

# Golfers turnout to show support for county's Imagination Library

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Groups of golfers turned out Thursday to participate in the second annual ITS Golf Tournament to benefit the Elmore County Imagination Library.

The tournament was held at Quail Walk Country Club and was won by the foursome of Brad Moore, Burke Hughes, Henry Zeigler and Henry Zeigler Sr.

The winning foursome walked away with \$100 each. The foursome of Brent Lucas, Duke Lucas, Devon Pettitway and Michael Shandrew finished second and pocketed \$50 each.

The third place team of Ricky Roberts, Dicie Smith, David Starnes and Kirk Smith left the golf course \$25 richer.

While none of the participants

drove away in a 2008 Ford Escape, donated by Collier Ford, three golfers claimed \$50 prizes for landing their ball closest to the pin on the course's three par three holes.

Kirk Smith, Jim Ray and Terry Shavers claimed that prize.

Dicie Smith took home a \$100 prize for having the longest drive of the day.

"We were expecting a few more golfers, but I think it was a good turnout," said Melinda Robbins, manager of Information Transport Solutions, the tournament's host.

This year's tournament attendance was on par with the 2007 event of 11 four-man teams.

"I'm here because this is a good cause and I support it," said Rob Shaw, a vendor from Houston, Texas, who was invited to play in the tournament by ITS.

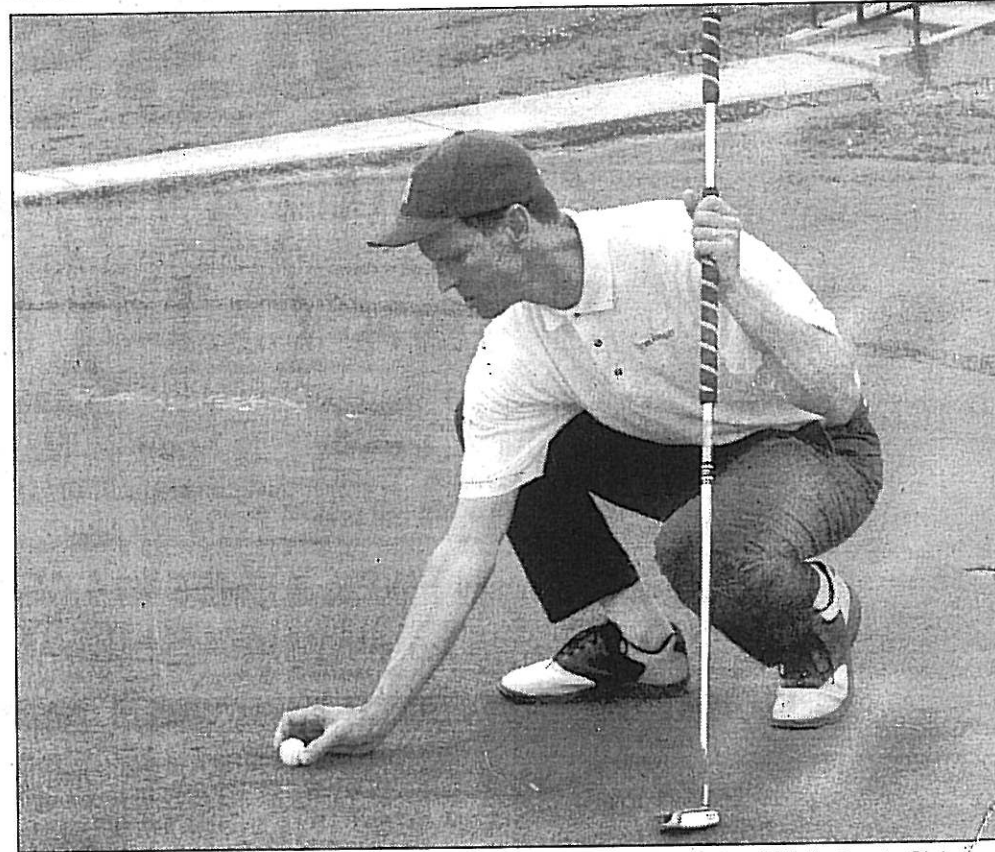
The tournament was started by the 2007 Leadership Elmore County Class as a way to benefit the Imagination Library.

"It's a program that we are kicking off," said Jeana Winter, executive director of the Alabama Parent Education Center. "It's our annual fundraiser. When a child is enrolled from birth to age 5, a book is mailed to their home each month free of charge and this helps us offset our cost."

Both Robbins and Winter agreed that this tournament is going to become an annual fixture in Elmore County.

"A lot of people playing with us today are customers, vendors and people from the community," said Robbins.

Winters and Robbins agreed, though, that they would like to see more community members participate in the tournament.



Rob Shaw of Houston, Texas, lines up a shot on the practice green at Quail Walk Country Club Thursday afternoon before the start of the second annual ITS Golf Tournament.

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