

Ninth Annual Governor's Black-Tie Invitational Raises \$800,000 For Local Charities

The Las Vegas community came together at the Ninth Annual Governor's Black-Tie Charity Invitational Golf Tournament, sponsored by Southern Highlands Golf Club, and raised more than \$800,000, bringing the grand total of funds raised by Southern Highlands Charitable Foundation to more than \$7 million over the past nine years.

"The importance of the Governor's Black-Tie to the residents of Southern Nevada is significant," said Governor Jim Gibbons. "I want to thank Garry Goett and his team at Southern Highlands for once again creating such a memorable experience, not only for those guests in attendance, but for improving the quality of life for the children, teens, and women in our community."

The three-day event began with the Governor's Black-Tie Gala, which included live entertainment by musician Michael Cavanaugh, known best for his appearance in the Broadway musical "Movin' Out." The evening also featured silent and live auctions of donated items and an award presentation. William S. Boyd was named the Governor's Philanthropist of the Year for his generous financial contributions and role as an inspirational leader to public institutions and various charities in Las Vegas and the surrounding area.

The main event was a team invitational golf tournament that lasted two days and resulted in a tie between the Olympia Group, which featured Garry Goett, Vince Goett, Jack Sheehan, and Bob Feibleman, and Paycard Mobile, which included players Jim Hammer, Terry Wright, Blake Sartini, and Randy Morton. The teams scored an impressive 17 under par, with a 271 two-day total. While the golfers enjoyed the course, the ladies were treated to spa treatments at Spa Southern Highlands, as well as a luncheon and fashion show presented by Neiman Marcus. The event also included the Governor's Grand Bash, featuring a private live performance by Huey Lewis and The News. Guests danced the night away to popular hits such as, "The Heart of Rock & Roll," "The Power of Love," and "Hip to Be Square," just to name a few. The performance was a huge hit. The group concluded the evening with a stellar finale and guests went wild.

"We're in our ninth year with this event, but we'll never take things for granted," said Garry Goett, President of Southern Highlands Golf Club. "The generosity, dedication, and commitment of our guests are truly remarkable and the number of lives touched continues to surpass our expectations. We are grateful to Governor Gibbons and everyone who helped make our ninth annual event such a success."

Charities that received funds include the Southern Highlands Boys & Girls Club, Assistance League of Las Vegas, Candlelighters for Childhood Cancer, Opportunity Village, Nevada Childhood Cancer Foundation, Epicurean Charitable Foundation, Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars, and Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Nevada.

**Mark your calendar for next year's Black-Tie event,
March 25-27, 2010**



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