



## PALMETTO DUNES™

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### ***Hilton Head Monthly* Names John Kerr, Director of Tennis at Palmetto Dunes, “Best Tennis Pro”**

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (December 11, 2009)** – Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort is pleased to announce that *Hilton Head Monthly* named Director of Tennis, John Kerr, the “Best Tennis Pro” in the magazine’s December 2009 issue. The honor was part of the magazine’s annual reader’s choice awards.

“In an area so dedicated to tennis, it is a particular honor to receive this recognition,” enthused Kerr, who has taught tennis to residents and visitors at Palmetto Dunes for 20 years. “I love teaching tennis and enjoy sharing my passion for the game with others.”

Kerr originally joined Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort as Head Tennis Pro in 1990 and was named Director of Tennis in 1996. He is P1-certified by the United States Professional Tennis Association and is a Professional Tennis Registry professional. A graduate of Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio, Kerr began his career with on Hilton Head Island in 1986, shortly after placing fourth in Jantzen Sportswear’s National Fast Serve Competition.

“Palmetto Dunes is incredibly fortunate to have a talented tennis pro like John Kerr as a part of our team,” said Bret Martin, Vice President of Resort Operations for Greenwood Communities and Resorts, the owner of Palmetto Dunes. “John is an absolute asset to the resort for locals and visitors alike. Guests love taking lessons with him and appreciate his informative, supportive style.”

Home to some of the nation’s finest clinics, camps and instructional programs, the Palmetto Dunes Tennis Center has been ranked among the “50 Greatest Tennis Resorts” by *Tennis Magazine*, since the ranking’s inception in 1975. Tennis Resorts Online ranked the facility #2 in the world for “Best Instruction and Events” and the #5 tennis resort in the world.

Named the #1 Family Resort in the United States and Canada by *Travel + Leisure Family*, Palmetto Dunes is widely considered to be one of the finest resort destinations in the world and one of the best South Carolina beach resorts.

For more information about Palmetto Dunes, please visit <http://www.palmettodunes.com> online or call 866-567-6513.

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**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 866-567-6513 or visit <http://www.palmettodunes.com> online.

**About Greenwood Communities and Resorts**

A recognized leader in the design, management and operation of fine resorts and communities across the Southeast, Greenwood Communities and Resorts excels at creating gracious, contemporary living environments that enrich the lives of owners and guests. Based in Greenwood, S.C., Greenwood Communities and Resorts proudly celebrates 31 years of developing properties which offer truly unique lifestyle opportunities. Each Greenwood property has been strategically designed to maximize the area's natural beauty while steadfastly incorporating the principles of intelligent, sustainable land planning. From the rural charm of The Reserve at Lake Keowee in upstate South Carolina to the luxury beachfront resort setting at Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort on Hilton Head Island, Greenwood's properties are as unique as the residents who enjoy them. For more information, please call 843-785-1106 or visit <http://www.greenwoodcr.com> online.

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