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BOWLING GREEN SITE OF STATE GOLF TOURNAMENTS THROUGH 2009

BOWLING GREEN, KY – For the next four years, Bowling Green will serve host to the Leachman Buick & GMC/KHSAA State Golf Championships. The 2006 tournaments will both be held at Bowling Green Country Club. The girls' event will be Oct. 2-4, followed by the boys' event Oct. 5-7.

"The city of Bowling Green is very excited about being the host of the Leachman Buick & GMC/KHSAA Boys' and Girls' State Golf Championships again," said Scott Blann, tournament coordinator. We learned a lot by hosting the 2004 event and are planning on a bigger and better event for 2006. We have fantastic volunteers and a community that will help make this event a huge success," Blann concluded.

As was previously announced, Leachman Buick & GMC of Bowling Green has signed on to be title sponsor of both events through the 2009 tournaments. "Leachman Buick & GMC is proud to continue our support of our state's young athletes by sponsoring these state tournaments," said David Jaggers, General Manager of Leachman Buick & GMC. "We're also excited about the tourism revenue it will bring to Bowling Green. Many of these athletes' families travel to the tournaments, which means they'll be renting hotel rooms, eating in restaurants, buying gasoline, and generally helping our economy grow."

Bowling Green Country Club hosted the 2004 girls' event and will host both tournaments in 2006. "Bowling Green Country Club has made a tremendous commitment to provide facilities that will give the participants and spectators the feel of a professional event," added Jaggers. "Our goal is that everyone will leave these tournaments with a greater appreciation of Bowling Green – not just Bowling Green Country Club, but our town and our people."

According to Jeff McGill, Host Professional at Bowling Green Country Club, "Bowling Green Country Club is delighted to have the opportunity to host the 2006 Leachman Buick & GMC/KHSAA Boys'& Girls' State Golf Championships. We are excited to be able to host both events on what is clearly one of the finest facilities in the state of Kentucky."

"We are excited about being in Bowling Green for our 2006 Leachman Buick & GMC/KHSAA State Golf Championship Tournaments and especially pleased with all of the new and exciting things the Host Committee is planning for our State Tournament participants and fans," said KHSAA Assistant Commissioner Larry Boucher. "We had a great experience with these championships conducting them in Bowling Green during the 2004 season, and look forward to an on-going partnership with the Bowling Green/Warren County community and our golf championship title sponsor, Leachman Buick & GMC, through the October 2009 tournaments."

Drake Creek Country Club in Ledbetter (Livingston County) hosted the 2005 girls' tournament while the Country Club of Paducah served host to the 2005 boys' event.