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Join Us at Our Special Awards Dinner

Please join us on Sunday, March 10th, 2019 at Commonwealth National Golf Club in Horsham, PA as we celebrate our *2018 Class of Special Award* Winners [Click Here](#) to Register:

Schedule of Events:

5:30 Cocktails

6:30 Dinner & Program

Cost: \$55 per person (Including Cocktails, Hors D'oeuvres, Dinner & Dessert)



Philadelphia Junior Tour Diversity Scholarship

PGA REACH Philadelphia offers scholarship opportunities for individuals from diverse backgrounds to participate on the elite Philadelphia Junior Tour (PJT) circuit for kids ages 18 and under. The PJT provides valuable opportunities for young golfers to get out and play. The junior tour program leads the region in competitive junior golf with over 90 events seasonally held at many of the area's top facilities. Membership consists of junior golfers 18 years of age and younger. The tournament schedule covers all geographic areas of

the Philadelphia Section. The PJT hosts four major championships throughout the season; including nationally ranked events that provide exposure for junior golfers looking to play competitively. With opportunities to learn, grow, and compete many PJT members graduate to play at the college level and beyond. The Philadelphia Section PGA Junior Tour is proud to help in developing social skills, self-esteem, and inspire youth in our community by providing scholarships to individuals from diverse backgrounds.

To apply for the Philadelphia Junior Tour Diversity Scholarship please click the link below. If there are any questions regarding the scholarship please contact Leila Mackie at the Philadelphia PGA office. [Application Information](#)

2019 Spring Merchandise Show - March 5-7, 2019 Embassy Suites Valley Forge 888 Chesterbrook Blvd, Wayne, Pa.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the list of Sales Representatives attending the Spring Merchandising Show, and this show runs from March 5th to March 7th at the: [Complete Rep List Information](#)



PGA Financial Assistance Fund Scholarship Program

Established in 1986, the program provides college scholarships for children and grandchildren of PGA Members. It encourages and promotes the attainment of higher educational goals for the children and grandchildren of PGA Members, based on evidence of a high level of academic

achievement during high school or college. Scholarships totaling \$411,000 were awarded to 183 students for the 2017-18 school year. [Access the PGA Financial Assistance Fund Scholarship](#)

Important Dates:

- March 4, 2019 - Deadline date for submitting scholarship application.
- March 18, 2019 - Deadline date for receiving the supporting documents
- May 2019 - The PGA Financial Assistance Fund Scholarship recipients will be announced and notified
- July 2019 - The scholarship checks will be mailed out
- Aug. 2019 - Deadline date for photo submission
- Oct. 2019 - The PGA Financial Assistance Fund Scholarship recipients will be on PGA.org and in PGA Magazine
- Nov. 2019 - PGA Financial Assistance Fund Scholarship application will be available.

PGA of America Compensation Survey

The PGA of America requests your participation in helping to ensure that one of our Association's most powerful employment tools remains effective for you and other PGA Professionals.

By completing the [2019 PGA Golf Professional Compensation Survey](#) by March 31, 2019, you can receive up to two (2) Member Service Requirement (MSR) credits. MSR credit is automatically applied upon completion of the survey with a summary of your responses available for your records.

All survey responses continue to be treated confidentially with results being reported only if there are five or more responses. To ensure your confidentiality, results continue to be shared in an aggregated format and not by individual.

Your participation is key to ensuring that your Section's compensation information is valid and meaningful. Your support of this important PGA initiative is greatly appreciated.



[TAKE SURVEY](#)

Tournaments

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2019 Spring Meeting Information - Monday, April 8, 2019



The meeting portion of the Spring Meeting will be held at Whitemarsh Valley CC. For those that are playing golf at The ACE Club after the meeting, competitors must drive.

