



Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated

Press Release

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“Welter to Challenge The HJGT Field”

Riviera Beach, FL (USA), March 4, 2009: The Hurricane Junior Golf Tour (HJGT) will host its “2nd Annual Atlantic Coast Junior Classic at Woodmont Country Club on April 4-5, 2009, Tamarac, Florida. This event along with all HJGT tournaments are ranked by the National Junior Golf Scoreboard (NJGS). Juniors will come from all over the southeast and compete over 36-holes of stroke play in one of five age divisions: Boys 16-19, Boys 13-15, Boys 10-12, Girls 15-19,

or Girls 10-14. Michael Burton of Boca Raton, Florida captured the overall boys division title. Burton’s victory helped drive him into the summer season where he notched four top five finishes. Lauren Cate of St. Augustine Florida claimed the girls overall title after posting the tournament’s low round of 2-under par 70 during round one. Cate has continued her success from the juniors and risen to play collegiate golf at Stetson University in Deland, Florida.

Last year’s record setting “Inner City Youth Golfers’ (ICYG) International Youth Golf Challenge” Champion, Nicholas Welter (Crescent Middle School, Royal Palm Beach, FL) is preparing to win this tournament. He shared with me today that “he is very appreciative of the assistance that ICYG has given to him over the last few years in helping him to enjoy the game of golf and compete in tournaments which have strengthened his life skills and his competitiveness.” Nicholas also extends his congratulations to his golf coach, Clewis Wright, Jr. who was recently appointed as the Southeast Regional Area Director for the Hurricane Junior Golf Tour (HJGT).

Mr. Wright will continue to serve as the day to day ICYG Director of Golf. He recently retired from the Dade County public school system after approximately thirty five years (35) of service as a coach and educator. Among his past affiliations, he has served as President and Tournament Director: The Miami Golf Connection and Sunshine State Amateur Golfers Association, Inc. (Florida, USA). His other current golf affiliations include The Golfe, Fairview Golf Club and the African American Golfers Hall of Fame. “We are excited and honored to have Clewis be a part of the tour,” said Mario Conte, Executive Director of the HJGT. “He is a man who is dedicated to promoting junior golf and upholding the values and morals we look for in our staff members.”

Clewis indicated that “his goal is to teach the game of golf to the youth because they will be able to use the game as a hobby or a career.” He further expressed his hope for increased participation in the HJGT and increasing the number of Nick Welters who will love golf.

“Atlantic Coast Junior Classic” registration information can be found on www.hjgt.org. Please call (561) 684-8824 or email cwright@comcast.net for more information.

Cutline: Clewis Wright presents winning international trophy to Nick.

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