

## **Eagles at Rancho del Pueblo program gets \$50k boost from SBC San Jose Golf Classic**

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**SAN JOSE (July 29, 2004)** – The San Jose Sports Authority's Eagles at Rancho del Pueblo youth golf program got a \$50,000 boost from last week's benefit golf tournament, an \$8,000 annual increase from the event that's the only source of the program's funds.

"The golfers and sponsors who participated in the 2004 SBC San Jose Golf Classic presented by CordeValle and hosted by Mayor Ron Gonzales were a strong vote of confidence in this program and the values that Eagles teaches," said Dean Munro, executive director of the Sports Authority. "All of us who work on the Eagles program are grateful for the support of these young people who might not be able to take up golf otherwise."

More than 160 youngsters, most of them underprivileged, participate in Eagles each year receiving free transportation, equipment and 32 hours of LPGA and PGA instruction at Rancho del Pueblo golf course in the belief that the values of the game – patience, self-discipline, integrity and responsibility – are transferable to the real world.

Eagles at Rancho del Pueblo was established in March 2001 with a grant from the United States Golf Association, but is now supported entirely by funds raised by the Sports Authority. More than 400 boys and girls have participated since the program began.

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