

## ***PRESIDENT'S AWARD***

### ***MIKE HEALY***

Country Club of Maryland

Baltimore, Maryland

The MAPGA President, J.P. Lunn, 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. Lunn identified Mike Healy, PGA for his endless support of the Section and his fellow PGA professionals. Mike has hosted many events for the MAPGA and is a regular supporter of many Section events.

Mike Healy grew up in Baltimore, Maryland, where he was born on December 6, 1965. He attended Archbishop Curley High School and was a member of the football and baseball teams. He represented Curley High in the Maryland Scholastics Association finals in 1982-83. During Mike's sophomore year he became seriously interested in golf, and by his senior year in high school he had organized and served as captain of the high school golf team and was voted Most Valuable Player. Mike attended the University of South Carolina and afterward, turned professional in 1986 while working as an assistant for Frank Laber at Longview Country Club. He was elected to PGA membership on December 1, 1989 and was hired by Geneva Farm Golf Club in February of 1990 as their first PGA Head Professional. Ten years after, was offered the Head PGA Professional position at Country Club of Maryland in 1999 and has served there ever since.

Mike's dedication to his Section is evident in the governance positions he held within the Northern Chapter, proceeding throughout he positions of Secretary, Vice President and President, as well as serving as the Chair of the Section Education Committee and as Chair of the Northern Chapter Assistant's Association when it was still active. Mike feels that the PGA Professional can "never rest on his/her laurels" but must continuously educate themselves in order to meet the needs of the changes that are taking place now in the golf industry.

Mike currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Bryan P. Healy Foundation, created in the memory of his brother who passed away in 2014. The foundation helps support local Maryland community efforts that range from animal rescue, donations to organized sports clubs and scholarships for students to pursue continuing education.

This is Mike's second Section award, his first was the 1996 Horton Smith Award.