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**Dogwood Invitational Tournament Moves to First Week in June**

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The Dogwood Invitational is moving to an earlier date on the calendar in 2018 and will kick off the summer's amateur golf schedule.

The 52<sup>nd</sup> Dogwood Invitational will be played from June 4-9, making it the first major amateur event following the NCAA Championships. The change is expected to result in a better field that will complete at Druid Hills Golf Course.

"We're excited about the move to the earlier date," said Dogwood Invitational tournament director Edward Toledano. "We take a lot of pride in the quality of our field and the move to this earlier date may allow us to improve that even more. Our expectation is that the field will be pretty strong."

There are currently no other amateur tournaments in the United States scheduled for the new week that will conflict with The Dogwood Invitational.

The 2017 Dogwood Invitational was won by Lloyd Jefferson Go, a recent graduate of Seton Hall University. Go shot a final-round 66 and finished at 21-under 267.

The Dogwood draws many of the top amateurs from the United States and around the world. Former winners include U.S. Open champion Webb Simpson, multiple PGA Tour winners Brian Harman and Harris English, Georgia Golf Hall of Famer Allen Doyle and numerous Walker Cup members.

**About The Dogwood Invitational**

The Dogwood Invitational is an elite amateur golf championship established to promote the game of amateur golf and support junior golf organizations. Held at Druid Hills Golf Club in Atlanta, Georgia, the tournament is an internationally ranked top amateur golf event that began in 1941. The tournament is run by The Dogwood Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit, and proceeds from sponsorships are directed to the Georgia Junior Golf Association and Druid Hills Golf Club Foundation. Find out more at [www.thedogwood.com](http://www.thedogwood.com).

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