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Lowcountry Students Read More Than 880,000 Pages in Fourth Annual Plaid About Reading Program

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C., Wednesday, March 19, 2014 — Students across the Lowcountry have completed the fourth annual Plaid About Reading program, and the results are in. A fun opportunity to incorporate schools and scholastic involvement in the RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing, the Plaid About Reading program awards students and schools a chance to meet a PGA TOUR professional golfer, and win tickets to the RBC Heritage and money for their school.

“Students from 11 schools participated in the Plaid About Reading program and read 880,639 pages from Feb. 5 to 19,” said Steve Wilmot, tournament director of South Carolina’s only PGA TOUR event. “Last year, 2,700 students from nine schools read more than 47,000 books in the program. In an effort to give all of the students who participated in the Plaid About Reading program an opportunity to benefit and win, they are all invited to meet a PGA TOUR professional golfer at Hilton Head Island Library on Wednesday, April 16, from 2 to 3 p.m.”

The Plaid About Reading program awards include:

- New this year, all participating students are eligible to meet Sir Willie Innes and a PGA TOUR professional golfer at Hilton Head Island Library.
- The class that reads the most pages wins \$500.
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- The student who is the top reader in their class (K-5) receives two daily grounds tickets to the RBC Heritage, good for one day of the tournament.

2014 Plaid About Reading Program Results:

- **School that read the most pages:**
 - Hilton Head Island Elementary School read 239,735 pages and wins \$500.
- **Class that read the most pages**
 - Ms. Barker’s first-grade class at Hilton Head Island Elementary School read 24,853 pages and wins \$500.

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- **Students who read the most pages in grades K-5**
 - Below are the six students who were the top readers and win two daily grounds tickets to the tournament:
 - **Kindergarten:** 2,126 pages, Tyler Solaro, Bluffton Elementary
 - **1st grade:** 3,331 pages, Jazmine Hernandez, Hilton Head Island Elementary
 - **2nd grade:** 4,668 pages, Brayon Nubez, Hilton Head Island Elementary
 - **3rd grade:** 13,484 pages, Brody Hoffman, Hilton Head Island Elementary
 - **4th grade:** 7,817 pages, Cece Hill, St. Francis Catholic School
 - **5th grade:** 9,665 pages, Connor Schmidt, Hilton Head Island Elementary

The following schools participated in the 2014 Plaid About Reading Program:

1. Bluffton Elementary School
2. Cross Schools
3. Hilton Head Island Elementary School
4. Hilton Head Preparatory School
5. Michael C. Riley Elementary School
6. Mossy Oaks Elementary School
7. Okatie Elementary School
8. Red Cedar Elementary
9. St. Francis Catholic School
10. Sea Pines Montessori School
11. Hilton Head Christian Academy

For information on the RBC Heritage Presented by Boeing or to purchase tickets, visit www.rbcheritage.com.

About the RBC Heritage

The RBC Heritage is the only PGA TOUR event in South Carolina. Played over the Harbour Town Golf Links on Hilton Head Island since 1969, the event is celebrating its 46th year April 14-20, 2014. The Heritage Classic Foundation, general tournament sponsor, distributes the proceeds from the tournament to hundreds of nonprofit organizations. Since it was founded as a 501 (c)(3) in 1987, the Foundation has donated more than \$26 million to people in need. For information on how to “Get Your Plaid On!,” call 843-671-2448, or visit www.rbcheritage.com, Facebook (Heritage Classic Foundation, RBC Heritage) and Twitter (@RBC_Heritage).

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