



## **CIG Teams Up With Junior Golf Stars, Tour Pros At Annual Benefit Tournament**

**MONTEREY, Calif. (December 3, 2013)** – Three teenage golf standouts, products of the Junior Tour of Northern California (JTNC), sponsored by Capital Insurance Group® (CIG), teamed up with CIG representatives and a pair of pro tour golfers recently at the annual benefit tournament for the AT&T Pebble Beach Junior Golf Association.

CIG, one of the Gold Sponsors of the event, extended special invitations to play with the pros to the 2013 JTNC Players Of The Year – Justin Suh of San Jose and Casie Cathrea of Livermore – as well as a hole-in-one qualifier, Kolbey Moreno of San Jose. The event was played at The Nicklaus Club-Monterey.

The tour pros in the two CIG groups were Arron Oberholser and Bobby Gates, who were appropriate choices to be paired with the juniors, since Gates was a Junior All-American in Florida and Oberholser is a Northern California junior golf product who also was a star at San Jose State and went on to win the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am in 2006.

"It's always great experience for junior golfers to play with tour professionals," said Walt Bennett, CIG Vice President of Underwriting & Actuarial, who also played in the group with Oberholser. "This is a special event that allows CIG the opportunity to give some of the best young players from our tour the opportunity to meet the tour pros and learn from them during a day of friendly competition."

Now in its 23<sup>rd</sup> year, the tournament drew 16 teams of four amateur players, each paired with a tour professional. The pros in the field included popular veterans Jason Gore and Joey Sindelar, as well as Californians James Hahn and Max Homa, whose team won the net flight.

"The friendship and generosity of so many people and sponsors has positioned us to continue introducing this marvelous game of golf to hundreds of junior golfers throughout Monterey County and beyond," said Linda Tunney, Executive Director of the AT&T Pebble Beach Junior Golf Association.

CIG's involvement with the junior golf association is part of the ongoing CIG Golf Program through which CIG has become a leader in the support of community golf organizations. Two of CIG's major endeavors are the JTNC, now one of the leading regional junior golf tours in the nation, and The Langley – A Tribute To Champions, an annual benefit for community action organizations that foster and embrace life's positive values.

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Capital Insurance Group® (CIG) has enhanced its dominance as a leading insurer of Northern California golf courses into a successful philanthropic program centered on the sport of golf through its sponsorship of the NCPGA Junior Tour of Northern California, and the annual fund raising golf tournament, The Langley – A Tribute to Legends.

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