

President's Award

Warren West, PGA
The Country Club of Virginia
Richmond, Virginia

The MAPGA President, Matthew Schulze, personally selects this President's Award winner to recognize an individual who has been working "under the radar," to improve our game, our industry, and our Association. Mr. Schulze identified Warren West, PGA for his endless support of the Section and his fellow PGA professionals. Warren has hosted many events for the MAPGA, and is a regular supporter of many Section events, playing and attending. In 2016, Warren added the duties of hosting the Dominion Charity Classic, an event in The PGA Champions Tour Playoffs.

Born and raised in Gloucester, Virginia, Warren is the son of Nelson and Iris West. Nelson West was a career Army Budget Officer and continues to be an avid golfer; he is also the one who introduced Warren to golf at the age of 12 at the Gloucester Country Club. Warren has an older brother, Jeff, who lives in Yorktown, Va. and older sister, Alisa who lives in Wrentham, Mass.

Warren attended Christopher Newport College from 1985-1988 and transferred to Virginia Commonwealth University. He graduated with a B.S. in Business Administration/Economics in 1991.

While attending Christopher Newport College, Warren was selected for the "All Dixie Conference Team" in 1988. He won the Pro-Member Tournament at The Country Club of Virginia (CCV) in 1996, was in the Top 10 MAPGA Section Championship in 1999, and won the East Regional PGA Club Professional Championship in 1999. He was also on the MAPGA Southern Chapter Challenge team twice in 1998 and 1999, and was the Section McGladrey Team Champion in 2008.

Upon graduation, jobs in his field were few so he took a job at The Country Club of Virginia to work in the Golf Shop. His long-time friend Paul Michaelian, a PGA Golf Professional at CCV at the time, asked if he would consider getting into the golf business. Warren earned his PGA membership in 1995 as an Assistant at CCV and soon after became the Head PGA Professional. In 2008, he earned his Certified PGA Professional status and became an AGM member in 2008. Along with a long list of professional education over the years, Warren has experience in implementing organizational policies, human resource management, fiscal budgeting, merchandising, tournament administration and his favorite, instruction. In 2013, Warren took over as the Director of Golf at CCV and continues to hold that position. Warren is known for playing golf with both young and senior players and enjoys the relationships he builds.

Outside of work, Warren and his loving wife Ellen have been married for 17 years. They have a son, Harrison, a freshman at Godwin High School, and a daughter, Brooke, in 7th Grade at Pocahontas Middle School, and a crazy 3-year-old golden doodle dog named Toby.

His personal golf philosophy is to enjoy it and have fun!