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Metropolitan Section

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2015 Met PGA Winter Education Series Kicks Off on Jan. 8th

Our first program in the 2015 Winter Education Series will take place on Thursday, Jan. 8th at Fenway Golf Club from 10am until noon. The seminar will focus on "Getting the Most out of Your Student" and Paramount's Steve Scott will be the primary presenter. Frank Darby will also add to the program with some insight on what prospective college students need to do to prepare for the recruiting and selection process to play golf on the collegiate level. [Click here](#) to register.

Our 2nd program will be at Hampshire Country Club in Mamaroneck on Thursday Jan. 15th and will feature Bob Carney of Golf Digest. Bob will be joined by Sunningdale's Chris Toulson and they will discuss in some depth the subject of Bob Carney's recent Golf Digest article "The Grit Factor - What it Takes to Succeed and Improve in Golf." The Jan. 15th program will also go from 10am to noon. [Click here](#) to register.

PGA Members will receive 2 MSR credits in education when they attend any Met PGA Winter Education Series program. We do ask that everyone register for the programs in advance as there are often space limitations or changes in schedules that can only be communicated effectively to those who are pre-registered.

Holidays Bring Sad News Including the Passing of Met PGA Hall of Famer Tom Nieporte and Harbor Links' Guna Kunjan

The last weeks of December and the start of January were filled with sad news as the golf world and our Met community lost several outstanding professionals. Two Met Section members were among those we now mourn. Harbor Links' head professional **Guna Kunjan** lost his courageous battle with cancer on Dec. 12th. Guna was 61 years old and had continued to work at his beloved profession right up until the end. He was a tremendous promoter of the game and supporter of the Met PGA and our wide range of programs. On Dec. 21st, Met PGA Hall of Famer, **Tom Nieporte** passed away at the age of 86. Tom had retired from Winged Foot in 2005 after almost 30 years at the revered club. Tom was the last club professional to win a PGA Tour event when he captured the 1967 Bob Hope Desert Classic while serving the membership of Piping Rock Club, where he was their head professional from 1963 – 1978. In all, Tom won 3 PGA Tour events but chose the club professional life to be with his wife Joan and his 9 kids. Tom was a National PGA Award recipient, having been named the 2005 Bill Strausbaugh Award winner. In addition to winning that on the local level, he also was named Met PGA Professional of the Year in 1996 and the Sam Snead Award recipient in 2004.

On Dec. 16th, **Harry Dee** passed away at the age of 89. Dee had been the head professional at Scarsdale before moving to New Jersey where he was the head professional at Ridgewood Country Club and a former Section President and PGA of America Director. We were also shocked to hear of the tragic death of **Wes Mensing**, the Director of Instruction at Plainfield Country Club and a member of the Jim McLean Golf School staff. Wes was 27 years old and was struck by a car and fatally injured in New York City on January 3rd. Wes was a graduate of Methodist College and had also worked at Caves Valley before coming to Plainfield last year. He was recently named by Golf Digest as one of the top young instructors in the country.

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The Spirit of Giving Supports Folds of Honor and Junior Golf in 2014

We are still receiving payments of pledges from our clubs and members but our goals of reaching \$100,000.00 in donations for Junior Golf and \$400,000.00 for Folds of Honor were both reached thanks to the generosity of our area's club members and the hard work and support of our professionals and their staffs.

Garden City Golf Club paved the way for our Junior Fund-Raisers as they exceeded \$20,000.00 with their one-day challenge match that included all four PGA Professionals (Bob Rittberger, Charlie Grego, Pat McCarthy and Jesse Fitzgerald). Also contributing to this effort were Atlantic Golf Club, The Bridge, Brookville, Burning Tree, CC of Darien, CC of New Canaan, Connecticut, Creek Club, Deepdale, Fenway, Glen Head, Hempstead, Huntington Country Club, Innis Arden, Meadow Brook, Mohansic, Mount Kisco, North Hempstead, North Shore, Old Oaks, Port Jefferson, Quaker Ridge, Round Hill, Saint Andrew's GC, Seawane, Silver Spring, Silvermine, Sunningdale, Willow Ridge.

