



Children's charities throughout Palm Beach County will benefit from the Boca West Children's Foundation 11th annual \$100,000 Golf Challenge on March 27. Some players from last year's event were, from left, Steve and Susan Kandel, along with Susan Galland and Donald Bellick. **BOCA WEST CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION/COURTESY**

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Rubber ducks will drop at charity golf event

By Gary Curreri

Children's charities throughout Palm Beach County will be granted funds raised from the Boca West Children's Foundation 11th annual \$100,000 Golf Challenge at Boca West Country Club on March 27.

The daylong event, which is almost sold out, includes brunch, golf, a cocktail reception and dinner. Nonprofits who have four-somes playing will receive a portion of the \$100,000.

Funds from the golf challenge support participating charities such as Boca Helping Hands to grow its BHH Backpacks Program, which has provided weekend meals to food-insecure elementary students; as well as the Fuller Center's family empowerment team, early education programs, elementary, after school and teen programs that benefit over 700 children and their families. Over 30 nonprofits helping children benefit from the Golf Challenge.

During the past 13 years, the foundation has granted over \$18 million for projects that serve at-risk youth.

"The golf challenge is an annual fundraiser and so many people from the community participate in our shared effort to support local kids," said Pamela Weinroth, executive director of Boca West Children's Foundation. "We expect, once again, that the event will sell out. Nongolfers can support the effort and join in the fun by attending the



Over 700 rubber ducks are dropped on the green during the golf tournament that benefits children's charities. **JOE CAVARETTA/SOUTH FLORIDA SUN SENTINEL**

cocktail reception and dinner."

Over 400 golfers will have the opportunity beginning at 1 p.m. to play on courses that have been ranked among the best in the world, alongside St. Andrews, Pine Valley, Pebble Beach and Pinehurst.

A duck drop will take place at 12:45 p.m. when hundreds of plastic yellow ducks will be dropped from a crane for a chance to win \$2,500. The Golf Challenge will be followed by a 5:30 p.m. cocktail reception, dinner and live auction. Individual tickets are \$750 and include one duck. Tickets to the dinner are \$150. Additional individual ducks for the drop are \$50.

Visit bocawestfoundation.org to purchase tickets and ducks.

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