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Pacific Northwest Section

Pacific Northwest Section PGA Hall of Fame

The Pacific Northwest Section established a Hall of Fame in 1981 for the purpose of honoring and perpetuating the memory of those persons who have distinguished themselves by their contribution to the Pacific Northwest Section and the game of golf.

The Hall of Fame Committee carefully reviews all possible candidates annually. Candidates are nominated in the categories of Teacher, Player, Administrator, or Promoter, and they must have exhibited interest and service above and beyond the expected and at the highest level of excellence. Once approved by the committee, the candidates are presented to the Section's Board of Directors for approval.

Ron Hagen
Chairman
Hall of Fame Committee

Pacific Northwest Section PGA Hall of Fame Members

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2007 Inductees



Bruce Wattenburger
Redmond, OR

Bruce Wattenburger has served his fellow PGA professionals like few before him. As Head PGA Professional at Juniper Golf Course, Bruce served two terms as the Oregon Chapter President, two terms as the Pacific Northwest Section President, one term on the PGA of America Board of Directors and a four-year stint on the PGA Board of Control. When it was all over, Bruce served again as the Oregon Chapter President. During his time of service Bruce served on virtually every chapter and section committee and was honored as Golf Professional of the Year and with the Horton Smith Award. At Juniper, Bruce managed an expansion from nine to 18 holes and in 2005, a move to a completely new site and golf course.



Gary Lindeblad
Spokane, WA

Gary Lindeblad has been synonymous with Spokane golf since his two Spokane Junior City Junior Championships. After eleven years under the tutelage of Kaye Walker at Liberty Lake Golf Course, Gary took over the reigns at Indian Canyon Golf Course in 1985 and has been a fixture there ever since. In addition to running one of the busiest operations in the Northwest, Gary was instrumental in growing the Rosauers Open Invitational into the Section's biggest championship and most importantly raising over \$100,000 annually for the Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery. A fine player, Gary played on seven Hudson Cup teams, one Senior Hudson Cup team and captained the 2004 squad. Gary also accomplished a rare feat in winning the 1990 Rosauers Open on his home course. Gary's service to his fellow professionals is evidenced by his 20 years on the Employment Services Committee.

Rick Acton

Kirkland, WA

Rick Acton was probably best known for his outstanding playing ability, and was often considered one of the finest putters the game has known. His total victories in the Pacific Northwest include 15 major championship titles. Rick was the head professional at Sahalee CC for twelve years, and it during this time where Rick developed a reputation as one of the finest club professionals in the Northwest. Rick was recognized by his peers as one of the nation's finest teachers, and he contributed countless hours making fellow professionals better teachers and players. He is the only professional in the Section's history to be awarded four section awards; Teacher of the Year, Merchandiser of the Year, Horton Smith Trophy, and in 1994, the Golf Professional of the Year. What Rick would like people to remember is not the putts he made or the titles he won, but his drive, competitiveness, and his tremendous respect for the game of golf.



Inducted 2000

Bill Aliment

Tukwila, WA

Bill Aliment was born into a family of golf professionals – father, brother, uncle and cousin. He turned professional himself in 1954 as an assistant to his father Joe at the Foster Golf Links in Tukwila, WA. Bill became the head professional in 1960. Bill ran the Western Washington PGA Chapter pro-amateur events for 11 years. He was Pacific Northwest PGA Section president in 1977-78, a term that included involvement in the Western Golf Association scholarship fund. He twice was the section's secretary-treasurer. The Aliment family, which had owned the Foster Golf Links and surrounding property since 1951, sold the course in 1978 to the City of Tukwila. Bill retired from the golf shop in 1980.



Inducted 1995

James M. "Long Jim" Barnes

Tacoma, WA

Born in Cornwall, England, Jim came to the United States in 1906 and became one of the world's finest players. He won the first PGA Championship in 1916, defeating Jock Hutchinson in the final match, and successfully defended the title in 1919 after a two year lapse due to World War I. Jim won \$500 and a diamond medal for each victory. He won the 1921 U.S. Open, defeating Walter Hagen by eight strokes at Chevy Chase Club, near Washington D.C., and the 1925 British Open at Prestwick Golf Club in Scotland. He was a four time champion of the Northwest Open. Jim was the golf professional at Tacoma Country & Golf Club from 1911 to 1915.



