

2014 KPGA BILL STRAUSBAUGH AWARD NOMINATION

Name of Nominee:		
Facility Name:		
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The nomination form should be typewritten.

- 1. Please briefly describe the nominee's involvement and contributions through mentoring PGA Professionals and illustrate a significant impact on their careers. Danny Baron has a passion for seeing his assistants succeed and always is working on a game plan with his assistants to ensure they are on the right path to achieving their career goals. Danny firmly believes it is the responsibility of the Golf Professional to take control in teeing the assistant up for success and moving them on to Head Jobs. He will meet with his assistants at the end of each year to discuss and draft up goals for the following year. The goals will always have 2-3 key items that must be done to ensure proper tracking towards the goal. When a job opportunity does come up, Danny spends as much time as needed in working with his assistant on their cover letter, resume, portfolio, and interview preparation. The assistants always enjoy the "mock interviews" that Danny will go through with them to ensure they are prepared for whatever question that is thrown to them in the interview process. "I try and ask the toughest questions possible during these mock interviews so there are no surprises in the actual interview. "Success to me comes from what I can do to help others reach their goals and position themselves for better job opportunities."
- Please briefly describe the characteristics the nominee possesses relative to overall integrity and recognition as a person of outstanding character. How has the nominee furthered the values representative of the Association and the golf profession?
 Danny always carries himself with respect towards others and an appreciation of those who were beneficial in helping him get to where he is today. He strives to build a work-life balance that enables him to give 100% towards his work and also allow time to help

raise his two daughters. He has instituted a core value system amongst his Junior Golf Program that helps teach the kids in the program more than just golf fundamentals, but also life skills. He carries a high level of integrity in everything he does and represents.

- 3. Please briefly describe the nominee's level of service to the Section and to the Association. Danny is looking forward to serving on the Education Committee starting in 2014. He is always trying to volunteer his assistance whenever the Section reaches out for help and volunteers.
- Please briefly describe the nominee's involvement in community and Association activities including civic and charitable activities.
 Danny has a history of working with the Boys and Girls Club and being involved in generating donations for this great charity. He has also donated lessons to numerous charitable auctions, including the First Tee of Louisville.
- 5. Please briefly describe the nominee's contributions to building the image of the game of golf, PGA Professionals and the Association.
 Danny has been fortunate to grow up with great mentors including; the late Eddie Tyree (KY Golf Hall of Fame member) and also past Golf Professional of the year, Kevin Greenwell. Danny has always tried to carry himself with the utmost respect for the game of golf and all that it has given to him. His father, Dave, was a former PGA Member and had a big impact on Danny choosing the golf business. Danny understands some of the current challenges the game of golf presents and is working hard with his team in designing programs to help grow the game. "We all should be proud of the association we are a part of and continue to work and be part of the solutions to the challenges in our business and not contribute to the problems."
- 6. Please list any Section or National awards the nominee has received

Award	Year Received	Section

Nomination Deadline – December 9th, 2013 4:00 p.m. EDT

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