



LPGA Presents The 50 Best Teachers

AS RANKED BY THEIR PEERS / 2008 - 2009

LPGA announces The 50 Best Teachers for 2008-09

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Aug. 4, 2008 – The Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) is proud to announce its first-ever compilation of the “The 50 Best Teachers.” To identify and recognize the best instructors in each of the five LPGA Teaching and Club Professional (T&CP) sections (Central, Midwest, Southeast, Northeast and Western), the LPGA T&CP - which includes more than 1,200 members – were asked to rank their peers by voting for the top teachers in their sections.

“Through LPGA student-centered education, our teachers are trained to tailor their instruction based on the individual golfer’s goals, personality and preferred learning style,” said LPGA T&CP National President Patti Benson. “Each individual is definitely the focus of our golf instruction.”

“For almost 50 years, the LPGA Teaching and Club Professionals have been the grassroots ambassadors growing the game of golf and making the game more enjoyable by providing industry-leading golf education to golfers of all skill levels,” said LPGA T&CP Executive Director Nancy Henderson. “The significance of this list is that, for the first time, LPGA teachers have been recognized and voted on by fellow LPGA members.”

The LPGA T&CP membership was established in 1959 as an outgrowth of the LPGA Tour membership and has enjoyed an unprecedented rate of growth in recent years. The LPGA boasts the largest membership of women golf professionals in the world and is dedicated to the advancement of golf through teaching, managing golf facilities and coaching.

The teachers listed below are The 50 Best Teachers for 2008-2009. To find these and other LPGA Teaching and Club Professionals in your area, visit LPGA.com, click on Teaching and Club Pros in the top menu, then scroll down and click on “Find a Teacher.”

Central Section

Dr. Debra Crews, Mesa, Ariz.
Betsy Cullen, Sugar Land, Tex.
Amy Fox, Mansfield, Tex.
Kathy Gook, Phoenix, Ariz.
Peggy Gustafson, Peoria, Ariz.
Sandy LaBauve, Scottsdale, Ariz.
Lynn Marriott, Phoenix, Ariz.
Kathy Murphy, Phoenix, Ariz.
Penny Pulz, Phoenix, Ariz.
Deb Vangellow, Sugar Land, Tex.

Midwest Section

Molly Baney, West Chicago, Ill.
Nancy Bender, Valparaiso, Ind.
Patricia Butcher, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Laurel Dieken, Worthington, Ohio
Faith Egli, Mogadore, Ohio
Betty Kaufmann, Lake Forest, Ill.
Beverly Miller, Hillsboro, Mo.
Margie Muzik, Naperville, Ill.
Maria Palozola Long, St. Louis, Mo.
Nancy Quarcelino, Franklin, Tenn.

Northeast Section

Troy Beck, Glenn Dale, Md.
Rebecca Dengler, West Chester, Penn.
Jane Frost, Marstons Mills, Mass.
Lorraine Klippel, Camp Hill, Penn.
Kelli Kostick, New Durham, N.H.
Kammy Maxfeldt, Norwalk, Conn.
Cindy Miller, Silver Creek, N.Y.
Vicki Phillips, Fairfax, Va..
Rita Slavetskas, Hilton Head Island, S.C.
Suzy Whaley, Farmington, Conn.

Southeast Section

Julie Cole, Charlotte, N.C.
Jennifer Cully, Tierra Verde, Fla.
Marie-Claire De Bortoli, Port St. Lucie, Fla.
Debbie O’Connell, Palm City, Fla.
Gale Peterson, St. Simons Island, Ga.
Carol Preisinger, Johns Island, S.C.
Dana Rader, Charlotte, N.C.
Lynn Stellman, Palm City, Fla.
Donna White, West Palm Beach, Fla.
Teresa Zamboni, Port Orange, Fla.

Western Section

Dana Bates, Thousand Palms, Calif.
Judy Carls, Huntington Beach, Calif.
Sally Dodge, Pebble Beach, Calif.
Beverly Fergusson, Carlsbad, Calif.
Judy Furst, Palm Desert, Calif.
Sheri Hayes, Carlsbad, Calif.
Patti Marquis, Spokane, Wash.
Kathy O’Kelly, Olympia, Wash.
Lynn Ralston, Los Angeles, Calif.
Mardell Wilkins, Mission Viejo, Calif.

Teaching & Club Professional

Hall of Fame Members
Peggy Kirk Bell
Betty Hicks
Ann Casey Johnstone
Marilynn Smith
Shirley Spork
Annette Thompson