2013 Minnesota Section PGA and Dakota Chapter Award Winners

Congratulations to the following PGA Professionals for their leadership and involvement at their facilities and in their communities. The 2013 Minnesota Section PGA award winners will be honored at the Section's Fall Meeting on October 28th at Bunker Hills Golf Club in Coon Rapids.

Doug Nelson, PGA Professional at Minikahda Club in Minneapolis will be honored with the Minnesota PGA Golf Professional of the Year award for the first time. His overall performance as a golf professional as well as his service and promotion of the game of golf has been outstanding and is greatly appreciated by the Section.

Section Teacher of the Year will be awarded to Eric Chiles, PGA Director of Instruction at Chaska Town Course in Chaska for his excellence in golf instruction. The honor of Section Junior Golf Leader will be awarded to Bryan Skavnak, PGA Director of Instruction at Parkers Lake Golf Center in Plymouth. The Section Player Development Award winner is Marshall Hoiness, PGA Assistant Professional at the Minikahda Club in Minneapolis and the Section Taylor Made Assistant Professional of the Year is Brian Haack, PGA Assistant at Mankato Golf Club.

Minnesota PGA Facility Promoter's of the Year will be awarded to those professionals who provide outstanding contributions to their facility. Criteria considered for this award include golf programs offered, tournament operations, merchandising, rules, promotion, and history at facility. The 2013 Minnesota PGA Facility Promoter's of the Year are, in the private facility category, Tim Huffman of New Ulm Country Club in New Ulm, in the public facility category, Troy Malo of Pebble Creek Golf Course in Becker, and in the resort category, Eric Peterson of Legacy Courses at Cragun's in Brainerd.

The 2013 Dakota Chapter Award winners were announced October 15th at the Chapter's Fall Meeting. Congratulations to Chapter Golf Professional of the Year Larry Murphy, PGA Professional at Moorhead Country Club. Other Chapter Award winners included Teacher of the Year Dan Tannahill, PGA Professional at King's Walk Golf Club, Facility Promoter of the Year Dave Sadlowsky, PGA Professional at Thumper Pond Golf Club, Junior Golf Leader Corey Herlickson, PGA Professional at Meadows Golf Course, Assistant Professional of the Year Dustin Steiner of Fargo Country Club and Sales Representative of the Year Adam Minnich of Nike Golf.