Inducted 1981

Tim Berg
Sunriver, OR

Tim's professional career began in 1964 as an assistant professional to Wendell Wood at Eugene Country Club. He moved on to his first head professional position at Emerald Valley in Creswell, OR in 1968 before a brief stint on the PGA Tour in 1970. He was appointed head professional at Columbia Edgewater Country Club, then moved on to direct the City of Portland's golf facilities in 1972. In 1980, Tim was named Director of Golf at Pebble Beach Golf Club in Carmel, CA, a position he held until 1983 when he became the Director of Golf at Sunriver Resort in Central Oregon. Tim was instrumental in the development of the Sunriver Oregon Open into one of the top championships in the country and was active on the section's tournament committee. Tim compiled an outstanding playing record with the Northwest Open titles in 1972 and 1975 among his victories.



Inducted 1993

George Bertz
Portland, OR

George Bertz was the sports editor of the Oregon Journal from 1919 until 1957. During that long period of time, he covered golf among other sports and played a major role in the development of sports news coverage, particularly golf, and in the formation of golf associations in the Pacific Northwest. He retired from the Journal in 1957 and served as the executive Secretary of the Oregon PGA and the Oregon Golf Association until his death in 1960. He wrote about golf from the 1913 exhibition at Waverley Country Club of Harry Vardon and Ted Ray until the modern era. He covered a number of major championships, including the 1946 PGA Championship and the 1947 Ryder Cup, both at Portland Golf Club. He was a founding member of the Golf Writers Association of America.



Inducted 1996

Don Bies
Seattle, WA

Don Bies' illustrious career began when he turned professional in 1957 and served for ten years as an assistant to Bill Zongker at Seattle Golf Club. Beginning in 1968, Don became a member of the PGA Tour, and later the Senior PGA Tour. Don has compiled one of the greatest playing records in the history of the Pacific Northwest Section. In addition to his success as a Tour player, Don numbers among his titles three Washington State Opens, two Northwest Opens, two Al C. Giusti Memorials, a Pacific Northwest Section Championship, and a Washington PGA crown.



Inducted 1994

Jim Bourne

Tacoma, WA

A Seattle native, Jim Bourne turned professional in 1960 and gained his PGA membership in 1964. He has been the professional, manager, and owner of North Shore Golf Club in Tacoma since 1961. An outstanding player, Jim played the PGA Tour in 1960 and '61 after compiling a fine amateur record which included the Seattle Junior Championship and medalist honors in the Pacific Northwest Amateur Championship. A very active PGA Member, he served as Section President in 1970 and '71 and was the Pacific Northwest Section's Golf Professional of the Year in 1972. Jim later became a representative of equipment manufacturer Ping where he became one of the Section's largest supporting sponsors.



Inducted 1992

Neil Christian

Portland, OR

Neil Christian began in golf as a caddie at Tacoma Country & Golf Club and later held professional positions at Tacoma's Meadow Park GC, Yakima CC, and Spokane's Riverside GC (later renamed Downriver). He was one of the finest players in his early years. His name can be found three times each on the list of past champions of the Northwest Open (1924, 1929, 1932) and the Washington State Open (1925, 1927, 1932). In addition to his three Northwest Open victories, he finished runner-up on two occasions as a result of a playoff. He also made the cut in one U.S. Open. Christian became the head professional at Waverley Country Club in 1927, a position he held until 1933 when fellow Hall of Famer Ted Longworth took over for the next 20 years. He finished his career teaching at Riverside Golf and Country Club.



Inducted 1981

Charles "Chuck" Congdon

Tacoma, WA

Chuck Congdon was the professional at Tacoma Country & Golf Club from 1935 to 1965. Chuck was involved in getting the Pacific Northwest Section started and served three terms as president. He also served as a PGA of America Vice-President from 1955 to 1957. The Section presented Chuck with its highest honor by electing him Golf Professional of the Year. He played on 15 Hudson Cup teams, and was the captain of the 1954 team. Chuck won the Washington Open in 1939, 1947, 1950, 1952 and 1962, the Portland Open in 1947, the Canadian Open in 1948, and the Pacific Northwest Section Championship in 1963. Not only was Chuck a great player, he was also known to be one of the top teachers in the country.



