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13th ANNUAL GOLFATHON TOTALS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

St. Matthew's House (SMH) announces its 13th Annual Golfathon, held on April 20th at Imperial Golf Club, will have raised a gross total of approximately \$200,000 in donations, with another \$45,000 expected from outstanding per-hole pledge payments. As SMH receives no federal, county or state government support, they count on Golfathon funds to cover operational costs through the summer and beyond. This year's Golfathon was one of the most enjoyable yet, complemented by the spectacular layout and courses at Imperial Golf Club.

The 14th Annual Golfathon will again take place at Imperial Golf Club on Tuesday, April 19th, 2011, making this the first in Golfathon history to happen before the Easter holiday. This is due in large part to the support of the Imperial Women's Golf Club Association called the "Nine Holers", who have exclusive use of the club each Tuesday. Nine Holers Past President Edna Seeds says, "The Nine Hole board is very proud to step aside again next year because (Imperial Head Golf Pro) John Lee gets it across to us that SMH is a wonderful cause. I know SMH is a great facility. Our new president, Beverly Davisson, is very supportive as well."

St. Matthew's House graciously acknowledges all 170 players both amateur and pro, event and hole sponsors, volunteers, participating churches, prize team members and Golfathon committee members for helping make it such a success year after year. Please view our online [Golfathon photo gallery!](#) For more information about the [Golfathon](#) or [St. Matthew's House](#), please contact [Julie Clay](#) at 239-774-0500.

Attached pics:

About St. Matthew's House

The mission of St. Matthew's House (SMH) is to change lives in a spiritual environment that is both compassionate and disciplined, as well as providing housing for the homeless and food for the needy. A 501(c)(3) non-profit entity, SMH has been serving the homeless, hungry and hopeless since 1987. SMH is the only emergency housing and recovery program in Collier County, offering 176 beds for men, women, women with children, and families both in Naples and at Immokalee Friendship House. Serving meals at the Old Firehouse, SMH is the only feeding ministry in Collier County, having served over two million meals since opening in 1988. SMH also operates Wolfe Apartments transitional affordable housing, three thrift stores, a full-service catering company and two food pantries which give out over 6,000 bags of groceries annually to qualifying residents in both Collier and Lee counties.

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