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January Blahs? Get Ready for Spring with 2011 Stay & Play Golf Packages in Hamilton County

(CARMEL, Ind.) – While the rest of central Indiana braces for another round of snow and cold temperatures, Hamilton County is readying for golf season with the <u>2011 Stay and Play Golf</u> <u>Program</u>. Sixteen hotels in Carmel, Fishers, Noblesville and Westfield will offer Stay and Play Package rates this year.

With one call to a selected hotel, visitors to Hamilton County can book a minimum of two rounds of golf at one of eight golf courses, a hotel room, golf cart, breakfast and more. Participating golf courses include:

- Bear Slide Golf Club, Cicero, Ind., ranked as one of America's top 75 affordable golf courses by Golf Digest
- Brickyard Crossing, Indianapolis, one of the most unique settings for a golf course, with holes both inside and outside the famed Indianapolis Motor Speedway
- Plum Creek Golf Club, Carmel, Ind., a Pete Dye designed course
- Prairie View Golf Club, Carmel, Ind., the area's most awarded course is also one of the most challenging, with 90 bunkers, tall grasses and several lakes
- Purgatory Golf Club, Noblesville, Ind., the longest par-72 course east of the Mississippi River, offering six tees at every hole
- River Glen Country Club, Fishers, Ind., known for its scenic appeal
- The Fort Golf Resort, Indianapolis, a Pete Dye designed course
- Wood Wind Golf Club, Westfield, Ind., home to several Indiana Golf Association (IGA) and United States Golf Association (USGA) qualifiers and championships

Regular rates begin at \$179 and include a minimum two rounds of golf, accommodations, breakfast, confirmed tee times, golf cart, merchandise discount and a welcome gift upon hotel

check-in. Package rates require advance registration and are good from May through September 2011. All participating hotels also offer Super Saver rates, beginning at \$129, during off-peak season.

The Hamilton County Convention and Visitors Bureau promotes tourism growth through strategic marketing, hospitality and community development initiatives. It has welcome centers in Carmel, Fishers, and Noblesville.

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