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**MARDY FISH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES THE ADDITION OF THREE NEW  
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS IN INDIAN RIVER COUNTY  
Schedule Finalized for Mardy's Tennis & Jake's Music Fest to Benefit the  
Mardy Fish Foundation**

Vero Beach, Fla., -- The success of the **Pelican Island Elementary School/Mardy Fish Music Club and Health & Fitness Club** has encouraged the **Mardy Fish Foundation** to open three additional after school programs this fall in Indian River County. The after school programs will provide a place for children to partake in various activities that will help them better themselves using sports and music.

**Glendale Elementary School, Sebastian Elementary School** and **JA Thompson Magnet Elementary School** have been chosen to be beneficiaries of the Mardy Fish Foundation at the suggestion of Indian River County School District Superintendent Dr. Harry La Cava. Each school will use the funds provided by the Mardy Fish Foundation to open an after school program that will allow deserving student participants to become involved in sports and music activities.

The Pelican Island Elementary School/Mardy Fish Music Club and Health & Fitness Club opened September 11, 2007 and currently provides after school activities for 110 children. The program includes a Music Club, with a focus on playing the guitar, Health & Fitness Club, Drama Club, Basketball Club, Tennis Club and Dance Club that includes several genres of dance and cheerleading. Jody Bennett, Principal and Program Supervisor, said "Pelican Island Elementary School is proud to be a beneficiary of the Mardy Fish Foundation. The Foundation has given so much to us – all kinds of uniforms, including basketball and cheerleading, a soccer goal, dance shoes, scripts for plays, music and guitars to name just a few items – and the students tell me they have never before had an experience like this."

The Foundation has also recently announced support for the **Youth Guidance Foundation**. The Youth Guidance Foundation partners children in need from Indian River County with volunteer adult mentors in hopes of providing a positive role model, guidance and emotional support. The Youth Guidance Foundation will use the funds raised by the Mardy Fish Foundation to provide children the opportunity to attend summer camp and participate in sports and music programs. The Mardy Fish Foundation will also continue to provide funds to the **Boys & Girls Club of Vero Beach**.

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**Mardy's Tennis & Jake's Music Fest to Benefit the Mardy Fish Foundation** will return to Vero Beach on December 11-12, 2009. **Grand Harbor Golf & Beach Club** will be the **Official Host Sponsor** and home of the Kids' Tennis Clinic, Barbeque Luncheon and Tennis Exhibition featuring Mardy Fish and other current and/or former touring tennis professionals. The Jake Owen Concert will return to the **Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center** for a special hometown performance. The finalized schedule is as follows:

Kids' Tennis Clinic	December 11, 2009	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Jake Owen Concert	December 11, 2009	8:00 p.m.
Barbeque Luncheon	December 12, 2009	12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Tennis Exhibition	December 12, 2009	2:30 p.m.

The talented **Fish** is off to a great start on the 2009 season. He won his third career ATP Tour title with a home court advantage at the nearby Delray Beach International Championships in February. Fish has also earned two doubles titles this year teaming with good friend Andy Roddick to win the BNP Paribas Championships (Indian Wells) doubles crown in March and the Regions Morgan Keegan Championships (Memphis) doubles title with Mark Knowles in February. Fish, the 2004 Olympic silver medalist, has also been ranked among the top 20 and has represented the United States for Davis Cup.

**Owen** was named Top New Male Vocalist by the Academy of Country Music in March. Owen's debut album "Startin' With Me," released in July 2007, was a big hit and soared to No. 8 on the Billboard Top Country Albums chart. Owen's second album, *Easy Does It* debuted at No. 2 on the Billboard Top Country Albums chart in February. "Don't Think I Can't Love You," the first single off of *Easy Does It*, climbed to No. 2 on Billboards' Hot 100 Country Songs. Owen is nominated for the CMT Collaborative Video of the Year and CMT Performance of the Year along with Sugarland and Little Big Town for their collaboration "Life in a Northern Town." Winners will be announced June 16, 2009. Owen has toured with fellow Country stars Brad Paisley, Carrie Underwood, Kenny Chesney, Brooks & Dunn, Alan Jackson, and Sugarland.

Tickets for the **Tennis Exhibition** are \$75 for Box Seats and \$35 for General Admission tickets. Tickets for the **Jake Owen Concert** are \$100 for VIP Seats, \$75 for Premier Seats and \$35 for Reserved Seats. For tickets to the Tennis Exhibition and Concert, call 866.333.7623. Tickets are on sale now. For further information about the **Kids' Tennis Clinic, Barbeque Luncheon and Sponsorship** opportunities call **C & H Events, Inc.** at 561.394.9190 or visit [www.chevents.com](http://www.chevents.com). **C & H Events, Inc.** is a full-service event management and marketing company based in Boca Raton, Fla. For more information on the Mardy Fish Foundation visit [www.mardytennis.com](http://www.mardytennis.com).

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