

# 2015 MLBC Spring Charity Golf Tournament Benefiting WVU Children's Hospital

The Michael Late Benedum Chapter ("MLBC") of AAPL once again held a hugely successful charity golf event benefiting West Virginia University Children's Hospital. On Friday, May 8, over 200 golfers tee'd it up on the links of Oglebay Resort's Palmer and Jones Courses in Wheeling, WV. 2015 marked the 7th year for the spring charity event and thanks to the donations of our members and member companies the MLBC donated \$30,000 to the hospital this year. This brings the total to over \$150,000 in seven years!

The monetary support the MLBC has provided to the hospital has been split between the building-expansion fund and the Friends of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit ("Friends of NICU"). Ruby Memorial Hospital on the campus of West Virginia University is home to WVU Children's Hospital and is currently undergoing major renovations, including the construction of a dedicated entrance to the Children's Hospital. Some of the money we donate as an organization is assisting with this project. The other area of the hospital we support is the Friends of the NICU. The NICU is where seriously ill newborns are cared for and treated before being released to go home with their families. Some infants might require only a few days stay, while others might spend their first birthday in the NICU, never having been home. The Friends of the NICU provides comforting support to the infants as well as to the families of the infants. Friends of the NICU started a cuddler program for the children whose parents aren't able to be with them, they provide sensory calming isolette covers for the premies, informational packets for parents so they have an idea what to expect, and family meals. The entire state of West Virginia, southwest Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and western Maryland is extremely fortunate to have this hospital and its' world-class staff in close proximity to care for the many children that require medical treatment.

We couldn't have asked for a better day on the course! It was a beautiful sunny day that afforded a ton of laughs, networking and spectacular golf in the Mountain State. We had great corporate sponsors, on-course games, a shoot-out after dinner, awards and raffle prizes. Prior to Bobby Nicholas and Cheryl Jones from the hospital accepting the check for \$30,000, Mr. Nicholas sang *God Bless America*. Following the check presentation Corby Anderson and Andrew Restanio took 1st and 2nd place, respectively in the shoot-out and both donated their winnings back to the hospital. Over 30 raffle prizes were given away and we presented awards to the top four teams on each course as well as skill prizes for closest to pins and long drives.

A special thanks to all our sponsors whose donations benefited the hospital and provided on-course refreshments. To the volunteers, Sharon Kyle, Tara White, Lori Naser, Patrica Blaney, Anthony Farr, Mike Kalany and Mark Acree. Your help made the event a huge success. Also to Tracey Modispaugh with Precision Oil and Gas for raising \$1,000 and donating to the hospital. And to T.S. Dudley Land Company for setting up a skill game on the course which raised over \$700 for the hospital.

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# CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR WINNERS!



## Palmer Course

### 1<sup>st</sup> Place –50

Tim Stinson  
Jim Ellis

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place –54

Sam McLaughlin  
Tim Surmick  
Peter Binotto  
Mike Holiday

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place –55

Paul Smith  
Rhonda Shannon  
Clayton Ferguson  
Nick Eddy

### 4<sup>th</sup> Place –56

Kevin Pierson  
Travis Edmondson  
Kaitlyn Lee  
Keith Zabela

## Jones Course

### 1<sup>st</sup> Place –53

Cara Davis  
Stephanie Skeen  
Bill Eischeid  
J. Pepe

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Place –53

Nate Russell  
Jarred Detweiler  
Broc Skeen  
Caleb Ward

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Place –55

Chris Carlson  
Steve Watson  
Ryan Moore  
Cass Burkett

### 4<sup>th</sup> Place –56

Corey Powell  
Andrew Cutright  
Mark Johnson  
Skip Heiskell

Be proud that we work in an industry with such great people that are willing to donate their time and money to help the children and their family's right here in our backyard.

The MLBC thanks everyone for their continued support of this event!





