Inducted 1981

Al Cross
Salem, OR

Al Cross' interest in golf started when he caddied at Eugene Country Club and took lessons from Wendell Wood. His primary interest has been teaching ever since. After playing golf at the University of Oregon on one of their best-ever teams, Cross returned home from the service to work at Eugene CC. He left to become head professional at Springfield Country Club. In July of 1961, Al became head professional at Illahe Hills Country Club and served until 1984. Few professionals in the Northwest have given more lessons than Al Cross. In 1985, Cross became Director of Instruction at The Vintage in Palm Springs, a position he held for 16 years. He was so popular with the members they gave him a lifetime membership upon his retirement. Al has long been recognized as a tremendous golf professional and gentleman, and he was awarded the Section's Golf Professional of the Year in 1975 and the Teacher of the Year in 1987.



Inducted 1994

Bob Duden
Portland, OR

Bob Duden compiled one of the most astonishing records in the history of sectional golf competition. In a professional career that stretched more than 40 years, he won over 50 titles, including 23 major Pacific Northwest Section events. These included a remarkable eight Oregon Open championships captured between 1952 and 1973. Duden grew up in Portland and made it his home all his life. He played successfully on the PGA Tour in the 1950's and '60's and won one event and tied for second in three others between 1959 and 1964. He was recognized as one of the finest fairway wood players in history. Bob invented the croquet style putter, which he called "The Dude" and later pioneered the sidesaddle putting style.



Inducted 1983

Bill Eggers
Portland, OR

Bill Eggers was a prominent club professional for more than 30 years and in that time carved out one of the finest playing records in Pacific Northwest Section history. He won the Oregon Open in 1960 and 1961 and the Oregon PGA in 1965. He played the PGA Tour for four years in the early 1960's. He played on 15 Hudson Cup teams between 1958 and 1982 and was the Professional Team captain in 1991 and 1992. He was a noted teacher and served as head professional for Rose City GC, Gresham CC and Charbonneau GC. In his later years, Bill was among the national leaders in teaching disabled golfers. He served as Oregon Chapter President and was a long-time chairman of the Section tournament committee.



Inducted 1993

Oscar “Ockie” Eliason

Tacoma, WA

Oscar “Ockie” Eliason, a two-time Pacific Northwest Open champion, served 20 years as professional-manager at Allenmore Golf Club in Tacoma after an 11-year stint as a teacher at the Lakewood Range. He taught golf for more than 40 years prior to his retirement and considers Senior Tour professional Ken Still as one of his students. Ockie was an excellent player, and his Northwest titles include the 1950 Allenmore Open, the 1955 and 1956 Pacific Northwest Opens, the 1955 Sunnyside Open, and the 1957 Oregon Open. He won an unprecedented \$10,000 in the 1964 Seattle Open by carding a hole-in-one. He maintained his playing ability as the years went by and won the Washington PGA Senior title in 1988.



Inducted 1996

Alfred “Tiger” Feldman

Tacoma, WA

“Tiger” to his friends, Al turned professional at Westmoreland Fairways Range in Portland. His career spanned nearly 60 years, including stints at Meadow Park and Capitol City, before finishing his career as the teaching professional at Auburn Golf Course. Al captured his first Northwest major at Fircrest Golf Club by winning the 1957 Northwest Open. For a late starter, Al compiled an impressive Section record which included four major titles, three senior titles, and appearances on nine Hudson Cup teams. On the national scene, Al finished second in the 1962 Senior Open and played in the 1963 U.S. Open. To all who knew him, Al was indeed a “Tiger.”



Inducted 1993

Ron Hagen

Seattle, WA

In 1971, Ron Hagen was elected to membership. Three years later, the members of Sand Point CC appointed Ron as their new head professional, a position which Ron held for 13 years. During these years, Ron became very active in PGA association affairs, and also served as the golf coach for the University of Washington from 1977 to 1983. 1987, he was elected President of the Pacific Northwest Section PGA, and remained at the helm for four years. When his term as President was completed, he served on the officers committee for four more years. He was active on committees his entire PGA career at all levels. His leadership ability was recognized at the national level, where he served on four PGA of America committees from 1987 to 1991. Ron won the Section’s highest award, Golf Professional of the Year, a record four times - in 1986, 1988, 1989, and 1990.



