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Golf tournament raises \$32,000 for student programs

The Palm Beach Community College Foundation raised more than \$32,000 from its annual Golf Classic sponsored by the South Florida Blood Banks to support the Center for Early Learning in Palm Beach Gardens, intercollegiate athletics and other campus programs that enhance students' academic experience.

The tournament was held March 29 at the prestigious 18-hole course at the Falls Country Club. Despite the morning rain, the golf tournament went off that afternoon as planned.

"The weather was wonderful and everybody had a terrific time – the volunteers, the players and the staff," said Rick Schuster, executive director of the Foundation, the fundraising arm of the College.

"I'm so thankful to all of the sponsors and our many volunteers who worked so hard to make this event a success. We couldn't do it without them," said Dionne Hollingsworth, PBCC's annual giving coordinator and organizer of the event. "The important thing is that the proceeds will greatly benefit our students."

The winners of the tournament were MPA Architects, Inc., first place; Comerica Private Banking, second place and Centex Rooney Construction Co., Inc., third place.

The event was sponsored by South Florida Blood Banks, Fidelity Federal Bank and Trust, Pepsi – Cola Bottling Company, Suffolk Construction Company, Centex Rooney, Comerica, Smith Seckman Reid, Inc., STH Architectural Group, Inc. and The Weitz Company.

Tournament co-chairs were Foundation directors David Collins and Paul Rampolla. The tournament included a cocktail reception with award presentations, silent and live auctions and special prize raffles.