The Horton Smith Award recognizes the PGA Professional who is the model educator of PGA Golf Professionals.

This year's winner, Larry Ward of High Performance Golf Academy in Nicholasville:

- Has hosted and conducted many Kentucky PGA workshops over the past eight years, including three in 2015
- Always offers his facility and expertise to be used for education purposes
- His passion for the organization and the game is shown in his dedication to acquiring knowledge through continuing education.
- He leads by example and passes along much of what he learns to other Professionals
- Is on the phone quite often mentoring and helping golf professionals and anyone who is interested in our great game
- Donated the facility and lunch items for the 2016 KPGA Teaching Summit