

Michigan Golf Hall of Fame



Induction Ceremony
May 15, 2011



2011
MICHIGAN GOLF HALL OF FAME
INDUCTION CEREMONY



Hosted by
Michigan Golf Foundation
And
Indianwood Golf & Country Club

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PROGRAM

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| <i>Registration</i> | <i>12:30 to 1:15 p.m.</i> |
| <i>Shotgun Start on Old Course</i> | <i>1:30 p.m.</i> |
| <i>Reception and Dinner</i> | <i>6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.</i> |
| <i>Induction Ceremony</i> | <i>7:00 p.m.</i> |

INDUCTIONS

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| <i>Announcements</i> | <i>Fritz Balmer</i> |
| <i>Hosted by</i> | <i>Don Shane</i> |
| | <i>WXYZ Channel 7 Sports</i> |

Recognition of Previous Inductees

Introduction of Inductees

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| <i>Jim Briegel</i> | <i>Thomas R. Abern</i> |
| <i>Arthur Hills</i> | <i>Ken Janke</i> |
| <i>Terry Moore</i> | <i>Jack Berry</i> |
| <i>Don Perne'</i> | <i>Matt Pinter</i> |

HISTORY OF INDUCTIONS

Michigan's Golf Hall of Fame grew out of collaboration between two men who envisioned a celebration of the sport's heritage, Ken Janke and Stan Aldridge. Building on Janke's idea, the goal for the Hall of Fame was to honor the many Michigan golfers who made the sport popular not only in our state, but nationally. Stan, who had purchased and rebuilt the traditions of Indianwood Golf and Country Club, endorsed Ken's idea and offered support by having play a leading role in establishing the Hall of Fame.

Assembling a committee was the first challenge Ken faced. He needed people who knew the sport and could represent both players and spectators. He founded his committee with representatives from the media including Jack Berry of the Detroit News, Jack Saylor from the Detroit Free Press, Barry Smades of the Oakland Press and Larry Adderley, then with WXYZ-TV. This foundation of members was supported by representatives from the sport of golf. They included long time Birmingham Country Club golf professional, Ray Maguire, Nancy Koustas of the Women's District Golf Association and Jim Dewling, then president of the Michigan PGA. Ken Janke served as chairman.

The committee selected the original class of inductees following a series of organizational meetings. Jack Berry set the tone, not only for the first, but for all future inductions. He suggested that the first members of the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame should be three of the most titled golfers in the history of the state. By committing such a high standard, every future inductee would point with pride to their own selection to this elite group. Honored in 1982, at the banquet following the play of the Pro-Am Tournament during the Michigan PGA Championship at Indianwood Golf and Country Club, the first inductees were Walter Hagen, Chuck Kocsis and Al Watrous.

Since its inception, the Michigan Hall of Fame has honored people who have contributed on many levels to the advancement of golf. Additional criteria have been added over the years to acknowledge and reflect the need for people to extend their talents beyond the golf course to the clubhouse, organizations and the community. Contributions not just in the area of playing ability, but to leadership, promotion and education help to ensure the expansion of the sport. Only with a wide range of expertise can we ensure a future for golf, which upholds its rich traditions and heritage.

JIM BRIEGEL



Look around. If you spot someone in the house wearing a Superman costume, it must be Jim Briegel.

“Jim’s a freak of nature,” said 2010 Hall of Fame inductee Bill Zylstra. “When I grew up it was ‘Long-hitting Bud Stevens.’ But I don’t think Bud could get it by Jim. Jim’s a horse. He’d come over to Glenhurst once in awhile and we’d have a game with a bunch of guys in their 30s and they’d say, ‘Who is that guy?!’ I’d laugh and say, ‘How far did he hit it past you?’ And he’s in his 70s and into his 80s.

“Age has hardly affected him. He hits it by me and makes me feel bad,” said Zylstra who has been ranked as the best senior amateur in the country. “Jim has been a great player for a long time.”

“Jim and I qualified for the USGA Amateur Publinx at Lake Tahoe,” said Michigan Golf Hall of Fame member Bill McDonald. “Jim was in his 50s and was the oldest guy to qualify for match play. And he won his first match. Other players would say, ‘How old is he?’”