The outpouring of support for Folds of Honor was again an incredible statement on behalf of more than 65 clubs that participated. Eight clubs contributed more than \$10,000.00 with Rolling Hills Country Club getting the unofficial gold star leading the way with over \$100,000.00 as Ray Ford and the membership, in conjunction with Brendan Dlouhy raised that incredible total with their one-day event in August. Unofficial silver stars went to Westchester CC, Cherry Valley, Quaker Ridge, Golf Club of Purchase, Metropolis, Hudson National and Saint Andrew's GC. But whether a club raised \$1.00 or \$100,000.00, we should all be proud of those who honored Patriot Golf Day and gave back to those who have given their lives or limbs to protect our freedom with the important Folds of Honor scholarship funds. Helping our Patriots' children is a small way of saying thank you to so many who have done so much. In addition to the clubs listed above we also want to recognize and thank Stanwich Club, Connecticut GC, The Bridge, Woodside Acres, South Fork, Patriot Hills, Fenway, Wee Burn, Tamarack, Sunningdale, Laurel Links, Sleepy Hollow, Ardsley, Huntington Crescent Club, Redding, Griffith E. Harris GC, Silver Spring, Pelham, Westhampton, Brookville, Longshore, Clearview, Brooklawn, Garden City GC, North Shore, Bonnie Briar, Philip J. Rotella Memorial GC, Milbrook, Birchwood, Woodway, Engineers, Old Oaks, Willow Ridge, Knollwood, Bedford, Bergen Point, Meadow Brook, Innis Arden, Indian Hills, West Sayville, Gardiner's Bay, Piping Rock, Osiris, Sterling Farms, Pehquenakonck, Round Hill, Oak Hills Park, Lawrence, Rockrimmon, Brentwood, Friars Head, North Hempstead, Island's End, Merrick Road Park, Hempstead, Rondout, E. Gaynor Brennan, Silvermine, Tall Grass and Powelton. Thank you one and all!

Dave Stevenson of Lake Isle Takes Player Development to a Whole New Level

When we are promoting Play Golf America Day on Long Island or the Girls to the Tee Clinic in Westchester, there is always a sense of guilt asking professionals to cross a bridge to reach out to potential new golfers. But if you want to enjoy a story of sacrifice and dedication, how about Dave Stevenson's trip to Boquillas Mexico where he preached the gospel of golf, to kids and parents alike. This labor of love for Dave started during a river trip where he discovered this small village, right along the river that had once thrived as a border crossing but since homeland security had tightened, was almost lost. Dave collected equipment from a number of sources, shipped most of it to one of the Southern Texas PGA Professionals, picked it up and carried it across to the people of Boquillas. That along with a two-day clinic introduced golf to the poorest of the poor and has Dave energized for a return trip in the not too distant future. [Click here](#) to check out the pictures that tell the story with smiles and good swings of an incredible mission of love and kindness.

Pre-Holiday Fire Damages Ardsley CC Clubhouse

An early morning fire in the main clubhouse of Ardsley Country Club less than 2 weeks before Christmas left the beautiful structure damaged but hopefully not as bad off as originally feared. The assessment of damage and functionality will be ongoing but hopes are that the club can be up and running in time to still serve the members and guests in the 2015 season. [Click here](#) for some of the pictures taken in the aftermath of the fire.

Met PGA Working on Partnering with KPMG - Tournament Website is Up and Running with Info on KPMG Women's PGA Championship Tickets, Volunteers and Hospitality

One of the most exciting announcements of 2014 was the inauguration of the very first Women's PGA Championship at historic Westchester Country Club. The event, a major on the LPGA Tour, is a joint project of the PGA and LPGA and of course, the Championship's title sponsor, KPMG. The Met PGA will look to play a vital role in helping professionals, clubs and their members to engage in this new and exciting showcase for our area and we are embarking on a number of initiatives to mutually benefit from the relationship. [Click here](#) for the most recent release on the Championship and watch for more details and announcements about how we can get more of our professionals involved with KPMG and the PGA to benefit women's golf and our Section. The new website is up and running and has tickets, volunteers and hospitality as part of it: www.kpmgwomenspgachampionship.com

Same Weekday Show Dates – Teaching & Coaching Summit – Tuesday Demo Day – Education and Networking will Highlight Golf’s Other “Major” during 2015 PGA Merchandise Show Week

In addition to the always hectic PGA Show, there will be a full slate of activities taking place in Orlando from Jan. 19th - 23rd. This year’s PGA Show returns with the Wednesday through Friday timeframe, with Demo Day now on Tuesday. Of course that is just part of the activity schedule for the week. Other inclusions to note are the Teaching and Coaching Summit (see attached promotion); the PGA Magazine Pro-Pro Series; the Outdoor Instructional Workshops on Tuesday at Orange County National Golf Center as well as the FlightScope Certification program there; and the AGM Conference and Product Preview and reception at the Convention Center on Tuesday. On Wednesday and Thursday there is an unending stream of educational and industry programs during the 8 am – 5:30 pm Show Hours and those programs continue through the Friday close at 3:00 pm.

