career I have sought out the best teachers and players to learn from. I have had the pleasure of working for two Michigan Section Teacher of the Year winners (Charles Vandenberg, Brad Dean) and one National Teacher of the Year (Mike Hebron) as well as taking lessons from and observing two other National Teacher of the Year recipients (Mike Bender, Dr. Jim Suttie). My biggest influence has been the 21 MORAD teaching seminars (3 day and 7 day) I have taken over the last 20 years with Mac O'Grady. Taking the time and expense to travel and learn is very important in improving as an instructor and player. All of this has helped me compete in Section and Chapter events and win three Northern Chapter Assistants Championships. 2022 was incredible year for me with 46 golf schools (3 day, 2 day, and 3 day Women Only classes) and countless private lessons. The golf school's numbers were up even over last year's record year. Technology such as Trackman 4, V1 video and K-vest are integral to my teaching and now that I am at Bay Meadows Family Golf Course I will be able to teach all year round. I believe to be a good instructor one must know the swing mechanics extremely well. Everything starts there. Also excellent communication skills are a must. It is important that the instructor can demonstrate what he is explaining on the range and course alike. One of the most important elements of our instruction is the on-course part of the school where we go on the course and work on real world situations. Bay Meadows mantra "Learn, Practice, Play" is a wholistic approach to the game. From there it is all about enthusiasm, patience and fun. Keeping it light with humor really helps! The most important thing is that the student is given clear explanations about what they need to do and that it is accurate information that will not harm their game. Being positive and patient is critical. Being selected multiple times on the Golf Digest "Best Teachers in State" list was a nice feather in my cap but being Michigan Section Teacher of the Year would truly be an honor. Sincerely, Edward A. Laprade

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Email \*

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Name of Nominee: \*

Ian Hughes

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher and Coach of Year

Facility Employed at: \*

GOLFTEC Grand Rapids

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2001

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

I am truly honored to be nominated for the MIPGA TOY award. I am 21 year PGA member who is certified in Teaching and Coaching by the PGA. My primary focus for my entire PGA career has been teaching and coaching – during that time, I have given over 21,000 hours of lessons. Currently, GOLF Digest best in state teacher rankings has me at #3.

Overall Impact on teaching/coaching at the candidate's facility to include number/hours of lessons/clinics and dollars generated.

- 10/1/21 to 9/30/22 Facility hours taught up 10% 4774 TY vs 4331 LY
- 10/1/21 to 9/30/22 Revenue(Lessons and custom fit clubs) up 13%
- GOLFTEC GR has given almost 19,000 hours of teaching and coaching since Jan 2017
- Personally responsible for over 1250 hours of teaching and coaching over the last year and over \$220K in revenue
- Grown business over last 5 years – from 2 coaches to 5. Will be adding a second location in GR in early 2023
- Personally given over 21,000 hours of teaching and coaching over 21 years
- GOLFTEC GR named to Golf Digest Best Club Fitters list 2018-2019, 2021-2022

Instructional articles, videos or publications written or produced

- Golf Digest Best Teachers in State 2022-23 Ranked #3 in Michigan
- Oct 2019 - golfdigest.com - Stop giving your buddies terrible advice
- <https://www.golfdigest.com/story/stop-giving-your-buddies-terrible-swing-advice-heres-instruction-that-will-actually-help>
- The Par Plan – contributor April 2013
- Numerous tips for GOLFTEC and my social media channels

Examples of innovative techniques/technologies used or specialty certifications that enhance the candidate's programs, lessons and ability as an instructor

- First GOLFTEC location to start beta testing GOLFTEC's new Optical Motion software. Optical Motion is the first of its kind - a wireless/sensor less 3D motion capture system. Provided feedback on accuracy, ease of use and general trouble shooting to software developers.
- Beta testing new club fitting and putter fitting software for GOLFTEC to help enhance and improve the fitting process – with the goal of helping our students improve faster