[Register Now](#) | [Spring Meeting Additional Information](#) | [Spring Meeting New Business Form](#)

Whitemarsh Valley Country Club
815 Thomas Road
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

The ACE Club
800 Ridge Pike
Lafayette Hill, PA 19444

TPD and Hole-in-One Registration Now Open

Online Registration is now open for [Tournament Players Division \(TPD\) Membership](#) and [Hole-in-One Club](#). To register for either of these programs, please click the links above.

[TPD Registration Now Open](#)

[Hole-in-One Club Registration Now Open](#)

2019 Philadelphia PGA Tournament Information

Online registration for 2019 PPGA tournaments will soon be available. In the meantime please [click here](#) to view the most up to date PPGA tentative schedule, or visit the Tournaments Homepage www.PhilllyPGA.com.

2019 Sanctioned Event Information

A Sanctioned Event is defined as: Any competition held within the Section Boundaries in which five (5) or more Philadelphia Section Professionals are participating.(see Section 7.01 of the Tournament Rules and Regulations) [Download 2019 Sanctioned Event Form](#)

2019 Tournament Withdraw Form

To withdraw from any tournament that you have registered for, please complete the following information and fax back to the Section Office at least 7 days prior to the tournament date. All withdrawals after the 7-day withdraw deadline will forfeit the tournament entry fee. (As per the 2018 Philadelphia Section PGA Tournament Rules & Regulations) [Download Withdraw Form](#)



Employment

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Joe Ambrose, PGA, is the new Golf Coach at Keystone College; Joe was most recently with Great Bear GC. **Andrew Barbin, Jr.**, is the new B-1 at Chesapeake Bay Golf Club at Rising Sun; Andrew was formerly the B-8 at this facility. **Darren Bolton**, PGA, is the new A-8 at Applebrook GC; Darren was most recently with the New Jersey Section. **Frederique Bruell** has transferred to the North Florida Section; Frederique was most recently the B-8 at LedgeRock GC. **Joseph Coccia** is moving to the Carolinas Section; Joe was most recently with Out Door CC. **Sean F. Duggan**, PGA, is the new A-1 at Great Bear Golf Club; he was most recently with the Middle Atlantic Section. **Brett Melton**, PGA, is the new A-4 at Radley Run CC; Brett was formerly the A-8 at Radley Run. **Dennis Poiesz** is the new B-1 at White Manor CC; Dennis was formerly the B-8 at this facility. **Brandon Shattuck** is new to the PGM Program, and he is the new B-8 at Concord CC. **Grant Strawoet**, PGA, is transferring into the Middle Atlantic Section; Grant was most recently the A-8 at Chambersburg CC.

Community Bulletin Board

- Srixon Range Balls for Sale - Nearly 1,000 dozen golf balls only one year old for sale at 50 cents per dozen. For more information contact Harry Hammond at Penn Oaks Golf Club
- Assistant Professional positions available at The Ridge at Back Brook:
 - 1st Assistant - <https://www.pga.org/jobs/detail/983955>
 - 2nd Assistant - <https://www.pga.org/jobs/detail/983960>
 - Golf Shop Manager - <https://www.pga.org/jobs/detail/983959>

Philadelphia PGA Financial Education Series

In the coming weeks, the Philadelphia PGA will be working with our friends at Morgan Stanley to tackle some of the most important financial topics that everyone faces in the ever changing financial landscape. [Meet the team at The SVS Wealth Management Team at Morgan Stanley](#)

NEW DATE:

March 19, 2019 - Becoming a Smarter Safer Club - Commonwealth Nat'l GC - [Register Now](#)

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THE SVS WEALTH MANAGEMENT TEAM

AT MORGAN STANLEY

Education

The Philadelphia PGA Instruction and Education Committees are excited to announce the upcoming additions to the 2018-2019 Education calendar. These programs are designed to give all Philadelphia PGA Professionals ample opportunities to continue their education and earn MSR credits. Please note this calendar will be changing constantly so be sure to check the [Education Page](#) on the Philadelphia PGA [website](#).

