

13th Annual WRHS Foundation Golf Classic Winners Announced

June, 2007 - Batesville, Ark. – Batesville's, Father's day tradition, the White River Health System Foundation Golf Classic was June 16 at The Course at Eagle Mountain. Tournament proceeds benefited Partners in Community Health, community leaders working together to improve the health of area residents through education, health screenings and wellness events. Partners in Community Health provided funding for the 2006-2007 successful pilot of HealthTeacher online Curriculum at the Batesville School District. In 2007-2008 school year, the program will be expanded to include Batesville, Southside and Newport School districts.

More than 90 companies and individuals joined Golf Classic major sponsors Consumer Collection Management, Cromwell Architects Engineers, J & L Electric, Nabholz Construction, RehabCare Group, PepsiAmericas and The Course at Eagle Mountain to support the tournament and raised more than \$143,000. The team of Gary McDonald, Chip Rayford, Matt McDonald and Rodney Griffin scored a 53 to win the four-person scramble in a field of 44 teams.

In its 13th year, the WRHS Foundation Golf Classic has raised more than \$970,000 to benefit projects such as nursing scholarships, the WRMC Cancer Care Center, staff education and the Josephine Raye Rogers Center for Women and Imaging. The Foundation began in 1992 as a charitable organization dedicated to raising funds for capital projects, medical technology and scholarships to advance patient care at White River Health System.

“The generosity of the community and our corporate donors is instrumental to the success of our tournament and to our efforts to promote healthier communities through projects like HealthTeacher,” said Gary Bebow, WRHS Administrator/CEO. “We appreciate our sponsors, the golfers who played and the volunteers who made the tournament a success.”

In addition to the overall winners, John Bragg and Helen Eichorn won Longest Drive honors. The Closest to the Pin winners were Les Frensley, Clark Wood, Les Abernathy, and Ronnie Hutchinson. The Straightest Drive winner was Forrest Mosley and the Putting Contest winners were Jim Wann and Gary Bebow.

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