

# INDIAN CREEK COUNTRY CLUB

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## GET YOUR GAME ON!!!!!!!

### IT'S TIME FOR THE 2009 GOLF SEASON

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ICCC GOLF MADNESS IS HERE.  
SIGN UP YOUR TEAMS, SIGN UP FOR LEAGUES!  
EVERYTHING IS COMING UP GOLF!!!!

***“Enthusiasm is excitement with inspiration, motivation, and a pinch of creativity.”***

***-Bo Bennet***

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For a little over a year Sherry, the Board, Staff, Members, and Volunteers have been working to improve the state of affairs at I.C.C.C. What an exciting ride it has been. We could equate it to creating a puzzle in the beginning. The pieces were all cut out and then they needed to be pieced together. You have all noticed that Sherry's dedicated hard work has culminated in many new ideas that have brought in a lot of new bookings and membership activities.

As this newsletter author was contemplating the writing of this article, he was finding himself suffering from a *food hangover* (a good thing) from Friday night's introductory “Meet Gil” event. So, this author needed no more inspira-

tion in finding the lead story.

More than 100 empty-bellied patrons braved 60 degree clear-sky March weather to come out to the club, anxiously waiting for trays of Gil's skills. Tables of people, waiting... eyes darting left and right, wondering when the food would arrive... Pavlov would have been proud ... salivating...then, suddenly they appeared, the trays came out! Shiny containers of culinary delights. Okay, that's enough, just havin' some fun.

Seriously, this was an event that is a MAJOR TURN IN DIRECTION for I.C.C.C., Sherry, Garrett, Gil, and the Board. It is a major piece of the puzzle that was started a little over a year ago.

Last night (3/6) was a

VERY ENTHUSIASTIC event. It was the most CREATIVE way to introduce Gil to the members. The food was out of this world. You would have had to have been there to understand, and to understand what it means to have a “food hangover” this morning! Ugh! Gil is, simply put, awesome! Sherry has pieced together a winning combination that equals success for Indian Creek. Word of mouth is going to spread quickly. It is a given that the clubhouse is going to be bustling with patrons! With the season coming up, the place is going to be what everyone was hoping for, and more.

Down to the awesome menu design, you need to get there ASAP and enjoy the club as never before. It does you proud. Meet Gil. Enjoy his skill!

#### Special points of interest:

- Enthusiastic, exciting, and inspirational start to the season with Gil's introduction!!
- March 20th!
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- SIGN UP FOR LEAGUES NOW!
- SPRING FLING—APRIL 4TH
- USELESS KNOWLEDGE—SOAK IT UP.
- More ENTHUSIASM and MOTIVATION through INSPIRATION.
- APRIL 4TH!
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**COMING FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH . . .  
NOT TELLING! KEEP YOUR CALENDARS FREE!  
SHERRY WILL SEND ANNOUNCEMENTS**



YOU CAN FIGURE IT OUT!  
IT'S GONNA BE A GREAT  
NIGHT. BE THERE, OR BE  
SQUARE !!!



Remember to thank Gene Newsome and his crew for the intense cleaning of the kitchen and the clubhouse. They scrubbed down and steamed cleaned the kitchen like it had never been done before!

**APRIL 4TH:  
SPRING FLING**

**RECRUITING—OPENING DAY—IT ALL BEGINS HERE. BRING YOUR FRIENDS,  
FAMILY AND INTERESTED PARTIES. RAFFLE FOR A DRIVER AGAIN THIS YEAR!  
TELL THE POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS THERE WILL BE A DRAWING A FREE  
ONE YEAR'S MEMBERSHIP. SPRING IS COMING!!**

If you did not get a chance to read last month's January/February newsletter, do so. There was a full section of useless knowledge that you may have missed out on. It was fun to collect and undoubtedly would add to your repertoire for any conversation when trying to impress. As previously stated, it was fun, so I decided to add a little more to this month's newsletter (whether you like it, or not!):

- The year is 1976. Do you remember where you were that year? Do you remember what you spent for various things?
- Rocky was released. To see it, the average price of a movie ticket: \$2.25
- Great comparison to today! Average price, gallon of GAS: 59 cents (notice, no dollar sign with that!)
- McDonald's cheeseburger: 48 cents
- Stamp: 13 cents

- New invention – VCR! \$1,600.00 (not a typo!)
- New house: \$48,000
- True story - Definition of LUCK:

Oklahoma started a state lottery in the year 2006. The very first lottery was won by Caronell Allen. Caronell had just moved to Oklahoma from New Orleans where he had lost everything he owned in Hurricane Katrina.

More WARNING LABELS:  
Believe me, believe them!

Dog Shampoo:  
"Contents should not be fed to fish."

Blanket: "Not to be used as protection from a tornado."

Your everyday household drill:  
"Not intended for use as a dental drill."

Fishing lure (oldie, but goodie!):

"Harmful if swallowed."

James Caan was first offered the part of *Superman* in 1978, he turned it down. It went to Christopher Reeve.

