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GOLF TOURNAMENT BENEFITS PACKPACK PROGRAM, NEWTON-CONOVER KIDS IN NEED FUND



Left to right are Deb Green, Kohl's Cares for Kids; Amanda Freeland, Backpack Program coordinator; David Stegall, superintendent of Newton-Conover City Schools and director of the Kids in Need Fund; and golf tournament organizers Lori Teague, Don Teague, Jessica Teague, and Cindy Baker. This was the fifth annual Children's Golf Tournament at Rock Barn Golf and Spa.

CONOVER -- DL Tee Golf and Rock Barn Golf and Spa held their annual Children's Golf Tournament on Nov. 8 to benefit local children's charities.

The tournament raised over \$15,000 this year, the most money in its five-year history. This money will be divided between the Backpack Program of Catawba County, which provides supplemental food to children in local schools who are facing hunger; and the Kids in Need Fund of the Newton-Conover Public Schools, which helps pay for medical needs of children in that school district. In addition, toys donated by the 228 golfers were given to the Conover Police Department to distribute to local children through its Santa Cops Program.

The tournament was organized by Lori and Don Teague and their daughter Jessica; and Cindy Baker. "These charities were the true winners of the tournament," said Lori Teague. "Many needy children in the Catawba County area will now have a better Christmas, food on the table, and receive help with their medical needs because of the participation of the golfers. We also want to thank our sponsors and volunteers, especially Kohl's Cares for Kids. We are looking forward to another great tournament next year."

More information about the Backpack Program is available by contacting Amanda Freeland, program coordinator, at afreeland@catawbacountync.gov. More information about the Newton-Conover Public Schools' Kids in Need Fund is available from the school district.

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