Continued education and training in the area of golf instruction

- PGA Certification in Teaching and coaching since 2013
- Education and Employment Committee for IPGA
- Virtual Coach Camp Nov 2020
- GOLF Magazine Top 100 Teachers Summit Nov 2021
- Multiple PGA Teaching and Coaching summits
- Attended classes for AimPoint and TPI

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Email \*

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Name of Nominee: \*

Kelly Sivier

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher/Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Meadowbrook Country Club

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2009

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

PGA Members,

Thank you to all the Michigan section members for your consideration for this award. During my 17 years at Meadowbrook Country Club, I have strived to learn & grow as a teacher through years of education, attending seminars and conferences, perusing the latest in technology advances to better serve my students. In addition to the many hours of private instruction, I have also been able to expand adult player development programs and cultivated our junior program into what I believe is the best in the industry.

Yearly Teaching & Coaching:

- 1250+ hours of yearly Teaching & Coaching Sessions
- Lead Instructor – Spring/Summer/Fall Ladies Player Development Programs – 20-35 participants per program
- Developed award winning Youth Program including:
  - o Future Stars – Ages 5-8 with 24 participants
  - o Junior Development Program (JDP) – Ages 9-14 with 30 participants
  - o Junior Champions – Ages 9-13 – 16 participants
  - o Elite – High School – 12 participants
  - o 2 - PGA Junior League Teams – 23 participants (Instructional Clinics)
  - o JR PAR CLUB Instructional Program – 17 Participants
- Developed a winter golf training program for Men, Ladies & Juniors at a 5,000 Sq foot teaching facility. Participants take part in a seasonal program which includes 3 Trackman systems, V1 Professional, SwingCatlyst, Boditrak, Hackmotion, SAM Putt Lab, SportsBox, MACH 3 Speed Training and many more of the latest training aids available.
- Developed Junior Performance Handbook – essential roadmap to High School, Collegiate golf and beyond

Serve the PGA membership by creating educational opportunities like the Eastern Chapter – Teaching & Coaching Summit (Featured Presenter – Henry Brunton), Hosting Mike Romatowski (Mach 3 speed training) for a PGA member educational day, sat on MI Section Teaching & Coaching Summit panel to discuss favorite training aids, contribute articles for PGA Magazine on junior development and posted ideas to the PGA best practices.

My passion in golf is teaching & coaching and I'm truly fortunate to love going to work every day with the hopes of helping golfers of all abilities achieve their goals. Whether it is Division 1 college players or someone new to the game, my priority is to get them to achieve their personal goals.

Thank you again for your consideration. I am truly grateful to be considered for 2022 Teacher/Coach of the Year.

Regards,

Kelly Sivier, PGA

Meadowbrook Country Club

PGA Teaching Professional

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Email \*

kmartin@pga.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Kyle Martin

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher and Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

The Fortress Golf Course

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2009

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

1. Overall impact on teaching/coaching at the candidate's facility to include number/hours of lessons/clinics and dollars generated.

The Fortress Golf Course has long been a property dedicated to giving back to the game, whether it be through a multitude of Junior Tour events, State Championships, US Adaptive Golf Alliance National Championship, Collegiate events, or any of the clinics and services offered. I came on board in 2015 as the Head Golf Professional. My previous position as Director of Instruction at King Par gave me an opportunity to bring my customer base with me to The Fortress. Setting up for the first two years in a temporary cage, the Board of Directors then gave me the opportunity to design and build out my own custom indoor learning center with V1 and Trackman. I was also able to go through the Titleist Performance Institute for golf fitness and evaluations. Through the last 8 years I have been able to give over 650 lessons a year individually, as well as many junior clinics, adult clinics, Get Golf Ready, Short Game Saturday Clinics, and many other programs. I have had the opportunity to teach over 35 college players including players from the following schools:

- Delta College
- Mott Community College
- Ferris State University
- Saginaw Valley State University
- Western Michigan University
- Grand Valley State University
- Ohio State University
- Roosevelt College
- Albion University
- Rochester College
- Central Michigan University
- Oakland University
- Northwood University
- Northern Michigan University
- Madonna University
- Spring Arbor University
- Michigan State University

Through these experiences I have also worked with the 2021 GAM Player of the Year, 2 players who have had starts on the LPGA Tour, 1 on the PGA Tour, and 1 player on the Finnish National Tour, 1 Michigan Open Winner, 1 GAM Women's Champion, 1 AJGA Champion, and multiple Junior Tour National players.

