



## 2014 KPGA BILL STRAUSBAUGH AWARD NOMINATION

**Name of Nominee:** Pete Garvey  
**Facility Name:** Idle Hour Country Club  
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1. Please briefly describe the nominee's involvement and contributions through mentoring PGA Professionals and illustrate a significant impact on their careers.

Pete Garvey has served as the KPGA Education Chairman the past two years with the philosophy that all education programs must fulfill the requirements of the mission statement, but more importantly must deliver to the young men and women of the section pertinent information that will enhance their careers. One question that is always asked at his meetings is "how will this benefit the rank and file member of the section". Also, his conceptual idea of a section wide mentoring program is now a reality. On December 1, 2013, Phase I of Pro2Pro was launched. Pro2Pro is our section's initiative to create a network of camaraderie, information and support to better connect KPGA members and apprentices. The goal of this program is improve communication and share professional expertise section wide. Pete firmly believes a rising tide lifts all ships.

2. 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?

Pete Garvey learned at a young age in this business for which the P in PGA stands. Integrity and character are the backbone to being a successful golf professional. He communicates this regularly to his staff and lives it daily. Realizing that being a member of the P.G.A. of America is a privilege, Pete works daily to promote the game of golf to his members and staff. Knowing that golf is also a game when you play you are both player and referee, Pete possesses an outstanding knowledge of the rules of the game. Pete believes a man's true character surfaces during a round of golf. In many ways, Pete believes, golf is a metaphor for life.

3. Please briefly describe the nominee's level of service to the Section and to the Association.

Pete Garvey currently is the newly elected Secretary of the KPGA. He previously served as the District 1 Director. As well as his new duties as Secretary, Pete will also continue to serve as the KPGA Education Chairman. He considers service to this office and chairmanship an honor and one he does not take lightly.

4. Please briefly describe the nominee's involvement in community and Association activities including civic and charitable activities.

Pete Garvey continually gives back to the community. He is active in his catholic church and continually answers the call on charitable donations and time to many worthy causes such as Visually Impaired Preschool Services, Rally for the Cure, Christmas Shop with a Cop, Fold of Honor's Patriot Golf Day, Bluegrass Hospice, Lexington Habitat for Humanity, and many other organizations.

5. Please briefly describe the nominee's contributions to building the image of the game of golf, PGA Professionals and the Association.

Pete Garvey firmly believes and communicates regularly to his assistants and to all the new apprentices in our section that one simple question needs to be asked of yourself regularly, "Are you an expert, not only in the game of golf, but in the business of golf as well"? I encourage them to be proactive and take the necessary steps to challenge themselves to be the best they can be. Also, he encourages them to take advantage of the networking opportunities by regularly attending and contributing to our Sections Business Meetings and Education Programs and to play in Section events regularly to broaden their net of familiarity with their fellow section professionals. He believes that with a little bit of extra effort all the young men and women of the Kentucky Section can realize their goal thus elevating the Section and our Association. Among his many goals, Pete desires to make the Kentucky Section the strongest in the country.

6. Please list any Section or National awards the nominee has received

Award	Year Received	Section
Horton Smith Award	2013	Kentucky

Cover letter attached.

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Friday, December 6, 2013

Mr. Garry Nelson  
Special Awards Committee Chair  
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Garry,

I would like to thank you and your committee for taking the time to review my application for the 2014 KPGA Bill Strausbaugh Award. Please see my attached answers to the section's nomination form.

I am truly humbled that a fellow member has nominated me for such a prestigious award. I consider it an honor to be mentioned with other worthy candidates for this recognition.

Thank you for time.

Sincerely,

Peter Garvey