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## Women In Defense Space Coast 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Sandbagger Invitational Golf Tournament a Great Success Raising \$12K for STEM Scholarships

Melbourne, FL, June 6, 2022 – One hundred golfers hit the greens at Baytree National Golf Links on Friday, May 20<sup>th</sup> for the sold out 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Sandbagger Invitational Golf Tournament to raise funds for STEM scholarships. Space Coast Intelligent Solutions (SCIS) was the Title Sponsor.

The Women in Defense Space Coast Chapter (WIDSC) organized the event with seventeen volunteers working throughout the day to keep the golfers happy and the action moving smoothly. Over \$12,000 was raised in sponsorships, entry fees, mulligan packages, and raffles.

“We are very pleased with the turnout and level of support the community showed to our golf tournament this year,” stated WIDSC Chapter President Inga Young of 8-koi. “Our volunteer board works hard all year long to develop and deliver value-added programming to our membership. Raising money to award STEM scholarships is very meaningful and just one way our organization can contribute to creating a more diverse and stable workforce on the Space Coast.”

The tournament’s first place team was Cody Haner, Jacob Vetter, Robbie Blubaugh, and Reid Hart. The second place team was Donna Corum, Janet Peternel, Thomas Peternel and Jeff Toth. The third place team was Bryan Calenda, Mike Calenda, Tony Calenda, and Ed Lindsay. The winners of the Longest Drive contest were Lisa Shoemaker and Roger Hornsby, and Janet Peternel and Fran Kester were the winners of the Closest to the Pin contest.

New for this year was a Helicopter Golf Ball Drop sponsored by Wings of Grace Ministries LLC, which brought in a total of \$3,582 in sales with a \$1,194 cash prize going to the lucky winner who had their ball come closest to the target hole.

Gold Sponsors were 8-koi, Jacobs Engineering’s jCARES, Kegman, and Siemens. Merrill Lynch Rockledge was Silver Sponsor and Gillespie Services was Lunch Sponsor. Tee Box Sponsors were Alluvionic, Bill & Sheila Gaylor Insurance, CitrusSolution Brevard, Cloud 9 Real Estate Group, Coldwell Banker Paradise, Frazier Engineering, HR Alignment Group, Lexus of Melbourne, Miller Electric Company, and Professional Specialty Insurance LLC. Proforma Arrow Solutions was Longest Drive Sponsor and Carr, Riggs & Ingram was Closest to the Pin Sponsor. Other event support was provided by AVET Veteran Appeals, Charlie & Jake’s BBQ, Courtyard by Marriott Cocoa Beach, and Dixon Golf.



A total of \$15,000 in STEM scholarships will be awarded to Brevard County students on June 21<sup>st</sup> at the Courtyard Cocoa Beach. The evening event will also recognize winners of WIDSC's STEM Education Innovator Awards for individuals and organizations who go above-and-beyond in supporting science, technology, engineering, and math education on the Space Coast. See more details and register online at <http://scwid.org/>.

If you would like more information about WIDSC programs and fundraising for STEM scholarships, please contact Susan Glasgow at 321-614-5930 or [sponsorships@scwid.org](mailto:sponsorships@scwid.org).

### **About Women In Defense Space Coast Chapter**

The Women In Defense Space Coast Chapter (WIDSC) was founded January 21, 2013 and is a 501c3 affiliate of the National Defense Industrial Association (NDIA). WIDSC provides networking and professional development opportunities to promote the role of women in national defense and security, to support military service members, and to encourage partnerships within the local contractor community, defense industry and military personnel. See more at <http://scwid.org/>.

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