



MAHOGANY RUN GOLF COURSE CELEBRATES 25TH ANNIVERSARY, DONATES \$25,000 IN SUPPORT OF THE “AT YOUR LIBRARY” PROGRAM

ST. THOMAS, U. S. Virgin Islands (May 5, 2005) – In support of the “At Your Library” program, and to further celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Mahogany Run Golf Course, Ginn Clubs & Resorts has donated \$25,000 to the St. Thomas Public Library System to kick off Ginn’s new “Resort to Reading” program.

“Resort to Reading” further underscores Ginn Clubs & Resorts’ commitment to literacy and our ongoing support of programs on the island that have a high impact on our youth,” said Rich Hohman, vice president of asset development at Ginn Clubs & Resorts.



Scholastic Books will further support the program through their Scholastic Literacy Partners program, which provides discounts on a wide range of quality children’s books. “With the support of community partners like Scholastic Books and Ginn Clubs & Resorts, our capability to encourage reading has been greatly enhanced,” said Wallace D. Williams, territorial librarian with the Division of Libraries.

Wallace accepted the donation today on behalf of the St. Thomas Public Library during a ceremony at Mahogany Run Golf Course. Local area children were special guests for the event and received books as well as anniversary Mahogany Run Golf Course memorabilia to commemorate the event.

The “Resort to Reading” program will run throughout 2005 and includes ongoing activities sponsored by Ginn Clubs & Resorts and Mahogany Run Golf Course to

encourage reading and reinforce the importance of literacy to children and their parents. Special programs planned throughout the year include celebrity readings, book drives and a program to reward literacy volunteers with discounted rounds of golf. The \$25,000 donation will be used to underwrite the cost of library books for the “Young Adult Collection.”

“We commend our new community partner for making a commitment to this important cause,” Wallace continued. “Mahogany Run Golf Course plays an important role in our local community and we’re especially delighted to see that role increase under the new ownership by Ginn Clubs & Resorts.”

Mahogany Run Golf Course, a George and Tom Fazio design, was opened in 1980. *Golf Digest* proclaimed it more of an engineering marvel than an architectural one as the course had to be carved and blasted into an area of land just less than 110 acres. With only 77,000 square feet of greens and tight winding fairways, Mahogany Run offers target golf with beautiful views culminating in the course’s Signature trio of holes overlooking the Atlantic Ocean known as the Devil’s Triangle.

Ginn Clubs & Resorts purchased Mahogany Run Golf Course in June, 2004 and has since undertaken a \$1.3 million renovation project to improve the clubhouse and golf course. Further planning is underway at Ginn Clubs & Resorts to position Mahogany Run and St. Thomas as a more exclusive golf and vacation destination.

About Ginn Clubs & Resorts

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Harbor and Patriots Point Links golf course in the Charleston area. The company also owns and operates Hammock Beach & Yacht Harbor Village near St. Augustine, Fla., Reunion Resort & Club of Orlando, Bella Collina north of Orlando, Tesoro in Port St. Lucie on Florida's historic "Treasure Coast" and Mahogany Run Golf Course in St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. In addition, the company has several projects under development in North Carolina, Vermont, Colorado and the Caribbean.

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