Jakari Harris Earns Ceremonial Tee Shot

Each year at a partner shot from the first tee of East Lake has the opportunity to hit the ceremonial “brace” shot to kick off the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola. A tradition begun between the first tee and girls, this year’s honoree is Jakari Harris. No stranger to winning golf tournaments, the Woodward Academy senior, who attended Drew Charter School through 8th grade, won two rounds of competition to earn the right to hit the ceremonial tee shot.

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Back 2 School Jam Success

On July 31, the East Lake Foundation’s Resident and Community Support Program hosted the Back 2 School Jam for residents in the Villages of East Lake to help get kids prepared for the new academic year. Children received free haircuts and school supplies while also enjoying the YMCA kid zone, an obstacle course, music, snacks, ice cream, and games. Families also had the opportunity to explore and learn from 25 vendors including out-patients from Habitat for Humanity, Wells Fargo Bank, SunTrust Bank, Seaworld, Armed Forces, East Lake Family YMCA and Jake Bieleski to Schools. Atlanta City Councilwoman Natalyn Archibong and DeKalb County Commissioner Leroy Johnson joined in the fun. The event was a fantastic success, with more than 480 participants and 56 volunteers.

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and DJ Teknology from Atlanta’s V103 will provide live music following the concert. St. Paul and The Broken Bones, a walk down the “green carpet” under an open tent, and a silent auction with healthy mix-income apartment community, the Villages of East Lake. While the inclusion of a grocery store doesn’t mean revolutionary of first glance, the East Lake community had been without this amenity for several decades, leaving no options for healthy food, fresh produce, or bakery items. The Publix at East Lake is now a profitable and integral part of the community, providing fresh, healthy food, along with banking and pharmacy services to its customers. The store is also a wonderful partner for Charter School Charter School. Through the Partnership Program, customers can designate a percentage of their purchase as a donation that benefits Charter School.

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