If you are looking for additional educational opportunities, the Association of Golf Merchandisers is conducting their Annual Retail Conference on Tuesday, Jan. 20th at the Orange County Convention Center from 8 am to 7:30 pm (fee is \$125.00 for PGA Members). For questions or more info, contact AGM Headquarters at 602 604-8250 or email info@agmgolf.org. On Jan. 23rd and 24th, US Kids Golf will be conducting seminars from 8:15 am to 4:30 pm at Marriott Golf Academy. For more info go to playandlearn@uskidsgolf.com or call toll free at 888 387-5437.

We will also be using our web site throughout January to promote our Partners and Sponsors as we remind our members to make sure they acknowledge the companies, representatives and Section supporters who will be at the PGA Show later this month.

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PGA Members Should Check-out the PGA Financial Assistance Fund Scholarship Program

If you have a senior in high school or a college student and he or she has a grade point average of 3.4 or higher, please make sure you look into the PGA Financial Assistance Fund for their eligibility for a 2015 scholarship. With many college students home at this time of year and with high school seniors in the midst of their college application process, this is an ideal time to go onto PGALinks and submit the application for consideration. In addition to the student's social security #, their parent or grandparent's PGA ID #, they will also have to submit their transcripts. The deadline for complete submission is March 16th. Please note that this year 20% of the funding will take in to account financial need. Please see details in Financial Need Section of the Application. Also beginning with the 2014 graduation high school seniors (incoming Freshman in Fall of 2014), the total number of scholarships a student can receive will be limited to 2 total scholarships over the next 4 years of undergraduate attendance. Additional information will be posted on the web site also to assist parents or grandparents with the scholarship program process. For more info, [click here](#).

Dennis Dungee Named TaylorMade Met PGA Assistant of the Year for 2014

The Board of Directors recently announced that Dennis Dungee of Mount Kisco Country Club has been selected as the 2014 TaylorMade Assistant of the Year. Dennis served as Vice-President of the Assistants Association in 2014 and just became President with Andrew Bostrom's move to the head professional position at Green Brook in the New Jersey Section. Dennis has been active for the last three years and in 2014 helped establish an outstanding schedule for the Assistants Tour as well as focusing on Junior Fund-Raisers and the quality and quantity of raffle prizes for the Assistants Championship. Dennis will be presented the award at the opening Assistants Spring Meeting by the TaylorMade representatives.

Rob Corcoran Wins a Club Pro Event during Impressive Section Showing in December's Improved PGA Tournament Series Circuit

Fields were up for the second straight year and the level of competition on the PGA's Club Pro Tournament Series presented by **GOLF ADVISOR** was outstanding. As we have come to anticipate, the Met Section representation proved formidable with Rob Corcoran winning the first event of the off-season over Frank Bensel in a playoff and both Corcoran and Bensel were joined by Ben Polland among the top 10 money earners for the 6-event competition while both Corcoran (8 rounds) and Tim Puetz (also 8 rounds) were among the overall top 10 scoring leaders.

The following PGA Members cashed checks in the individual events throughout December: Event #1 at the Ryder Course saw Corcoran defeat Bensel in a playoff while Tim Puetz (T-6) and Rob Labritz (T-8) also landed in the top 10. Ryan Kalista, Charlie Meola and Nick Beddow also tied for 19th to earn a payday. At Event #2 at The Wanamaker Course, Kyle Higgins took the 1st round lead with a 64 and ultimately tied for 5th for our best showing. Tim Puetz (T-9th) while Kent St. Charles (T-13th), Ryan Kalista and Frank Bensel (T-20) and Charlie Meola (T-22) also finished in the money. At Event #3 on the Dye Course, Tim Puetz was low finisher in a tie for 6th while Charlie Meola and Chris Marinaro (T-15th) and Frank Bensel (T-23rd) rounded out the money winners. Event #4 moved back to The Ryder Course and Mark Brown and Ben Polland were among a four-way tie for 2nd place. Kyle Higgins (T-7th) and Rob Corcoran (T-10th) were in the top 10 and joined by Charlie Meola (T-19th) in the money. At Event #5 on the Wanamaker Course, Ben Polland finished T-3rd while Craig Thomas, Kent St. Charles and Ryan Kalista all cracked the top 10 with a tie for 7th place. Nick Beddow and Kyle Higgins (T-15th) and Rob Corcoran (T-27th) also cashed checks. At the final event of the season #6 at the Dye Course, it was Rob Corcoran (T-3rd) and Ryan Kalista (T-5th) among the leaders while Frank Bensel (T-12th), Tim Puetz (T-15th) and Ben Polland (T-20th) all finished in the money.

