

2012 Southern Texas PGA Foundation

Scholarship Program

Information and Application



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2012 SOUTHERN TEXAS PGA FOUNDATION

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

INFORMATION

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the STPGA Foundation Scholarship Program is to encourage and promote the attainment of higher education goals for youth who have demonstrated a high level of achievement during high school or college, have financial need, and have shown an interest in the game of golf.

ELIGIBILITY:

It is not required that applicants for the 2012 STPGA Foundation Scholarship Program be junior golfers. The applicant's golfing ability will not be the determining factor in the evaluation process. Details of the applicant's involvement in golf will be requested in the application. Applicants must currently reside within the geographic boundaries of the Southern Texas PGA Section.

Applicants must demonstrate a need for financial assistance to meet educational expenses.

Applicants must have completed (or plan to complete) high school prior to September 1st, 2012 and must be enrolled (or planning to enroll) as a full time student. A full time student is defined as one who is taking 12 or more hours in a course of study leading to a traditional associate (2 year) or baccalaureate (4 year) degree at an accredited college or university located within the United States, or considered a full-time student by his/her respective institution.

The Southern Texas PGA Foundation Scholarship Committee will review class ranking, grade point average (GPA) and either ACT or SAT test scores, the student's extracurricular activities and financial need. The student should be enrolled in a college-bound curriculum. Distinguished honors should be noted.

The applicant's high school cumulative grade point average **MUST BE AT LEAST 2.5 ON a 4.0 GRADING SCALE** or the student **WILL NOT** be considered eligible for the scholarship program. College students applying for any STPGA Foundation scholarship **MUST HAVE A MINIMUM** of a 2.5 cumulative grade point average.

The awarding of the Southern Texas PGA Foundation Scholarships is further contingent upon other financial aid, grants, and/or scholarships, which may be awarded to the applicant. The STPGA expressly reserves the right to revoke any commitment to extend scholarship benefits to any applicant receiving any other form of financial aid, grants, and/or scholarship for attendance at an accredited four-year college or university or an accredited two-year college. Notice of this policy will be given by the STPGA Foundation to all educational institutions to which applicants have applied.

2012 SCHOLARSHIP TIME LINE:

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| Deadline to return applications to the STPGA Foundation | April 13, 2012 |
| Deadline for school transcripts to be received by STPGA Foundation | April 13, 2012 |
| Recipients announced | May 23, 2012 |
| Funds distributed to appropriate Colleges/Universities | July 20, 2012 |

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS:

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on a combination of the following areas:

Graduating High School Seniors

High School Academic record (Cumulative GPA and Class Rank) **Note:** Transcript should be
ACT and/or SAT scores from the Fall semester
Extracurricular activities of the 2011-2012 school year
Voluntary Statements
Financial need (FAFSA – SAR Report)
Junior Golf participation/interest

Current College Students

Cumulative College GPA **Note:** Transcript should be
Financial need (FAFSA – SAR Report) from the Fall semester
College extracurricular activities of the 2011-2012 school year
Golf participation/interest
Voluntary Statements

SOUTHERN TEXAS PGA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS:

Tommy Aycock Scholarship – Three at \$2,000

Named after the longtime PGA Professional, Tommy Aycock. Mr. Aycock distinguished himself as a club professional and competitive golfer throughout his career. He holds the distinction of winning the Southern Texas PGA Section Championship six times, in four different decades. In light of this achievement, the Southern Texas PGA has named the trophy awarded to its Annual Champion the “Tommy Aycock Trophy.” Aycock put an exclamation point on his career after turning fifty when he qualified for the Senior PGA Tour and enjoyed several years of success.

Applicants must reside in one of the following seven counties: Nueces, San Patricio, Aransas, Kleberg, Wells, Bee or Refugio. Previous winners are eligible to apply in subsequent years. Applicants must have an affiliation with golf.

George Hannon Scholarship – Two at \$2,500

The George Hannon Scholarships are named for the former University of Texas golf coach who served as the president of the Southern Texas PGA in 1972-1973 and was twice honored as the STPGA Golf Professional of the Year. Hannon is a member of the Golf Coaches Association of America Hall of Fame.

