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The 18th Annual ESCAPE Charity Golf Classic will be held Monday, June 10, 2002, at Champions Golf Club. The tournament benefits ESCAPE Family Resource Center. Chair for this year's tournament is John D. Schiller, Jr., Senior Vice-President for North America Onshore and International, Ocean Energy. The tournament begins with two shotgun starts at 1 p.m. Participants can win "hole-in-one" prizes, including cars, golf vacations and golf equipment. For information on team sponsorships, call (713) 942-9500 x35.

Cancer Counseling, Inc. will hold its 13th Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, June 10, 2002 at Wildcat Golf Club. Individual fees start at \$350 and registration is at 10:30 a.m., June 10, 2002 with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Lunch is provided by Texadelphia Sandwiches and Sports; dinner is catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill. Awards include longest drive, and putting. Proceeds assist cancer patients and their families with free professional emotional counseling. For more information please call (713) 520-9873.

Literacy Advance Houston recently held their gala entitled *Riding on the Wings of Literacy* at the River Oaks Country Club. Betsy Mercer served as the Gala Chair. The evening featured an exquisite celebration of dinner, dancing and an exclusive silent auction. The funds raised go to Literacy Advance Houston's ten programs to assist Houston's neediest families.

Houston Emmy-Award-winning documentary filmmaker, writer, and philanthropist Lois Farfel Stark was recently honored for her contribution to Houston's civic enrichment by The Jung Center of Houston at their spring benefit, *Cause for Inspiration: An Evening of Celebration*. The event, held at the Westin Galleria, commemorated the life and works of Stark, who has completed over forty widely acclaimed documentaries filmed in South Africa, the Middle East, Europe, Cuba and the U.S.

The Houston Area Association for the Education of Young Children (HAAEYC) has selected Amanda Gorner, Program Manager for SEARCH's House of Tiny

Treasures, as the recipient of the Administrator of the Year award. This award acknowledges her leadership abilities in directing a high quality early childhood program.



Mercedes-Benz North General Manager Pat Kelly and Mike Jackson, CEO of AutoNation accept the proclamation from the Mayor's Office declaring Mercedes-Benz of Houston North Day. Mercedes-Benz North is now the largest Mercedes-Benz retail center in the U.S.