“Jim is 85 now and I don’t know of another senior in the world who could give him a game,” said Tom Ahern, board member and historian for the Michigan Publinx Seniors Golf Association. “I played some with Chuck Kocsis in his senior years and as good as he was, Jim was better. He has the physique of Sam Snead. And he hits it past all of us.”

Briegel’s dexterity and strength may be traced to his high school years when he wrestled, boxed and was a cheerleader. And today he beats his age so regularly that his rivals in the Michigan Publinx Seniors Golf Association won’t let him compete for the cup they named after him, the Briegel Cup. He just gets to present it.

Briegel, who always seems to have a smile on his face, didn’t play a lot of tournament golf in his earlier years. He was working his way up from pressman to President of the Braun and Brumfield Printing Co. in Ann Arbor. He worked with Brian Lewis of Sleeping Bear Press to print and publish top golf books including “The Spirit of St. Andrews” and a book on Donald Ross, “Golf Has Never Failed Me.”

Briegel also is a dedicated family man and from his earliest days in golf – caddying for the University of Michigan team in the 1930s – he has been close to Wolverine golf.

When the Michigan Publinx Golf Association found itself with a lot of hot, young college-age players, some older members decided to follow the lead of the older players on the PGA Tour who led the push for the Champions Tour. Briegel was one of the early advocates for the Michigan Publinx Seniors which is separate from the regular Michigan Publinx Golf Association. He served as president from 1983-87, still is thoroughly involved and especially in running the State Seniors Open Amateur Championship which celebrates its 36th edition this year.

ARTHUR HILLS



Arthur Hills was a successful landscape architect when in 1966 he placed an advertisement in the Yellow Pages to announce he could provide golf course architecture. It produced one job. Many more followed.

His international award-winning design work and his involvement with the game of golf are deeply rooted in Michigan. A graduate of Michigan State University (1953) and the University of Michigan (1961), Art played for Michigan State's golf team and was the 1950 winner of the Ann Arbor City Championship.

Armed with an advanced education in horticulture and landscape architecture, the Ohio native designed over 225 golf courses around the world, including 27 holes at Bay Harbor in Petoskey and 15 other sites in Michigan. He also renovated 125 golf courses, including Oakland Hills Country Club and other U.S. Open venues around the country.

His design and renovation work at private and public facilities has been recognized with the industry's top awards. Golf Digest magazine has honored his creations multiple times, including Best New Private course and Best New Public course designations. Three times he has been named the national "Golf Course Architect of the Year" by his peers or publications.

A past-president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects, Art says his design philosophy comes from a traditional and historic approach to the game. His objectives in design call for minimal earth moving, and he incorporates strategy and fairness as well as the things that lend beauty to a golf course like textures, colors, shadowing and framing.

Soft-spoken, humble and self-effacing, he enjoys watching others play his designs and hearing their feedback over talking about what he has created.

While working on two courses in West Michigan in the early 1990s, he said he learned early in his career to balance what the client wanted with what the golfer can handle while staying true to his design philosophies. Art is known for incorporating elements found on future course sites, like silos and stone fences, into his design. "I have an appreciation for the history of the site," he said.

His architecture firm – Toledo, Ohio-based Hills and Forrest International Golf Course Architects – is in the Yellow Pages. He can be found in the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame.

TERRY MOORE



Terry Moore is a man in motion as reflected in his fast caddie swing, a swing that has produced three holes-in-one including a 196-yard shot with a 1-iron on the 15th hole at Blythefield CC in 1987.

The 1-iron has been replaced by a hybrid and Moore, a good sand player and course manager, captain of his Grand Rapids Catholic Central golf team where he was a teammate of now PGA professional Mike Kernicki (a past president of the Michigan Section), and earlier a playoff victor over Bill Zylstra for the junior club championship of Green Ridge CC, (Zylstra was inducted into the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame last year) has plenty of clubs in his bag.

Moore graduated from the University of Michigan in 1972 with a degree in history and a teaching certificate. He applied for an Adult Education teaching position in Grand Rapids and, serendipitously as it turned out, was hired by Art McCafferty, then Assistant Director of Community Education.

Years later, after McCafferty founded Michigan Runner magazine, he called Moore and asked him to join the team. Moore said he'd do it if they'd start a golf magazine. They did and in 1982 the first issue of Michigan Golfer appeared featuring Mt. Pleasant's Dan Pohl on the cover. And Pohl is a Hall of Fame member.

