

*ASSISTANT PGA PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR*

*This award bestows special recognition on an assistant PGA Professional who, through a commitment to improving opportunities for assistants, has distinguished himself/herself in service to the Section, his/her peers, and facility.*

*Megan Leineweber, PGA  
TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm  
Potomac, Maryland*

As an Assistant Professional, Megan Leineweber's performance encompasses everything a Head Professional would want. She wears the many hats of an assistant well with a positive and can-do attitude.

Megan was born in February of 1988 in Baltimore, MD to parents David and Marie Leineweber. Her family, including brother Jeff, moved frequently when growing up and during a move to Pinehurst, NC, she was introduced to the game of golf at the age of twelve. While there weren't a lot of organized sports for girls in Pinehurst at the time- there were a lot of opportunities to play golf, so her dad found a par 3 junior course for her to play.

During her time in youth golf, she was a three-time Pepsi Invitational Champion and won a High School State Golf Team Championship. While at Radford University, Megan excelled on the Golf Team earning Big South Golfer of the Week twice and earning a place on the Big South All Conference Team.

Megan competed on the LPGA's Symetra Tour from 2012-2014 before joining the staff at Blacksburg Country Club in 2014. She became the first female golf professional at Stonewall Golf Club (PA) in 2016 and then later moved to California to work at Indian Ridge Country Club. In 2021, Megan joined the staff at TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm, first as an instructor and now as a Lead Assistant Professional. Megan displays a devoted work ethic at TPC Potomac, it is not uncommon for her to put in a 10-12 hour work day to meet the demand of her lesson schedule, operational duties, and squeeze in a little time to practice her craft. She is an accomplished player who qualified and competed in the 2023 National Assistant's Championship.

She notes that her mentors in golf include her father for introducing her to the game along with numerous golf coaches but specifically Al Arrigoni (first golf coach in Pinehurst), Jeff Beeler (Radford Women's Golf Coach), and Jamie Fischer (Director of Instruction at Conway Farms & Indian Ridge CC). Megan also notes that within the PGA her mentors include Brad Ewing, PGA (Head Professional at Blacksburg CC), Ned Graff, PGA (GM at TPC Potomac), Jason Rivard (HP at TPC Potomac), and Sarah Stone, PGA (Director of Instruction at Chevy Chase Club).

She is active in the community volunteering with the First Tee of DEC at clinics and events, coordinating a women's clinic during the 2022 Wells Fargo Championship and served as an instructor at the KPMG PGA Championship Women's Clinic.

Megan is engaged to Katelynn Moore, and they share a French Bulldog named Stella.