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VIJAY EARNS PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

(AP) — Vijay Singh shot a 4-over 76 to eke into a three-way playoff Sunday, then made his only birdie of the day on the first of three extra holes to beat Justin Leonard and Chris DiMarco in the PGA Championship at Whistling Straits in Haven, Wis.

It was Singh's third major of his career and fifth victory of the year. "It's the prettiest one, I think," Singh said after claiming the Wanamaker Trophy and a check for \$1.125 million. "It looked ugly. When you look at the score, I shot 4 over. But it was a good 4 over for me."

The 41-year-old Singh is the 11th

player to win in the last 11 majors and the first over 40 to win one since Mark O'Meara took the 1998 British Open at 41. Singh also joins Tiger Woods and Nick Price as the only players to win five tournaments in a year in the last 20 years; no one else has won more than twice in 2004.

"This makes my year right here," Singh said. "I wanted to win one again, one major again, and it came at the right time. I don't have that many years to contend ... I'd like to win a few more before I finish. This is a great start and I think there's many more out there, I hope."



Vijay Singh celebrates victory at the 86th PGA Championship at Whistling Straits in Haven, Wis. (AP photo)



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Golf Challenge Supports SEI

Self Enhancement, Inc. alumni Sadiki Stone and Dominique Debnam with Tony Hobson, executive director of SEI, at the SEI Nike Community Golf Challenge. Stone will graduate in December from Willamette University. Debnam, SEI's valedictorian, graduated from Jefferson High School and will attend University of Oregon in the fall. The Friday tournament raised more than \$85,000 for SEI's school program.

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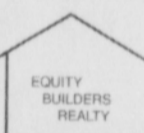
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NFL Star Gives Back

Detroit Lions Quarterback Joey Harrington gives back to his community by working with kids from the Boys and Girls Club of Metropolitan Portland. The former football star at the University of Oregon and Central Catholic High School has started the Joey Harrington Challenge for kids to raise money for the club's much needed operating endowment. For more information visit www.bgcportland.org or call 503-232-0077.

Jefferson Plans Golf Challenge

The 4th annual School of Champions Golf Challenge will be held at the prestigious Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club on Sept 17 with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start.

Beginning this year, the Challenge will raise funds — not just for the student athletes and athletics at Jefferson High School — but so youngsters of all ages who live in inner-city neighborhoods will have better academic and athletic opportunities.

"Students from inner-city families here in Portland will benefit by increased opportunities — opportunities that develop discipline, leadership and self-control to help kids become responsible adults," said Marshall Haskins, Jefferson High School athletic director.

The entry fee of \$150 for individuals and \$600 for a four-person team includes lunch, a Nike golf package, open range, green fee, a cart, unlimited range balls, and the awards banquet.

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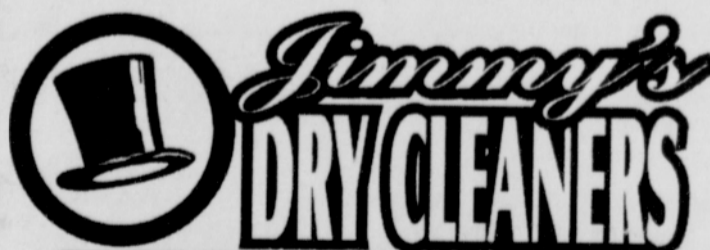
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Vikings Satisfied with Scrimmage

Portland State Coach Tim Walsh had something to smile about on both sides of the football Saturday, as he witnessed some big gains by the offense, and a few opportunistic plays by the defense as highlights in the Vikings first scrimmage.

Senior running back Ryan Fuqua is out to prove he is back to top form in 2004. He first-down gains of 17 and 28 yards, and most importantly, showed his speedy, elusiveness and ability to shake tacklers.

Much-heralded recruit Shaun Bodiford turned a screen pass from Joe Wiser into a 15-yard gain in the second series. Then he got behind the defense for a spectacular 62-yard reception from Sawyer Smith midway through the scrimmage.

Defensively, the Vikings broke up three pass plays and turned two more tipped passes into interceptions.