Inducted 2003

Sid Harman

Black Butte Ranch, OR

Sid Harman was a golf professional for 60 years, spending the last 17 years of his life as the associate golf professional at Black Butte Ranch. He started his career at Nibley Park Golf Club in Salt Lake City where he was a nine-time runner-up in the Utah Open. He moved to Walla Walla Country Club as head professional and worked at the Elks Golf Club in Selah before moving to Black Butte. He won the Pacific Northwest PGA Senior championship and astounded his fellow professionals when he won the star-studded Prineville Invitational Pro-Am in 1987 at the age of 70. "When he was with us," said Bunny Mason, Director of Golf at Black Butte during Harman's tenure, "he shot or beat his age nearly every time he teed it up." Sid was honored with the sections Golf Professional of the Year Award in 1967.

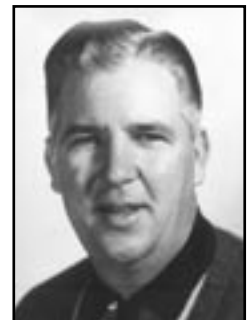


Inducted 1983

Eddie Hogan

Portland, OR

Eddie Hogan enjoyed one of the longest successful playing careers in the Pacific Northwest. Like many other great players of his day, he began as a caddie at Waverley CC. He won his first Pacific Northwest Amateur title when he was 20 years old, and he won the Pacific Northwest PGA Championship when he was 54. In 1939, he turned professional and went to work at Riverside G&CC in Portland, and later served the club as both head professional and general manager. It was his acumen that saved Riverside after the disastrous flood of 1948. Hogan was the first of the Northwest's great merchandisers, but his lasting legacy was junior golf. While at Riverside, Hogan made the development of junior golf a priority at his club as well as fostering it at other clubs. He was also a leader in helping the Oregon Golf Association establish its widely recognized junior program. Sadly, Eddie Hogan met a tragic death when he drowned in a boating accident while fishing in 1968.



Inducted 1981

Robert Hudson

Portland, OR

Bob Hudson founded the Hudson House food-packing firm and became sponsor and promoter of professional golf in the Pacific Northwest. Hudson is best remembered for bringing the Ryder Cup back to life after a 12-year lapse due to World War II; however, he also financed four Portland Opens-in 1944, '45, '47, and '48- as the 1946 PGA Championship and the 1955 Western Open. The Hudson Cup Matches were begun by the Pacific Northwest PGA in honor of Mr. Hudson's contributions to golf, but Hudson insisted on making the Matches one of his own contributions and paid for all expenses until his death. He will be remembered always for making it possible for the British PGA to send a Ryder Cup team to Portland for the 1947 rebirth of the great competition.



Inducted 1981

Dale Johnson

Portland, OR

It is probably fair to say that he was a founding father of the modern Pacific Northwest PGA and the Oregon Golf Association. He became fulltime director of the section in 1964 and for more than a quarter of a century, he wore three hats; executive director of the Pacific Northwest Section PGA, Oregon Chapter PGA, and Oregon Golf Association. He became a legend for his stern but fair rulings and the eagle eye he kept on his organizations' finances. His husbanding of resources made it possible for the Pacific Northwest Section to become much admired nationally. And, his leadership of the OGA helped make possible the funds that started the ball rolling on the building of its own golf course. Johnson, who was first a sports writer for The Oregonian from 1947 until 1958, covered or administered almost every Northwest Open until his retirement in 1989. The number of his friends in the golf profession is legion.



Inducted 1990

Robert Johnstone

Seattle, WA

In 1900, Robert Johnstone emigrated from North Berwick, Scotland to San Francisco, where he laid out courses at Ingleside and Presidio Golf Clubs. He remained the club professional at Presidio for five years. A great player, he won the PNGA's Northwest Open Championship four consecutive times from 1901 to 1904. In 1905, he caught the eye of a few members from Seattle Golf Club while playing in the Northwest Open at Waverley CC, and they persuaded him to visit Seattle. He did visit, and never left. In June 1905, Johnstone began his thirty-two year association with Seattle Golf Club as their first golf professional. From that point, well into the twenties, there was no better-known golfer in the Pacific Northwest than Robert Johnstone. He went on to win the Northwest Open a record eight times. In 1922, he was instrumental in the forming of the Pacific Northwest Section PGA and served as its first president.