Below is a total breakdown of the last season.

- Over 650 hours of individual lessons and \$49,000 in revenue.
- 18 Hours of Group Lessons, Junior Camps, and Zehnder's Kids Camps.

2. Unusual, innovative or special teaching programs initiated or implemented

-Fortress Junior Camp- Ages 6-16 (32 Players)

-Fortress Off-Season Training Program- 10 Hours of instruction throughout the winter including a TPI evaluation and implementation. (16 Players)

-Short Game Saturdays-Sponsored by Titleist, we work through short game technique in all areas, talk about golf ball fitting, and wedge education. (14 Players)

-Chip and Sip Events-Driven towards ladies instruction for 1.5 hours. (12 Players)

-Zehnder's Kids Camp-Summer program for kids who haven't been exposed to golf. (90 players)

3. Instructional articles, videos or publications written or produced.

<https://youtu.be/kT6MgNszRmA>

<https://youtu.be/SFQ2i6dJH14>

<https://youtu.be/0EtyGsIFkQw>

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<https://youtu.be/a4ibp13RTy8>

<https://youtu.be/Ed9kbQpxC1s>

<https://youtu.be/c2NxELaBD0Q>

4. Examples of innovative techniques/technologies used or specialty certifications that enhance the candidate's programs, lessons and ability as an instructor

We currently have a Trackman 4 Launch Monitor, a Flightscope Xi Launch Monitor, a V1 Branded Academy, and we conduct TPI Fitness evaluations and workout plans.

5. Continued education and training in the area of golf instruction

I attend the PGA Teaching and Coaching Summits, both nationally and within our section, as well as the PGA Specialized program.





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Email \*

MBarton@pga.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Matt Barton

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher and Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Oakhurst

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2008

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

It's a great honor to be nominated for the teacher and coach of the year. I am currently the Director of Instruction at Oakhurst Golf and Country Club, and owner of Barton Golf Academy. I've spent the last eight years working to create an academy that promotes learning and fun. At the heart of this effort, has been to do as much continuing education as time will allow for.

US kids level one and level two  
TPI junior level one and level two  
TrackMan level one  
Scott Cowx certification  
Skilled Coaching Alliance  
Bio Swing Dynamics  
PGA Coach  
Positive Coaching Alliance  
Teaching and Coaching summits  
Traveling to see top instructors

The goal with all the education is to have continuously new and create innovative ways to engage younger students while having more knowledge to get to the root cause of the struggling golfers problems. I found even more important than the golf IQ is the golf EQ, the building relationships and amount of caring and effort that goes into each class and student.

From October 2021 to October 2022 I have given an average of 17 individual lessons and 7 clinics of 6 people each week. 750 individual lessons and 1680 clinic students will have generated \$159,000 in revenue between the academy and Oakhurst.

My teaching philosophy consists of 5 fundamental skills needed to play great golf, and helping the student understand what they are trying to do, their tendencies and how many of the match-ups will allow them to play their best golf. Individualized practice plans, competition boards and stats tracking drive goals and ambitions.

Get golf ready ladies clinics, Elite junior program, break 85 program, (4) PGAJL teams are some of the teaching programs I use to engage more students.

Technology and training aids that expedite the learning curve are tools that I continue to invest in. I have two TrackMan, K-Vest, TOMI putting system, LiveView, and GameForge to measure instead of guess. Understanding motor learning as well as learning styles is paramount to correct development.

Word of mouth is my only marketing, and the success of my students continues to drive my business. From members winning events at the club, 5 year olds winning at the US Kids tournament level, all the way to a division I boys regional champion. These students will continue to have success and enjoy this game for a lifetime.

While winning an award from my peers would be an exceptional accomplishment, my measure of success are sold out clinics programs and a full lesson book that leaves me challenged to be able to accommodate more players next season.

