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**NEW UPSCALE OAK CREEK GOLF CLUB BANQUET FACILITY
TO ACCOMMODATE OVER 200 GUESTS**

Food and Beverage Operations to be Managed by Island Hotel headed by Executive Chef Bill Bracken

For Immediate Release - Irvine, CA - DATE: The ground has officially been broken on a new banquet facility and golf retail store for Oak Creek Golf Club. Known for having one of the finest public golf courses and practice facilities in Southern California, Oak Creek has made the commitment to become the venue of choice for upscale golf tournaments, weddings, parties, and corporate events. Once completed, the 2,500-square-foot banquet facility will reside adjacent to the 1,100-square-foot golf retail store and reflect the existing Spanish-style design of the full-service clubhouse. The target date for project completion is slated for mid-January, 2012.

Oak Creek will also feature a new food and beverage provider beginning January 16, 2012, when it welcomes its sister property Island Hotel Newport Beach to take over the reins of its very popular Oak Creek Café, snack bar, beverage cart and expanding catering operations.

“We are thrilled to announce our facility expansion and that the Island Hotel will be our partner immediately following the New Year,” said Vice President of Golf Steve Friedlander. “To be able to provide an indoor event space for more than 200 people will allow us to better service the local community, our business customers, and especially our golfing clientele. It is icing on the cake to introduce the Island Hotel, led by award-winning Executive Chef Bill Bracken, as the future manager of our food and beverage operations, and for all of us to be able to witness firsthand their expertise in providing great service and fine dining as well as that perfect balance of taste and presentation. All of which combine to make for that perfect power breakfast or special catered event.”

"We look forward to extending the high level of hospitality that Palm Terrace at Island Hotel is renowned for to the members and visitors at Oak Creek Golf Club," said Chef Bracken.

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For more information regarding the project or to book an event in the new space starting in January 2012, please contact Eric Lohman, Oak Creek G.C. Director of Golf, at 949-653-5320 or elohman@oakcreekgolfclub.com.

About Oak Creek Golf Club

Designed by leading golf course architect Tom Fazio, and opened in 1996, the 18-hole Par-71 Oak Creek course is a golfer's sanctuary. Ranked by Golf Digest in 2009 with "4 Stars" and as one of the "*Best Places to Play*", Oak Creek also features Orange County's "Finest Practice Facility", as rated by Southland Golf Magazine readers in 2009. With a 100-yard wide natural grass practice tee, three practice greens and a large practice bunker, golfers of all skill levels have access to world-class resources to help improve their games. Located in Irvine, CA and central Orange County, Oak Creek is an hour drive from Los Angeles and San Diego. For more information, visit www.oakcreekgolfclub.com. Media Contact: Eric Lohman – Director of Golf, Oak Creek Golf Club. Phone: 949-653-5320; elohman@oakcreekgolfclub.com

About Island Hotel Newport Beach

Overlooking the nearby islands of Balboa, Lido and even Catalina, Island Hotel Newport Beach was originally built in 1986 by the Irvine Company and now features: 295 recently renovated guestrooms and suites; a 4,000-square-foot spa; a 3,000-square-foot resort-style pool; an award-winning restaurant and lounge; a fitness center; two outdoor; and over 22,000 square feet of meeting space. The hotel is across the street from the acclaimed Fashion Island shopping center, and just minutes away from Newport Harbor. For reservations and more information, please contact Island Hotel Newport Beach, toll-free, at 1-888-321-4752; or visit the website at www.islandhotel.com.

About Irvine Company

The Irvine Company Resort Properties owns and manages the finest resort and leisure destinations in Newport Coast and the City of Irvine. In addition to Oak Creek Golf Club, the portfolio includes Pelican Hill Golf Club at Pelican Hill Resort, which has received numerous accolades, including *Golfweek's* "Best Resort Courses" 2011, *Golf Magazine*, "Premier Resorts 2010" Readers Choice Silver Medal, the AAA Five-Diamond Award 2010, *Conde Nast Traveler* "Top 100 Best in the World 2010," and "Hot List 2009;" *Travel + Leisure*, "It List" 2009; *Robb Report* "Best of the Best" 2009; and *Andrew Harper's* Readers' Choice Awards 2009 "Top Golf Resorts." The Irvine Company Resort Properties is also comprised of the AAA Five-Diamond-rated Island Hotel Newport Beach is the city's landmark property; the Hyatt Regency Irvine, the city's only Four-Diamond hotel; and several of the finest marinas in Newport Harbor and Northern California.

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