



Davenport Country Club



## IOWA GOLF HALL OF FAME



### **KEN SCHALL**, Waterloo

**Year Inducted:** 2012

**Category:** Professional Golfer

After a brief amateur career highlighted by a victory in the 1981 Iowa Amateur, Ken Schall turned professional in 1982 and has been a leading player, club professional and ambassador for the game of golf. Ken received his PGA Class A Membership in 1987 and has won the Iowa PGA Section Player of the Year award a record seven times!

Schall qualified for and played on the PGA Tour in 1991. His best finish was 11th at the Chattanooga Open. He has competed in seven PGA Championships and two U.S. Opens.

After his brief stint on the tour, Schall returned to Iowa and has held the head professional job at two outstanding clubs; Sunnyside Country Club (1998-2004) and Glen Oaks Country Club (2005-2014). His remarkable playing record includes four Iowa Section Championships, four Section Match Play Championships, two Iowa Opens, two Herman Sani Invitational titles and the 1998 PGA Northern Regional Championship.

Ken served as the President of the Iowa Section PGA from 2005 until 2007 and was named PGA Professional of the Year in 2007. In addition to his many awards and accomplishments Ken has played a vital role in leading the Iowa PGA to develop and activate the GIVE Foundation (Golf for Injured Veterans Everywhere). Ken also serves on the Board of Directors of the First Tee of Central Iowa.

The sentiments expressed by his colleagues in supporting his nomination were summarized by Iowa PGA Executive Director Troy Christensen: "Ken's unselfish contributions to the game of golf and his numerous accomplishments make him the perfect inductee into the Iowa Golf Hall of Fame...I am impressed with his playing career, but I am more impressed by what Ken has given to the game off the golf course".

## **Career Highlights**

**Has played in 9 Major Championships** - 7 PGA Championships and two U.S. Opens

1981 Iowa Amateur Champion

1988, 95 Iowa Open Champion

1988, 95 Herman Sani Invitational Champion

4-time Iowa PGA Section Champion

4-time Iowa PGA Match Play Champion

1998 PGA Northern Regional Champion

7-time Iowa PGA Player of the Year

Qualified and played the PGA Tour in 1991 - best finish 11th at Chattanooga Open

2003 IGA PGA Professional of the Year

2003 Iowa PGA Horton Smith Award

2007 PGA Professional of the Year