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Email \*

petekelbel@pga.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Pete Kelbel

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher of the Year 2023

Facility Employed at: \*

Walloon Lake Country Club

Year Elected to Membership: \*

1990

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

Pete Kelbel – Teacher of the Year Nomination Bio 2023

I've enjoyed being a very busy instructor these past 33 years at Walloon Lake Country Club and the golf coach at Harbor Springs High School for both boys and girls for over a decade. Walloon Lake CC has large and wide range, short game areas and putting greens to develop players. All the shots that come up on the course can be developed with our practice area. It is my goal in lessons and clinics to develop a complete player. I use all forms of teaching aids, video, feedback stations in my target-oriented lessons. On course lessons are also a natural extension of the process and vital to modern day instruction and player progress.

It has been fun developing my member's games to win club championships, junior club championships and various other tournaments. Many of my students have gone off to play college golf at all the different levels, including D-1. I have also coached a fellow PGA Professional who competed in the Club Professional Championship.

Coaching both the harbor Springs boy's golf team in the spring and girl's golf team in the fall has been fun. Two State Championships, Two State-Runner Ups and 7 Regional Titles have been earned over the past 10 years. The girls just won the Regional title and finished 8th in state with my top girl earning a medal for Top 10. Many of my high school players have achieved All-State honors.

Providing indoor instruction is also a critical part of helping golfers of all ages and abilities achieve their goals. High quality launch monitors and simulators are very important and part of the mix of making better golfers.

Being a swing coach for many of the Tip of the Mitt area golfers has also been something I love the challenge of. Many have gone on to play college golf. In many cases I find myself competing with my high school team against the teams of some of my area students. I started an annual Tip of the Mitt Junior Golf Showcase this past summer Chestnut Valley GC in Harbor Springs to bring attention to the talent here in northern lower Michigan.

I have written articles for ProGolfNow.com and WomensGolf.com where I am on the Professional Instruction Staff. Teaching and Coaching is not just about developing single digit handicaps, but helping each of my students with different ages and abilities achieve their person goals. Gaining confidence to play in ladies' day, making a high school golf team, or breaking 80, 90 or 100 are all typical goals I typically work on with my students in my effort to make them all around players.

I very much appreciate the nomination and am honored.

Sincerely,

Pete Kelbel  
Director of Golf-Walloon Lake CC  
Head Golf Coach-Harbor Springs Boys & Girls Golf

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Email \*

wigg18@yahoo.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Rex Wiggins

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher & Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Mount Pleasant Country Club

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2018

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

It's exciting to be nominated for Teacher and Coach of the Year. As a Ferris State Alumni with over 25 years in the golf industry, developing players game has always been my favorite part of this profession.

Over the last 10 years I have served the Central Michigan area Golf community. I have been a Class A PGA member since 2018.

It has been my privilege and pleasure to coach Varsity Girls Golf at Sacred Heart Academy in Mt. Pleasant for the last three years. I have been able to work with a wide range of talent. All Three years we have qualified for the State tournament. In 2021 Sacred Heart Girls Golf brought home the schools First Regional Title ever.

Mount Pleasant Country Club has been home for the past 5 seasons. I am the General Manager and Head Professional. I hold a variety of individual and group instructions as well as summer golf camps. Some of my students have been 7 year old beginners; some are returning and 80 plus, with all ages and stages in between. Having an indoor training facility with a simulator allows me to work year round teaching and educating golfers. I'm always researching new techniques and ways to evolve my teaching philosophies. It is my priority to approach each golfer we're he/she is at, tailoring my communicate to their individual needs.

It is an honor to have been nominated and considered. I'm proud to be a part of the Northern Chapter and the Michigan PGA Golf Community.

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Email \*

scott.shapin@gmail.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Scott Shapin

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher/Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Pine Lake Country Club

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2006



Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

This was my first year as the Director of Instruction at Pine Lake Country Club. Last year as the lead assistant I taught approximately 600 hours (for calendar year 2021) often having to turn away requests for lessons due to scheduling constraints. As a result, the club recognized the demand and need for a dedicated teacher, and I was promoted into my new role.

