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RECENT NEWS

Met PGA Fall Celebration Featuring Fall Meeting, Special Awards, and Battle of the Bands



We are excited to announce a new format for this year's Met PGA Fall Meeting on Tuesday, October 30th, 2018. The evening will begin with our annual membership meeting, followed by the introduction

of our Met PGA Special Awards honorees with an opportunity to recognize the recipients, our champions, and our collective success in a fun and celebratory setting. The general agenda for the evening is:

- 4:30 Registration
- 5:00 Membership Meeting
- 6:00 Award Presentations
- 7:15 Cocktail Hour
- 8:15 Buffet Dinner and Entertainment

Please visit metpgaevents.com (<http://metpgaevents.com>) for more information. PGA Members and Associates – Register Here

(<https://metpga.bluegolf.com/bluegolf/metpga18/event/metpga18136/index.htm>)

GUEST REGISTRATION COMING SOON. The cost for members and associates is \$90, and includes hors d'oeuvres, buffet dinner and open bar throughout the evening. The event will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel in Tarrytown, NY. A special room rate of \$189.00 is available at the DoubleTree by using the special booking code: "PGA." PGA members will earn 4 PGA Required MSR for attending the evening. Below is a list of our honorees:

Golf Professional of the Year	Heath Wassem, Fenway Golf Club
Teacher of the Year	Kevin Sprecher, Sleepy Hollow Country Club
Bill Strausbaugh Award	Jack Druga, Shinnecock Hills Golf Club
Horton Smith Award	Steve Scott, formerly Paramount Club
Deacon Palmer Award	Craig Thomas Metropolis Country Club
Merchandiser of the Year (Private)	Jim Weiss, Cold Spring Country Club
Merchandiser of the Year (Public)	Ed Ruiz, Oak Hills Park Golf Course
Patriot Award	Pete Stefanchik, formerly Elmwood CC
Player Development Award	Walter Ostroske, Merrick Park Golf Course
Youth Player Development Award	Drew Pohalski, Nassau Country Club

James Eugene Selected for Met PGA Fellowship



The Metropolitan PGA has selected James Eugene, a recent graduate of our PGA HOPE program, to serve as the first PGA WORKS Fellow in the Section's office. The PGA WORKS Fellowship program aspires to be the most valuable entry-level opportunity for individuals from diverse backgrounds to gain experience in all facets of the golf industry.

As a PGA WORKS Fellow, he will support the mission and purpose of the Metropolitan PGA Section Foundation, including assistance with PGA HOPE programming, PGA Jr. League, the 101st PGA Championship, and Drive, Chip & Putt. He will also assist with foundation administration, operations and fundraising events. Eugene is working towards earning his undergraduate degree in business management. Prior to his new role as a PGA WORKS fellow, Eugene served 12 years in the United States Marine Corps and served as a Veterans Service Representative at Nassau Community College.

The PGA of America recognizes that it will be defined by how its commitment to diversity and inclusion resonates throughout its programs and practices. This commitment is mission critical to the health and relevance of the Association's business and the game overall.

This year, the Fellowship will host 10 fellows in the following PGA Sections: Carolinas, Connecticut, Gateway, Michigan, Middle Atlantic, Metropolitan, New Jersey, Northern Ohio, Southern Ohio, and South Florida. The long-term goal of the program is to have Fellows in all 41 PGA Sections nationwide.

Morell Studios PGA Member Milestone Program



Morell Studios will present its second set of Met PGA Milestone Awards at the Fall Meeting to those professionals who have either earned their PGA Membership, Quarter Century, or Half Century status since our Spring Meeting. Members who reach PGA Milestones after October 31st will be recognized at the 2019 Spring Meeting. Members who have previously reached Milestones before the development of this Sponsorship will be offered an opportunity to purchase an award at a discounted rate through this agreement. We look forward to honoring our second set of recipients of the Met PGA Milestone Awards at the Fall Meeting and are excited about this new Sponsorship that highlights our members accomplishments. Members receiving Met PGA Milestone Awards this Fall include:

New Members: Drew Billard, Gabriel Denon, Mitchell Gray, Michael Gress, Ryan Ilardi, William Jones, Richard Kelly, James Lichtenberger, Eric Rheem, Parker Rolfes, Brittany Testa, Matthew Vallarino

Quarter Century: Peter Cowan, Michael Dolan, Paul Ferrone, Robert Guido, Lawrence Menne, James Morris, Timothy Shifflett, Dale Spina, Mark Wanser, Samuel Wiley

Half Century: Tom Joyce, Richard Loughlin

Please click here for full press release!

