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## Rooney's Golf Foundation Tournament Benefits Local Charities

West Palm Beach, FL - The 12th Annual Rooney's Golf Foundation Charity Tournament was recently held at PGA National to benefit four local charities. A record-high total of \$46,500 was distributed to the following: Autism Project of Palm Beach County, FAU Honors College, Pathways to Independence and Potentia Academy. Local Rooney Family businesses, Palm Beach Kennel Club and Rooney's the Gastropub coordinated the tournament with a committee of volunteers. This year's honorary chair was JD and Tiny from 103.1FM WIRK's morning show. The official sponsors included: 1st United Bank and Preferred Air Conditioning & Mechanical, Inc. – Carrier.

Alexis Barbish, Assistant to Patrick Rooney, Jr., explains "...We enjoyed a beautiful day at the PGA Resort and want to thank our generous sponsors, hard-working committee and volunteers and the many participants and contributors. Without them, the tournament would not be possible."

The tournament was played on the Champion, Palmer and Fazio Courses at PGA Resort and 240 golfers participated. The event featured Dr. Dunn's Instructional class and a deluxe buffet dinner and awards ceremony at the resort. Funds were also raised through the tournament raffle featuring vacation getaways, a flat screen HD TV, golf outings, dinners, sports and concert tickets and much more.

Rooney's Golf Foundation has donated \$442,500 to local Palm Beach County charities since 2001. These funds are raised through the golf tournament, 5K and poker events. The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Poker Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, January 18, 2014 in the Poker Room at Palm Beach Kennel Club. The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual RGF 5K will be held on Saturday, April 19, 2014 at Rooney's the Gastropub in Abacoa, and the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual RGF tournament is scheduled for Friday, November 7, 2014 at PGA National.

For more information on RGF events: please call 561-683-2222 Jessica Davis at ext. 141 or Alexis Barbish at ext. 146.



**Photo ID** - The Rooney's Golf Foundation Committee:

Front row: Alexis Barbish, Janice Meeks, Sue Buechele, Kaitlyn Decker, Sarah Mears Back row: Patrick Rooney, Jr., Duane Meeks, Kyle Henderson, Jessica Davis, John Davis, Beverly Kelly, Diane Reeves

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