

The Reserve at Lake Keowee Foundation raises \$18K for local charities

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SUNSET – The Reserve at Lake Keowee hosted the community’s Charitable Foundation’s 3rd Annual Golf Classic on Monday to benefit four Pickens County-based non-profit organizations: Helping Hands; Pickens County Meals on Wheels; The Parenting Place, Home of Prevent Child Abuse of Pickens County; and the A.R. Lewis Elementary School’s Weekend Backpack Program. The event, which drew more than 100 players this year, is estimated to raise \$18,000 for charity. The event was held on The Reserve at Lake Keowee’s award-winning Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Course. Players enjoyed a “step aside” scramble format, with putting contests and silent auction.

Kathryn Gravely, Executive Director of The Reserve at Lake Keowee Charitable and Community Foundation remarked, “The Reserve at Lake Keowee and our community enjoy giving back to Pickens County, both through volunteerism as well as the annual Charitable Golf Classic. The sponsorship and participatory support we receive for this endeavor is amazing. Thank you to everyone who helped make this year’s event a success.”

“Thank you a thousand times over to the generous sponsors, the participating teams, and all those involved in The Reserve at Lake Keowee Charitable Golf Classic. Your donation to The Parenting Place will provide home visitation services, parenting education, and support services to teen and first time mothers helping to prevent child abuse and neglect in Pickens County,” stated Gloria Morris, Executive Director of The Parenting Place, Home of Prevent Child Abuse Pickens County.

Meta Bowers, Executive Director of Pickens County Meals on Wheels, said, “Thank you to everyone involved in The Reserve at Lake Keowee Charitable Golf Tournament. Because of you, Pickens County Meals on Wheels will be able to purchase nutritious meals for the homebound elderly and disabled across Pickens County. With each meal delivered, our caring volunteers will also see that each person is safe and well in their own home. The time you have taken out of your busy schedules has made a difference in the lives of over 230 homebound individuals across Pickens County. Thank you.”

Jennifer Barbour, Executive Director of Helping Hands of Clemson, echoed those sentiments: “Thank you so much to everyone involved in The Reserve at Lake Keowee Community and Charitable Foundation. This generous donation will provide shoes and clothing to our children. Thank you again for helping us make this possible.”

Sponsors of the 2011 Charitable Golf Classic were Justin Winter and Associates (Platinum Sponsor); Elliott Davis, Michelin North America, Upstate Metro Services, and Sexton Griffith Builders (Gold Sponsors); IPM, Fusion Systems, The Acker Agency, Isaqueena Prosthodontics, PA, Pickens Savings and Loan, and The Budd Group (Team Sponsors); Palmetto Dunes Resort and EG Image (Prize Sponsors); and Doug McKinney / Nationwide Insurance, James Chisman, Jeff Holder Builders, Kroeger Marine Construction, The Berry Group, Palmetto IT Services, Professional Party Rentals, Strickland Marine Center, The Acker Agency, and The Gravely Law Firm (Hole Sponsors).

A photo gallery from this year’s tournament is available on The Reserve at Lake

Keowee's website.

The Reserve at Lake Keowee Charitable Foundation is a non-profit organization created to enhance the quality of life at The Reserve and in the local area while fulfilling a sense of community and philanthropy for The Reserve's members. The Foundation has four major functions, one of which is to provide outreach for neighboring communities in Pickens County.

The Charitable Foundation operates as a supporting organization for the philanthropic goals and intentions of The Reserve at Lake Keowee Community Foundation. Charities which receive donations are suggested by property owners. Reserve property owners voted by emailed ballot on the slate of area charities under consideration via email earlier this year. The Trustees give priority to the charities suggested by the results of the property owners' ballots.

"About The Reserve at Lake Keowee

Created in 2000 by Greenwood Communities and Resorts, The Reserve at Lake Keowee is an award-winning residential community that spans 3,900 acres in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, with 30 miles of shoreline on Lake Keowee and convenient access to nationally-recognized commercial and cultural centers that include Greenville, S.C.; Asheville, N.C.; and Clemson and Furman Universities. A 200-slip Marina, Village Center, Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Course, and more than 1,400 acres of parks, preserves, trails, and green spaces highlight more than \$100 million in completed family amenities at The Reserve. The Reserve has approximately 650 members from 30 different states, with an additional 660+ extended family members who enjoy club privileges through the multi-generational Legacy Membership program. Homesites at The Reserve start under \$100,000; homes, under \$500,000. To learn more, call 877-922-LAKE (5253), visit www.ReserveAtLakeKeowee.com, or read the community's official blog at www.LifeOnKeowee.com.

About Greenwood Communities and Resorts

Greenwood Communities and Resorts, based in Greenwood, S.C., is a leader in the creation and management of award-winning residential and resort communities in the southeastern United States since 1978. Beginning with the award-winning Palmetto Dunes Resort at Hilton Head Island and evolving to current communities like The Ponds, Big Canoe near Atlanta and The Reserve at Lake Keowee, Greenwood's mission has remained the same: Create memorable places that foster meaningful and fulfilling lives.