George Lucas' first choice for Princess Leia (*Star Wars*) was, of course, Carrie Fischer. However, there was a worry that she would drop out before filming began. As a backup, his choice was a 15 year-old named Jodie Foster.

Henry Winkler WAS considered for Danny Zuko in *Grease*, but he did not want to be typecast.

*Has it been mentioned that Indian Creek is very interested in your business this Spring? Please come out. Check out the new menu. Bring a friend, or two. Show what there is to offer just south of town!*

## FROM PAGE 1: ENTHUSIASM AND MOTIVATION TESTED—A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE IN LIFE. WE ARE FORTUNATE.

Here are the facts from 31 years ago about DJ Gregory:

Born 10 weeks premature.

Efforts by Dr's to open his lungs with too much oxygen ruptured blood vessels in legs.

His eyes were strained, as well.

Needless to say, he almost died at birth.

He was born with cerebral palsy.

His parents were told that he would never would walk and require a wheelchair.

He has had countless operations on his eyes and to straighten his legs (five by 1<sup>st</sup> grade) since then.

His legs are underdeveloped.

Many of you may be familiar with this story, but DJ has had quite a life since birth. Yes, it is related to golf. However, it has a lot to do with determination and inspiration. Sometimes we all need a dose of reality.

DJ's life, fortunately, goes well beyond birth. As most of you that read this newsletter, there is some love of golf and DJ was no exception. He has the determination to teach himself to walk with a cane. To beat that, he taught himself, a one-handed golf swing at 9-years old. It was a swing so that he could lean on the cane and advance the ball.

Where this story really takes off is when he was 12 years old. He asked CBS analyst Ken Venturi for his autograph. Mr. Venturi took him to meet Payne Stewart and Lanny Wadkins. Where this really takes off is when Mr. Venturi takes DJ to the

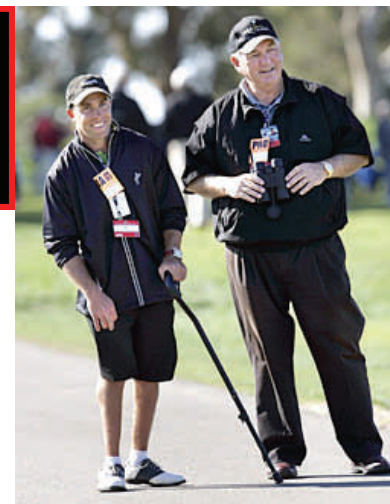
TV tower to meet Jim Nantz.

Jim Nantz was inspired with DJ and through the years a plan developed that came to fruition last year (2008). One of the biggest things that you see developing in his life was the ability to walk, considering the news his parents received upon his birth. Because of his interest in golf and his friendship with Ken Venturi and Jim Nantz his plan really gained speed. Jim Nantz approached PGA Commissioner Tim Finchem from DJ that he would walk every single hole of every 2008 PGA tournament.

DJ would choose a player, follow him for the tournament, and blog about it on the internet. He became very well known amongst the caddies and the players, especially Kenny Perry. *"How can you see a kid struggle around the golf course, and then you're out there complaining about playing golf? It just really changed my perspective about my life and about my golf game and about what I was doing. I'd look over at him and I love him like a brother now," Perry told producers.* <sup>1</sup> (producers of the ESPN show, E:60.)

As he shadowed Jason Gore at the Children's Miracle Network Classic at Disney World last November (2008), he was accompanied by Richard Gamez and Rich Beem on the 18<sup>th</sup> green to complete his mission. DJ walked 988 miles and 3,256 holes. He consumed 280 bottles of water, 259 sports drinks, and 332 sodas.<sup>2</sup>

DJ fell many times, but would not allow help to get back up, it was part of the courage the plan to do it on his own. Because of the development of his legs and feet, his ties overlapped. As



a result, his toes were constantly blistered. *Each morning of tournament day, Gregory puts eight bandages on his feet to combat blisters. He calls his legs "spastic" and every step looks like a difficult task.* Says the cameraman.

*"It's tough sometimes to get going again after I stop," he says. But, he adds, "It's been everything and more. It's my dream, and I'm living it. It doesn't get any better than that."*<sup>3</sup>

DJ asked Boo Weekly: Who is your biggest hero?

"You are, D.J.," he said. "I heard your story. I read about it. People have been talking about it. And I'm just glad to be a part of it."<sup>4</sup>

This is quite a story that a lot of people don't know about. You would have had to catch it the right time and place. It deserves more than that. It is THAT special. It is about perspective. If you are interested and want to know the full story, it is available on the internet on ESPN. In this day and age it is priceless good news.

Go to:

<http://sports.espn.go.com/broadband/video/clip?id=3696478&categoryid=3060647>

<sup>1</sup>[http://blogs.orlandosentinel.com/sports\\_golf\\_roughing\\_it/2008/11/dj-gregorys-ins.html](http://blogs.orlandosentinel.com/sports_golf_roughing_it/2008/11/dj-gregorys-ins.html)

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