Two New Additions to Met Section PGA Roster



Our congratulations to **Josh Fritz**, assistant to Matt Dobyms at Fresh Meadow Country Club and to **Stephen Terrana**, assistant to Len Bush at Brookville Country Club on their Dec. 8th election to membership as A-8 PGA professionals in the Met Section. We welcome these two fine professionals to the Met Section.

Room Available for Rent on Long Island

Mike Wanser, Head Golf Professional at Cherry Valley Club rents a 2 bedroom house and is looking to fill the vacant bedroom for the 2015 season. This would be an ideal scenario for an assistant who is here for 7 or 8 months and then goes to Florida for the winter. No lease required for the individual. Fully furnished house with everything.. You just need to show up and move in. \$900 a month includes everything....Great central location in Williston Park, close to Wheatley Hills Golf Club. email Mike at mike_wanser@yahoo.com or call him at 516 410-1828 for more details and pictures...

On the Mend

Our best wishes to **Ronnie Wright** of Middle Bay Country Club who underwent hip replacement surgery at the beginning of December and hopes to be up and around by the PGA Show..... We are also waiting to hear from **Rob Labritz** who hurt his leg skiing before the holidays but was not sure if he would need surgery at last word.

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Dean Lawson of the Stuart Yacht & Country Club will be hosting a memorial tournament for his daughter, Brianna who was killed last year in a tragic car accident. The event will be on Feb. 7th at the Yacht and CC. There will be morning and afternoon shotguns in a Pro-Member format with proceeds going into a scholarship fund in Brianna's name. Lunch and dinner are included and Dean is looking for pros to pair with his members. Call Dean at 772 283-1966 or reach out to Rob for more info at Rlabritz@glenarborclub.com.

PGA Notes

Each year, The PGA of America and PGA Foundation assists Special Olympics North America in soliciting nominations for the Conrad Rehling Award. This award is named after PGA Master Professional Conrad Rehling who dedicated a large portion of his life to inspiring PGA Professionals to give back to individuals with intellectual and physical disabilities. As the founding father of the Special Olympics Golf movement, Mr. Rehling spearheaded The PGA of America's efforts to introduce golf to Special Olympics. [Click here](#) for the nomination form for submissions to the selection committee for candidates for this award for 2014. The award recognizes someone who has gone that extra mile in promoting Special Olympics Golf and has been involved on a local, state and national level.....While you are at the PGA Show check out the opportunities for the PGA Golf Management University Programs. They are a great way for kids to pursue their dreams in golf.....Make sure you are registered for PGA Retirement Plus for an investment in your future.....Premier Golf affords PGA Members opportunities to travel to many great golf destinations as well as earning Retirement Plus dollars and enjoying stay and play packages at PGA Golf Village.....Go to PGALinks and check out the PGA's Long-term Strategic Plan and see how you can be a part of progress.

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Employment Update

Mill River Club has named **Jason Caron**, former A-8 assistant to Grant Turner at Siwanoy as their new head professional. Jason and his wife, Liz will be getting started at Mill River as of Jan. 1st. Congratulations also to two more Met Section assistants who have accepted head professional opportunities outside the Met Section. **Pat Gunning**, A-8 assistant to Jack Druga was recently named the head professional at **The Kittansett Club** in Marion, Massachusetts. Meanwhile **Dustin Toner**, a native of Missouri will be leaving Wee Burn CC and the tutelage of Sam Wiley and returning to his Midwest roots when he and his wife Melissa move to **Cedar Rapids Country Club** in Cedar Rapids, Iowa as the A-1 head professional. We wish all three of these first time head professionals nothing but success in their new positions. We are also pleased to announce that Michael Breed and the **Michael Breed Golf Academy** will be moving to **Trump Golf Links at Ferry Point** as this exciting new municipal facility prepares to open for the 2015 season.