Inducted 1982

Larry Lamberger

Portland, OR

Larry Lamberger was one of the Pacific Northwest Section's best known and most respected members. Larry served 36 years as head professional at Portland Golf Club before retiring in 1974. He was completely devoted to his members and to the PGA and served as president of both the Oregon Chapter and the PNW Section. He was a leader throughout his career. He also was a noted player and teacher. He listed two Oregon PGA championships among his victories and was runner-up to a third. Perhaps Larry's most lasting legend is the Hudson Cup matches. They were conceived and begun by Larry and the late Al Zimmerman. Larry served as Captain of the Professional Team 26 times between the years 1950 and 1980.



Inducted 1981

George Lanning

Tacoma, WA

Following his 20-year career in the United States Air Force, George Lanning began his second career as an assistant golf professional at Oakbrook Golf and Country Club in Tacoma in 1969 and 1970. Later in 1970, he became the head professional at McChord Air Force Base Golf Club, then returned to Oakbrook as head professional in 1974. While at Oakbrook, George became well known for his work developing top junior players through his junior program. One of the finest left-handers in the nation, he resigned from Oakbrook in 1984 to join the Senior PGA Tour where he proved to be a consistent money winner. George was also active in PGA, serving many offices in the Chapter and Section, concluding as Section president in 1980 and '81. He was the Section's Horton Smith Award winner in 1980, and was bestowed with the Section's highest honor, Golf Professional of the Year, in 1981.



Inducted 1993

Ted Longworth

Portland, OR

Ted spent the last 21 years of his career as the head professional at Waverley Country Club where he retired in 1953. He won the Oregon PGA five times (1935, 1941, 1944, 1945 and 1948), the Washington Open twice (1933 and 1937) and the Oregon Open in 1934. In addition to his five Oregon PGA victories, he had three-second place finishes in the tourney. Longworth started his professional career in Joplin, Missouri in 1923 and shortly thereafter moved to Fort Worth, Texas. He is best remembered for a couple of caddies he took under his wing in Fort Worth - Ben Hogan and Byron Nelson. Hogan was a natural lefthander until Longworth talked him into playing from the right side. Ted moved from Fort Worth to Texarkana, Texas, before taking the job at Waverley in 1932.



Inducted 1982

Gene "Bunny" Mason

Portland, OR

Few PGA members have crammed as many careers and honors into one lifetime as has Gene C. "Bunny" Mason. Bunny gained national prominence as a merchandiser, teacher, and golf shop operator during his tenures at Salem GC, Columbia Edgewater CC, and Black Butte Ranch. He served as president of the section and as a PGA of America Vice-President. He was a founder of the PGA Education Program and Business Schools, and for his contributions to PGA education, was honored with the 1966 Horton Smith Trophy. The Section has presented him with the Golf Professional of the Year and Teacher of the Year awards. Bunny was one of the Northwest's finest players for many years and won the 1956 Oregon Open Championship.



Inducted 1984

Bob McKendrick

Portland, OR

Bob McKendrick started his love affair with golf caddying at Waverley Country Club, and worked his way into an assistant professional job with Ted Longworth at Waverley. In 1946, Bob was named head professional at Oswego Lake Country Club where he served with distinction for 40 years. Bob was a member of 19 Hudson Cup teams, more than any other professional, and served as captain in 1990. Bob served his fellow professionals in nearly every office of the chapter and section. Because he was a quiet, proud man, he could have been overlooked. The contribution Bob made to the game of golf and the PGA did not go unnoticed.



Inducted 1984

Jerry Mowlds

Portland, OR

Jerry Mowlds is the most decorated professional in the history of the Pacific Northwest Section, and the section's only professional to be awarded with the PGA of America Golf Professional of the Year Award. He won this award on four occasions on the section level as well as its Teacher of the Year Award. He served with distinction as the head professional at Columbia Edgewater CC for 17 years prior to becoming Director of Golf at the newly opened Pumpkin Ridge GC in 1991. There are few members across the country who can compare in regards to service to his fellow professionals and the association. He has served at every level of the chapter and section, culminating as Section President in 1982-'83. His expertise was recognized on the national level, where he chaired numerous committees and later served on the PGA's Board of Directors. Jerry was one of the section's finest players for many years. A 12-time Hudson Cup team member, he counts the 1964 Oregon Open and the 1974 Section Championship among his titles.