(<http://www.met.pga.com/sites/met.pga.com/files/MorellFallPressRelease.pdf>)

Met PGA HOPE Fall Classes Underway—Volunteers Needed

The Met PGA HOPE fall class schedule is now set and we are looking for instructors! If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Kelli Clayton (kclayton@pgahq.com) for information or to sign up. Graduation for all the fall classes is Thursday, October 18th at Woodside Club.

Bronx: Mosholu GC

Wednesdays: September 12, 19, October 3

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

West Point: West Point GC

Thursdays: September 13, 27, October 11

Time: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

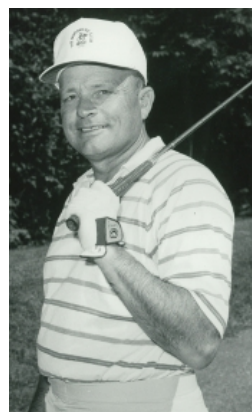
Long Island: Woodside Club

Wednesdays: September 12, 19, October 3

Time: 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

SIGN UP HERE! (<http://www.metpgafoundation.org/PGAProSignUp/>)

Joe Moresco Teaching and Coaching Summit Grant



The Woodmere Club and the Met PGA are pleased to announce the biennial Joe Moresco Teaching & Coaching Summit Grant, available to a Met PGA member wishing to attend the PGA Teaching and Coaching Summit. This program will be a special way to remember and honor Joe's legacy and passion for teaching the game he dearly loved. [Click here](https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/zJrfhd1Kpm8Wj4bf1D) (<https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/zJrfhd1Kpm8Wj4bf1D>) for details and online application. The deadline to apply is September 30th.

Our sincere thanks to the clubs who annually support the Met PGA Club Association. Clubs participate in this effort with \$375 annual dues that supports all of our good work in junior golf, employment, education, communications, public relations and a host of other special activities.

A complete list of participating clubs is available [here](#)

2019 PGA Championship Volunteers

After an exciting 2018 PGA Championship, the focus has now shifted to the Met Section and the 2019 PGA Championship at Bethpage State Park.

This is our chance to showcase the Met Section as the best in the country, and that starts with our PGA Member volunteers. The Met PGA will be responsible for staffing the practice areas for the week. All volunteers will receive a complimentary PGA Championship shirt.

We anticipate having all volunteers committed by October 1st. If interested in volunteering please contact jvoorheis@pgahq.com (mailto:jvoorheis@pgahq.com) as soon as possible.

Announcements & Reminders

Congratulations to New PGA Members

Congratulations to the following newly elected PGA members who will be recognized at the Fall Meeting as part of the Morrell Studios PGA Member Milestone program:

Timothy Carlton	A-8	The Creek
Eric Rheem	A-8	Harbor Links
Parker Rolfes	A-8	Sunningdale

New Arrivals

Congratulations to Westchester CC's Danny Balin and Kate Callahan of Ralph Lauren on the arrival of

Kali Elizabeth Balin. Kali was excited to celebrate her first Independence Day when she entered the world on July 4th, a few weeks before her due date. She was born at 5 pounds, 5 ounces and was 17 ³/₄ inches long. Kali spent some time in the hospital, but she and her mom are both at home and doing great.

The Tuxedo Club's head professional Chris Muldoon and wife Elyssa welcomed their first child, Weatherly Harper Muldoon, on August 4th. She weighed in at 7 pounds, 14 ounces. Elyssa and Weatherly are doing great and Chris is enjoying the adjustment to fatherhood.

For Sale

Tom Lupinacci is offering a \$17,500 Commission to any PGA Professional who might find him a client for his Antique Golf Collection. Please review Tom's Website Timelessgolfantiques.com.

Tom also has used High quality Golf Balls for re-sale —AND hit away balls at .15ea. There is free delivery in Long Island or Westchester for orders of 3000 balls or more! Tom is looking to purchase used Yellow Range balls and white striped Range Balls (they can say Practice)

Tom is also representing a client who is selling a very famous original oil Painting "The Drive" by Charles Edmund Brock painted in 1894. Asking price is \$125,000.00 It is offered the Clubs or a member. Tom can be reached at 904-233-1023 (tel:904-233-1023) (tel:904-233-1023 (tel:904-233-1023))

Joseph Laurentino is selling a JC Video 2 camera system. It is 5 years old. Includes: Asus gaming laptop, JC Video software, Day Brite Screen, 2 cameras and cables. Great starter for a young apprentice or assistant. Asking \$1,500. Email joseph@indianhillsgcc.net (mailto:joseph@indianhillsgcc.net) if interested

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

Team Championship and Partner Expo at North Fork and Gardiners Bay



As we approach the final month of our Section's tournament season our focus turns to the east end of Long Island for the Met PGA Team Championship and Expo. This year's event will feature a new site with North Fork Country Club joining Gardiner's Bay as tournament host on October 1st and 2nd. The Expo will be on the driving range and patio area at North Fork on Monday afternoon, from 2 pm until dusk. Our field will be split with half playing Gardiners Bay on Monday and North Fork on Tuesday, and the other half making the reverse trip. Seniors are also reminded that we have conducted a separate senior division (with senior tees). Professionals attending the Expo also receive MSR credits.

