



The women golfers came out in force. PROVIDED BY MARYANN KETCHAM

## Big Brothers Big Sisters hosts 12th Annual Golf Tournament

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties

VERO BEACH – Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties hosted its 12th Annual Golf Tournament on Jan. 30 at the exclusive Hawk’s Nest Golf Course in Vero Beach. Stakeholders, donors, event sponsors, golf committee members, BBBS staff, board members and volunteers enjoyed a beautiful, fun day on the course.

The 21 teams included 83 players in three divisions: men’s, women’s and mixed. The men’s’ first place team scored a 45 and included teammates Travis McNamee, Jason Cironne, Chris Case and Matt Roy.

The top women’s team, including golf committee member Chris Smith, Kathleen LaCroix, Margery Sparks and Nancy Sullivan, scored a 51.

The mixed division included Dr. Harlow LaBarge, Linda Feuerbach, Ian Graham and Paul Karrlsson-Willis with a score of 52.

Closest to the pin winners included Brian Burkhart, Kathy Tilney, Jesse Larsen and Mark Blair.

The event included lunch upon arrival, raffles, heavy hors d’oeuvres and open bar at the awards ceremony, and a 50% that raised nearly \$600 for BBBS.

Event sponsors included Brad Lorimier, David and Chris Smith, David and Bonnie Wilson, Jack and Pat Bingleman, Bill and Peg Regan, Doon Foster, Paul DeSoye, East Coast Lumber and Supply, Board Chair Mike Lucci, Bud Angelus and Dr. Harlow LaBarge. Hole sponsors included Bud Angelus, Joseph Purcell, Jack and Mary Weisbaum, Dale Sorensen Real Estate, Schlitt Services, Richard McMenamin and ShopRite, and Linda Teetz. Brad Lorimier was the bar sponsor and raffle donor, along with Diane Kingsley with Triple Health Options.

“BBBS is fortunate to host our golf event at this beautiful venue year after year,” said CEO Debbie Hawley. “Thank you to all of our loyal supporters for helping to make this event such a wonderful success! We anticipate raising \$40,000, which will enable us to continue serving children and youth in Indian River County.”

BBBS programs are free for all participants. Events such as the golf tournament fund these programs so youth can continue to achieve their full potential.

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