Two George Hannon Scholarships will be awarded (one boy and one girl) to applicants that reside in one of the following counties: Travis, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Blanco, Burnet or Williamson.

Ginny Termeer Scholarship – Two at \$1,000

Named after the mother of STPGA member, Steve Termeer, following her unexpected passing in 2008. In his words, “she simply was the greatest person I have ever met.” Ginny stood for all the good in people and dearly loved the game of golf. She was former president of the WGA at Walden on Lake Conroe where she thoroughly enjoyed playing with the ladies group. While the kids were growing up she never missed an opportunity to score for the junior golfers at River Plantation, and went on to score for the Houston Open and Tour Championship. It would have been her desire to assist a junior golfer looking to better themselves by attending college, especially a candidate that represents the values she stood for. Having been a high-school chemistry teacher in Conroe for more than 20 years, she had the opportunity to influence

many lives. She was liked by all and always spoke positively of others. She was the centerpiece of the family and enjoyed her travels. This scholarship is created to perpetuate her memory.

One Ginny Termeer Scholarship will be awarded to a junior golfer boy and one will be awarded to a junior golfer girl who resides in Montgomery or any of the contiguous counties.

Bill Sitton Sr. Scholarship – One at \$6,000 over 4 years (\$1,500 per year)

The Bill Sitton Sr. Scholarship was created to assist aspiring college bound students furthering their education. The recipient and his or her family will have the assurance that this financial support should assist them for ample time (4 years) to obtain an undergraduate degree.

All STPGA Foundation Scholarship Applicants are eligible for this scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded at \$1,500 per year for 4 years.

Lauren Johnson Foundation Scholarship – Three at \$2,000

The purpose of the Lauren Johnson Foundation Scholarship Program is to encourage and promote the attainment of higher education goals for youth who have demonstrated a high level of achievement during high school, have a definite financial need, and have shown an interest in the game of golf. It is not required that applicants for the Lauren Johnson Foundation Scholarship Program be junior golfers. The applicant's golfing ability will not be the determining factor in the evaluation process. Details of the applicant's involvement in golf will be requested in the application.

Preference will be given to those students graduating from St. Joseph High School and all other schools in the Victoria Independent School District.

Hardy Loudermilk Scholarship – One at \$3,000

Named after PGA Professional, Hardy Loudermilk. Mr. Loudermilk was the former professional at Oak Hills Country Club in San Antonio, Coleman Country Club and Abilene and Jal Country Club in New Mexico. Mr. Loudermilk was the 1958 New Mexico Open Champion and in 1968, while at Oak Hills Country Club, he received the highest honor of his profession being named the 1968 National PGA Golf Professional of the Year. Mr. Loudermilk also served as the first President of the Southern Texas PGA Section in 1968-1969 following the division of the old Texas Section. Loudermilk also served as instructor and mentor to LPGA Hall of Famer, Kathy Whitworth.

The Hardy Loudermilk Scholarship will be awarded to an applicant that resides in one of the following counties: Bexar, Kendall, Comal, Guadalupe, Atascosa, Medina, Wilson or Bandera. Previous winners are eligible to apply in subsequent years. Involvement in Junior Golf is a requirement.

Warren Smith Scholarship – One at \$2,000

Named after PGA Professional, Warren Smith. Mr. Smith was the former professional at Oak Hills Country Club Country Club in San Antonio and Cherry Hills in Colorado. The Scholarship was established in 2003 through the fund raising efforts of the members at Oak Hills Country Club in San Antonio.

The Warren Smith Scholarship will be awarded to a graduating high school senior that resides in one of the following counties: Bexar, Kendall, Comal, Guadalupe, Atascosa, Medina, Wilson or Bandera. The applicant must have a playing background in golf. Involvement in Junior Golf is a requirement.

