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Carlsbad Educational Foundation Raises Over \$66,000 for Educational and Enrichment Programs at 9th Annual Golf Classic

Community Support Assists CEF in Funding Hands-on Science, District-Wide Music and Innovative Educational Programs for Nearly 11,000 Carlsbad Students

Carlsbad, CA – [Carlsbad Educational Foundation \(CEF\)](#), a non-profit organization devoted to developing and launching educational and enrichment programs for nearly 11,000 Carlsbad students, today announced that its ninth annual Golf Classic event raised more than \$66,000 in contributions.

The event, which took place Thursday, October 15th, at the Crossings in Carlsbad, attracted approximately 150 attendees for a round of golf and evening dinner, auction and program.

Local dignitaries and a distinguished roster of special guests participated in the event, including Keith Blackburn, Carlsbad City Council, Col. Nick Marano, commanding officer at Camp Pendleton; Steve Mata, PGA tour representative for Titleist along with sports legends Marshall Faulk, former Colts/Rams/SDSU running back and 12-time Pro Bowler; Hank Bauer, former Chargers player and coach as well as local radio and television sports anchor; Willie Buchanon, former Packers/Chargers cornerback and NFL Pro Bowler; and Marv Fleming, former Packers/Dolphins tight end and first player in NFL history to play in five Super Bowls.

The event also gave many local organizations and businesses with offices in Carlsbad the opportunity to reinforce their commitment to supporting public education. This year's list of major sponsors included Life Technologies, McCarthy Building Companies, Siemens, Fidelity Investment Services, Piper Jaffray, Roesling Nakamura Terada Architects, and Trittippo Architecture and Planning.

The event culminated with the presentation of the Golden Club award, which this year was bestowed upon a foursome representing Hope Elementary School.

According to Valin Brown, CEO of Carlsbad Educational Foundation, the strong show of community support was rewarding, especially at a time when statewide budget cuts are creating additional challenges for public education. "It's gratifying to see the outpouring of support for our plans to enrich the lives of Carlsbad students with increased emphasis on hands-on science, district-wide music and educational innovation," said Brown. "On behalf of the foundation, I would like to express my gratitude to the sponsors, special guests, community leaders and players who participated in our ninth annual golf classic. Their collective generosity, especially during these challenging economic times, is greatly appreciated and will enable the foundation to increase our investment in innovative educational programs that drive student achievement."

About the Carlsbad Educational Foundation

The [Carlsbad Educational Foundation](http://www.carlsbaded.org) (CEF) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that was founded in 1983 to raise private support for public education and the enrichment of more than 10,000 students in the Carlsbad Unified School District. CEF develops, conducts and finances innovative, quality educational programs and projects. Since its inception, the foundation has contributed more than \$4 million in funds to Carlsbad schools, primarily for science, technology, arts and reading. In 2008, the foundation provided year-end grants totaling \$604,000 to help restore funding for the preservation of the arts, music, sports and libraries within the district. The foundation has finalized an ambitious strategic plan that will support the development of additional music, science and innovative educational programs. The foundation also operates a Summer Enrichment Program as well as Kids' Care, a comprehensive before- and after-school childcare program. For more information, visit www.carlsbaded.org.

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