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Michigan Section

As I begin the last year of my service as the Michigan PGA Senior Association President, I would like to thank those that I had the honor of serving alongside, Jack Seltzer; Vice President, Jim Yuhas; Secretary, Frank McAuliffe; Honorary President, Dave Kendall; At Large Member, Doug White; At Large Member and Ron Osborne; At Large Member. These PGA Professionals have donated countless hours to our Association and I am grateful for their dedication and service.

As I move out of the role as President, the Michigan PGA Senior Association will be looking for a new slate of officers this August. If you are interested in becoming involved and serving as an officer, please feel free to contact me, Jack Seltzer or Jim Yuhas.

I would like to congratulate Lee Houtteman on winning the Michigan PGA Senior Player of the Year Award. Lee won what is probably the closest contested race for this award, by edging out the previous year's PGA of America Senior Player of the Year, Brian Cairns by .70 of a point. Lee finished the year with 110.70 points to Brian's 110 points. Lee's performance at the PGA of America's Senior PC Championship is what vaulted Lee over Brian. Lee also qualified for the Senior PGA Championship with that performance as well.

Once again, we have a great schedule of events, thanks to Jack Seltzer's efforts. The Senior Association opens at Eagle Eye on April 25 with our Spring Meeting and Pro- Pro event. That is followed up by the Senior Pro- Senior Am on May 18 at Atlas Valley. The Senior Association is also working on bringing back the Pro – 3 AM event at Indianwood CC.

I want to also congratulate our 2017 Senior Honorees, Dave Kendall and Mark Wilson. Both gentlemen have served the Michigan Section in a variety of capacities. They both are in the Michigan PGA Hall of Fame as well as the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame.

Congratulations also to Michigan PGA Senior Members, Bob Ackerman and Brian Cairns on being selected to be inducted into the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame. Brian was inducted into the Michigan PGA Hall of Fame last year. Bob will also be inducted into the Michigan PGA Hall of Fame as well this year.

Lastly, thank you for allowing me and trusting me to serve our Association as your President the past two years. I look forward to seeing everyone at the Michigan PGA Spring Meeting or Senior Association Meeting in April.

Respectfully,

John Lindert, PGA  
President of the Michigan PGA Senior Association