The deadline for submission of RFP's for the **Nassau County Parks Golf Courses** is Jan. 9th. For more information, contact Karen Ravener at kbeckhardravener@nassaucountyny.gov.

We also have the following assistant and staff positions available in the Met Section for 2015:

- Chris Case, Mount Kisco Country Club (Please contact Chris Case at (516) 662-7550 or email ccasenya@pga.com) - seeking an **entry level assistant** with duties to include 50-55 hours a week in the golf shop, playing with the membership, clinics, and junior instruction. I am looking for someone who is looking to learn and grow as a professional and who is passionate about the game of golf. Good computer skills and the willingness to work with others is a must. The job is from March 27th - October 31st. (Jan)
- Ray Ford, Rolling Hills CC (Resumes to Ray at ray1putt@gmail.com) Seeking golf shop manager from March –November. Full benefits included. (Jan)
- Bob Guido, Towers CC (Resumes to bobandpat82@aol.com) – Seeking Assistant Professional. The right candidate will be self-motivated and passionate about teaching the game of Golf on a 10 month basis as well as being part of a team that is working towards enhancing the overall golf experience at the Towers Country Club. This individual will be proficient in computer skills and tournament operations. Duties include but are not limited to playing with members as well as a teaching, tournament operations, merchandising, Shop time, promoting golf memberships/ play, and assisting the Head Professional in golf operations. Towers Country Club offers competitive salary and health benefits. Great opportunity for a graduating PGM student or PGA apprentice working toward membership. (JAN)
- Bobby Heins, Old Oaks CC (Please submit resumes to Nick Maselli nmaselli79@gmail.com) Looking for 2 full time outside services positions for the 2015 season. These candidates will be responsible for but not limited to the following: managing the bag room, meeting and greeting guests, managing practice facility staff, working close by with our starter to provide the ultimate high service experience. Competitive hourly wages (40-45 hours per week), ample golf privileges, potential housing, meals, and a positive team environment are just some of the things Old Oaks can provide. Ideal for but not limited to; an entry level assistant professional, or even a level 2 or 3 apprentice looking to have access to an environment like Old Oaks. Position would run from early April through late October. (JAN)
- Harvey Lannak, Westchester CC (contact Harvey Lannak at harveylannakpga@hotmail.com) - Full and part time positions in outside operations available (JAN)
- Jamie Kilmer, Wheatley Hills Golf Club (resumes to jamie@wheatleyhills.com) seeking assistant golf professional. Responsibilities include but not limited to Tournament Operations, Management, Golf Shop Operations, Club Fitting/ Teaching. Seeking self-motivated and passionate professional proficient in tournament operations and computer skills. Competitive Salary, Lessons/Fitting, Health, Housing, Clothing Allowance. March 8 - December 5. (JAN)
- Christopher Toulson, Sunningdale CC (resumes to christoulson@gmail.com) Seeking 3rd Assistant Professional to oversee the outside operation and outside service staff. Excellent leadership, interpersonal and customer service skills required. Candidate needs to be committed to a PGA Professional career path. Competitive wage (40-45 hrs wkly) plus housing and meals. Full practice and playing privileges. Opportunity for advancement. April - October. (JAN)
- Grant Turner – Siwanoy Country Club (resumes to gturner@siwanoycc.com). Seeking a **teaching and playing assistant** for the 2015 season and beyond. Primary duties are teaching and playing with members. Must also be prepared to assist with tournament operations and work 10-15 hours per week in the golf shop. Candidates must be conscientious and possess the drive, personality and abilities to promote the game through their teaching and interaction with members and guests. It is expected that an applicant have a thorough knowledge and be conversant in all aspects of the game. It is also preferable that a candidate be competitive in pro-ams and Met Section events. Salary + lesson income, health and dental, simple IRA (JAN)
- Sam Wiley, Wee Burn CC, has an opening for an entry level assistant professional. Duties include golf shop operations, junior golf and tournament operations. April 1st-October 31st. Please email resume and cover letter to sam@weeburn.com. Competitive hourly wage, junior golf income, housing, education and tournament allowance. (JAN)

Employment Update Continued**We also have the following golf course for sale:**

Pasadena Yacht and Country Club in Gulfport, FL. [Click here](#) for more info.

