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## LOS ANGELES-AREA NATIVES NAMED HP SCHOLASTIC JUNIOR ALL-AMERICANS

*Three players honored by AJGA, HP for achievements on the golf course, in the classroom*

**BRASELTON, Ga.** — Three Los Angeles-area junior golfers were named HP Scholastic Junior All-Americans by the American Junior Golf Association and HP Wednesday. Spencer Anderson of Pacific Palisades, Christine Cho of La Crescenta, and Michael Yiu of Laguna Hills all received the impressive honor. The 2007 team, sponsored for the 13th consecutive year by HP, consists of 12 young men and 12 young women who demonstrate the ability to excel both on the golf course and in the classroom.

To be eligible for the HP Scholastic Junior All-America Team, boys must have placed in the top 10 of an AJGA event, while girls needed a top-five finish. The selections were then based on grade-point average, class rank, SAT/ACT scores, leadership skills, community service and writing ability. Candidates were required to submit an essay no longer than 400 words on the topic, "A Day I'll Never Forget..."

These outstanding individuals will be honored at the Rolex Junior All-America Awards Banquet Nov. 18 at The Grande Ballroom at Ginn Reunion Resort in Reunion, Fla. By being named to this team, each player is also eligible to participate in the Polo Golf Junior Classic, one of the most prestigious events in junior golf, taking place Nov. 17-23 at Ginn Reunion Resort.

Anderson, 17, a 2008 graduate, attends Brentwood School where he carries a 4.49 GPA and scored a 2240 out of 2400 on his SAT. Anderson participates in a variety of community service efforts including the Special Olympics, the Los Angeles AIDS Walk and the St. Jude's Hospital Charity Golf Tournament. Anderson competed in numerous national junior golf events during the 2007 season. His best finish came at the ReBath Heather Farr Classic in Mesa, Ariz., over Easter Weekend where he finished tied for eighth after shooting a 74-69-69-212 tournament total. Anderson has verbally committed to continue his golf career at Duke University in 2008 according to Golfweek.com.

Cho, 17, a senior at Crescenta Valley High School, is currently ranked 11th in her class of 719 and boasts a 4.368 GPA. She scored a 2290 on her SAT, the highest score on the HP Scholastic Junior All-America team. Cho is active on the Crescenta Valley High School golf team where she is an assistant to youth golf development. She was also named a semifinalist for the National Merit Scholarship Program. In 2007, Cho took home two top-10 finishes in national junior golf events with her best finish coming at the Fidelity Investments Junior Classic where she finished tied for fourth.

Yiu, 15, a junior at Laguna Hills High School, is currently ranked second in his class of 490 and carries a 4.70 GPA. Yiu participates in numerous community service projects including work with Golden Sun, the Orange County Public Library and the California Scholarship Federation. Yiu took home his highest finish in 2007 at the CORE Realty Holdings Junior at Old Ranch where he finished seventh after shooting a 71-71-75-217 tournament total.

"HP is delighted once again to recognize academic excellence with the naming of the 2007 HP Scholastic Junior All-America Team," said John Dayan, vice president of marketing, Personal Systems Group Americas, Hewlett Packard. "The AJGA works hard to prepare young adults for life after high school by instilling honor, perseverance and good sportsmanship. HP is proud to be associated with the AJGA and this great group of young adults."

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The American Junior Golf Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the overall growth and development of young men and women who aspire to earn college golf scholarships through competitive junior golf.

The largest Association of its kind, the AJGA has an annual junior membership (boys and girls ages 12-18) of more than 5,000 junior golfers from 49 states and more than 25 foreign countries.

Titleist, the AJGA's National Sponsor, has been the catalyst and driving force behind the Association's success since 1989. Rolex Watch USA, which is in its third decade of AJGA support, became the inaugural AJGA Premier Partner in 2004. In 2007, after 12 years of support, Polo Ralph Lauren became the AJGA's second Premier Partner.

AJGA alumni have risen to the top of amateur, collegiate and professional golf. More than 160 former AJGA juniors currently play on the PGA and LPGA Tours and have compiled more than 300 wins. AJGA alumni include Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, Jim Furyk, Stewart Cink, Davis Love III, Cristie Kerr, Pat Hurst, Paula Creamer, Morgan Pressel and Julieta Granada.

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