

The Assistant of the Year is awarded for overall excellence as an assistant professional.

This year's winner, Blake Watts of Wildwood Country Club in Louisville was recognized for his work as an Assistant Golf Professional at Hurstbourne Country Club in 2015:

- Earned the trust and loyalty of numerous members and their guests who counted on him to deliver
- Represents Kentucky PGA with distinction in numerous championships
- Served as President of Assistants/Apprentices Division 2010-2011 and served as a Tournament Committee member
- His Head Professional said, "A successful leader has many quality traits that make them stand out above the rest. His passion for excellence in the product he delivers to the members raises the bar for the rest of the team reminding them to never get comfortable and always treat every opportunity as an opportunity to "wow" a member and their guest. His work ethic and dedication in ensuring our members and guest are given a first class, consistent and unique experience is contagious."
- Routinely recommends books to read, seminars to attend and relishes opportunities to point out "learning moments" for fellow assistant professionals
- Dedicates his time and effort to growing the game with record number of entries into a Ladies Learn to Golf clinic (for beginners), hundreds of private lessons, continued growth in a Tournament Prep Program (for aspiring juniors), regular play with the membership, and volunteering time for free lessons at the Louisville Golf Expo