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Black Diamond Foundation December 2019 Update

November Grants

At our season's first meeting in November, we made three awards to local charities. Take Stock in Children was granted \$10K for scholarships for disadvantaged students. The Take Stock mentoring program only accepts new students when scholarship funds are available. Additionally our donation is matched by a state grant doubling its impact. Second, a \$3K challenge grant was awarded to the Thanksgiving Feeding Alliance. Funds will be awarded to match other donations from the community. The Feeding Alliance provided Thanksgiving meals for over 4,000 county residents last year. Finally, \$1.5K was awarded to the Girl Scouts for a gold project to provide LED light-up reflectors to students who are bussed before sunrise and after sunset. This project was formulated in response to several serious accidents in recent years.

Birdies for Charity

Its "Birdies" time again. Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities is a fundraising program designed to give charities an opportunity to raise money for their organizations through the distribution of profits from the Valspar Championship. The 2020 Championship will take place March 19-22, 2020 at Innisbrook, a Salamander Golf & Spa Resort, in Palm Harbor. The Black Diamond Foundation is a participating charity. Last year the Foundation received about \$8K from the bonus pool.

The minimum one-time donation is \$10. One hundred percent of all our paid pledges go directly to the Foundation. The 2020 Valspar Championship Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities program will guarantee a 15% Bonus Pool payment on the first \$1.5 million in paid pledges/donations received. Pledges are tax deductible. Pledge payment is made payable to the Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities or the Valspar Championship. The Black Diamond Foundation can collect your checks, add the required pledge card, and submit your donation. Pledge cards are also available at the clubhouse concierge desk or from Foundation board members if you prefer to make your pledge directly. Another way to participate in Birdies for Tampa Bay Charities is through the "Guess the Birdies" contest. All individuals who pledge a minimum \$0.01 per birdie or a single contribution of at least \$10 may guess the number of birdies that will be made during the Valspar Championship Thursday through Sunday. All participants who correctly guess the number of birdies will win a prize. There is a maximum of ten guesses per donor. Details are on the pledge card.

Pro-Am Reminder

The sign up sheets are up outside the pro shop for the Foundation Pro/Am scheduled for January 19-20, 2020. It is not too early to build your team and invite your favorite professional to participate. This is the only fundraiser effort by the Foundation, the only other source of funds is donations from individuals in the Black Diamond community. Check your e-mail for regular tournament updates!

Welcome back everyone!

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