As editor, Moore not only covered Michigan golf from border to border but also national events including the Masters Tournament where he's heading to three full decades at Augusta. In addition to print, and now internet, coverage, Moore is a regular golf commentator on WOOD radio in Grand Rapids. He co-founded All About Golf, a drive time radio show with state and national figures that was carried by up to 70 stations around the Midwest. Later Moore took AAG into media relations.

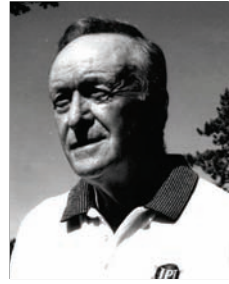
He also found time in 1989 to start the West Michigan Golf Show which is one of the top consumer shows in the country and annually features golf's leading teachers including Jim Flick, Hank Haney, Gary Wiren, Rick Smith, Dave Pelz, Todd Anderson, Dee Dee Owens and Mike Bender.

Among Moore's awards the Michigan Golf Course Owners Association's Matthews Lifetime Achievement Award says it best: "for major impact on the golf industry in Michigan."

DON PERNE'

When Don Perne', having graduated from Michigan State University, he decided to embark on a career as a PGA golf professional, he needed PGA members to sign his application papers.

Among those he approached was Horton Smith, the golf legend, two-time Masters champion and former Detroit Golf Club professional whose name is synonymous with golf education via a PGA of America award. Smith told him he would sign the papers if Don would in turn give back to the PGA and the game of golf.



His career is a fulfillment of that promise at every turn. Don had a notable playing career. He won every Northern Ohio PGA Section event at least once, and at Michigan State, he was team captain in 1951.

His first golf professional position was at St. Clair River Country Club in Michigan where he spent 10 years and the members helped him finance a year of competition on the PGA Tour. Don went on to serve members at clubs in Ohio (Shaker Heights), New Jersey (Canoe Brook) and Delaware (Wilmington) and worked 13 years at the prestigious Inverness Club in Toledo, Ohio, where he was host professional for two PGA Championships.

He was an innovative golf teacher in the use of instant replay and a member of the PGA National Education Committee for several years and a leader in the development of caddie programs.

The title of PGA Master Professional is bestowed on the most accomplished golf professionals. They earn the honor through work achievement and education, and Don was among the first six professionals to ever earn the status.

He is rightfully proud of his long career of giving back to golf, and feels his role in helping found the landmark Professional Golf Management program at Ferris State University is his top achievement. The program has trained golf professionals in all aspects of serving the game and club members, and has expanded to be part of the curriculum at 24 other universities. Don was honored for his role by Ferris State in 2009.

Today, Don, also a former Horton Smith Award winner, joins the legendary golf professional who signed his PGA application in the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame.

SETTING THE STANDARD

Taking a back seat to none, the Wolverine State boasts three professionals who played on the first U.S. Ryder Cup team in 1927 – Leo Diegel, Walter Hagen and Al Watrous. Winners of the Michigan Open reads like a Who's Who in golf with past champions that include Diegel, Hagen, Watrous, Mike Brady, George Von Elm, Chuck Kocsis, Chick Harbert, Sam Byrd, John Barnum, Horton Smith, Walter Burkemo, Dave Hill, Pete Brown, Mike Souchak, George Bayer, Lynn Janson, Randy Erskine and Buddy Whitten who all went on to national prominence. Hagen, Diegel, Harbert, Smith, Burkemo and Jimmy Demaret all won professional majors during their careers.

Two of the original organizers of the LPGA – Sally Sessions and Shirley Spork – called Michigan their home, with Wiffi Smith, Cindy Hill, Bonnie Lauer, Meg Mallon, Joyce Kazmierski, Elaine Crosby and Cindy Figg-Currier and Kelly Robbins all winning on the LPGA Tour. There were also two from our state who played on the U.S. Walker Cup team – Chuck Kocsis and Fred Kammer with Kocsis the first to ever be given that honor in three separate decades.

James D. Standish, Jr. who had many amateur victories during his career, later becoming an outstanding administrator, served as the president of the United States Golf Association from 1952 to 1957. He founded the U.S. Public Links Championship in 1922 with the trophy awarded to the champion being named after him. One Michigan golfer, Sam Kocsis, won that championship in 1955. Bob McMasters was elected president of the Western Golf Association, an organization known for its Evans Scholarship program, the first from Michigan to receive that honor.