Dick Harmon Scholarship provided by the Harmon Family Foundation - Two at \$7,500

The Dick Harmon Scholarships are named for the former Southern Texas PGA Member that was one of the most respected PGA Professionals and Golf Instructors in the country. Dick Harmon served as the PGA Professional at River Oaks Country Club for 23 years from 1977 until 2001. In 2001, Harmon established the Dick Harmon School of Golf at Redstone GC and also The Houstonian CC. Harmon was renowned as a junior golf ambassador and instructor by his peers across the country. He tutored such extraordinary talents as Fred Couples, Steve Elkington, Lanny Wadkins, Craig Stadler, Blaine McCallister, Billy Ray Brown and US Open Champion Lucas Glover, to name just a few. Dick Harmon was one of four brothers (Butch, Craig, Dick & Billy) that went on to receive national recognition for their talents as golf instructors. The patriarch of the family, Claude Harmon, won the 1948 Masters and was the golf professional at Winged Foot GC, Seminole GC and Lochinvar GC to name a few.

The Dick Harmon Scholarships will be awarded to students who are going on to college to play collegiate golf. These Scholarships are made possible through a donation from the Harmon Family Foundation.

The Harmon Family also funds the Dick Harmon junior golf participation scholarships. These funds assist aspiring young golfers, that might not otherwise be able to afford the expense, participate in the Southern Texas PGA Junior Golf Programs. Contact the Southern Texas PGA at 832.442.2404 for more information regarding the Dick Harom Junior Golf Participation Scholarships.

Robert N. Lyons Scholarship - One at \$1,000

Named in honor of the grandfather of STPGA member, Ricky Lyons. Bob had a great passion for life and a love of many things. In addition to golf, Bob enjoyed traveling and learning about history. His greatest reward was spending time with his family. He served his country as a member of the 106th Infantry Division during World Word II. After retiring to Elkins Lake Country Club in 1982 he spent his time actively involved in the Men's Golf Association, Senior Interclub, and started their "Divot Sanding Program". He lost his battle with Parkinson's in 2001. He was a great role model to all and is sorely missed. This scholarship has been established in his memory to assist a young person in continuing their education and pursuing their dreams.

The Robert N. Lyons Scholarship will be awarded to applicants that reside in one of the following counties: Harris, Montgomery, Walker, Fort Bend, Brazoria, Galveston, Chambers, Liberty or Waller.

Southern Texas PGA Section and Southern Texas PGA Foundation

The Southern Texas PGA is a "Section" of the Professional Golfers' Association of America. The PGA of America was founded in 1916 and as we celebrate our 94th Anniversary the principles that led to the formation of the organization are still what drive us today. Recognizing the passion that millions share for golf, the PGA of America – through its more than 28,000 men and women Professionals – has dedicated itself to the growth of the game.

As part of the Southern Texas PGA Section's contribution to the national efforts, the Southern Texas PGA Foundation was formed in 1994. The STPGA Foundation is recognized by the IRS as a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization and is dedicated to providing the youth in south Texas broad opportunities to experience the game of golf and enhance their skills as players and individuals.

Since that modest beginning, the STPGA Foundation has developed extremely successful programs for young golfers ages six through eighteen. The Little Linksters program provides instruction from qualified PGA Professionals and introductory tournament opportunities. The STPGA Junior Links Tour provides an

opportunity for high school and junior high school age youth to pickup the game of golf at an introductory level. The STPGA Junior Tour provides high school and junior high school age youth a proving ground to enhance their skills and a recreational activity during the summer months. The Legends Junior Tour provides an affordable forum for the most competitive players striving to earn a college scholarship or measure themselves against the best golfers in the state. Each year these programs attract over 2,700 STPGA Junior Golf Members.

The PGA Members of southern Texas did not stop at just providing instructional and playing opportunities. Since 1999 the STPGA foundation has awarded 197 college scholarships totaling \$463,100. Additionally, financial aid is available for young golfers that demonstrate a need to participate in any of the STPGA Foundation programs.

The STPGA Foundation has been fortunate to garner much support from companies, individuals and organizations that share similar values and believe in the efforts and programs made available by the STPGA Foundation. These have included Academy Sports & Outdoors, the USGA, Cypresswood Golf Club and Foresight Golf, Inc., City of Mont Belvieu and Eagle Pointe Golf Club, BlueGolf and more.