Inducted 1991

Al Mundle

Eugene, OR

One of the true gentlemen in the PGA, Al Mundle served the membership at some of the most distinguished clubs in the Northwest, but was recognized most for his 16 years as the head professional at Overlake Golf and Country Club in Medina, Washington from 1965 to 1981. He then returned to his college town of Eugene, Oregon, serving as the head professional at Eugene Country Club before returning to Washington and the newly opened Bear Creek Country Club in 1984. Al was highly involved in chapter and section affairs, serving as Section President in 1971 and '72 and as the Hall of Fame Committee Chairman for many years into the 1990's. His many awards include the Pacific Northwest Section Golf Professional of the Year in 1974 and 1978, as well as the Bill Strausbaugh award in 1977, '81, and '83.



Inducted 1989

Verne Perry Jr.

Portland, OR

One of the most active PGA members in Pacific Northwest PGA history, few professionals can match Verne Perry's dedication to the Section and the golf profession. He held head professional positions in Oregon at Michelbook Country Club, Sunriver Resort, and Bear Creek Golf Club as well as The Cedars GC, just across the Columbia River in Washington State. Verne, a Portland native, has served in nearly every capacity in the Oregon Chapter and the Pacific Northwest Section over the years, and was Section President in 1974 and '75. Verne's service went beyond the borders of the Northwest when he served as a vice president for the PGA of America from 1979 to 1981. He was the Pacific Northwest Section Golf Professional of the Year in 1977, and his dedication to PGA education was recognized when he won the PGA of America Horton Smith Award in 1987.



Inducted 1990

Walter Pursey

Seattle, WA

Walter Pursey was a native of England who immigrated to the United States and became an important member of the Pacific Northwest golf community. He served as the golf professional at Inglewood Country Club in Kenmore, Washington, then at Rainier Golf & Country Club in Seattle prior to returning to his native England where he resided until his death. During his American sojourn, he won the Northwest Open in 1927 and the Washington State Open in 1926 and 1928 with a runner-up finish between his victories. He was a leader in the affairs of the Pacific Northwest Section in the late 1920's and 1930's, and he served as its president in 1931, 1935, and 1936.



Inducted 1994

Gordon Richards

Seattle, WA

Gordon Richards was one of the most successful professionals in section history. Over a 50-year period, beginning in 1927, Gordy served as head professional at Tacoma C&GC, Broadmoor GC, and Overlake G&CC. He purchased Wayne Golf Club in 1952, and with son David, built Snohomish Golf Club in 1965. He also owned the Stadium Driving Range. Gordy was an accomplished player and teacher. He won the Washington PGA title in 1933 and 1934, and the Pacific Northwest Section title in 1944. He also won three Pacific Northwest Pro-Amateur crowns between 1933 and 1953 with three different partners; Chuck Hunter, Harry Givan, and Erv Parent. Gordy was an active administrator, serving two terms as Section President, and as Vice-President of the PGA of America from 1945 to 1947.



Inducted 1984

Frank Rodia

Seattle, WA

Junior golf bracketed a 63-year career as a golf professional for Frank Rodia. He caddied at the Seattle Golf Club in the early 1920's, and organized a match between Ballard and Franklin High that led to competitive golf in the Seattle school system. His first head professional job was at Alderwood in Portland, and he returned to Seattle in 1926 as the first professional at the Broadmoor Golf Club. Rodia was a fine player, winning the Washington PGA Match Play championship in 1931 the Washington State Open in 1929 and '31. Following a move to San Diego in 1934, He became the first head professional at the Torrey Pines course in 1954, retiring in 1970. He returned to Washington the next year, becoming active at the Alderbrook Yacht and Golf Club on Hood Canal.



Inducted 1982

Jim Shriver

Spokane, WA

Jim Shriver compiled an outstanding amateur record spanning a period of almost 20 years in his native Spokane and Seattle. His titles include the Spokane and Seattle City Championships as well as the 1958 Inglewood Invitational. Jim was a member of the first Hudson Cup amateur team in 1949. After a successful career as a salesman of golf equipment, Jim turned professional and was elected to PGA membership in 1962. He served as head professionals at Indian Canyon Golf Club and Manito Golf and Country Club before retiring in 1981. He was one of the most active PGA members in the Inland Empire Chapter, serving as president in 1977 and '78. His many honors include the Section's Golf Professional of the Year in 1979 and Junior Golf Leader in 1988.



