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-Diane Lazaros

## MID-ATLANTIC

### New Officer Elected

The Mid-Atlantic PGA elected new officers in November.

Josh Tremblay, PGA, of Springfield (Virginia) G. & C.C., became the 49th President of the Middle Atlantic Section.

Andy Weissinger, PGA, of Eaglewood G.C. at Langley AFB, was elected as Vice President.

The Mid-Atlantic PGA made history at its Fall Membership Meeting, electing a female PGA Member as one of its officers for the first time. Lynne Hunter, PGA/LPGA of Kenwood G. & C.C. in Bethesda, Maryland, was elected Secretary of the Mid-Atlantic PGA by a vote of the attending members. That puts her on track to become President in four years.

Also elected were Geoff Montross, PGA (TPC - Potomac) as the Mid-Atlantic PGA Director-at-Large and Eli Mireles, PGA, (Burning Tree Club) as the A-8 (Assistants) Director.

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Three Mid-Atlantic PGA Professionals were given the United States Army's Public Service Commendation Medal for their outstanding service to troops of all branches of The Armed Forces of The United States of America through the Links to Freedom Foundation. Life Members Tom Dougherty (Chester, Virginia), Peter Hodson (North Chesterfield, Virginia), and Mahrtz Lehr (Chesterfield, Virginia) were honored at the Mid-Atlantic PGA Fall Meeting with the official presentation of their medals.

For the past eight years, these three

PGA Members have driven from Richmond to Ft. Belvoir (approximately 200 miles roundtrip) for 16 Saturdays each year to support the Links to Freedom adaptive golf program, spending well over 1000 hours of their time, and have now found it necessary to retire. Way to go, gentlemen! -Jon Gubl

## MIDWEST

### 2020 Schedule for Midwest PGA

The following are important dates for 2020. Spring meeting and tournament kickoff to be held at Eagles Landing G.C. - April 6; Midwest Section PGA Women's Championship to be held at Shadow Glen G.C. - July 27 - 29; Midwest Section PGA Professional Championship to be held at Twin Oaks C.C. - Aug. 17 & 18; Midwest Section PGA Senior Professional Championship to be held at Canyon Farms G.C. - Aug. 24 & 25; Midwest Section PGA Assistant Championship to be held at Canyon farms G.C. - Aug. 24; Toyota / Omega 36 Hole Stroke Play Championship to be held at a course to be determined - Sept. 28; Footprints in Fairways Pro Am to be held at The Kansas City C.C. - Oct. 5; and the Midwest Section PGA Fall meeting and Celebration of Golf will be held on Dec. 7 in Kansas City at a site to be determined. -Brad Demo, PGA

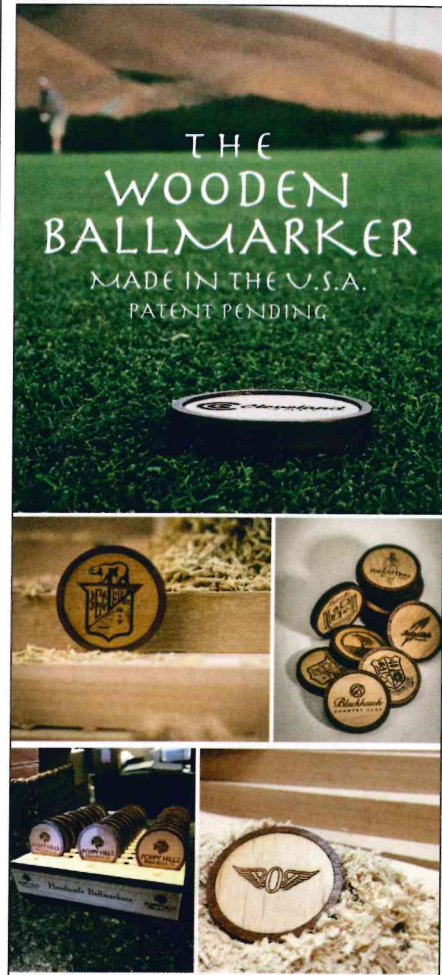
## NEBRASKA

### Vermeer Claims Third OMEGA Player of the Year

Ryan Vermeer, the PGA Director of Instruction at Happy Hollow Club, claimed his third consecutive OMEGA Player of the Year Award.

Vermeer's scoring average of 67.46 is the lowest scoring average in the modern era for the Section. Vermeer capped off another historic season by becoming the first Nebraska PGA Professional to make the cut at the 2019 PGA Championship. Ted DiGiacomo, PGA of Golf Galaxy-Omaha captured his first OMEGA Senior Player of the Year Award. DiGiacomo's season was highlighted by finishing runner-up at the 2019 Nebraska PGA Senior Professional Championship and finishing solo sixth at the 2019 Nebraska PGA Professional Championship. The 2019 OMEGA Assistant Player of the Year Award came down to the final event of the season with Justin Herron of Pacific Springs G.C. edging out Mike Coatman of Firethorn G.C. Herron captured the 2019 Assistants Match Play Championship and had one of the most solid seasons in recent memory with nine top three finishes.

Sam Jonell, PGA of Miracle Hill Golf & Tennis captured the inaugural Tito's Handmade Vodka "Holes of the Week" brought to you by Southern Glazer's Wine



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