

Elethu Themba School receives funds from Greg Norman golf course launch

Johannesburg, 20 April 2010: The Elethu Themba Public School in Eikenhof received a R30, 000 cash boost from Eye of Africa Golf & Residential Estate. The money was raised on the 17th & 18th of April 2010 during the much anticipated launch weekend of the Greg Norman designed golf course, the first one to be completed in South Africa. Players consisted of Eye of Africa residents and their guests, who were given an exclusive opportunity to be the first people to play the championship course.

Eye of Africa is the fourteenth golf course estate incorporating the "Great White Shark" course, constructed by award-winning International developers Medallist. The project is a JV with local player Pixley World Investments and is the first residential and golf estate on 677 ha in the south of Johannesburg. The launch ceremony saw Dr Rui Graca from Pixley join Neil Anderson from Medallist Developments, officially launch the golf course, by symbolically teeing off from the first.

Elethu Themba Public School has been receiving ongoing support from Eye of Africa Golf & Residential Estate since the start-up phase of the development. Initially, the company erected palisade fencing around the perimeter of the school to improve safety. They have also constructed thatched lapas; one provides shelter for younger children on the playground and the other accommodates food vendors at the school, besides the recent greening of the school in support of the "Our Green Legacy" launched by Miss Earth South Africa.

The principal of Elethu Themba Public School, Mrs. Vivian Chuma, happily received the cheque and stated that the "much needed funds will be used for maintenance of current building structures and to ensure children and teachers are provided with safety."

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About Medallist:

Medallist is a joint venture between Macquarie Group Limited, a global provider of banking, financial, advisory, investment and funds management services, and Greg Norman's Great White Shark Enterprises which has developed a portfolio of amenity-focused lifestyle communities throughout the United States, Australia and South Africa containing over 15,000 residential sites and 270 holes of golf over the past 12 years.

About Eye of Africa:

Eye of Africa is Medallist's first private lifestyle golf estate to be developed in the South of Johannesburg. The developers are Medallist Developments – a joint venture between Greg Norman's Great White Shark Enterprises and Macquarie Group Limited – and local players, Pixley World Investments.

Eye of Africa is conveniently located 17km south of the Johannesburg CBD and comprises 667ha of land. When completed, the estate will be home to approximately 1 200 freehold stands (Res 1) and 900 sectional title units (Res 3).

Eye of Africa will incorporate hiking and bicycle trails among other healthy lifestyle amenities, within a secured estate environment. The golf course, expertly designed by Greg Norman Golf Course Design, will have minimal impact on the natural environment, by utilising and enhancing the natural landscape features into the shape of the course.

Homes will display a distinct character that complements the site. The architectural vision is to incorporate the use of simple raw materials gleaned from the surrounding Highveld earth fused with European and African designs – all combining into a unique "Afropean" style.

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