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**2nd Annual Red Thornberry and Miami-Dade County Youth Fair
Scholarship Golf Classic to Take Place Tuesday, April 5th, 11 a.m.**

WHAT: For the second consecutive year, the vendors of The Miami Youth Fair have gotten together to organize the 2nd Annual Red Thornberry and Miami-Dade Youth Fair Scholarship Golf Classic. Full proceeds from sponsorships will benefit the scholarship fund for Miami-Dade County students. For a cost of \$150 per player, the scramble format golf tournament includes 18 holes championship golf, barbeque buffet, fun bags for all players and door prizes. The golf tournament is named in honor of Red Thornberry was a game vendor at the Dade County Youth Fair since 1993. He was in the game business since 1947 and especially loved the Dade County Youth Fair. His son Billy Thornberry carries on in his father's footsteps as one of our current game vendors.

WHO: Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to enriching our community by promoting education and South Florida agriculture, while showcasing and rewarding youth achievement. The organization accomplishes this by producing the first-class annual Youth Fair with quality entertainment, and providing facilities and resources for numerous other events throughout the year. The Youth Fair works closely with Miami-Dade County Public Schools and the Miami-Dade County Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department to bring fresh opportunities to children from pre-kindergarten to high school seniors. The result is year-round programs in academics, the fine arts, agriculture, summer camps and sports. This new golf tournament will help increase the funds available for scholarships.

WHEN: **Tuesday, April 5, 2016. Tee-time at 11:00 a.m.**

WHERE: **International Links Miami-Melreese Golf Course
1802 NW 37th Ave., Miami, FL 33125.**

DETAILS: The Youth Fair runs from March 17 – April 10, 2016, except March 28-29 and April 4-5 at Tamiami Park, which has been its home for 44 years, located at Coral Way (SW 24th Street) & SW 107th Avenue.

Gates open at 3:00 p.m. March 17, 18, 30, 31, April 1, 6 & 7. Gates open at 12 p.m. all other operating days. Admission at the gate is \$14 with free admission all day, every operating day for youngsters 5 years and younger and guests 65 years and

better. Returning in 2016 is The Youth Fair 21-Day Admission Pass, which allows guests to pay \$25 online or \$28 at the fairgrounds for one admission each operating day and includes one free Souvenir Cup. Additional discount offers and coupons are available at www.FairExpo.com. Parking is free every day, all day. The Pay One Price Unlimited Ride Card is \$28 weekdays, \$35 on weekends at the fairgrounds.

The Youth Fair offers many amenities for families including stroller and wheelchair rental, lost and found, paved walkways, convenient sitting areas, lush landscaping, restroom and diaper changing facilities and more. Sponsors include Coca-Cola, South Florida Ford and Sedano's Supermarkets. For more information, visit www.FairExpo.com or call (305) 223-7060.

About the Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Exposition

The Miami-Dade County Youth Fair & Exposition (The Youth Fair) is the largest charity event in South Florida. The not-for-profit association is dedicated to promoting education and agriculture while showcasing and rewarding youth achievement and providing quality family entertainment, all without taxpayer dollars. The annual Youth Fair exhibits more than 53,000 student projects to more than 650,000 Youth Fair guests and awards more than \$300,000 annually in college scholarships, cash premiums and awards to students. To date, The Youth Fair has presented well above \$10 million to the Miami-Dade community. It was recognized as the 2015 Leisure & Entertainment Services Firm of the Year by the Latin Builder's Association, was named as the 2015 Non-Profit Organization of the Year by the South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and was awarded the 2015 Diamond Award for Outstanding Hospitality Entity by the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce. The Fair Exposition Center, which is the second largest convention center in Miami-Dade County, hosts an additional 70 community events each year. Visit fairexpo.com or call 305-223-7060.

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