

## **Saints alumni and golf team boosters,**

### **6<sup>th</sup> Annual Saints golf team fundraiser a success!!:**

Our team wants to start with a big 'thank you' to everyone who participated in our 6<sup>th</sup> annual fundraiser at Mt. Woodson Golf Course on Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup>. We had a full field of 136 golfers participate in the four person scramble event (roughly ½ of the players were team members and their families while the other ½ was made up of alumni and boosters) as well as a dozen volunteers helping to ensure that things went smoothly. The money we raised augments our budget to allow us to play more rounds of golf with our team which is comprised of over 30 players of various skill levels. In 2017, we paid green fees to our home golf courses in excess of \$8,000 so that we could get our team together regularly throughout the season to help develop both their skills and also to learn the proper etiquette involved with golf.

Many Saints alumni were winners in the 60 item raffle, headlined by a 3 day, 2 night stay in Mammoth Lakes which was donated by Mike and Shari Zizzi. Alumni also figured in to the top three teams at Mt. Woodson:

- 1<sup>st</sup> place was won with an amazing score of 17 under par by Joe Cave (Saints and WestPoint golfer), Luis Calderon (Saints and currently playing for California State, Northridge), Chris Booth, and Anna Davis (daughter of Saints Spanish teacher and golf team coach Bill Davis);
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place was won in a scorecard playoff at 13 under par by former Saints golfer Ryan Martin, his father Kurt Martin and their guests Mark Sherman and Scott Wilson
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place was won at 13 under par by former Saintsman Jim, Billy, and Joe Morstad along with their guest Dave Gonzalez

Alumni also hit some great shots on the course throughout the day:

- Steve Arculich holed out a 5-iron from 170 yards on the fifth hole for eagle
- Luis Calderon won the long drive contest on hole #14 with a drive of over 330 yards
- Gil Evans won a closest to the pin contest with a shot within 1 foot of the cup on #6

We would also like to thank Saintsman Don Eklund for his winning bid of \$500 for the Barona Hotel/Golf package as that is also money that goes directly to the team since Barona donated the package to us for the event.

Plans for the 7<sup>th</sup> annual event are in the works – we are hoping to have the event back at Mt. Woodson on the first Sunday in October of 2018 so look for updates to come your way in the late spring

### **Are you or people you know planning on going to Torrey Pines to watch the Farmers**

**Insurance Open?** Consider buying your daily pass from the Saints golf team. The daily fee through the official Farmers event website is \$55 per day but if you buy them through our team you only pay \$35 per day. The pass is good for any day of the event and we keep a portion of the fee for our program. If you would like to buy a large amount of tickets for your office or other special event, let me know and I can pre-order as many as you need.

### **Upcoming Saints golf team events:**

- On Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>, the Saints golf team will be serving as caddies for the members at San Diego Country Club, which is the oldest golf club in San Diego and one of the very finest

courses in Southern California. Each team member will loop 18 holes for a \$20 fee that will go to the Campus Ministry Tijuana Hogar Infantil Orphanage Fund. In the past four years, our team has donated in excess of \$2000 for the orphanage and hopes to raise in excess of \$400 again this year. Besides raising money for a very worthy cause, this allows our young men to see the benefits of belonging to a great golf club while also showing the community what our young Saintsmen represent.

- In January, our team will host the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class from St. Patrick's Elementary for a golf clinic at Colina Park Golf Course. With sessions featuring putting, chipping, and hitting on the Colina range, our players will interact with the 8<sup>th</sup> graders to give some insight into what makes the game of golf a lot of fun. Following the golf clinic, the two schools will have a short snack/ social event at the golf course to further enhance the bond between our campus'.
- Alumni should be on the lookout for the Alumni Match against our current team. Through five years, the Alumni team has a 3-2 lead as they have won the past three years.

Our coaches and players are looking forward to a great 2018 golf season and want to thank everyone for the interest and support that is provided to our team throughout the year!

Sincerely  
Coaches  
Tom Isaak  
Christian Da Luz  
Bill Davis  
Jess Wilson  
Tom Graciano