

**THE BUBEL/AIKEN FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES
GOLFING FOR INCLUSION AT MIRASOL AND GRANT TO LOCAL YMCA**



Palm Beach, FL-The Bubel/Aiken Foundation (TBAF) and entertainer/recording artist Clay Aiken will be hosting its first annual *Golfing for Inclusion* charity golf tournament, January 7, 2008 at Mirasol Country Club, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

The event, co-hosted by Clay Aiken and PGA professional Wayne Player, was made possible in part through the support of John Hancock and American Portfolios Financial Services, among others. The tournament will raise funds to help support The Bubel/Aiken Foundation's *Let's All Play* program which brings the summer camp experience to children with and without developmental disabilities.

"*Golfing for Inclusion* is a great way to swing into 2008. And it is also a great way to raise awareness and resources that will help children experience all life has to offer. We'd like everyone to join us for world-class golf, fabulous prizes, a post-golf celebration, silent and live auctions, entertainment, and in doing so help us raise funds to broaden the horizons of children with special needs," said Aiken.

Aiken co-founded TBAF in 2003. Since then, the Foundation has served to bridge the gap that exists between young people with special needs and the world around them. TBAF supports communities with inclusive programs and together with those communities creates awareness about the possibilities that inclusion can bring.

Let's ALL Play brings children with developmental disabilities the same camp experience as those without disabilities. With this unique program, children come together to participate in activities such as swimming, arts and crafts, community service, physical fitness and more. Through the Foundation's support, *Let's ALL Play* has continued to grow since its inception in 2004. The Foundation's goal is to continue to expand the program to benefit more and more children.

"We believe it's time that all children are included in community programs. Our work has shown us that inclusion benefits children with and without disabilities. The Foundation is committed to creating communities where all children can learn, live and play together," said Diane Bubel, TBAF co-founder. "Mirasol Country Club has embraced the mission of our foundation by hosting this tournament, and we are very grateful. We truly appreciate everyone's support in making the tournament possible. My hope is that, together, we will make our world a better place for all children."

During the post golf celebration the Foundation will announce a grant to The Peter Blum Family

YMCA of South Palm Beach County. A grant of \$15,000 and additional training provided by the Foundation will help the YMCA to expand its inclusive programs in the Palm Beach area.

The Foundation invites golfers and corporate sponsors to participate at this world-class venue for an exciting day of golf. By participating in *Golfing For Inclusion* and lending financial support, the Foundation can further its mission of inclusion. For details please visit www.bubelaiken.org/golf. Make plans to join the festivities today.

About TBAF: The Bubel/Aiken Foundation will serve to bridge the gap that exists between young people with special needs and the world around them. By providing services and financial assistance, TBAF supports communities and programs in creating awareness and opportunities for full inclusion where barriers break and doors open. It is their goal to create an environment for children where inclusion is embraced. To learn more about The Bubel/Aiken Foundation or ways to get involved visit their website at www.bubelaiken.org.

About Mirasol: Championship golf at Mirasol features 36-holes of magnificent, undulating fairways designed by two of the world's most famous golf course architects - The Sunset course by Arthur Hills, and the Sunrise course by Tom Fazio. Mirasol also features world-class golf practice facilities. The Grand Clubhouse, is a soaring 50,000 sq. ft. facility which includes formal and casual dining, meeting rooms, full clubhouse amenities and card rooms, plus a fully-equipped golf pro shop.