



A community partner of YaleNewHavenHealth

**Contact:** Michelle La France, Manager of Public Relations and Community Outreach  
O (860) 963-6598 | C (401) 302-8564 | [mllafrance@daykimball.org](mailto:mllafrance@daykimball.org)

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

***Photos attached***

**Day Kimball Hospital Putnam Bank Golf Classic Raises Over \$113,000 for COVID-19 Response Fund**

PUTNAM, CONN. (Oct. 7, 2020) – The 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Day Kimball Hospital (DKH) Putnam Bank Golf Classic was held at the Connecticut National Golf Club on September 11. Sponsors, golfers, and volunteers who participated in or supported this year’s event raised more than \$113,000, the net proceeds of which will benefit the DKH COVID-19 Response Fund which provides critical supplies, equipment and resources in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

“In a very difficult time in healthcare, it was amazing to see the combination of dedicated donors, hospital staff, volunteers, community members, and business partners come together in light of the COVID-19 pandemic to help us exceed all expectations in achieving our fundraising goal,” said Kristen Willis, director of development, Day Kimball Healthcare. “We are incredibly grateful for the supporters of our Golf Classic who play an enormous role in helping us continue to provide high quality, safe care to our patients and their families during the pandemic and beyond.”

Changes, such as temperature checks and social distancing measures, were implemented to help the golfers that attended not only enjoy the day, but also stay safe. A special highlight from the tournament was a salute by the American Legion L’Homme Burdick Post 21 Danielson Color Guard escorted by the Manchester Pipe Band to all service personnel in honor of 9/11 and to the essential workers who have provided care, comfort, safety and sustenance throughout the pandemic.

Putnam Bank, a division of Centreville Bank, partnered with Day Kimball Hospital as the title sponsor for the fourth year in a row, contributing another \$25,000 toward Day Kimball Hospital initiatives over this calendar year.

“We are proud to show our support for this great event, especially in a year when so many locally have been impacted by the pandemic,” said Hal Horvat, president and chief executive officer, Centreville Bank. “The work that Day Kimball Healthcare does is essential in the community and Centreville Bank is looking forward to continuing to develop our relationship and expand the impact we can make in Eastern Connecticut.”

Other major sponsors for the event included Putnam Plastics Corporation and Wheelabrator Putnam, Inc. as Gold Sponsors; and Silver Sponsors Arthur J. Gallagher & Co., Athenahealth, Colonial Health Rehab Center of Plainfield LLC, Downes Construction Co. LLC, Garfunkel Wild P.C., NES Healthcare, Northeast Development Company, Reid & Riege P.C., SHERLOQ Solutions, and Weiss, Hale & Zahansky Strategic Wealth Advisors. More than 260 other local and regional businesses and organizations, as well as individual community members and families participated in sponsoring the event to support the provision of healthcare in Northeast Connecticut.

Since its founding 36 years ago, the golf tournament has raised more than \$2,190,000 to support continued access to high quality medical care close to home in Northeast Connecticut by helping to fund technologies, facilities and care initiatives at the independent, non-profit community hospital.

To learn more about the DKH COVID-19 Response Fund visit [www.daykimball.org/giving/covid-19-response-fund](http://www.daykimball.org/giving/covid-19-response-fund).

### **Golf Classic Results**

Gross results: First place with a score of 57 the Walmart-North Windham team of Roger Noll, Scott Vose, Sean Vigue, and Pat Kozelka; second place (on matching cards) with a score of 59 was Rawson Materials team of Jeff Rawson, Eric Shulman, Mike Greene, and Justin Miele.

Net results: First place with a score of 41.5 was the Wireless Zone team of Joe Salan, Dave Haggett, Josh Paul, and Brian Cloud; second place with a score of 43 was the team of Gary Breton, Doug Campbell, Ralph Kelly, and Kenny Lemire.

Closest to the pin honors went to Jesse Weitknecht, Jeff Simpson, Ryan Dandeneau, Mark Parker, and Scott Vose.

For more information about the Day Kimball Hospital Putnam Bank Golf Classic, visit [daykimball.org/golfclassic](http://daykimball.org/golfclassic) or call the Day Kimball Healthcare Development Office at (860) 928-7141.

###

### **About Day Kimball Healthcare**

Day Kimball Healthcare is a non-profit, integrated medical services provider comprised of Day Kimball Hospital, healthcare centers in Danielson, Dayville, Plainfield and Putnam, Day Kimball HomeCare, Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern Conn., Day Kimball HomeMakers, and Day Kimball Medical Group. Its service area includes Northeast Connecticut as well as nearby Massachusetts and Rhode Island communities. Day Kimball Healthcare's comprehensive network offers more than 1,100 employees including nearly 300 associated, highly-skilled physicians, surgeons and specialists. Its website is [www.daykimball.org](http://www.daykimball.org).