

## Perspectives: Golf outing raises \$50,000

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Let's focus on some good news that occurred the past few days.

The Cape Coral Community Foundation's annual golf tournament raised \$50,000. The nonprofit group distributes more than \$400,000 in grants and scholarships each year to various agencies in the area.

The foundation knows how to raise money quickly. In a matter of 13 minutes during the dinner after golf, the group raised \$23,000 of the \$50,000, with event honoree Richard Barton giving \$10,000. The economy might be tight, but the participants in Friday's event at Palmetto-Pine Country Club opened their wallets and hearts when it counted most. Barton is a longtime contributor to the foundation and owner of Barton Insurance. "Everybody was so great the way they stepped up to the plate," said Beth Sanger, foundation executive director. "This tournament is not just a fundraiser - it is a tradition."