



## Janet M. Ortega



Janet was formerly the Head Golf Professional Pajaro Valley Golf Club, a semi-private club located in the Monterey Bay area of California. Prior to Pajaro Valley, she spent 3 years as the Head Golf Professional at Los Lagos Golf Course, a busy municipal course in San Jose, California. A 1988 graduate of Purdue University, with a degree in Retail Management, Janet played varsity golf three years for the Boilermakers. Janet turned professional in 1988 and obtained her membership in the PGA of America in 1992. Prior to her arrival in California, she had been the Head Golf Professional at facilities in Indiana and Maryland and was the first woman elected to the Indiana PGA Board of Directors, where she served on the Board from 1997-2001.

Janet has also coached both high school and collegiate women's golf teams. In 1998, Janet was hired as Butler University's first Women's Golf Coach and led a young team of ladies to their first NCAA Division I tournament victory in April, 2001.

Most recently, Janet received the 2007 Growth of the Game Award and the 2005 Horton Smith Award from the Northern California PGA for her educational efforts with the PGA of America's Play Golf America initiatives. She was a Co-Chair of the NCPGA Education Committee for 2006-07 and was the 2008 Chairperson for the NCPGA Growth of the Game Committee.

Janet's love of people and teaching the game of golf go hand in hand. She is excited to join The First Tee of Greater Austin at the Harvey Penick Golf Campus. Janet will develop adult player programs and implement the Play Golf America initiatives developed by the PGA of America at the Campus.

An avid sports fan, Janet enjoys cooking, traveling and of course playing golf with her husband, Rudy.

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