



## **Administaff Small Business Classic Earns Presidents Award**

*Champions Tour Event Honored as Best Event*

**HOUSTON – November 21, 2008**—The Administaff Small Business Classic was honored by the Champions Tour at the Champions Tour Tournaments Association annual meetings in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL this week. The Administaff Small Business Classic was recipient of the Champions Tour’s prestigious President’s Award for Best Event of the 29 event 2008.

The announcement was made by Champions Tour President, Mike Stevens who presented the award to Executive Director Bryan Naugle and Tournament Director Jane Wandmacher.

Mike Stevens cited several reasons why this tournament stood out among many fine events. “First, this award takes in many factors such as staging and presentation, title sponsor integration, attendance and sales”, said Stevens, “but what is really incredible is that this tournament transitioned to a different golf course with less than a year to prepare the site for tournament competition. Then three weeks before their event had to contend with the ravages of Hurricane Ike. That they were able to stage event, much less do it so well was remarkable. We are pleased to acknowledge their efforts.”

“This is such an honor and we are really proud to receive this recognition,” said Naugle. “The volunteers, Administaff, United Healthcare, our many other corporate partners, the staff at The Woodlands and the fans played a key role in the success of this year’s tournament. Everyone involved in the tournament can share this award because it certainly was a huge team effort.”

The fifth edition of the Administaff Small Business Classic was conducted at The Woodlands Tournament Course in October. Bernhard Langer became the first player in the tournament’s history to successfully defend his title.

The Administaff Small Business Classic will return to The Woodlands Tournament Course next year and is scheduled for October

### **About the Champions Tour**

The Champions Tour is a tax-exempt membership organization of professional golfers age 50 and older. Conceived in 1980 as the Senior PGA Tour, it started with just four events and purses totaling \$475,000. In 2008 the Champions Tour featured 29 official events offering \$55.5 million in prize money and an average purse of \$1.92 million. The Champions Tour operates under the umbrella of the PGA TOUR, which includes the PGA TOUR, Champions Tour and Nationwide Tour. The Champions Tour’s primary

purpose as an entity of the PGA TOUR is to provide significant competitive and earnings opportunities for players age 50 and older; to protect the integrity of the game; and to help grow the reach of the game in the U.S. and around the world. In addition to providing competitive opportunities for its membership, Champions Tour events also generate significant sums of money for charity. The commissioner of the PGA TOUR is Tim Finchem. Mike Stevens is president of the Champions Tour. The PGA TOUR is headquartered in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

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