

# PALMETTO DUNES RESORT®

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort Specializes in Summertime Fun**

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (March 24, 2008)** – A jewel in the crown of Hilton Head Island, Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort is widely considered one of the nation's finest resort destinations. This summer, Palmetto Dunes will offer a full menu of innovative seasonal programs for visitors of all ages and skill levels.

When it comes to summertime fun, this award-winning resort has more of what visitors are looking for, from golf and tennis instruction to surf camps and fly fishing programs. Renowned for its world-class golf and tennis facilities, the resort also offers incredible opportunities for boating and watersports, nature tours, sightseeing adventures and much more. Here is a handy overview of some of the exciting summer highlights at Palmetto Dunes:

#### **HarbourFest 2008**

HarbourFest 2008, one of Hilton Head Island's most popular festivals for more than two decades, lasts all summer long at Shelter Cove Harbour at Palmetto Dunes. From June 2 through September 1, Shelter Cove Harbour features live music, entertainment, arts and crafts, food and more. Favorite singer/songwriter/guitarist Shannon Tanner plays two shows nightly, Monday through Friday, all summer long. Every Tuesday evening at dusk, the sky above Shelter Cove Harbour comes alive with a spectacular fireworks display. All HarbourFest 2008 events are free and open to the public.

#### **Golf**

Guests at Palmetto Dunes may choose between three award-winning golf courses, each one distinctively different, yet challenging. One-day, two-day, three-day and family golf schools are available as well as individual clinics and lessons. Junior Golf Programs are offered Monday through Friday with classes beginning at 10 a.m. and give instruction in the basic fundamentals of the golf swing, course etiquette and rules. Women's Golf Programs are offered on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and are led by LPGA Instructor Lindsey Letzig. This program provides a stress-free and fun learning environment, providing helpful instruction on a wide range of basic shots. Free golf exhibition every Monday.

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#### **Tennis**

Ranked among the “50 Greatest U.S. Tennis Resorts” by *Tennis* magazine, the Palmetto Dunes Tennis Center features 23 clay courts and two Nova ProBounce courts, eight of which are lighted for night play. Junior Tennis Programs, offered Monday through Friday beginning at 8 a.m., are geared specifically to guests’ interests and ability levels. Adult Tennis Program, which are offered daily beginning at 8 a.m., are tailored to meet the needs of all players from beginners to seasoned players. Daily Adult Round Robin Tournaments and private lessons are also available. Free tennis exhibitions every Monday.

#### **Kayaking**

With an entire ocean and a unique, 11-mile lagoon system to explore, Palmetto Dunes offers a myriad of watersports activities. Kayaking lessons for beginners are taught by The Palmetto Dunes Outfitter Guides from June through August. A fun three hours of supervised instruction in the clam lagoons of Palmetto Dunes emphasizes safety and paddling skills. In addition, Outside Hilton Head offers guided two-hour nature tours, dolphin encounters and saltmarsh excursions through Broad Creek, departing throughout the day at Shelter Cove Harbour Marina.

#### **Surf Camp**

Learn to surf from the Palmetto Dunes Outfitters Surf School. From June through August, the camp emphasizes safety and the basic fundamentals of surfing with two-hour session on the beach on 7-foot and 9-foot soft top boards, skim boards and boogie boards. Palmetto Dunes Outfitters is open seven days a week.

#### **Fishing**

Enjoy offshore, inshore and near shore fishing charters, exploring Hilton Head’s network of creeks and sounds. Tours depart throughout the day from Shelter Cover Harbour Marina. Sport crabbing, shark fishing and party boats available. In addition, the art of fly fishing is taught by one of the island’s best anglers at Palmetto Dunes Outfitters. These workshops are designed for all types of fishing aficionados who want to improve their skills or just learn the basics.

#### **Sailing**

Charter your own private sailing experience or purchase a ticket for a trip aboard an historic gaff-rigged schooner. Either way, experience the wonders of the waters surrounding Hilton Head while moving quietly under the power of the wind. See dolphins, wildlife and the island itself from the unique perspective of the island’s most relaxing experience.

#### **Surf Casting**

A one-hour beachside lesson is designed to teach the fundamentals of surf casting while improving knot-tying and casting techniques. The cost includes the rental of all your equipment for a full day of fun in the surf. Palmetto Dunes Outfitters is open seven days a week.

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#### Nature Tours

Take the time to learn about the incredible sounds, creeks, and salt marshes that surround Hilton Head Island. Observe the dolphin and wildlife that share this island paradise. Take a private, personally guided tour or buy a ticket to board the regularly scheduled cruise boat for a two-hour narrated nature excursion. Either way, you will learn about the marvelous wonders of the waters and the marshes which surround our enchanted island.

#### Family Fun

Don't miss Shannon Tanner's Wonderful Wacky Wizzle Cruise, which departs from Shelter Cove Harbour and Marina every Friday at 8:30 a.m., June through August. This high-energy entertaining boat tour features live entertainment by Shannon as well as wildlife spotting and a treasure hunt at Shelter Cove Harbour.

For more information about Palmetto Dunes, or about any upcoming summer programs, please visit [www.palmettodunes.com](http://www.palmettodunes.com) or call 866-728-8735 toll-free.

#### About Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort

A 2,000+ acre resort stretching from three miles of prime Atlantic Ocean beach to Shelter Cove Harbour's "sheltered" inlet adjoining the Intracoastal Waterway on Hilton Head Island, S.C. Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort is consistently recognized among the world's finest resorts. The resort features three world-class golf courses, an award-winning tennis center, plus an 11 mile inland salt-water lagoon system for kayaking and fishing. The resort also features a popular marina and Outfitters bike and adventure shop, along with one of the best beaches on the Eastern seaboard. Shelter Cove Harbour & Marina, one of the finest ports of call on the East Coast, is the largest deep-water marina on Hilton Head Island. Shelter Cove features an impressive line-up of unique apparel and gift shops, restaurants and art galleries in a one-of-a-kind Mediterranean setting. In addition, Shelter Cove is home to a full variety of charters, nature cruises, dolphin tours, sport crabbing and fishing. Shelter Cove is located mid-island on the western side of Hwy. 278 at the entrance to Palmetto Dunes Resort. For information about activities or reservations, please call 843-785-1138 or visit [www.palmettodunes.com](http://www.palmettodunes.com) online.

#### About Greenwood Development Corporation

Greenwood Development Corporation, based in Greenwood, S.C., has been a leader in the creation and management of award-winning residential and resort communities in the Southeast United States since 1978. Among other projects, the company developed Hilton Head Island's Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort, recently ranked the No. 1 family resort in the world by *Travel + Leisure Family* magazine. Greenwood's other projects include The Ponds near Charleston, S.C.; Liberty Hill Farms near Camden, S.C.; The Reserve at Lake Keowee in Sunset, S.C.; and Big Canoe outside Atlanta, Ga. The company's mission is to create memorable places that foster meaningful and fulfilling lives. Greenwood Development's philosophy has remained the same since the company's inception – to exceed the expectations of our property owners and our resort guests. For more information, please call 843-785-1106 or visit [www.greenwooddevelopment.com](http://www.greenwooddevelopment.com) online.

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