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**INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S CHARITY BENEFITS FROM ANNUAL
HOSPITALITY, VACATION OWNERSHIP INDUSTRY GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Annual RCI Christel House Open Tournament at Orange Lake Resort Raises \$140,000

ORLANDO, FLA. (June 12, 2014) – Holiday Inn Club Vacations® at Orange Lake Resort continued its 12-year tradition as host of an annual golf tournament benefiting international children's charity, [Christel House](#). More than 150 golfers took part in the RCI Christel House Open June 9 at the resort's 18-hole Arnold Palmer-designed Legends golf course. In total, \$140,000 – \$15,000 more than last year – was raised to support Christel House and its mission of helping children around the world break the cycle of poverty.

“All of us at Christel House, and our founder Christel DeHaan, are grateful for this record-setting amount of funds raised to further our mission,” said Becky Arnett, Director of Timeshare for Christel House based in Indianapolis.

The Christel House Open is played at more than a dozen sites across the U.S. and three international: Mexico, the United Kingdom and South Africa. Since its inception in 2003, more than \$8.5 million has been raised for the Christel House organization – with 100 percent of the proceeds going to programs and services that directly benefit over 4,000 children.

The event at Orange Lake Resort is the largest and most successful tournament and has raised more than \$1.4 million in the past 12 years to support the mission. “Each year, it is our honor to join with our industry colleagues to support this worthy cause that changes the lives of children,” says Don Harrill, CEO of Orange Lake Resorts.

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About Christel House International

Christel House International (CHI) is transforming how kids, their families and future generations

permanently escape poverty. Much more than a school, CHI was established in 1998 by founder Christel DeHaan and currently serves over 4,000 impoverished children around the world. By providing high quality education, nutritious meals, regular health care, character and life skills development, and career counseling, CHI helps students grow into confident, hardworking and ethical young adults who give back to their families and communities. CHI operates six learning centers in India, Mexico, South Africa and the U.S., as well as a scholars program in Venezuela. For more information, please visit www.christelhouse.org.

About the Holiday Inn Club Vacations® Brand

The Holiday Inn Club Vacations brand was created in 2008 as a strategic alliance between IHG® (InterContinental Hotels Group) and Orange Lake Resorts, a leader within the vacation ownership industry with more than 30 years of proven success. The Holiday Inn Club Vacations flagship property in Orlando, Fla., located next to Walt Disney World® Resort, was established in 1982 by Holiday Inn® brand founder Kemmons Wilson. Other resort locations include Lake Geneva, Wis., Cape Canaveral Beach, Panama City Beach and Marco Island, Fla., Brownsville, Vt., Myrtle Beach, S.C., Gatlinburg, Tenn., Galveston, Texas, Williamsburg, Va., and Las Vegas, Nev. For more information on the Holiday Inn Club Vacations brand or to book reservations, visit www.hiclubvacations.com. Find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/hiclubvacations or Twitter www.twitter.com/hiclubvacations.

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