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## ***The Founders Fund, Inc. Announces Date for Ed Brennan Memorial Golf Tournament***

(December 10, 2009 – Naples, FL) The Founders Fund, Inc. has announced Monday, April 12, 2010 as the official date for The Founders Fund – 2010 Biennial *Ed Brennan Memorial Golf Tournament* to be held at The Club Pelican Bay. The competition will begin with two shotgun starts at 8:45 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. The golf tournament is the main fundraiser for the scholarships given to local high school graduates to further their education.

Scholarships of \$2,000 are awarded to 25 Collier County students each year. They are selected based on financial need and academic merit. As students keep their grades high, the scholarship is renewed each year until graduation. This charitable organization is coordinated by volunteers, allowing for the monies gathered at this event to be reserved for deserving students of Collier County.

There are many ways to be a part of this golf tournament, from being a player or sponsor to donating items for the raffle and silent auction. Donations for the auction and raffle will be accepted all the way until the day of the tournament, April 12<sup>th</sup>. Sponsors are entitled to two playing spots in the tournament and four places at the awards dinner, as well as publicity in all of The Founders Fund materials and publications and invitations to the annual luncheon and scholarship award ceremony. Anyone involved will also experience the joy that comes from helping the community's best and brightest reach their dreams.

**ABOUT the Founders Fund:**

The mission of the Founders Fund is to provide financial assistance to young men and women from Collier County in their pursuit of post high school education and training. Recipients are selected on the basis of need and merit from the ten high schools of Collier County.

The Founders Fund was created in 1991 by the Founding Golf Members of The CLUB at Pelican Bay, a private golf club. The Internal Revenue Service has classified the Founders Fund as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit, tax-exempt charitable organization.

The Founders Fund is supported by Golf and Social Members of The CLUB, as well as many corporate sponsors which include prominent local and national businesses that are very generous in their support of the Founders Fund. Income from reserve assets and fundraising activities supports annual scholarship grants of approximately \$180,000 per year. Thus far, fund scholarship awards have totaled more than \$1,800,000.

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