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Ron Manilla Named PTR Master Professional

Charlottesville, VA, March 8, 2010: Professional Tennis Registry (PTR) presented its annual awards in February during the 2010 PTR International Tennis Symposium. The event, which included 50-plus on court and classroom presentations for tennis teachers and coaches, a tennis trade show and \$25,000 Championship was held February 12-18, 2010, at PTR Headquarters on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina.

Ron Manilla, of Charlottesville, Virginia, was the only addition this year to PTR's roster of Master Professionals, making him the 31st to earn the designation. A PTR member since 1979, and Certified Professional since 1995, Manilla has been coaching and teaching tennis in Charlottesville area for more than 30 years.

For many years, Manilla served as Tennis Director for The Boar's Head Sports Club, which has been named a Top 50 Tennis Resort in the USA since 2002. The Boar's Head was named PTR Private Facility of the Year by *Racquet Sports Industry* magazine in 2008. Currently, Manilla is the Tournament Director at The Boar's Head, where annually he runs two USTA \$50,000 Pro Circuit events, one of which is in its eighth year and is sponsored by Boyd Tinsley, violinist of the Dave Matthews Band. Manilla is also the Director of the Special Olympics Xperience Tennis Tournament, a gathering of the best Special Olympics tennis athletes from around the world. In 2009, he directed the ITA Individual Indoors Men's and Women's Tournament, and in 2010 the ITA National Team Indoor Tournament.

For 31 years, Ron has been the Director of Get Acquainted Tennis, a local community program. Manilla was named PTR State Member of the Year for Virginia in 2002 and 2008. In 2008, USTA Virginia named the Manilla Family its Tennis Family of the Year. Ron's three children, Anna, Daniel and Dominic are all PTR members.

PTR is the largest global organization of tennis teaching professionals with more than 14,000 members in 122 countries. It has the greatest percentage of multicultural and women members of any such organization. PTR is dedicated to educating, certifying and servicing tennis teachers and coaches around the world in order to grow the game.

Boar's Head Inn, a 170-room resort situated on 573 acres in the Virginia countryside, offers Four-Diamond dining, a state-of-the-art sports club with 26 indoor and outdoor tennis courts, championship golf, a luxury spa, children's programs, currently 13,000 square feet of meeting space, and close proximity to attractions such as Monticello, the Blue Ridge Mountains and numerous wineries. Boar's Head Inn is owned and operated by the University of Virginia Foundation. For more information or to make reservations, please call The Boar's Head at 434.972.2232 or 800.476.1988 or visit the resort's web site at www.boarsheadinn.com.

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