

Murphy's Irish Pub's 23rd annual golf tournament raises \$13K for Sonoma Sports Programs

Pictured receiving the check above for \$6750 from left to right are: Murphy's golf tournament committee members, Tom Kelly, Frank Gaynor, **SVHS** Principal Molly Kiss, **SVHS** Athletic Director Mike Boles, Murphy's Management Dermot Coll & Shawn Mihalik, Murphy's Marketing Assistant Shari Duscenne (Murphy's Irish Pub)
Below: Tom Kelly, Frank Gaynor, Monte Wallace Sonoma Little League president, Dermot Coll, Shari Duscenne & Shawn Mihalik

Murphy's Irish Pub recently held its annual golf event, the 23rd-annual Bottomfeeder's Tournament. September 19, 2022

There was a great turnout of 120 players who enjoyed the greens at Sonoma Golf Club on a surprisingly sunny but wet afternoon. A dinner and auction was held in the clubhouse after, where generous bidders raised their paddle in support of Sonoma Valley High School's athletic department & Sonoma Little League.

Murphy's managers Dermot Coll & Shawn Mihalik were the auctioneers on the night, with help from Shari Duscenne and committee members Tom Kelly (volunteer) and Frank Gaynor (volunteer). Special mention to auction bidders Felim & Valeria O'Reilly, Aiden Fahey, Joe O'Brien, John McMahon, Erica & Martin Smithies, Bridgene & Coleman Raftery of Cara's Custom Painting, and .

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The \$13k raised from the event was donated to the **SVHS** to help with the ongoing challenges associated with running the athletic department, as well as **SLL** a registered non-profit organization. Sonoma Little League supports youth baseball in Sonoma for 250+ children annually and provides children with a positive athletic experience with scholarship programs. Murphy's leadership is already looking forward to next year's event.

SVHS Athletic Director Mike Boles said, "Sonoma Valley High School's Athletic Department would like to sincerely thank Murphy's Irish Pub and Restaurant, Sonoma Golf Club, the golf participants, and sponsors for the generous donation

from their 22nd-annual Bottomfeeders Golf Tournament. In particular, we thank Dermot Coll, Shawn, Mihalik, Tom Coll, Richie Hart, Shari Duscenne, Frank Gaynor and Tom Kelly. Words cannot adequately express how grateful we are. Our athletic department is fueled by donations and your donation has provided us with the opportunity to move forward without financial constraint. In these challenging times, your charitable actions have demonstrated your commitment to our Sonoma community. Our student-athletes are the ultimate beneficiary. We are deeply appreciative and grateful."

