

Comal Public School Foundation

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GVTC Golf Classic hits \$100,000 mark for Comal Public School Foundation

More than 220 golfers participated in the Third Annual GVTC Charitable Partnership Golf Classic at River Crossing Country Club on May 7 and raised more than \$100,000 for the Comal Public School Foundation's classroom grants to teachers program in the Comal ISD.

"We are delighted to be able to work toward a common goal of providing financial resources to teachers," says Ritchie Sorrells, CEO of GVTC. "Thank you to the major sponsors who rose to the occasion and made our third year such an outstanding success."

"Because of GVTC's incredible title sponsorship of this event," says Klaus Weiswurm, president of the Comal Public School Foundation, "the Foundation will name three \$5,000 grants to teachers after GVTC next school year. This tournament shows what a partnership between the business community and the Foundation can achieve. Everyone involved believes in public education and wants to reward our hard-working, innovative teachers for the wonderful things they do for the children in our community."

Because of the overwhelming response, the tournament added an additional flight of golfers this year. Engraved prizes were awarded to the teams with the best score from both the morning and afternoon flights. The teams of George O'Neal, Vernon Yow, Barrett Mills and Andy Blackwell (morning) and Jeff Jacoby, John Test, Kevin Daly, and Hector Licon (afternoon) won first. The teams of Mark Gitter, Todd Crandall, Darrell Spence and Blake Lackey (morning) and Charlie Patterson, Jay Patterson, Lenny Cash and Shawn Rogers (afternoon)

won second. Third place winners were Bill Burnett, Roger Burton, Mark Mellin, and Chris Kuntz (morning) and Dennis Hohn, Tom Schafer, Ken Dracoulis and Brian Erickson (afternoon).

Prizes were also awarded for closest to the pin, longest drive, wildest drive and straightest drive. Bill Baldwin and Kevin Ragsdale came in closest to the pin, and Todd Crandall and John Test had the longest drives. Phillip Phillips and Brad Denton had the wildest drives, and Troy Strelon and Bob Griffith had the straightest drives.

A new car provided by Jennings Anderson Ford in Boerne was the grand prize for a hole-in-one, but, unfortunately, no one made it.

A hosted reception at the country club, and a sumptuous banquet followed the day's play with live entertainment from the band "Fore of a Kind." The San Antonio Spurs' coyote made a visit to the course and challenged several golfers. Several were heard to ask the coyote if he would join their team! Numerous door prizes and raffle prizes were given away to players. Joe "Pags" Pagliarulo, WOAI Radio Host, announced the evening's prize giveaway.

GVTC was the title sponsor, and Power & Telephone Supply Company was the diamond sponsor. Platinum sponsors were ANPI, KGB, JSI, On-Trac, and Calix.

Gold sponsors were Pfluger & Associates, ISPN, Texstar, Unibar, Commsoft, Retirement Horizons, Atlantic Risk, Embarq and Mandelbrodt Ventures.

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Other sponsors were Windstream Publishing and Comtrend (breakfast sponsors); Sage Advisory (dinner sponsor); Windstream Publishing (golf caps); Information Management Solutions, GPA, Strateben, T&F Construction and Ikon Office Solutions (dinner bar); Commsoft (beer sponsor); Canyon Lake Water Supply (wine sponsor); Windstream Supply (band); Zhone Technologies and Wilshire Homes (lunch); GVTC's Employee Activities Committee (door prizes); IBC Bank (ATM); Metavante Corporation and American Bank of Texas (putting contest); RepComm (driving range); ABS, Alfred Riedel Construction, Perftech (trophies); and ETI (first place gift sponsor). Other donations were made by Wal-Mart, Chase Bank and Brenda Vaughn.

PHOTO CUTLINE: The 3rd Annual GVTC Charitable Partnership Golf Classic raised \$100,000 for the Comal Public School Foundation's classroom grants program that benefits teachers and students. The event was held May 7 at the River Crossing Country Club and on-hand for the check presentation were (from left) Joe "Pags" Pagliarulo from WOAI; Ritchie Sorrells, CEO of GVTC; Cathy Young, vice president of Human Resources for GVTC; and, Klaus Weiswurm, president of the Comal Public School Foundation.