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Golf Classic achieves record year, raises \$21,000 for TCHC Foundation

WADENA, Minn. – Aug. 27, 2018 – Hot, windy weather and 148 enthusiastic golfers made for a successful 21st annual Tri-County Health Care Foundation Golf Classic on Monday, Aug. 13, at Whitetail Run Golf Course in Wadena. This year's event raised \$21,000 for the Foundation, the largest amount in the Golf Classic's 22-year history.

"It is events like this that make us so proud of our community members and sponsors," said Ryan Damlo, Foundation executive director. "Not only did the golfers have a fun day on the 18-hole championship golf course, but they also helped us raise \$21,000 to fund programs, scholarships and equipment that help improve the health of the communities we serve."

Golfers enjoyed a day full of food, drinks and course contests. The Steve Davis, M.D. team took the tournament's top spot with a score of 57. Other prizes were awarded to pre-determined random finishers who finished in seventh, 24th and 30th places. Those teams included Community First Bank, Spectrum Marketing and Technical Life Care Medical Co., respectively.

In the one-putt contest, Bob Beseman and Bob Larson both sank a more than 60-foot putt. In a tie breaker putt off, Beseman took home the title. Larson claimed second prize, while Dorothy Beyer won third place, missing the cup by just 7 inches after hitting the pin. Additional contests, such as longest drive, chipping contest, longest drive with a marshmallow and all players hitting a silo on tee shot, were held throughout the course.

Nicole Melaas from Knute Nelson was the winner of the annual Tri-County Health Care Ball Drop worth more than \$800 in prize money.

Next year's Golf Classic will be Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, at Whitetail Run Golf Course. For information regarding Foundation activities, visit TCHC.org/foundation.

ABOUT TRI-COUNTY HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION

The Tri-County Health Care Foundation is a private charity established in 1994 by the hospital to attract and administer charitable funds for the benefit of the communities and surrounding areas served by Tri-County Health Care. Tax deductible gifts support education, technology, patient care and equipment. Financial donations stay local and have a direct and lasting impact on your family, friends and neighbors.

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