

Steve Bosdosh, PGA
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This year's Horton Smith Trophy winner is Steve Bosdosh, Director of Instruction at Four Streams Golf Club in Beallsville, MD. Steve's continuing efforts to improve educational opportunities for the golf professionals in the Middle Atlantic Section are truly noteworthy. Steve chaired and instructed at the highly successful 2001 MAPGA Teaching and Coaching Summit. Acquiring nationally recognized speakers and blending them with the top talent in the Middle Atlantic Section, the two-day event was a huge success. He has also served as co-instructor with Dr. Greg Rose in seminars on teaching and health, and is currently involved with the Assistants Committee in helping to improve their teaching and playing abilities.

Steve began his professional career at Greensburg CC, Greensburg, PA in 1983, where he remained until late 1985 when he made his first attempt at the PGA Tour Qualifying School. In 1986, he earned his PGA membership and moved to the Middle Atlantic Section where he began as the First Assistant at the Tournament Players Club at Avenel. Steve immediately made a name for himself, and was selected MAPGA Assistant of the Year in 1987. In 1988 he became the Director of Instruction at the TPC at Avenel. Under Steve's leadership, the teaching department grew from one full-time instructor to three full-time and several part-time instructors. Gross revenues increased over 300 percent! Steve spearheaded the start up of the national TPC Golf School, and was on the cutting edge of the instruction industry by forming a business relationship with Dr. Ralph Mann of Compu-Sport and bringing his bio-mechanic technology to the members at Avenel. Steve has conducted numerous *GOLF Digest* golf schools with the likes of Paul Runyan, Hank Johnson and Dick Altman. In 1993, Steve was recognized by the MAPGA for his teaching skills when he was selected the MAPGA Teacher of the Year.

In 1998, Steve moved his teaching business to his current facility, Four Streams Golf Club. Four Streams' commitment to a golfers only club, with a great practice facility and a state-of-the-art Learning Center on the drawing board has afforded Steve the opportunity to further enhance his teaching skills. Steve's students include some of the most powerful businessmen in Washington, D.C., and sports/entertainment figures in the country. *GOLF Magazine* selected Steve as one of the TOP 100 Teachers in the Country for 2001-2002. *Golf Digest* has ranked Steve consistently as one of the top instructors in the state. He has written instructional articles for *Golf Magazine*, *Sports Illustrated* and the *Washington Post*.

Steve has been married for twenty years to his wife Debbie. They have four children; Stacey 14, Stephen 12, Sean 10, and Stephanie 7. They have home schooled all four from first grade on. Steve enjoys church activities with his family, fly fishing and watching his children compete in junior golf tournaments. Steve has played in three PGA Tour events, has a career low score of 62, and has won several events in the Middle Atlantic Section. Steve exemplifies the best in his profession as demonstrated by his continued commitment to the education and improvement of his students, his staff, his fellow PGA members, as well as to his own personal development. The MAPGA is proud to recognize Steve as its 2002 Horton Smith Award Winner.