



Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated

Press Release

“Bear Lakes Country Club to Host ICYG Scholarship Golf Tournament”

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Riviera Beach (USA), August 14, 2009: “Inner City Youth Golfers’, Inc. will host its “International Youth Golf Challenge & Scholarship Invitational Golf Tournaments” at Bear Lakes Country Club (BLCC), West Palm Beach, FL – “Home of the December 2009 PGA Final Qualifying School Challenge” during the period September 11-12, 2009. BLCC was designed by World Golf Hall of Fame member Jack Nicklaus. The 36-hole facility -- featuring the par-72 Lakes Course (7,439 yards) and Links Course (7,392 yards) -- has hosted the Qualifying Tournament on two previous occasions. Both courses have received modifications by Nicklaus in the last five years. "These courses represent two very different playing experiences and styles of golf, so they should test every facet of the players' games," said Nicklaus.



The event gets underway with practice rounds at BLCC on Friday, September 11th followed by a poolside “Happy Hour Reception” at its host hotel, Holiday Inn Express, 2485 Metrocentre Blvd., West Palm Beach (561.472.7020) and Saturday, September 12th with Registration beginning at 10:00AM followed by a Youth/Parent Golf Clinic – Bear Lakes Professional Golf Staff, Youth/Parent Putting Contest & Practice, Group Photo, Two-Person Team Championship Tournament Play and International Youth Championship Tournament Play Begins Golf Cook-Outs, Auction & Awards Ceremony and a special “Say No To Drugs – Say Yes To Education, Culture & Golf - Chit Chat.”

It will be hosted by the African American Golfers Hall of Fame, LPGA/USGA Girls Golf of Royal Palm & Riviera Beach, FL, The Westside Gazette Newspaper and supported by Robert Critton, Burman Critton & Luttier; Warcecer Jakes Insurance Company; Kiwanis Club of Northside, West Palm Beach, Florida, Inc.; Hurricane Junior Golf Tour and others. Inner City Youth Golfers’, Inc. was started at JFK Middle School, Riviera Beach, FL in 1999. ICYG is a 501 (c) (3) organization. It was approved as a charitable organization by IRS on August 9, 2000. It remains in good standing and continues filling a needed community void for at-risk children of ages 7 to 18 using the game of golf as a “catalyst” to refocus their attention to doing “the right things in life.”

We are planning a full calendar for 2009-10 and need your support. Your donation is tax deductible in accordance with the law and shall be used to support its programs and initiatives, especially “Say No To Drugs – Say Yes To Education, Culture & Golf” and for scholarships/local youth stipend support. Specifically, funds raised will be used to assist in purchasing golf equipment, supplies, pay instructional personnel for golf camps and clinic activities, golf operational expenses, golf learning tools and “other miscellaneous project/program expenses.” The tournament entry fees are \$300.00 per two-person team, \$75.00 per youth (Int’l Youth Golf Challenge), guest \$75.00 and Tee Sign Donors at \$300.00. All event details and other sponsorship information can be located at www.icyg.org. Entry fees shall be made to ICYG and mailed to PO Box 31901, Palm Beach Gardens, FL before September 2, 2009. Please direct all inquiries to (561) 844-8774 or icyginc@aol.com. Thanks for your support!

For the record:

*Congratulations to Bear Lakes Country Club’s “Employee of the Month”, Stanley A. Wilson, Jr. Assistant Golf Professional, a 2008 graduate of FAMU and ICYG Youth Golf Advisor from the “Westside Gazette” newspaper family. BLCC’s General Manager, Bill Wendt, Head Golf Professional Ted Strelec and the entire BLCC family is very proud of Stanley. He is headed for greatness and I know it!

*Although Eldrick “Tiger” Woods was leading by two strokes as the final day of the 91st PGA Championship at the Hazeltine National Golf Club, Chaska, Minnesota (USA) on August 16, 2009, he finished in 2nd place. While Woods has won five of 12 tournaments in 2009, this is the first time that he has been shut out of the four major tournaments since 2004.

Photo by: Esmeralda H. Knowles & Cutline: “Youth golf challengers accompanied by their parents from 2008 are ready to defend their titles.”