We also have the following golf administration positions within our Section:

Metropolitan Section PGA seeking Communications Manager—[Click here](#) for more info.

Metropolitan Section PGA Junior Golf Association seeking 6 month Junior Golf Intern—[Click here](#) for more info.

Metropolitan Section PGA Junior Golf Association seeking field staff interns for the summer- [Click here](#) for more info.

We also have the following golf administration positions available outside our Section:

Connecticut Section PGA Business Development and Communications Director. [Click here](#) for more info.

Kentucky Section PGA and Kentucky Golf Association (Golf House Kentucky) Director of Junior Programs. [Click here](#) for more info.

New England Section PGA seeking Communications Manager—[Click here](#) for more info.

New England Section PGA seeking Tournament Manager -[Click here](#) for more info.

Previously Listed Employment

We have the following staff positions available for 2015:

- Bill Bresnan, Colonial Springs Golf Club (Please send resume and cover letter to wsbjr@pga.com). 2nd Assistant Golf Professional. Seeking an individual to assist in all areas of the golf operation. The qualified candidate's responsibilities will include golf shop and tournament operations, junior clinics and camps, club repair and playing with the members. Season April 1st -October 31st (Dec)
- Bobby Farrell, Tamarack CC (resumes to bfarrell@tamarackcountryclub.com) Assistant Golf Professional, March 15th thru Dec 20th. Duties include Golf Shop daily operations, Merchandising, Club Fitting, Tournament Operations and Junior Golf. Your experience will include Golf Shop retail customer service, inventory control and strong computer skills using POS, Fore-Tees tee time system, and Event Man software. Great opportunity for a graduating PGM student or PGA apprentice working toward membership. Compensation Package: Salary commensurate upon experience, Health Care and Dental, 401K, Junior Golf income, playing privileges, meals and possible housing. Also seeking **Assistant Caddie Master** for afternoon shift (1:00 till closing) April thru Nov, Duties to include all outside operations, managing the tee, caddies, driving range, carts and bag room. Caddie and outside operations experience a must. Benefits include salary, health insurance, dental and 401K. Opportunity to caddie in the AM before shift starts and Monday Outings. (Dec)
- Brian Gaffney, Quaker Ridge Golf Club (resumes to brian@quakerridge.org) – Seeking Assistant Golf Professional. Responsibilities primarily include teaching although there will be some involvement with tournament programs and golf shop operations. Housing may be available. (Dec)
- Jason Gobleck, Westchester Hills Golf Club (Resumes to jgobleck@troongolf.com) – Seeking a 2nd Assistant Golf Professional to assist in all aspects of the golf operation including outside services, golf shop operations, junior golf, clinics and tournament operations. Also seeking a **Caddie Master**. Duties include hiring/training of caddies, management of the bag room and cart fleet, maintain control of the 1st tee and member/guest charges. Prior caddie master experience preferred. (Dec)
- Lee Kaiser- Long Island National Golf Club (Resumes to pgapro@linationalgc.com) 2nd Assistant professional - Seeking an individual to assist in all aspects of golf operation. Job to include but not limited to golf shop and tournament operations, outside services, junior golf clinics, club repair, and all around customer service. Season April 15th - November 1st. (Dec)
- Thomas Lucas, The Club of Riverdale (Resumes to golf@tcr-nyc.com) - Seeking experienced club fitter and instructor (Dec)
- Michael Shank, North Shore Country Club (resumes to michaelshank@pga.com) – Seeking 2nd Assistant Golf Professional. Responsibilities include tournament programs, Golf Shop operations, junior golf programs, golf club repair, playing with membership and individual lessons. May to October. Compensation includes weekly salary plus lesson income (including a lesson guarantee), meals while on duty, playing and practice privileges, club repair income and clothing allowance. Housing available. (Dec)

We also have the following administrative positions available:

- Tournament Director/Sponsor Manager in the Iowa Section—[Click Here](#) (Dec)
- KPMG Championship Volunteer Operations—[Click Here](#) (Dec)
- Tournament Operations Director in the Illinois Section—[Click Here](#) (Dec)
- Southern Ohio PGA—Seeking a Player Development Manager-[Click Here](#) (Dec)
- Connecticut Section—Business Development & Communications Director—[Click Here](#) (Dec)
- Alan Seamans CNYPGA Player Development Coordinator—[Click Here](#) (Dec)

We also have the following summer job opportunity:

Camp Coach Recruiters has residential children's camps with salaries plus housing for golf coaching. Contact jerryah@optonline.net or call 866 808-2146 for more info.