Prior to taking on this position the club had very few group instruction programs and lacked a professional whose primary focus and priority was teaching. In my first year, in addition to a full calendar of private lessons I have increased the number of clinic hours from 45 to over 115 with programs for every level of golfer (see below for a full description of available group/clinic programs). These programs not only added more opportunities for students, it also provided more teaching opportunities for the assistant professionals as many of the programs required more than one instructor. This allowed me to watch the assistants teach and offer feedback to help them grow as instructors, strengthening our teaching program as a whole. The clinics also served as an opportunity to get in front of more students and generate more private lessons. Not only has the total teaching revenue year to date (including all professionals at PLCC) increased from approximately \$80,000 to \$150,000 our golf shop revenue has increased by over \$235,000 as well. My students, who have taken private lessons (roughly 135 people) account for 33% of total shop revenue (shop sales, lessons, tournament entry fees).

Enhance Practice Facility: To provide students and members with a place to "practice with a purpose" I worked to enhance the practice facility with added targets on the range, FLAGD GPS yardage system, added holes on the putting greens and short-game greens, and new premium practice balls for lessons and fittings.

Innovative Techniques: As a teacher, I regularly utilize video, TrackMan, numerous training aids during lessons, and provide my students with my cell phone number to go over the highs and lows of their rounds. However, I wanted to create a tool that my students could use while on the golf course to help them put what we are working on into practice. As a result, I created the Golf Notebook. I worked with Best Approach, a yardage book company, to create a yardage book sized notebook for my students to keep with them in their bags for easy reference. The notebook has pages for lesson notes (that I assist them with post lesson), as well as a goals page, charts to track their putting stats during a round, a yardage chart, and a wedge matrix. Each page also has a different motivational quote. The response from my students has been outstanding. This summer, the story of my Golf Notebook was published in PGA Magazine, and I have even had other teachers reach out to get copies of the books to use with their own students.

In addition to my notebooks, I also created a poker chip ball marker for my students. Each marker has a collection of words and phrases we talk about during our lessons and can be used as a tool to help them remember our process while they are on the course. One side says WIN (what's important now), Present, Process, Commit and the other says Accept, Reflect, Repeat, Never Give Up!

#### My Students' Accomplishments 2022

39 students were in the top 100 most improved, 7 of the top 10  
 Students won both the women's 9 and 18 hole most improved award  
 Two girls made their high school teams as freshman, 1 qualified for states  
 Four students won their flights in the Club Championships  
 Eight students won their flight in Couples League  
 Student won the Member-Member, four won their flight  
 Two students won their flights in the Women's Invitational  
 Two students won their flights in the Men's Invitational  
 Three students won their flight in Women's Evening League  
 Four students won their flight in the Fall Member Guest  
 Five students won their flight in Women's Fall League  
 Student won the Women's Directors Cup match play championship

Private Golf Lessons (year to date): 840

#### Group Programs

Summer Junior Golf Program: 150 participants

Our summer Junior Program runs for 6 weeks and concludes with the Junior Club Championship. The program participants are classified by the number of holes they play, little linkers (ages 5-7) 1 hole, 3-holers (8-10), 5-holers (11-12), 9 and 18-holers (13 and up). Juniors can play up based on their scores. Every Tuesday, juniors attend two 15-minute clinics (4 to 1 student to teacher ratio).

One clinic takes place on the putting green and the other takes place on the range. After the clinic they go on the course to play.

Weekly Women's Clinics: 40 clinics (weekly) averaging 4 students per session

The weekly clinics were twice a week during the winter on our simulators and once a week during the season. We covered all topics.

Putting Clinics: 4 clinics, averaging 6 students per session

One hour clinic focusing on the three putting skills, speed, face control, and green reading. Each student received a brochure with the class material as well as practice methods and games.

Wedge Clinics: 2 clinics, averaging 5 students per session

One hour clinic focused on wedges and how to control distance. Each student built their wedge matrix that they could keep in their bag.

