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**Aaron Krickstein, Jimmy Arias and Mikael Pernfors Join Field at Swingtime  
Swingtime to Benefit Be A Star Foundation**

Boca Raton, Fla. – Tennis champions Aaron Krickstein, Jimmy Arias and Mikael Pernfors have confirmed that they will participate in Swingtime -- A Pro-Celebrity Pro-Am Tennis & Golf Tournament -- Benefiting the Be A Star Foundation when it returns to Ibis Golf & Country Club in West Palm Beach, Fla on April 24, 2010. This year's event will be hosted by former professional tennis player Kathy Rinaldi.

Swingtime consists of a Tennis Pro-Am, Luncheon, Golf Pro-Am Tournament and Awards Reception, and the Dinner Party. Participating in Swingtime is a field of Grand Slam champions, Hall of Famers, World Series winners and Olympians competing with and against amateurs in tennis and golf. The Dinner Party features a cocktail reception, three-course dinner, live and silent auctions, entertainment and the opportunity to mingle with the participating celebrities. "We are thrilled to have Swingtime return to the beautiful facilities at Ibis Golf & Country Club," Rinaldi said.

Krickstein and Arias have participated in Swingtime for several years; however, this is the first year Pernfors has been able to lend his support. "Swingtime is an excellent event with an established tradition of charity fund-raising. I am excited to finally be able to contribute to the effort," said Pernfors. Krickstein and Arias both turned professional at the age of 16 and were ranked as high as No. 6 and No. 5 in the world, respectively. Krickstein holds the record for the youngest person to win a singles title on the professional tour and amassed a total of nine titles during his career. Arias captured five career titles in singles and won the mixed doubles title at Wimbledon in 1982 with Andrea Jaeger. Pernfors is best remembered for reaching the singles final at the 1986 French Open. He was ranked as high as No. 10 in the world and won three titles during his career. All three players continue to compete in senior level professional tournaments.

These three champions will be joining a growing field of professional athletes participating in the event including Event Host Rinaldi, tennis professionals Brenda Schultz-McCarthy, Hana Mandlikova, Johan Kriek, Tom Gullikson, Fred Stolle, Ricardo Acuna, Jay Berger, baseball greats Rennie Stennet, Stan Bahnsen and Bill Gullikson and football stars Jerome McDougle and Stockar McDougle.

The **Be A Star Foundation** assists thousands of critically ill children and their families in South Florida. The Foundation was established by the Healey Family, who experienced first-hand the emotionally and financially devastating effects of caring for a child with cancer. After the experience, the family decided they wanted to do something to help other families in the community with similar situations. Since its inception five years ago, the **Be A Star Foundation**

has raised more than \$3 million for the Pediatric Oncology Support Team (P.O.S.T.) at the Children's Hospital at St. Mary's and the Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation.

Event Host **Kathy Rinaldi** felt **Be A Star Foundation** was a perfect fit with its mission in assisting children with cancer. It has been Kathy's desire to support such a worthy cause in memory of her mother, Carolyn Rinaldi, a grade school teacher who used the strength of the children fighting cancer in her own battle with multiple myeloma. **Kathy Rinaldi** turned professional in 1981 and was ranked among the top ten in the world in singles and doubles. **Kathy** has remained active within the tennis world since retiring, and is currently serving as a National Coach for the United States Tennis Association.

**Swingtime** was held in West Palm Beach from 1999 to 2004 and then moved to Naples, Florida from 2005 to 2008. Over 10 years, **Swingtime** raised more than \$1 million for the **Tim & Tom Gullikson Foundation**, which funded care and support programs for brain-tumor patients and their families. **Swingtime** looks forward to continuing to raise money and awareness to support children afflicted with cancer and their families through its new beneficiary, **Be A Star Foundation**.

The Host Sponsor, **Ibis Golf & Country Club**, is an oasis of tranquility, bordered by the breathtaking beauty of the Grassy Waters Nature Preserve. It is the world's only private country club community with three outstanding Nicklaus family-designed Courses. The Tennis & Fitness Center features 14 hydrogrid tennis courts and an extensive list of tennis programs, a beautiful, heated 25 meter pool with lap lanes, a kiddie pool and jacuzzi. **Ibis Golf & Country Club** features an award-winning, Mediterranean-style clubhouse, a selection of fine and casual dining venues, and planned social activities, swimming, golf and tennis.

To participate in the **Tennis Pro-Am** and/or **Golf Pro-Am Tournament** or to attend the **Swingtime Dinner Party** contact **C & H Events, Inc.** at 561.394.9190 or visit [www.chevents.com](http://www.chevents.com). For more information on the **Be A Star Foundation** please visit [www.beastarfoundation.com](http://www.beastarfoundation.com).

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