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Greek Open in St. Louis raises \$78,000 for foundation

The 18th Annual Greek Golf Open recently raised nearly \$78,000 for the Hellenic Spirit Foundation in St. Louis. More than 135 golfers attended the event, which included a four-person scramble with a shotgun start, Greek-style lunch, dinner, a raffle and an auction.

Of the nearly \$78,000 raised, \$11,000 alone was collected from the auction, which was organized by Kim Tucci, Pasta House owner.

Niko Georgas provided entertainment with his bouzouki, and Peter Vaccaro served as the master of ceremonies.

In the A flight, the first-place winners were Dino Vainalis, Sam Vainalis, Charles Stock and Shane Stock. The B flight first place winners were Sal Ferranto, Don Basinger, John Owen and Gerald Everding.

Organizers of the event were George Kantis, John Cowlen, Lou Potsou, George Kantis and Peter Katsinas and Tony Karakas, event co-chair. Harry Lemakis kept the golfer scores and announced the winners.

Proceeds from the tournament will support several local and national charities, including Orthodox Christian churches in the area, Mathews Dickey Boys and Girls Club, Justice for Cyprus, IOCC, AHEPA 53 Apartments, Caring and Sharing Program and college scholarships.

Seen on the course and at dinner were Kent Krober, Andy Magathis, Bill Suntrup, John Cowlen, Noel Sevastrianos, Christ Christ, Tony Piazza, Frank Cunetto, Michael Bornmaster, Salvatore Ferranto, Nicholas Russon, Steve Wolff, Bill Kallaos, Keith Huffman and Michael Grewe.

Behind the scenes volunteers included Becky Tharenos, Jean Tompras and Christine Lemakis.



From left, Tony Karakas, Greek Open hostess and John Martin

One of the benefits of entering the Hellenic Spirit Foundation's annual Greek Golf Open in St. Louis was the opportunity to have a photo taken with the (unnamed) Greek Open hostess. Pictured at left, with the hostess are Salvatore Ferranto, Don Basinger, John Owen and Gerald Everding.



From left, Nicholas Russon, Leo Catsavis, Greek Open hostess, Christian Catsavis and member of the National Ahepa Housing Board, Leon Spanos.



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