



The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Toys for Tots, Tournament Players Championship was held on a beautiful fall day at the picturesque Eagle Haven Golf Course on board Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek on October 11, 2009. Thanks to the generous donations of our 76 golfers, dinner participants and sponsors, we were able to receive 508 toys and raise \$1,300. The toys did not just come from the golfers. The generous heart of the folks that play golf at Eagle Haven dropped off toys the week leading up to the tournament to support our cause. And I thank them and you for your support. 508 less fortunate kids will wake up on Christmas morning with at least one toy and a smile. **How good is that?**

Inspired by "Small Town Values for Life", the Kuyahoorra Valley Foundation has now raised over \$197,000 in the past 21 years to support local, national and global causes through charity golf events held across the country. In planning each event, we strive to reach three simple goals: 1) to help those less fortunate; 2) to have a great time with friends and family; and 3) to relish the great game of golf. After the founder of the KVF, Ike Coffin's outstanding and inspirational speech that touched a lot of people, the KVF is going to add one more goal as he said it, 4) TO JUST GIVE A LITTLE SOMETHING BACK.

Toys for Tots Began in 1947. Major Bill Hendricks and a group of Marine Reservists in Los Angeles collected and distributed 5,000 toys to needy children. The idea came from Bill's wife, Diane. In the fall of 1947, Diane crafted a homemade doll and asked Bill to deliver the doll to an organization, which would give it to a needy child at Christmas. When Bill determined that no agency existed, Diane told Bill that he should start one. He did. And so it began.

This year's tournament had 3 different Championship Flights, Men's, Women's and Senior/Co-Ed. The following winners of the tournament are:

Men's Champion	Mark Bierce and Paul Freeman
Women's Champion	Emmy Conte and Gianna Conte
Senior/Co-Ed Champion	Mandy Asperin and John Moore

The Long Drive and Closest to the Pin awards were donated by Jeff Conte with Fiserv in Upstate NY. Jeff has continued to support the Toys for Tots and the KVF year in and year out. We can't do this without him and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. The following winners are:

Men's Long Drive	Ryan Cooper Coffin	Women's Long Drive	Heather Wild
Men's Closest to the pin	Paul Freeman	Women's Closest to the pin	Ellen Harris

The Toys for Tots Tournament received their first Major Sponsor. Dan McCarthy could not make this year's tournament and donated \$1,000. Dan on behalf of myself and the people who attended this year's tournament THANK YOU SO MUCH! Your generous donation will go a long way and truly shows the spirit you have for our "Small Town Values for Life".

On behalf of Mike Eller, John Bowers and the Kuyahoorra Valley Foundations Board of Directors, we THANK YOU for your generous support of the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Toys for Tots Tournament Players Championship and for making it such an outstanding weekend. We are looking forward to seeing all of you again next year. GO NAVY BEAT ARMY!

Stephen Coffin - Tournament Director