



## **TEXAS CENTER FOR THE MISSING ANNOUNCES FALL CHARITY EVENT**

### ***Golf Tournament Slated for Wild Cat Golf Club***

Houston, TX (September 13, 2006)...Beth Alberts, CEO of Texas Center for the Missing and Director of the Houston Regional Amber Plan, today announced details for the second annual Charity Golf Tournament benefiting Texas Center for the Missing. The tournament is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, at Wild Cat Golf Club located at One Wildcat Drive off the South Loop in Houston. Registration will be at 11:00 a.m. with a Shotgun Start at 12:30 p.m. Format will be a four-person team scramble. Team sponsorships start at \$700 per foursome; individual golfers may sign up at \$200 per person. All proceeds will go towards missing child prevention, the Houston Regional Amber Plan, collaborative search efforts and education programs for both the public and law enforcement officials. An awards dinner will follow the tournament.

A non-profit organization, Texas Center for the Missing (formerly Gabriel's Gifts) was formed in 2000 to provide support for families and volunteers searching for their missing loved ones. "Hundreds of thousands of children go missing in the United States each year," Alberts says, "including 300 to 500 children who are victims of stranger abduction. More than 100 of these children are murdered. "Our priority is keeping kids safe and to assist in the prevention and location of missing kids and endangered elderly persons," commented Alberts. "Unfortunately, there are no designated government funds for the Amber Alert system or safety programs to protect children and prevent abductions; the golf tournament will help us raise funds to assist with these crucial efforts."

Texas Center for the Missing provides extensive training for area law enforcement agencies, distributes educational materials related to missing persons and administers the Houston Regional Amber Alert plan.

For more information on the golf tournament or to download a flyer or registration form to participate, visit the website at [www.thetexascenter.org](http://www.thetexascenter.org).

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