Demo Tech Position available:

Bryce Fearon, Nike (Submit resume to Bryce.fearon@nike.com or call Bryce at 203.823.8683) – Seeking -Nike Golf Demo Tech/ Assistant for the 2015 season. Seeking a candidate that has the following: Custom Fitting Experience a MUST, FlightScope/ TrackMan experience *Preferred*, Personable and Outgoing, Has their own vehicle (Preferable SUV or larger), Self-Motivator/ Ambitious/ Sales Oriented, Passionate for the Brand.

Winter Employment Opportunity

Len Zamora, Diamante Cabo San Lucas (Resumes to lenz@diamantelife.com) – Seeking two assistant professionals between now and the end of April. www.diamantecabosanlucas.com (Dec)

We also have information about a club for sale:

The Club at Morgan Hill, a daily fee course for sale in Easton, Pennsylvania is being offered at \$1,695,000.00.

[Click here](#) for details.



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WINTER EDUCATION SERIES

January 8	Preparing Yourself and Your Students for Optimum Results Fenway GC	Register
January 15	Grit-What it Takes to Compete and Succeed in Golf Hampshire CC	Register
February 5	Building Performance Through a Holistic Approach Golf/Fitness/Nutrition Drive 495	Register
February 12	Creating Value Through Effective Communication and Presentations GlenArbor Club	Register
February 26	How to Grow your lesson book TBA	Register
March 5	The Composite Swing / Teaching with observation vs Teaching with Data Huntington CC	Register
March 12	How to be an Asset to your facility and Grow as a Professional Westchester CC	Register

PGA Teaching/Coaching Summit

PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit

The 14th PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit presented by OMEGA, Sunday-Monday, Jan. 18-19, 2015, offers numerous educational opportunities for both PGA and non-PGA Professionals. Carrying the theme, "A Lifetime Learning Experience," the Summit will be held at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, Florida, and opens the PGA Merchandise Show week.

The PGA of America's largest teaching forum emphasizes the coaching side of developing players to achieve their goals. Originated in 1988, the Summit features unique and renowned presenters over a two-day schedule.

FEES (Registration closes Jan. 14, 2015)

- **PGA of America members, apprentices, PGA Golf Management University students - \$375.**
CLICK HERE to register.
- **LPGA Professionals, Allied Professionals - \$600.**
CLICK HERE to register.



Registration packet (event materials and badge) pick-up will be held at the Orange County Convention Center on Sunday, Jan. 18, and again on Monday, Jan. 19, beginning at 6:30 a.m.

Sunday: January 18, 2015 / Schedule Day 1

Time	Topic	Moderator/Presenter
7:30-7:40 a.m.	Summit Overview and Welcome	EMCEE: Michael Breed, PGA
7:40-7:50 a.m.	PGA of America: President's Welcome	Derek Sprague, PGA
7:50-9:05 a.m.	Full Swing Student Live / Presentation (Mid-Handicap)	Mike Adams, PGA
9:05-9:20 a.m.	Break	Announcement - Michael Breed, PGA
9:20-10:20 a.m.	Putting, Game Within a Game: Technique or the putter that spins, rolls or bounces the ball?	Paul Hurrion (UK)
10:25-11:25 p.m.	"What, Why, and How to Make Adjustments"	Moderator: Mike McGetrick, PGA Panel: Sean Foley; Martin Hall, PGA; Mike Adams, PGA; Lou Guzzi, PGA
11:25-12:30 p.m.	LUNCH	Announcement - Michael Breed, PGA
12:30-1:15 p.m.	Full Swing Student Live / Presentation (Mid-Handicap)	Sean Foley
1:15-1:30 p.m.	Break	Announcement - Michael Breed, PGA
1:30-2:30 p.m.	"Why Your Student's Game Won't Travel to the Golf Course"	Dr. Tomasi, PGA & Dr. Guadagnoli
2:35-3:55 p.m.	Jason Dufner, PGA: Live Lesson / Presentation (PGA Tour Player)	Chuck Cook, PGA
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Interview with Special Guest - TBD	Interviewer: Gary Wiren, PGA
5:00-5:30 p.m.	Golf Magazine Top 100 and Hall of Fame Member Introduction	David DeNunzio & David Clarke
5:30-7:30 p.m.	World Golf Teachers Hall of Fame & Top 100 Reception <i>Reception is Sponsored By Golf Magazine</i>	Golf Magazine Host