Inducted 1992

Don Smith

Portland, OR

Don began his golf career while still in high school, working under the tutelage of Larry Lamberger at Portland Golf Club where he served for 15 years. He became head professional at Forest Hills Golf Club in 1959 and moved from there to Portland's Eastmoreland Golf Club in 1971. Don was one of the most active PGA members of his time, serving as Oregon Chapter secretary-treasurer for two years and president of that group for five years. He was the Section president in 1968 and 1969 before serving as PGA of America Vice President from 1970 to 1972. In 1973, he accepted a position as the PGA of America's Tournament Director, and made his home in Florida until his retirement in 1994. During this tenure, he lead the administration of the PGA's tournament activities, highlighted by PGA Championships and Ryder Cup Matches.



Inducted 1995

Ken Still

Fircrest, WA

There was no mistaking Ken Still's roots during his 22 years on the PGA Tour. He won three tournaments – the Florida Citrus and Milwaukee opens in 1969, the Kaiser Invitational in 1970. He was in the top 60 on the Tour money list for eight straight years, from 1966-73, gaining him exemption from tournament qualifying. Still's best year as a touring pro was 1969, when he was 25th on the money list and qualified for the 1969 Ryder Cup Matches against the British at Royal Birkdale Golf Club, Southport, England. When Still turned 50, he qualified automatically in 1985 for the PGA Senior Tour. He was 14th on the money list his first year, and played for another 11 years. Still won the Washington State Open in 1966 and was a finalist in the Washington PGA Match Play in 1980 and '81, winning in 1980. He played in the Hudson Cup Matches in 1983 and 1984.



Inducted 1995

Bill Tindall

Seattle, WA

Bill's life has revolved around the PGA and the game of golf. The son of PGA member Bob Tindall, his talent shined at an early age when he won the Seattle City Amateur at the age of 15 and the USGA Junior Boys Championship in 1960. His first head professional position came at Longview Country Club, and eight years later, Bill accepted the head professional position at Seattle's Broadmoor Golf Club. It was during these years that Bill developed the reputation among his peers as one of the finest club professionals in the country, and was awarded with the Section's Golf Professional of the Year award in 1987. Always an outstanding player, Bill's exemplary game continued during his career as a PGA Professional when he won the 1994 Oregon Open. Bill Tindall has long been recognized as the "Pro's Pro" in the Northwest, and countless professionals have tried to emulate his career, professionalism, and generosity.



Inducted 2000

Ken Tucker

Everett, WA

Ken Tucker worked in club jobs in 1931 and '32 in his hometown at the Everett Golf and Country Club, jobs he figures now may have labeled him as caddy master. He turned pro in 1933 at the old Mountain View course in Lacey, WA. In January 1936, he began a 42-year tenure as head professional at the Everett Country Club. His career as a PGA member was interrupted, when he serviced the U.S. Navy from 1941-45. Tucker played in two national PGA tournaments, and in PGA Tour events from 1937-39. Except for the World War II years, he played in the Bing Crosby National Pro-Am tournament from 1937-62. He won the Pacific Northwest PGA championship in 1939; participated twice in the annual Hudson Cup Matches; was Pacific Northwest sectional president in the early-1950s – and was Pacific Northwest Golf Professional of the year in 1960.



Inducted 1982

Bud Ward
Spokane, WA

Bud Ward attacked a golf ball with fierce determination seldom equaled, from a nine-hole course near Elma, Washington, his home town, all the way to the Royal and Ancient Golf Club at St. Andrews, Scotland. Along the way he won the U.S. Amateur championship in 1939 and 1941. Ward won the Western Amateur three times, and finished fourth in the 1939 U.S. Open, one stroke out of first. He played on the U.S. Walker Cup teams in 1938 and 1947 against England's best amateurs. Ward also won the Northwest Open six times, the Washington State Open three times, and Washington State Amateur twice in addition to the Pacific Northwest Golf Association title. Ward's record fell short of the man. After winning the 1941 U.S. Amateur before a biased gallery in Omaha, Neb., he returned to play a Boys Town benefit match – and to bring with him a sizeable check for Boys Town from the Spokane Athletic Round Table.



Inducted 1981

Harold West
Chehalis, WA

Harold was born and raised in Chehalis, Washington. A fine player who started his professional career later than most, he won the 1953 Washington Open and the 1951 Northwest Open. He won the Oregon Open in 1948 and 1950, beating Porky Oliver in the latter on his home course, Tualatin Country Club. West also won the Idaho Open and the Utah Open. He served two stints at Tualatin CC with positions at Longview GC and Pendleton CC in between. He was a fine teacher and at Tualatin, he was known as “the round man with the fine golf swing.” When Harold died, his fellow professionals in the Oregon Chapter named the Oregon Open championship trophy after him.