Registration is now open.

Silo Ridge Awaits the 2018 Gene Borek Squire Cup Teams on Tuesday October 23rd

We are so pleased to report that there were 32 applicants for the coveted 12 spots on the Assistant's team for the Gene Borek Squire Cup Matches. All the applicants are congratulated for a job well done and for proceeding with the application process. We expect the teams to be named near the end of September. This year's matches are again, sponsored by Cutter & Buck and Paul McManus.

Treiber Memorial Tournament of Champions



Wheatley Hills will once again host our final major event that determines our OMEGA Player of the Year and the exempt positions for next spring's MasterCard Match Play Championships. There WILL NOT be a qualifier this year. Instead, the tournament will be 54 holes played over three days (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday) with a cut after each round. All registered players will start round one on Tuesday October 9th. There is a super senior division (played from separate tees) available in this event as well.

Atlantic City Pro Am Returning to Hidden Creek Golf Club

The annual Atlantic City Pro Am will once again be played at Galloway National Golf Club but will also feature a return to Hidden Creek Golf Club this year. This ever-popular event will be headquartered at Borgata's Water Club for nightly accommodations and a cocktail party on Monday evening. The event will be supported by Met PGA Partner, Travelling the Fairways, who will conduct closest to the pin contests on each par 3 on Monday to qualify teams for a putting contest at the cocktail party with the winning team earning a trip to Saint Andrew's. Registrations are being taken now and spots will only be held for fully paid teams.

National Car Rental Jack Mallon and Whitey Voight Pro Ams

Our annual "Pro-Scratch" events, named for two influential Met PGA professionals, are coming in October. On October 3rd, the Long Island contingent will head out to Noyac Golf Club for the Jack Mallon, and an opportunity to honor retiring professional Dave Gosiewski. The Westchester group will return to Sunningdale, where Whitey Voight spent his career, on October 17th. Professionals are encouraged to team with their club champion or runner up in this better ball of two shootout.

Summit Brands/Fairway & Greene, Zero Restriction & EP Pro Preparing for The Farley Cup Matches at Glen Oaks on Oct. 18th –Teams Determined by OMEGA Point Standings

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It will be a very special day when the top players from Long Island do battle with the best of Westchester/CT/Upstate at the 8th Annual John Farley Cup Matches on Thursday, Oct. 18th at Glen Oaks Club. Thanks to Player of the Year sponsor, OMEGA and our partners at Summit Golf Group under the brands of Fairway & Greene, Zero Restriction and EP Pro, this will be another great testimonial to our late Tournament Director, John Farley who loved the competitive fire that our top players brought to the Section's schedule.

Met PGA Pro-Lady at Seawane

The annual Pro Lady will again be one event open to all section clubs. This year's version will be played on Thursday October 4th at Seawane Club. We are hopeful that Westchester clubs will appreciate the opportunity to play this Devereux Emmet gem on Long Island's south shore.

Professionals can register their teams online but are encouraged to contact the office if you need assistance.

Westchester Country Club Invite to the Annual Hoffhine Memorial Tournament

Please click here

(http://www.met.pga.com/sites/met.pga.com/files/2018_Hoffhine_Memorial_Golf_Tournament_Invitation.pdf)

for information and invitation to the Annual Hoffhine Memorial Golf Tournament at Westchester Country Club on Thursday September 27th.

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PGA OF AMERICA NEWS

Member Assistance Program (MAP). Support Linc

SupportLinc is a new PGA member assistance program (MAP). The SupportLinc MAP is a resource to help members deal with life's challenges and the demands that come with balancing home and work. SupportLinc provides confidential, professional, counseling for a wide array of personal and work-related concerns. For more information call 1-866-4PGAMAP or visit www.pgamap.com

MSR Cycle 16 is Underway

With MSR Cycle 15 in the rearview, it is important to be aware of the requirements for the current Cycle #16. The current cycle spans three years, ending on June 15, 2021. Please [click here](#) for a full description of the new PGA Member Service Requirements.

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