Monday: January 19, 2015 / Schedule Day 2

Time	Topic	Moderator/Presenter
7:00-7:10 a.m.	Welcome to Day 2: Overview	EMCEE: Michael Breed, PGA
7:10-7:30 a.m.	PGA of America: The Importance of Teaching to the Game	PGA CEO Pete Bevacqua
7:35-8:50 a.m.	Live Student - Use of Technology in Your Lessons	Chris Como & Bernie Najjar, PGA
8:50-9:10 a.m.	Break	Announcement - Michael Breed, PGA
9:10-10:10 a.m.	Mastering the Wedge Game: Identifying, Understanding & Teaching the keys to a Tour Quality Wedge Game	James Ridyard (UK)
10:15-11:25 a.m.	Full Swing Student Live / Presentation (Mid-Handicap)	Jim Hardy, PGA & David Leadbetter, PGA
11:25-12:25 p.m.	LUNCH	Announcement - Michael Breed, PGA
12:25-1:25 p.m.	Connecting With Women: "From Our Perspective"	Moderator: Damon Hack Panel: Gale Peterson, PGA; Kellie Stenzel, PGA; Krista Dunton, PGA; Kathy Gildersleeve-Jensen, PGA
1:30-2:45 p.m.	Full Swing Student Live / Presentation (Mid-Handicap)	Butch Harmon & Jim McLean, PGA
2:45-3:00 p.m.	Break	Announcement - Michael Breed, PGA
3:00-4:20 p.m.	World Golf Teacher Hall of Fame Members Panel	Moderator: Ed Ibarguen, PGA Panel: Butch Harmon; David Leadbetter, PGA; Jim Hardy, PGA; Jim McLean, PGA; Mike Adams, PGA; Chuck Cook, PGA
4:25-5:10 p.m.	Greg Norman, PGA	Interviewer: Michael Breed, PGA
5:10-5:20 p.m.	Conclusion to the Summit	Michael Breed, PGA

NEW THIS YEAR - LIVE LESSONS:

Teacher will begin by sharing pertinent information with attendees, including the student's background, game and health. The student will hit approximately six shots into a net which will be recorded by two video cameras as well as a launch monitor to give ball flight numbers. Camera views and launch monitor numbers will be displayed on two large screens. After approximately five swings, the assigned teacher will ask the audience to take five minutes to write down what they see, when they see it and how they would make adjustments or changes. The instructor will share what they would do with the student and why. Assigned teachers will take approximately 20 minutes for questions sent via text from the audience.

On Sunday, Jan. 18, Golf Magazine will announce their Top 100 and Hall of Fame Introduction. At the conclusion of the day's program, Golf Magazine will host a reception for all attendees, honoring the latest inductees into the World Golf Teachers Hall of Fame.

REFUND POLICY

The following refund policy has been established for the 2015 PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit:

- Withdraw before Wednesday, Jan. 14 (5:00 p.m. EST) – a \$25 cancel fee will be charged.
- Withdraw after the Wednesday, Jan. 14 (5:00 p.m. EST) deadline – NO REFUND.

MSR

PGA members who attend the PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit will earn 8 credits per day for a total of 16 PGA Education Required. If the PGA member belongs to another Association, he/she will request their MSR Transcript to send to that Association.

FOOD and BEVERAGE

A continental breakfast will be served each morning (Jan. 18-19) outside the Member Business Center on the third floor of the Orange County Convention Center. Breakfast times are:

- Day 1 (Jan. 18) - 6:30-7:30 a.m. (included in the cost of the Summit)
- Day 2 (Jan. 19) - 7:00-8:00 a.m. (included in the cost of the Summit)
- Lunch will be provided each day, Jan. 18-19 (included in the cost of the Summit)

DRESS CODE

Golf attire is appropriate.

SEATING

Seating for the Summit is on a first-come basis.

PARKING

Parking is available at the Orange County Convention Center on a first-come, first-served basis. Parking fees are set by the Convention Center. [Click here](#) for information and to download a parking map, [click here](#).

TRAVEL and ACCOMMODATIONS

Those attending the PGA Teaching & Coaching Summit are responsible for making their own travel arrangements and accommodations. [Click here](#) for information.