There are many avenues for the PGA Professionals of south Texas and the STPGA Foundation to impact even more young lives by introducing and providing opportunities to play golf, the game of a lifetime. The future vision includes golf in schools programs whereby middle school age children are introduced to golf through their physical education programs, additional funding to support the financial aid program and sponsor more deserving youth into STPGA Foundation programs and the creation of more family and youth golf instructional programs to introduce the game to families that might not otherwise experience it.

2012 Southern Texas PGA Foundation Scholarship Application

INSTRUCTIONS:

To be considered for a STPGA Foundation Scholarship, this application must be completed in its entirety. The application must be returned to the STPGA Foundation Office by April 13, 2012. The information supplied must be accurate and will be kept strictly confidential by the STPGA Foundation.

(1) APPLICANT INFORMATION SECTION (Please print or type):

Name: _____ Gender: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____ Home Phone: _____

Social Security #: _____ DOB: _____

Email Address: _____

(2) GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SECTION (Please print or type):

Note: If you are currently attending College skip this section and complete Section (3)

High School: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

High School Ranking: _____ Size of Sr. Class: _____

High School GPA: _____ Based on: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Example 3.56 4.0

ACT Composite Score: _____ Date Taken: _____

SAT Composite Score: _____ Based on: _____ Date Taken: _____

Example 1200 1600

Which College or University are you planning to attend in the fall of 2012? _____

Have you been accepted to that College or University? _____

(3) CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENTS SECTION (Please print or type):

College or University you are currently attending:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

High School Graduation Date:

High School:

Cumulative College GPA:

Based on:

****Example****

3.56

4.0

Total Hours Completed:

SAT Composite Score:

Based on:

Date Taken:

****Example****

1500

2400

ACT Composite Score:

Date Taken:

Which College or University are you planning to attend in the fall of 2012?

(4) Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from completed FAFSA:

(5) Number of Dependents in family and ages:

(6) Have you applied for and/or received other financial aid from any other source (i.e., grants, athletic scholarships, academic scholarships, etc.)?

If you answered yes to the above, please describe (source, amount, date, time period).

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING:

****Applications will not be processed without this information.**

1. ****Current High School or College Transcript**
2. ****ACT and/or SAT scores**
3. ****Printed SAR (Student Aid Report) which can be obtained by filling out a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid Application) at www.fafsa.ed.gov**
4. ****Essay or list of Junior Golf Participation or Interest**
5. Your statement of not more than 150 words explaining your desire to obtain a STPGA Foundation Scholarship and why (**voluntary**)
6. Letter of Recommendation from a STPGA Professional (**voluntary**)
7. List of Extracurricular Activities (**voluntary**)

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the enclosed information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge as reflected by the appropriate school records. Any false information will automatically void this application.

Applicant's Signature:

Date:

Parent or Guardian Signature:

Date:

(Voluntary)

PGA Professional's Signature:

Date:

Please return the completed application and direct any questions to:

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Southern Texas PGA Foundation Fact Sheet

Mission Statement

The Southern Texas PGA Foundation will introduce and provide youth in south Texas broad opportunities to experience the game of golf, develop their talent as players and themselves as individuals and promote scholarship benefits to as many qualified candidates as possible. The STPGA Foundation will uphold the high degree of professionalism necessary to motivate young men and women to strive for personal integrity, honor and ideals.

- In 1994 the Southern Texas PGA Foundation was formed as a 501 (c)(3) organization.
- In 1999 the Southern Texas PGA Foundation redesigned its scholarship program. These scholarships are awarded to deserving youth based on academic achievement, financial need, involvement in junior golf and standardized test scores. The last eleven years the STPGA Foundation awarded 197 scholarships, valued at \$463,100.
- The STPGA Junior Golf Tour started in 1992 in San Antonio and Austin with 350 junior members and has grown to approximately 1,400 junior members across southern Texas in 2011-2012.
- In 1994 the Little Linksters program began as an instructional program based in the greater Houston area. Today, this instructional program offers over 100 clinics and 150 plus tournaments for over 1,400 Little Linksters members throughout Southern Texas.