

Wisconsin PGA Section – Special Awards 2020

Recipient: Vince Pulizzano PGA of Westmoor Country Club (Brookfield)

Award: Bill Strausbaugh Award

Westmoor Country Club PGA Professional Vince Pulizzano is awarded the 2020 Bill Strausbaugh Award. Presented by the Wisconsin PGA Section to a PGA Professional who by their day-to-day efforts have distinguished themselves by mentoring their fellow PGA Professionals in improving their employment situations and continuing contributions to professional education.

“This award means EVERYTHING to me!” said Pulizzano. “I have been surrounded by golf professionals whose main priority was to positively influence and mentor their subordinates. This has been bestowed upon me from an early age and has carried over into my years at Westmoor Country Club where I can be the mentor. I take immeasurable pride in mentoring, teaching and leading by example. This award validates my work as the leader our staff can emulate and train under in order to positively influence their own careers.”

He credits many golf professionals including Billy Cleveland of Elk River Club in North Carolina, Tom Wildenhaus of Olde Florida Golf Club in Florida, Jeff Mory of Conway Farms Golf club in Illinois, and Matt Freitag of Hamilton Farm Golf Club in New Jersey, for influencing him, mentoring him and ultimately for helping him achieve his accomplishments including the following notable awards:

2012 Club of the Year (New Jersey PGA)

2017 Merchandiser of the Year - Private (Wisconsin PGA)

2019 Horton Smith Award (Wisconsin PGA)

Pulizzano graduated from Ferris State University in Michigan in 2004 earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing and Professional Golf Management. He has been a member of the PGA of American since 2005 and achieved Certified Professional status in 2018. Prior to joining Westmoor Country Club in 2014, Pulizzano was the Head Golf Professional of Hamilton Farm Golf Club in Gladstone, New Jersey, (2010-2013) and as the Assistant Golf Professional at Conway Farms Golf Club in Lake Forest, Illinois, (2005-2009). Originally from Chicago, Illinois, Pulizzano currently resides in Brookfield with his wife Marsha and two daughters Olivia and Emma.

Get To Know The Pro:

Favorite thing to do outside of golf is:

Be a dad to my two kids and a husband to my wife.

Words of advice:

If you're the smartest guy in the room...leave the room.

Constantly find ways to learn from people whether they share your opinions or drastically differ.

About Westmoor Country Club

Located at the gateway to Brookfield, the golf course at Westmoor Country Club is one to behold. Demanding enough to host numerous state championships, including the Wisconsin State Open and Amateur, the original course at Westmoor was always held in high regard. Two-time United States Open Champion Andy North and World Ranked Player Steve Stricker were unable to break par on their way to winning Wisconsin State Open Championships at Westmoor. World renowned Golf Course Architect William Langford, a founding father of The American Society of Golf Course Architects and former United States Amateur champion, did some of his finest work in renovating several holes at Westmoor in 1957. The changes seriously challenged the very best who play the game.

Westmoor is recognized as one of the premiere private country clubs in the nation. Members enjoy a recently renovated breathtaking 18-hole golf course, a Little Links Executive Course, an Olympic-size swimming pool; five tennis courts including 2 clay and 3 hard courts, elegantly appointed dining, meeting and private party rooms, picturesque outdoor surroundings, world class cuisine, and endless variety of exciting events. Enhancing each Westmoor experience is a staff of caring, knowledgeable professional people. From the head golf pro to the executive chef and from the caddies to the wait staff, the personnel are committed to making the time spent at Westmoor as rewarding, memorable, fun, and exciting as possible.

More Information

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