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The Arc of Atlantic County announces:

I. Rice and Company's Annual Golfing for Good Tournament raises a whopping \$92,000 to Benefit The Arc's Recreation Program for the intellectually and developmentally disabled.

September 30, 2015 – Egg Harbor Township, NJ – The 7th Annual I. Rice & Company *Golfing for Good Tournament* held on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at Linwood Country Club in Linwood netted more than \$92,000 to benefit The Arc of Atlantic County's Recreation Program for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Approximately 140 golfers, including athletes from The Arc's golf program, participated in the tournament.

This year's tournament was again presented by I. Rice & Company, a nationally known Philadelphia-based manufacturer of fountain syrups, bakery fillings, and ice cream toppings. Cape Bank Charitable Foundation was also a presenting sponsor of the event.

"The Arc of Atlantic County play's such a vital role in the lives of people with I/DD." said Joe DiMedio, Chief Operating Officer of I. Rice & Company **"This year we decided to make it a corporate-wide effort and pull out all the stops to invite our friends and business associates to the event. It truly was a great group effort."**

"Each year, we shoot for an increase because that's what The Arc really needs to grow and offer additional activities to more people in our community. This year we surpassed our previous year's efforts by nearly \$30,000, thanks to the fantastic support from I. Rice & Company and the business community they are involved with," said Irv Singer, event chair.

The I. Rice & Company Golfing for Good Tournament began in 2009, when The Arc was approached by local Margate resident, Irv Singer who thought he could raise \$10,000 through a golf tournament for The Arc. That first year, they more than doubled that goal and the tournament has continued to be successful each year, **raising more than \$340,000 for The Arc's Recreation Program.**

"The Arc's Recreation Program is one of our most popular among the people we support, providing more than 300 people with opportunities to enjoy numerous activities, including golf, soccer, basketball, trips, dances, and adult evening classes." says Scott Hennis, The Arc's *Interim Chief Operating Officer* "The money raised will help us expand recreational opportunities so that more people can participate in this worthwhile program".

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I. Rice and Company has been creating and providing Top Quality Ingredients for the Food Service Industry since 1884. For more than 125 years I. Rice & Co. has been the taste behind many leading brands in the commercial baking and frozen dessert industries. For more information, please visit www.iriceco.com or call 1-800-232-6022

The Arc of Atlantic County is a private non-profit organization that has been making a difference in the lives of people with developmental disabilities and their families since its founding in 1961. Through direct services, advocacy, education and prevention activities, The Arc works in partnership with individuals and their families to make choices possible about how and where they live, learn, work and play. For more information on The Arc, visit www.arcatlantic.org or call 609-485-0800.

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Left to right: Joe DiMedio, COO, I. Rice & Company, Steve Kuhl, President/ CEO, I. Rice & Company, Pat Jones, Interim CEO, The Arc of Atlantic County, Irv Singer, Arc Thrift Shop Manager.