



Dear Golfer:

Grab your calendar – It’s almost tee time!

On behalf of our Golf Committee, I would like to invite you to participate in the 16th Annual Bob MacKay Memorial Golf Tournament which will benefit blood and marrow transplant, leukemia and hematology research at Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Section on Hematology and Oncology. Last year, we gifted to WFUSM \$50,000, bringing the total to over \$850,000 since our first tournament held in 1994. We couldn’t have done this without the continued support of all our golfers and supporters – thank you!

We are very excited about this year’s tournament and our change of venue. Our Golf Committee has been very busy making plans for our 16th Annual Bob MacKay Memorial. The tournament will be held on **Monday, September 28 at Bryan Park Golf and Conference Center, Greensboro, NC** – both courses designed by Rees Jones and Host Site of the 2010 US Amateur Public Course Championship. Please visit www.bryanpark.com where you can learn more about Bryan Park Golf and Conference Center, the Players Course, the Championship Course - and get directions!

This year, we will again be using the Texas Scramble team format which will require handicaps or the average score of your last four rounds. We are excited that we will be playing TWO courses – The Championship Course and the Players Course, each golfer will play 9-holes on each course. This year we encourage you to invite friends to play since this is the first year we will have 256 golf spots available. We have invited Ricky Proehl, NFL retired/WFU Alumni, owner of Proehlfic Park in Greensboro, 1994 Winter Olympic Gold Medalist Dan Jansen and Charleston College basketball coach, Bobby Cremins, to be our “celebrity” golfers this year! We are so grateful to each of them for their continued support of the MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research.

The price to participate will remain the same as it has been since 1994 - \$175 per golfer (tax deductible portion this year - \$100). NEW this year, we will give each golfer one raffle ticket for a chance to win our “Sawgrass Prize” – a round of golf for four at the TPC at Sawgrass with play on both the Valley and the Stadium Courses, with special thanks to PGA Professional, Blaine McCallister and an overnight stay for four donated by the Marriott Beach Club at Sawgrass. Additional tickets can be purchased at the tournament by only golfers participating. There will be a shotgun start at 10:30 AM. Our dinner, live auction, raffle and awards ceremony will be held immediately after play in the Enrichment Center. We will not have a silent auction this year, but will have a greater number of raffle prizes and Live Auction items. We will again be inviting Skip and Jeff from 98.7 Simon -The Wicker Show to be our auctioneers – they do a great job!

If you would like to make a donation to our raffle or live auction, please contact me. I invite you to consider donating items such as logo golf balls, umbrellas, folding chairs, coolers, golf shirts, golf caps, rounds of golf or gift certificates to restaurants which we will include in our “Raffle Gift Bags”.

As we have no paid staff and very little overhead, the greatest amount of the money raised will support innovative and important ongoing cancer research while ensuring that new research projects have the seed funding to move forward. So many strides have been made in the battle against cancer, but so much remains to be accomplished. Please visit www.mackayfoundation.org to learn more about the MacKay Foundation for Cancer Research and all our events planned for 2009.

We welcome new golfers and those who have participated during the past 15 years to play this year! We hope to see you at Bryan Park Golf Club on Monday, September 28 to support this very worthy cause. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or need any additional information. Thank you!

Yours truly,

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