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2007 MASTERS CHAMPION ZACH JOHNSON COMMITS

Carl Pettersson to Defend Memorial Tournament Victory

*Tournament Field Strengthened by Charles Howell III and
Memorial Tournament Winners Jim Furyk and Ernie Els*

Dublin, Ohio – April 11, 2007 – Tournament officials announced today that newly crowned Masters Champion and 2006 Memorial Tournament runner-up **Zach Johnson** has officially entered the 2007 Memorial Tournament field.

Johnson, a two-time PGA TOUR winner, has also recorded two top-10 finishes this year and ranks 9th in FedEx Cup points. With more than \$1.6 million in earnings he is ranked No. 8 on the PGA TOUR Money List and No. 9 on the World Money List. He has finished in the top-40 in each of his three seasons on TOUR and was a member of the 2006 Ryder Cup Team. Johnson's scoring averaging through three starts (2004 - 2006) at the Memorial Tournament is 70.92.

Carl Pettersson enjoyed a career 2006 season, earning \$2,647,982 on strength of six top-10 finishes and a victory at *the Memorial Tournament*. He finished the season 18th on the money list and No. 36 in the World Golf Rankings, both career highs. In route to his win at the Memorial, his second-career PGA TOUR victory, Pettersson recorded an opening round 69 for a share of third place. His second round 67 was one of only 12 scores below 70 and good enough to move him into sole possession of first place at 8 -under-par for the Tournament. Pettersson completed his final seven holes of his third Memorial appearance at even par, giving him a 1-under-par 71 for the round and 12-under-par 276 for the win. He required 90 starts to record his first TOUR victory (*2005 Chrysler Championship*) - only 16

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subsequent starts were needed for his impressive win at Muirfield Village Golf Club.

With three top-10s in eight starts on the PGA TOUR, **Jim Furyk** ranks No. 2 in the World Rankings. He has recorded 12 career TOUR victories, including the 2002 Memorial Tournament and 2003 United States Open Championship. He has been a member of five Ryder Cup teams (1997, 1999, 2002, 2004, 2006) and four Presidents Cup teams (1998, 2000, 2003, 2005). Furyk holds the current streak for consecutive cuts made on TOUR at 20. When he returns to Muirfield Village Golf Club, May 28 - June 3, he will attempt to make his 12th consecutive cut. He has recorded four top-10s at the Memorial and ranks 3rd in Tournament history among the *50 Top Scoring Averages* at 70.77, and 5th among the *50 Top Money Winners* with \$1,410,931.30.

Ernie Els has recorded 15 career PGA TOUR, and 43 international victories. He is a two-time U.S. Open Champion (1994 & 1997), winner of the 2002 British Open, and has been a member of four Presidents Cup teams (1996, 1998, 2000, 2003). With one top-10 in five starts, Els is ranked first on TOUR in putting average (1.716) and No. 5 in the World Rankings. After 13 consecutive starts at Muirfield Village, Els has five top-10s at the Memorial, including his 2004 victory, and has never missed the cut. He ranks 3rd among the *50 Top Money Winners* in Tournament history with \$1,672,866.81 and 4th in scoring average with 70.86.

On strength of five top-10s in eight starts this year, including a victory and two second place finishes, **Charles Howell III** is ranked 3rd in FedEx Cup Points and No. 3 on the PGA TOUR Money List and World Money List with more than \$2.4 million. He has two career TOUR victories (2002 *Michelob Championship at Kingsmill* and 2007 *Nissan Open*) and was a member of the 2003 Presidents Cup team. Howell has a current scoring average of 72.30 at Muirfield Village Golf Club and will be making his seventh appearance at the Memorial (2001 - 2006).

Early week events of note at the 2007 Memorial will include the Opening Ceremonies on Tuesday, May 29 at 3:00 P.M. 2007 Memorial Tournament Honorees, Dow Finsterwald and Louise Suggs and 2007 Journalism Honoree Frank Chirkinian will be recognized. The day will conclude with the Jack Nicklaus Clinic at 4:30 p.m., located on the main driving range. Wednesday, May 30 at 11:30 A.M., The Morgan Stanley Invitational Pro-Am will take place, featuring 18 PGA TOUR professionals

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(14 of the top-25, and four special TOUR invites) and 54 amateurs. Wednesday evening at 5:30 P.M., the Memorial Tournament will host the Junior Golf Clinic, located at The Country Club at Muirfield.

2007 Memorial Tournament Television Schedule

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Date	Network	Times	Show Description
Thursday, May 31	The Golf Channel	3:00 - 6:00 P.M.	First Round Coverage
	The Golf Channel	8:30 P.M.	First Round Replay
Friday, June 1	The Golf Channel	3:00 - 6:00 P.M.	Second Round Coverage
	The Golf Channel	10:30 P.M.	Second Round Replay
Saturday, June 2	CBS	3:00 - 6:00 P.M.	Third Round Coverage
	The Golf Channel	12:30 - 2:30 P.M.	Bonus Coverage
Sunday, June 3	CBS	2:30 - 6:00 P.M.	Final Round Coverage
	The Golf Channel	12:00 - 2:00 P.M.	Bonus Coverage

Note: *Extensive Tournament coverage on THE GOLF CHANNEL begins Wednesday, 5/30 - Check your local listings for starting times*

The Memorial Tournament is held annually at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus. The Tournament, which was founded and is hosted by Jack Nicklaus, is conducted each year with three goals in mind: to honor the memory of individuals living and deceased who have distinguished themselves in the game of golf; to showcase the world's best golfers competing on one of the most challenging venues in the world for the enjoyment of spectators; and to benefit charitable organizations in central Ohio. For more information, call 614-889-6700 or visit our website at www.thememorialtournament.com.

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