Chipping Clinics: 2 clinics, averaging 6 students per session

One hour clinic focused on the fundamentals of chipping, including club selection and distance control. Each student received a brochure with the class material.

3-Hole Women's League: 2 sessions (4 weeks per session) averaging 30 students

This league is designed for new players and runs for four weeks. Each week starts with a 30-minute clinic on a specific topic.

Players then play 3 holes followed by dinner. The ladies have so much fun with this program that it has grown from 15 players last year to 30 and some continue to play in the league even though their skill level has progressed beyond it.

Help, I have to Play Golf Today! Clinic: 5 clinics, 17 students

Last year one of my biggest requests was for a last-minute lesson prior to the Women's Evening League. I used this to create the Help, I Have to Play Golf Today! Clinic. This clinic allowed me to accommodate more students and was an opportunity for them to get a few minutes of help before their round each week. This was very well received by the ladies and will be continued going forward.

Elite Junior Coaching: 15 clinics (weekly, 90 minutes) averaging 6 students

Program created for junior golfers wanting to play competitive golf. We focused on all aspects of the game.

Women's Welcome to Golf: 4 weeks, 12 students

Our take on Get Golf Ready. Open to golf and social members. Each of the four clinics had an instruction component and a golf knowledge component, including, facility tour, how to drive a golf cart, and rules discussion on the course.

Drive, Chip and Putt Series: 4 sessions (4 clinics per session) averaging 10 students

This clinic focused on the three aspects of the competition. Each clinic had a teaching component and a competition component.

The final clinic was a mock competition.

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Email \*

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Name of Nominee: \*

Scott Wilson

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher & Coach of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Bay Meadows Family Golf Course

Year Elected to Membership: \*

1998

Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

I am honored to be considered for this award again in 2022. Teaching & Coaching has been my passion over the last 25 years and has provided me with experiences that have enriched my life more than I can explain. The relationship between a coach and player is truly special and is the most important aspect of what we can do as PGA members. Of course the success stories are great, but more important is what we all do to help encourage our students when things don't go well. We all know that playing the game of golf has it's ups and downs, and the biggest thing that my students know is that I am always there for them during the good times, the bad times, and everything in between. It is this journey that I am committed to no matter the outcome. This is why I love what I do. Many of you know my history from over 20 years at Crystal Mountain and the last 7 at Bay Meadows Family Golf Course and I appreciate your support. The following is just a snapshot of student accomplishments this year. Thank you and if I can help you and your facility enhance your teaching & coaching operation please reach out.

GAM Women's Amateur Champion  
GAM Women's Amateur Runner-Up  
GAM Girls Junior Amateur (15& Under)  
GAM Boys Amateur Runner-UP  
GAM Girls Invitational Champion (15 & Under)  
USGA Women's Amateur Qualifier  
7 Boys & Girls MHSAA teams to State Finals  
PGA Junior League team State Finalist  
9 current collegiate players  
4 current PGM students

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Email \*

cpga.pga@gmail.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Thomas Craig Piscopink

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher of the year

Facility Employed at: \*

Eagle Crest Golf Course

Year Elected to Membership: \*

2008





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Email \*

jacksteltzer@pga.com

Name of Nominee: \*

Jack Seltzer

Award Nominated for: \*

Teacher of the Year

Facility Employed at: \*

Seltzer Golf Academy

Year Elected to Membership: \*

1977



Please describe your achievements/accomplishments that would pertain to this award. \*

Michigan Golf Hall of Fame-2012

Michigan PGA Hall of Fame

Greater Flint Sports Hall of Fame

Lead instructor for PGA of America Playing Workshops - 1986-1992

Board Member of Flint Junior Golf Association-2010 to present

Golf Digest- Completed Certified Teacher program- 2022

Currently have approximately 60+ All State High School Players

1 player was named Miss Golf in Michigan

Last 20 plus years have taught about 800 lessons per year

Certified in Flightscope

Utilized On Form video app with all lessons

Last 25 years devoted to teaching and coaching after 20 years teaching as a Head Professional with all those duties

Present student list is 1408 students

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