Inducted 1981

Perry Williams
Kennewick, WA

Perry Williams' illustrious PGA career began in 1967 when he served as professional and manager at Lewiston CC. A decade later, Perry became the head professional at Tri-City CC in 1977, and it was during his tenure at Tri-City CC when he began to get highly involved in what would become his passion, the Rules of Golf. In 1982, Perry became the first chairman of the Pacific Northwest Section PGA Rules Committee. After eleven years at Tri-City CC, Perry left to pursue a career with the PGA Tour as a rules official and tournament administrator, a position he retained until his retirement in 1997. Perry's passion for the Rules of Golf is infectious, and in 1994, the Section's Board of Directors established the Perry Williams Award, given to the PGA professional who is recognized for a learned knowledge of the Rules of Golf and for their dedication to the Section's Rules Committee.



Inducted 2000

Dr. Gary Wiren

Eugene, OR

Gary Wiren's Northwest roots stem from Eugene where he earned his doctorate degree from the University of Oregon. His work in the area of teaching made him, at one time, perhaps the most well known PGA Professional in the world. He has written or participated in the writing of over 200 magazine articles, has 13 film credits, three videos on the market, and has taught over 250,000 people in 28 countries. The PGA of America recognized his excellence in education and teaching and hired him. Wiren worked for the association for 12 years, founding its National Academy of Golf and serving as the Director of Education, Learning and Research and the PGA Hall of Fame. Dr. Wiren has received many awards during his career, including the Pacific Northwest Section Golf Professional of the Year in 1971, and the PGA of America Teacher of the Year in 1987. He is honored in the Golf Halls of Fame in the states of Nebraska and South Dakota.



Inducted 1994

Wendell Wood

Eugene, OR

Wendell Wood is one of those rare golf professionals who spent an entire lifetime at one club. He went to work as a caddy at Eugene Country Club in 1932, moved up to caddy master, and then became the head professional prior to World War II. After returning from service, Wendell returned to Eugene and resumed his professional career. Recognized as a consummate club professional, he was an excellent teacher and player. He always said "playing is secondary to serving my membership." During his years at Eugene, he worked with the University of Oregon golf team and assisted in the development of many fine players such as Don Krieger and Lou Stafford. In addition to being a great instructor, he also served as a role model and mentor and was responsible for introducing fellow Hall of Famers Tim Berg and Al Mundle to the golf profession.



Inducted 1983

Emery Zimmerman

Portland, OR

Emery Zimmerman was a superior player who served at Alderwood for many years. He won the Northwest Open in 1936 and the Washington Open four times (1934, 1940, 1941 and 1951). He was a professional at Columbia Edgewater, Riverside and Peninsula Country Clubs and then at Clark County Golf Club. He finished his career as an assistant to his brother, Al, at Alderwood Country Club.



Inducted 1984

Eldred P. "Al" Zimmerman

Portland, OR

Al Zimmerman was one of the Pacific Northwest Section's greatest players. He won 14 section events in the 1930's and 1940's, including four Northwest Opens, two Oregon Opens, and two Washington Opens. He played successfully in the earliest days of the PGA Tour in the late 1920's, and wrote a book titled "How the Golf Tour Began," published in 1992. Al was head professional at Columbia-Edgewater Country Club and Alderwood Country Club in Portland, Oregon. When Alderwood closed in 1953, Al moved to Arizona and held head professional positions there. He served as president of the Oregon Chapter PGA and as a member of the PGA of America's first Tournament Policy Board.



Inducted 1981

Bill Zongker

Seattle, WA

Retirement was much too brief for Bill Zongker. He spent 56 years at Seattle Golf Club, as a caddy, club washer, assistant professional and, from 1937 to 1974, as head professional. But death ended Zongker's life at 65 – after all of 10 ½ months of retirement. Zongker's primary belief was service to his club members. He was considered one of the most devoted professionals to his membership. Zongker himself admitted that his own interests – hunting, fishing and golfing – were time consuming, but that he didn't allow those activities to interfere with his job. It wasn't unusual for Zongker to take off for a weekend to play in a tournament. But he always was back in the shop on Monday morning to fulfill his responsibilities to his membership.



Inducted 1983