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S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Charity Golf Tournament Raised over \$110,000

Richmond – Organized by S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation, the 5th annual S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Charity Golf Tournament successfully concluded on Sept. 1, at the Mayfair Lakes Golf & Country Club in Richmond. The tournament raised a total amount of \$110,720. Proceeds will go to support non-funded or under-funded S.U.C.C.E.S.S. programs and services for those in need in the community.

“We are extremely pleased with the amount of money we were able to raise,” said Mrs. Maggie Ip, newly-elected Chair of S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation. “In the context of the current global recession, S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation is in even greater need of support and encouragement from the community to raise much-needed funds for S.U.C.C.E.S.S.”

Since 2005, the annual S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Charity Golf Tournament has become one of the three major annual fundraising events for the organization along with the Gala Dinner and Walk with the Dragon. The event attracts around 144 golfers annually. Over the past four years, it has raised over \$480,000 for the benefit of S.U.C.C.E.S.S. programs and services for seniors, youths, women, health and wellness education and counseling.

This year, the event started with an Open Golf Clinic and various contests. The Tee-Off Ceremony was hosted by the Foundation Chair, Mrs. Maggie Ip, and Co-Chairs of the event, Mrs. Linda Wong and Mr. Danny Gaw.

“We appreciate all of the efforts from our sponsors, particularly Mayfair Lakes Golf & Country Club which generously sponsored the green fee and power carts for the tournament for five consecutive years,” said Mrs. Wong and Mr. Gaw.

The tournament featured the Shamble format to encourage teamwork and increase enjoyment among the participants. Throughout the course, holes featured games, refreshments and prizes, including a 2009 Acura TL and a 2010 Acura RDX, sponsored by Richmond Acura, for scoring a Hole-In-One; and \$2,500 cash prize for making an eagle.

Immediately following the tournament was the awards ceremony accompanied by a sumptuous dinner. Dinner guests were invited to bid on silent auction items such as golf packages, gift baskets, and restaurant gift certificates.

The S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Cup was presented to the winning team at the post-tournament dinner. Other trophies were also presented to winners of the longest drive, the straightest drive, closest to the pin and the best putting.

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation was incorporated in 2001 to raise funds essential for under-funded and non-funded programs as well as to manage endowments on behalf of S.U.C.C.E.S.S. and S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Multi-Level Care Society. Annual major fundraising events include the Gala Dinner, Charity Golf Tournament and the “Walk with the Dragon,” one of Vancouver’s largest community-based fundraisers which draws over 12,000 individual and corporate participants.

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Caption:

The 5th annual S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Charity Golf Tournament raised over 110,000 for non-funded or under-funded programs and services in the community.

Front left: Miss Chinese Vancouver 2008 Winner Cici Chen and S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Foundation Chair Maggie;

Back left: The 5th annual S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Charity Golf Tournament Co-Chairs Danny Gaw & Linda Wong