

LAKE JOVITA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

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LAKE JOVITA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB HONORED
MILITARY HEROES ON PATRIOT GOLF DAY

Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club observed the first annual Patriot Golf Day on Saturday, September 1, collecting donations for the families of those who became disabled or lost their lives in the line of military duty.

“More than 200 of our members participated,” said Head PGA Golf Professional Jim Hafner, who organized the event at Lake Jovita.

Patriot Golf Day was observed at more than 3,200 golf courses across the nation. PGA Golf Professional Dan Rooney, an F-16 fighter pilot who flew two tours in Iraq, created the event. The Professional Golfers’ Association of America and the United States Golf Association coordinated it with the tag line, “Giving back to those who have given everything.”

The initial idea of the fundraiser was to ask golfers to donate \$1 each with their greens fees. Lake Jovita expanded it, in keeping with the Club’s continuing

commitment to honor our servicemen and women. Some members mounted American flags on their carts. Club Director Dan Condella and his Food and Beverage Staff brought their grill out to the practice putting green, served free “Brats and Dogs,” and collected more donations.

The members’ response on Patriot’s Golf Day was so positive that Hafner and Condella continued the fundraising on Labor Day as well. Members also made individual contributions online. “This was a great response to a worthwhile effort,” said Hafner.

Through September 30, all active duty military personnel can play two-for-one, two players for \$99, after noon. The special rate includes 18-holes of golf, cart and use of practice facilities. Members of the Armed Forces may reserve tee times up to two days in advance of play.

For more information, or for reservations, call the Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club, 352-588-2233.