Yes, Michigan is rich in golfing history and it will continue that way. It boasts some of the finest golf courses in the nation and the world. The golf season always seems too short, but there are no more avid golfers in the country than from the Wolverine State.

INDUCTEES

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| Walter Hagen* | 1982 | Bruce Matthews* | 1993 |
| Chuck Kocsis* | 1982 | Calvin Peete | 1993 |
| Al Watrous* | 1982 | Buddy Whitten | 1993 |
| Walter Burkemo* | 1983 | Mary Fossum | 2002 |
| Glenn Johnson | 1983 | Meg Mallon | 2002 |
| Horton Smith* | 1983 | Robert McMasters | 2002 |
| John Barnum* | 1984 | Betty Richart | 2002 |
| Chick Harbert* | 1984 | Clarence Wolfrom* | 2002 |
| Dorothy Higbie* | 1984 | Jack Berry | 2003 |
| James Standish, Jr.* | 1984 | Cindy Figg-Currier | 2003 |
| Patti Boice | 1985 | Joyce Kazmierski | 2003 |
| Leo Diegel* | 1985 | Greg Reynolds | 2003 |
| Dave Hill | 1985 | Sara Wold | 2003 |
| Wilfrid Reid* | 1985 | Mary Jane Anderson Hiestand | 2004 |
| Tommy Armour* | 1986 | Elaine Crosby | 2004 |
| Tom Draper* | 1986 | Dan Pohl | 2004 |
| Pete Green | 1986 | Jack Saylor* | 2004 |
| Bud Stevens | 1986 | Lloyd Syron | 2004 |
| A. Fred Kammer* | 1987 | Stan Aldridge | 2005 |
| Sam Kocsis | 1987 | Joan Garey | 2005 |
| Wiffi Smith | 1987 | Jerry Matthews | 2005 |
| Carlton Wells* | 1987 | Jeff Roth | 2005 |
| Gene Bone | 1988 | Ray Bolo | 2006 |
| Ed Furgol* | 1988 | Thomas Chisholm | 2006 |
| Sally Sessions* | 1988 | John Grace | 2006 |
| Marvin Stahl* | 1988 | John Morse | 2006 |
| John Walter* | 1988 | Jeanne Myers | 2006 |
| Bob Babbish | 1989 | Bruce Fossum | 2007 |
| Cindy Hill | 1989 | John Lindholm | 2007 |
| Everett Kircher* | 1989 | Steve Maddalena | 2007 |
| Emerick Kocsis* | 1989 | Mark Wilson | 2007 |
| Shirley Spork | 1989 | Ted Woehrle* | 2007 |
| Ed Ervasti | 1990 | Ken Janke | 2008 |
| Jake Fassezke* | 1990 | Meriam Bailey Leeke | 2008 |
| Frank Lovell* | 1990 | John Morgan | 2008 |
| Mary Lovell* | 1990 | Bill Curtis | 2009 |
| Ben Smith* | 1990 | James R. Dewling | 2009 |
| Jenny Weiss* | 1990 | Randy Lewis | 2009 |
| Randy Erskine | 1991 | Tom Wargo | 2009 |
| John Malloy* | 1991 | Sue Ertl | 2010 |
| Warren Orlick* | 1991 | John Traub | 2010 |
| Mike Souchak* | 1991 | Bill Zylstra | 2010 |
| Ben Davis | 1992 | Jim Briegel | 2011 |
| Mike Hill | 1992 | Arthur Hills | 2011 |
| Lynn Janson | 1992 | Terry Moore | 2011 |
| Bill McDonald | 1992 | Don Perne' | 2011 |
| Bonnie Lauer | 1993 | | |
| Ray Maguire* | 1993 | | |

*Deceased

MICHIGAN GOLF HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

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| David Graham | Golf Association of Michigan | |
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| Terry Moore | Media | |
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The Hall of Fame is located in the Troy Office, 320 East Big Beaver, Suite 160, Building B.

The site hosts portraits, plaques and other memorabilia of the greatest golfers in the state.

The facility is by appointment.

If you would like to schedule a tour, please contact

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