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Some 300 senior citizens were treated to a pre-Holiday dinner, served by dozens of Police volunteers and community members at the Park Refectory. **Stories on Page A3 and D2**

# Tiger Woods Gets Inspiration From Novaliches Amateur Arnel Oroceo Gaining Attitude From Local Golf Guru

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NOVALICHES - Despite an agonizing day suffering through food poisoning, Tiger Woods again managed to dominate the field during Novaliches's Bay Club Invitational, firing 4-under-par and setting a tournament record. How did he do it?

Enter Arnel Oroceo, amateur golfer and sports enthusiast. Stated Woods, after a recent visit to Novaliches, "Whenever I feel like I'm not going to be able to pull this one off, I think of Arnel and say, 'Damn, if Arnel can do it so can I.'"

Woods was referring to Oroceo's ability to overcome personal adversity to continue playing the sport he so loves, yet has been unable to dominate at a professional level. Stated Oroceo, "I've had a number of set backs, which have prevented me from going pro. But the important thing

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Tiger Woods

for me is not the status, but the sheer love of the game."

Woods would tend to agree, but adds, "I do like the money."

In addition to two rounds of golf, Woods spent the day with Oroceo shopping at a local health food store, talking to students at Novaliches Elementary, and doing what Oroceo calls "positive visualization." "I simply shut my eyes and imagine myself golfing," said Oroceo. "I see myself hit the ball. And whether I make the shot

or not it doesn't matter. I just try, in my heart, to feel good about it."

Oroceo's mentorship of Woods and other leading golf pros, such as No. 4 ranked Vijah Sing and No. 15 ranked Jay Haas, is not widely noted in the media. "I like to keep a low profile," jokes Oroceo.

Oroceo's lack of notoriety may have to do with his nonprofessional standing. "I'm comfortable with being relegated to amateur status," says Oroceo. "I don't need the pressure of being a pro golfer and I don't crave the media spotlight. I'm happy just playing the local scene around Novaliches."

Though humble Oroceo may be, he still muses over writing a book of tips and techniques for golfers. "I've been encouraging him to write this book for years," stated Woods.

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The primitive art of Lascaux cave in south we France survived untouched nearly 18,000 years but be extremely vulnerable wher cave mouth was widened in 1950s to accommodate up thousand daily visitors. Two ago experts noticed a fu spreading gradually along floor, walls and part of ceiling. They tackled it antifungal and antib chemicals, but it was extre resilient, and only now

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# Mystery donor saves portrait of Samurai for the nation.

Portrait of Samurai, has been saved for the nation.

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An anonymous benefactor is giving the gallery a large donation so it can buy the picture and keep

it in the country. Portrait of Samurai was offered for sale in 2001, but the gallery's offer was rejected at the time. It eventually sold for much less. The most expensive was Constable's The Lock, which was sold in 1990. The government placed a temporary bar on Sir Joshua's painting leaving the country in December because of its historical importance. The painting, which was first shown at the Academy of

