

***Results of Brooke Leitterman Memorial Golf Tournament for Special Olympics
June 2, 2018 at Cameron Veterans Memorial Golf Course***

What a tournament! At 4:30 a.m., a wind, rain and lightning storm blew through Cameron, wreaking havoc on trees and golf signs which had been set up the night before. Limbs were scattered around the course and all over town. The rain persisted until about 8 am, when things finally started to settle down. The rest of the day was beautiful, sunny, moderate in temperature with a light breeze!

Even though the tournament got started about 45 minutes late due to the rain, the rest of the day was amazing! We had 40 out of 46 teams show up, bravely ready to venture forth and play golf for a great cause, Special Olympics in the North area! We had 3 Special Olympics athletes who joined Janet Leitterman on the platform before the tournament to recite the Special Olympics Oath before the event tee off. They are all from the St. Joseph area and have all played in past golf tournament events. Our athletes were as follows: Jacob Sanger, Fred Putnam and Darren Ellis. We appreciate their participation in our event, and they were all playing thanks to generous team sponsors, Hwy 36 Auto Diesel, and the Leitterman Family.

The following were the winners of the 3 flights:

Championship Flight

1st place and overall champions were Mike Fallein, and Shawn Fallein, with a score of 63.

2nd place in Championship was: Les Mouser and Doug Mouser with a 64.

3rd place in Championship was Jay Graham and George Pugh with a 64. The difference was determined through a scorecard playoff tie in 2nd and 3rd.

A Flight

1st Place: Sam Hiner and Dennis McCoy with a score of 70.

2nd Place: Art Sturgeon, Matt Brewer, Also with a 70 (another scorecard playoff)

3rd Place: Chris Shanks and Caleb Shanks, with a score of 72.

B Flight

1st Place: Scotty Massey and Shay Massey with a score of 74.

2nd Place: Jeff Mouser and Megan Mouser with a score of 75.

3rd Place: Jason Leitterman and Travis Leitterman with a score of 76.

There were several special hole prizes awarded:

Hole #3, Closest to the Pin on first shot: Jacob Sullivan

Hole #5, Closest to Pin on first shot: Kyle Robirds

Hole #8, Longest Drive in Fairway: Art Sturgeon

Hole #16, Closest to pin on first shot: Kyle Robirds

Hole #18, Longest putt on the green: Bill Filley

There was a Hole in One contest on Hole #14 for a 2-year lease on a 2018 Chevy Silverado provided by Randy Curnow Chevrolet but unfortunately none of the golfers were lucky enough to win that prize. We thank our friends at Randy Curnow for providing the opportunity and also for the other Par 3 hole in one prizes offered, although they were not awarded to anyone since no one was able to get a hole in one this year. Special thanks to Kevin Fasbender of Randy Curnow Chevrolet for helping to coordinate all these prize opportunities for our golfers. Many wonderful door prizes went to the golfers as well as a continental breakfast before the tournament of donuts, fruit and snacks, coffee, juice and milk. The after-tournament buffet was provided as a donation for all the golfers and their families by McCorkle's in downtown Cameron. Trophies which were generously donated by Leibrant's were awarded to the winners and the drawing for raffle prizes took place following the trophy presentation. The Leitterman family would like to acknowledge all their many sponsors and donors who contributed to make this event so successful. Corporate Gold sponsors were; Patty Becraft Web Designs, NW Electric Co-op, Scobee Powerlines, Cameron Newspapers, McCorkle's Eatery & Pub.

Silver sponsors were: Audio Marketing Professionals; "It's Travel Time!" Laurie Kercher, travel agent; Red Roof Inn of Cameron; and Walmart of Cameron. Many other businesses and individuals were team and hole sponsors and donors and will be listed, to the best of our abilities, in a separate Thank You ad in this week's paper. A very special thank you to Doug Prewitt of Audio Marketing Professionals, who not only was a new Silver Sponsor but generously provided the use of a microphone and speaker system at McCorkle's for the use of presenters. All in all, it was another successful tournament and raised a record amount, after expenses of just over \$12,000.

Results of fundraising efforts

Brooke Letterman Memorial Golf Tournament for Special Olympics

2012-2018

Our family took over the fundraising efforts, management and monetary control of the Special Olympics golf tournament from the CRCC Personnel Club in 2012. Our first year, we were in a learning mode, trying to navigate the logistics of how to proceed and what all we could do to increase the amount raised for the Special Olympics in the North area of Missouri. All the funds are managed through the St. Joseph regional office of Special Olympics Missouri, which is responsible for 23 counties here in the Northwest area of the state. We can actually designate what amount of the funds are specifically set aside for Cameron or any other area or teams in this area. All the money is 501 (C) 3 #23-7328374 (SOMO) so donations are tax deductible; In kind donations are also eligible for tax deduction under this number.

Our first year (2012): Special Olympics received \$2,000.

Expenses: \$1,326.

(2013): Special Olympics received \$5,000.

Expenses: \$1,971.

(2014): Special Olympics received \$7,000.

Expenses: \$2,190.

(2015): Special Olympics received \$8,000.

Expenses: \$2,028.

(2016): Special Olympics received \$9,000.

Expenses: \$2,187.

(2017): Special Olympics received \$11,000.

Expenses: \$2,136.

Our goal each year is to keep expenses as low as possible but to also raise the most money possible for the kids who are the beneficiaries of this event. Special needs kids need advocates and we love to support and encourage them and their families to enjoy the benefits of Special Olympics competitions and events. There are many services they receive as a result of their participation: Well athlete check-up, glasses, athlete shoe fittings, dental screenings and other activities which will help them to be able to function at their best in all areas of their lives. Brooke loved Special Olympics and her fellow athletes, so it helps us to honor her memory and keep her dreams alive through our fundraising efforts here in Cameron and the area.

We sincerely appreciate all our sponsors, whether it is team, hole sponsors, corporate sponsors, trophy sponsors, luncheon sponsors, door prize sponsors, or raffle prize sponsors. All our contributors help us to raise and donate the maximum amount to the kids!

Thanks for considering being a sponsor on whatever level you are comfortable with.

Our hearts are full and we are proud to continue this effort in memory of our favorite Special Olympian, Brooke Lauren Letterman.

Janet & Greg Letterman

Co-managers of the Tournament

(Brooke's Grandma Janet & Papa Greg)