

George S. Wemyss Scholarship



George Wemyss was the first Executive Director hired to oversee operations of the New England Section PGA. He was a retired Air Force colonel and pilot, who served in World War II. After the war he owned his own business for many years. When the New England Section PGA moved to have its operation run as a successful business, George's background made him the candidate of choice. the man to lead the Association into a new era of progress. His hiring was the beginning of many lifelong friendships and George's love affair with the New England Section PGA of America, and visa-versa. George's deep, gravelly voice commanded respect. He ran the Section with firmness, but beneath that exterior was a heart of gold that helped many NEPGA members with their careers and their personal lives too.

Under Wemyss direction, the New England Section catapulted to be one of PGA's most respected and well-run Sections. The NEPGA honored Wemyss with the Golden Golf Award (formerly the Man of the Year) in 1983 and 1986 and that same year bestowed him with Honorary Membership.

Upon retirement in 1990. Wemyss was made the first recipient of the George S. Wemyss Award, renamed from the Golden Golf Award in his honor. The NEPGA also changed the name of the New England Section PGA Scholarship Fund to the NEPGA Geo. S. Wemyss Scholarship Fund so that he would not be forgotten. The supreme and ultimate recognition was given to George S. Wemyss in 1996 when he was the first inductee into the newly formed NEPGA Hall of Fame. Wemyss served the NEPGA as its executive director with a unique devotion for twenty-one years

George passed away on his 75th birthday, March 27, 1993, leaving a legacy of exemplary service to the New England Section PGA of America.

The NEPGA George Wemyss Scholarship is given each year to deserving students who are the children, grandchildren or stepchildren of New England PGA Professionals as they pursue their college education. The application process begins with applying for the PGA of America Financial Assistance Scholarship Program.

Eligibility Criteria:

- A student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher (unweighted GPA based on a 4.0 scale) in either high school or college
- A student must be a child, grandchild or stepchild of an NEPGA Member in good standing
- A student must be accepted for admission to a two-year or four-year college or university
- A student must be enrolled as a full-time student or be accepted as an incoming freshman pursuing a full-time course load

Required Material:

- High School Seniors
 - Official Transcript with Cumulative GPA (must be 3.2 or above)
 - Student Aid Report (SAR), if applicable
- Current College Students
 - Official transcript with Cumulative GPA (must be 3.2 or above)
 - Most recently completed semester GPA
 - Student Aid Report (SAR), if applicable