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### Golfing Fore Autism fundraiser a success

The 6th annual Golfing Fore Autism charity tournament was held this summer at the Orange Lake Resort in Kissimmee. The Autism and Related Disabilities Gym Program raised more than \$3,000. This will help pay for swimming lessons, a barbecue, bowling event, prom night and other activities planned for the year for the families.

The team of Eric Trowbridge, Travis Welch and Drew Strauch took first place, while Doug Woolever, Kristen Lehrer and Tim Lyons were runners-up. Third place went to Mark Finn, Tim Zuzze, Alpha Bellamy, Larry Makela and Tommy Makela.

Special thanks go to Mayor Scott Vandergrift and the city of Ocoee, Trophies Unlimited, Sosa Cigars, Tony's Liquor, MLDavison Photographer and the Winter Garden Elks Lodge 2165.

The Autism Gym is held on Tuesday evenings from 6:15-7:15 at the Jim Beech Recreation Center. The program is free to all our participants. For more information, call JoAnne Houwers at 407-234-7456 or visit [www.autismgym.org](http://www.autismgym.org). High school kids can earn credit for volunteering at the program.



*Volunteering at the tournament are (l-r): in front, Peggy Warren, Dan Burns, Mayor Scott Vandergrift; middle row, Danielle Capierscho, Laurie Roumeliotis; in back, Lisa Soccia, Mark Schencker, JoAnne Houwers, Jessica Lyons and Tammy Kern.*