

Jacksonville Women's Network

When the women in the Ponte Vedra Women's Golf Association learned that three of their own had been diagnosed with breast cancer in the same year, Susie Buckey, Duffy Marshall and Kathy Rackley knew what they had to do. They wanted to raise funds and awareness, and found the logical fit: a golf tournament. This October 7th is the 4th annual Pink Ribbon Golf Classic.

The Pink Ribbon Golf Classic is a locally supported event that benefits breast cancer research right here in our community, with all proceeds going to Baptist Medical Center Beaches and the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville. These facilities lead the way in local research and have provided high-quality care and treatment to Jacksonville women battling this devastating disease, allowing patients to fight their battle with the comforts of home, family and friends. Through continued research, large strides in early detection and treatment have been, and continue to be made, providing women with options not available to our grandmothers and mothers just a short time ago.

This tournament is made possible through the generous support of our corporate donors. A founding partner, the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club continues its generous support and is once again host to the tournament. This year there is an additional enhancement to our sponsorship packages thanks to a partnership with THE PLAYERS. As a way to thank our large sponsors, we will host an exciting sponsors' only golf tournament on November 3, 2010 at the TPC Stadium Course followed by a VIP Reception at the exclusive Pub 17.

The Pink Ribbon Golf Classic 'tees off' with a cocktail party October 6th featuring live and silent auctions, catering by Karen Glenn and decor by Liza Chung in the beautiful home of Nancy and Rich Morrison. The women only tournament will be played the following day, October 7th, on both the Ocean and Lagoon courses at the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club, followed by a luncheon and awards banquet. A raffle to win a Classic Large Chain Bracelet with Diamond Pave Clasp by designer John Hardy is ongoing, and the winner will be drawn at the check presentation and reception hosted by jewelry donor Underwoods Jewelers on November 16th.

Please join Co-Chairs Robin Wahby, Tabitha Furyk, and Past Chair Susie Buckey in helping women affected by breast cancer in our community. For sponsor, volunteer, golf registration or cocktail party information, please contact Damara Merten at 904-571-5563, damara18@bellsouth.net, or send donations to Pink Ribbon Golf Classic, PO Box 483, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32004.