# NGF Program Recognizes Achievement in Public Golf

JUPITER, Fla. — A total of 108 golf facilities and municipalities from across the U.S. have been recognized by the National Golf Foundation for excellence in enhancing the public golf experience in their communities.

As a result, each facility will receive the NGF's Public Golf Achievement Award for 1992. Created in 1990, the award program is part of an ongoing effort by the Foundation to underscore the importance of public golf to the growth and enjoyment of the game in America.

In announcing the award recipients, NGF President and CEO Joseph F. Beditz said, "The quality of programs being conducted at public courses across the country, as reflected by this year's entries, is excellent. It's also very apparent that these facility operators take great pride in their accomplishments and the NGF is proud to recognize them."

The importance of public golf to the long-term growth of the game, Beditz added, is reflected in the fact that approximately 70 percent of all rounds played today are recorded at public facilities.

In inviting entries this year, the NGF underscored its special interest in recognizing programs that focus on both beginning and occasional golfers, and, which underscore the fact that golf, above all, is fun.

This year's award recipients entered a total of 162 programs that included such ideas as special twilight four-hole programs for beginners; Big Brother/Big Sister programs and "latch-key" programs for juniors, and indoor winter introductory clinics.

#### Illinois

Arrowhead Golf Course, Wheaton (Wheaton Park District)

Cog Hill Golf & Country Club, Lemont (Joe Jemsek)

Glenwoodie Golf Club, Glenwood (Joe Jemsek)

**Hickory Hills Country Club**, Hickory Hills (Steven Gianakas)

Marriott's Lincolnshire Golf Course, Lincolnshire (Marriott Corporation)

Pine Meadow Golf Club, Mundelein (Joe Jemsek)

Spencer T. Olin Community Golf Course, Alton (Arnold Palmer Golf Management Company)

St. Andrews Golf Club, West Chicago (Joe Jemsek)

The Rail Golf Club, Springfield (The Rail Golf Club Inc.)

The Village Links of Glen Ellyn, Glen Ellyn (Village of Glen Ellyn)

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