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Turks & Caicos Developer Introduces

New Approach to \$100 Million Resort Ground-Breaking

Veteran Turks & Caicos resort developer Stan Hartling nixed the traditional VIP fanfare at his recent \$100 million Shore Club Ground-Breaking Celebration.

The typical mix of business leaders and champagne were replaced by high school graduating students and fruit punch at the January 17 event.

Over 250 students from Turks & Caicos Islands high schools joined government dignitaries at the Ground-Breaking Celebration on Long Bay Beach. A few students were selected to sing the national anthem, the national song and to put the first symbolic construction shovels in the ground. Hartling's sons, Ben and Sam, were also in attendance to present a cheque in the amount of \$35,000 to the Turks & Caicos Scholarship Fund.

Hi Excellency Governor Sir Peter Beckingham, Premier Dr. Rufus Ewing, and Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Sean Astwood, all joined Hartling Group CEO Stan Hartling in making comments regarding the bright future in store for Turks & Caicos Islands, and the importance of developing employment opportunities for island youths in projects such as the Shore Club. Hartling also reminded the students about the legacy that the Shore Club will provide to Turks & Caicos, and that they were standing on the ground where their grandchildren might one day work. He said, "You will one day be able to tell them that you were here when the first shovel went in the ground."

Hartling also took the opportunity to acknowledge the incredible support and partnerships behind the project, including Robi Das from NGKF Capital Markets, and DECCO, the Dart Enterprises company based in Cayman Islands that is providing construction financing and management for the project.

A Career Expo at The Regent Palms, another Hartling Group resort, followed the Ground-Breaking Celebration. Guests were served lunch by students from the Turks & Caicos Community College.

Deputy Premier and Minister of Education, Honorable Akierra Missick, addressed the students, telling them to, "Encourage yourselves and be encouraged....we are on the edge of greatness." Ms. Missick's address was followed by a powerful speech

from Stan Hartling that concluded with a standing invitation. Hartling's advice to the students included, "Do what you say...do what you love....you are what you speak of yourself....this is a time of opportunity, not prosperity...embrace this opportunity."

Students were then treated to opening remarks made by Olympic gold medalist Sanya Richards-Ross, followed by a Q&A with the Director of Culture for Turks & Caicos Islands, David Bowen. Mrs. Richards-Ross told the students that having big dreams, a plan and hard work are critical to success, but the most important attribute to achieve success is perseverance. She then shared some tips on staying focused on goals, which included creating a vision board each year and not procrastinating on work that needs to be done to achieve goals.

Following the luncheon, students met with representatives from over 20 local businesses that hosted exhibits describing career opportunities related to resort development.

For more information on The Shore Club visit www.theshoreclubtc.com.

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About The Shore Club

The Shore Club is a \$100 million condo--hotel project being developed on Long Bay Beach, Providenciales, Turks and Caicos Islands. The resort consists of 38 condos and six villas on a nine--acre property that occupies 820 linear feet of beachfront. The project is being developed by The Hartling Group, in association with DECCO, a Dart Enterprises company based in the Cayman Islands. www.theshoreclubtc.com

About The Hartling Group

The Hartling Group is a real estate sales and development firm specializing in luxury Caribbean condominiums and villas. Based in the Turks and Caicos Islands, The Hartling Group has developed The Sands Resort on Grace Bay and the Regent Palms Resort. Construction on the company's third project, The Shore Club, starts in January 2014. The Hartling Group is one of the largest employers in the Turks and Caicos Islands and employs approximately 400 people. www.hartlinggroup.com

About Regent Palms Turks & Caicos

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