Upcoming Education Events

February 25, 2019 - BODITRAK Seminar - Concord CC - [Register Now](#)

NEW DATE:

March 19, 2019 - Becoming a Smarter Safer Club - Commonwealth Nat'l GC - [Register Now](#)

Rules of Golf Seminars

Join Current Members of the PGA Rules Committee in an in-depth discussion on the upcoming changes to the Rules of Golf. With the sweeping changes to the Rules it is imperative that our PGA Members and Associates become familiar with the new language and procedures. Our club members are going to expect their professionals to be able to understand and operate events at each of our facilities. We would like to also invite you to bring a member or two to join the presentation.

March 6, 2019 - The DuPont Country Club - [Register Now](#)

Upcoming District Roundtables

February 26, 2019 - District 6 - Philadelphia PGA Offices - [Register Now](#)

For more information contact Leila Mackie, PGA - lmackie@pgahq.com

Meet the Newest Members of the Philadelphia PGA Staff



Colin Marshall

Colin Marshall, Operations Coordinator for the PPGA will be assisting with all aspects in the tournament operations department. Colin is originally from York, PA and a graduate of East Stroudsburg University in 2017 with a bachelor's degree in Sport Management. Colin has previously interned with the USGA at the 2017 U.S. Open and most recently with the Delaware State Golf Association as a P.J. Boatwright Jr. Intern. [Email Colin](#)



Nick Piasecki

Nicholas Piasecki is the first Winter/Spring Tournament Operations intern with the PPGA. Nick grew a passion for golf which he started playing in middle school and working in the industry during high school. Nick moved to Philadelphia four years ago to pursue a degree in Sport and Recreation Management at Temple University. Nick has had several internships, jobs, and experiences in the sport industry. Those include an internship with the USGA at the 2018 U.S. Open and a job with Temple Football. [Email Nick](#)



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2019 KOHLER PRO-AM

OCTOBER 6-9, 2019 | KOHLER RESORT

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This package will include:

- 3 nights lodging at the Inn on Woodlake. Located on the shore of picturesque Wood Lake, this serene 138-room hotel boasts boutique-style guest rooms. Along with WiFi and flatscreen TVs, you will enjoy the classic comfort and hospitality you would expect from an inn. Not to mention a signature KOHLER® shower experience that is nothing short of sensational.
- Golf: Blackwolf Run® and Whistling Straits challenge the pros while providing the amateur golfer a fair and unforgettable test. All four courses between the two venues were chosen for 2017/2018 America's 100 Greatest Golf Courses by Golf Digest. Created by legendary golf course designer Pete Dye, they have hosted three PGA Championships, the Andersen Consulting World Golf Championships, a U.S. Senior Open and two U.S. Women's Opens. In 2020, The Straits at Whistling Straits will host the Ryder Cup Matches. 1 practice round and 3 tournament rounds of golf. The final tournament round will be played on the Straits Course.
- Course Rotation: Practice Round - Blackwolf Run: The Meadows Valley | Round 1 - Whistling Straits: The Irish | Round 2 - Blackwolf Run: The River | Round 3 - Whistling Straits: The Straits
- Opening night Welcome reception and final day awards lunch, along with lunch each day.
- Tee gift package for all players.
- Team: 1 Professional + 3 Amateurs (All amateurs must have a valid USGA Handicap)
 - ~Team Pro-Am format of 1 Gross Ball + 1 Net Ball of the Team
 - ~Team Prize Purse
- Amateur pricing:
 - ~\$2,750 per amateur for Double Occupancy—Inn on Woodlake
 - ~Add \$400 for Single Occupancy—Inn on Woodlake
 - ~Add \$300 for Double Occupancy—American Club
 - ~Add \$1,000 for Single Occupancy—American Club
 - ~Deposit of \$1,000 per amateur due by June 1, 2019
 - ~Full payment due by September 1, 2019

If you are interested in putting a team together please contact Brian Schulte at the Section Office (215) 481-9087 or at BSchulte@PGAHQ.com. Please click [here](#) for more information and/or to register.