



March, 2021

Dear Foundation Member,

We hope that you and your family are doing well during these challenging times. The FSGA Foundation is looking forward to a better year in 2021, and we remain focused on the development and advancement of our junior golfers.

FSGA Operations

Many of you have endured challenges over the past 12 months. Hopefully, golf provided you and your family an outdoor escape during the pandemic and we look forward to conditions improving as the year progresses. Our member clubs and golfers remain very active and the FSGA is dedicated to safely guiding the process of tournament golf.

The 2021 championship schedule is officially underway with several Florida Junior Tour tournaments, One-Day events, Winter Series events and the Women's International Four-Ball already completed. Our staff and volunteer officials continue to follow strict safety protocols in conducting tournaments, and we are scheduled to conduct all of our regular championships this season.

College Scholarships & Tournament Assistance

In 2020, your support provided college scholarships for 45 young adults, who attended colleges throughout the country. College scholarships exceeded \$60,000 in 2020 and we have set a goal to award at least \$100,000 per year in scholarships by next year.

Your contributions also provided entry assistance for 44 Florida junior golfers. With entry assistance, families pay only \$28 to play in our events and we often provide additional funds to help pay for hotel rooms and gas for their travel. More than \$30,000 in travel and entry assistance was awarded last year and we will expand our assistance programs to help even more juniors in 2021.

Exciting News – Team Florida

The FSGA is excited to announce the development of *Team Florida*, a new program that is being introduced in 2021. *Team Florida* will be a recognition and support program awarded to 40+ players, ages 13 to 18, that will be selected annually. (10 boys and 10 girls from each of the two age divisions) The players named to Team Florida will be selected based on their performance and sportsmanship displayed over the previous year.

The juniors recognized will receive \$1,000-\$2,000 in financial support to be used for competitions in the current year. Team members will also be given FSGA *Team Florida* shirts and hats for their use. Players will be eligible for additional funding to attend the USGA National Championships, if they qualify. Families of substantial economic means will be asked to decline the financial support. The total funds provided to Team Florida players in 2021 should approximate \$70,000. The members of Team Florida will be announced in the coming weeks and we hope that you will follow their progress throughout the season and their junior careers.

Thank you

As the saying goes, “without you, none of this would be possible”, and it’s true! Thank you for making it possible for the FSGA to provide exceptional opportunities for the junior golfers of Florida. Your continued support helps preserve the future of the game that we all love. We hope that your year is off to a great start and we look forward to keeping you up to date on the Foundation’s activities as the year progresses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Demick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "J" and "D".

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