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In 1968, Mrs. Shriver organized the first International Special Olympics Games at Soldier Field in Chicago, in the belief that the lessons these athletes learned through sports would translate into new competence and success in school, in the workplace, and in the community. Above all, Mrs. Shriver wanted the families and neighbors of people with intellectual disabilities to see what these individuals could accomplish, to take pride in their efforts, and to rejoice in their victories.

Today, Special Olympics Inc. is the world's largest provider of fitness training, education and athletic competition — coupled with social, life, and leadership skill development opportunities — for children and adults with intellectual disabilities or a similar developmental disability. Special Olympics Florida, an accredited program of Special Olympics Inc., was founded in 1972 and is one of the largest volunteer-driven athletic organizations in the state.

Special Olympics is a worldwide movement where one can act locally, but make a global impact. With over 90,000 competitions around the world, with training taking place every day, with family leaders, athlete leaders and volunteers extending our message every day, Special Olympics is no longer just an event. We are a movement, inviting the world not just to attend Games but to think, feel, and act differently about everything. Join us — you will be helping to create a world of acceptance and inclusion for all!

HOLE-IN-ONE

Tuesday, April 26th - league day for the Palm Aire Ladies Golf group, started off just as all the previous Tuesdays for MARIE BOROSKI. - A perfect South Florida morning, sunny, seventies, puffy white clouds, a little breezy. - Little did she suspect what was in store for her!

Marie, a 76 year old member, mother of 2 and grandmother of 3 went on to play the best game of her golfing career of 20 something years. Not only did she shoot her best game scoring 91 but on the Mighty Oaks, par 3, 111 yard, number 16, she had a HOLE-IN-ONE. HER FIRST ONE!!!

As a witness, I saw her grip down on her Warrior #4 wood and with a matching Warrior ball, hit the ball perfectly with enough top spin to land it just short of the green. It bounced up onto the green, then rolled and rolled until it hit the pin — hopped up and disappeared into the hole. Our foursome raced up to the green to look into the hole to confirm and there it was. Needless to say there was much shouting, laughing, hugging and congratulations from everyone.

Marie is a snowbird and will be returning to Utica, Michigan at the end of May to join her husband, Jerry, who had returned earlier, and hence has missed all the excitement.

Marie has been playing with PALGA for almost 5 years and will be presented with a check from the Ladies' Hole-in-One Fund in the amount of \$245.00. Call it co-incidence, but the last time one of the women had a Hole-in-One on a league day was also in April — just short of 10 years ago. Karen Bajcar had a hole-in-one in April 2007 on the Palms, par 3 #4.

