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North Suburban YMCA holds its 5th Annual Community Strong Golf Event

The Y raises over \$55K+ to help with financial aid and charitable support for the community in their Community Strong fundraising efforts

Northbrook, IL – On July 17, more than 100 golfers, 25 volunteers, and over 50 sponsors and vendors gathered at the Chevy Chase Country Club in Wheeling for the North Suburban YMCA's 5th Annual *Community Strong Golf Fundraiser*. The event raised over \$55,000, contributing significantly to the Y's \$500,000 annual goal to support financial assistance programs for families in need.

This lively golf outing marks the second phase of the Y's 2025 *Community Strong Fundraising Campaign*. The first phase, the *Community Strong Dinner & Casino Night* held in April at Loft 21, also saw a tremendous turnout. Collectively, these events raise nearly half of the funds required each year to sustain the Y's charitable work, including scholarships and community programs that ensure access for all, regardless of financial ability.

"I've been to many golf fundraisers over the years, and this is by far one of my favorites," says **Dave Fogel**, morning show host on **94.7 WLS-FM**. "Now in my fifth year attending, I'm continually inspired by how the Y supports so many communities, especially underserved families. I always walk away learning something new about the impact they make—and I'm proud to support the Y's mission."

Following a fun-filled day on the course, the celebration continued with a closing reception and patio party, where the Y honored tournament winners and participants. The coveted top trophy was shared by two foursomes who tied for first place:

- **Team Tatarek:** Pat Tatarek, Alex Williams, Patrick Niday, and Ryan Liebgott
- **Team Schultz:** Howard Schultz, Kevin Braude, Chase Noonan, and Patrick Livengood – who celebrated their fifth consecutive win.

Crowd-favorite awards for **Best Dressed Team** went to **Chris Murphy, Liz Chmiel, Jocelyn Garner, and Lisa Rudisel**, who delighted attendees dressed as "Country Club Ladies on the Green." Another standout for costume and cart décor went to **Johanna and Bryan Benavides** of Deerfield, joined by **Lance Neuhauser** and **Mike McCarthy** of Northbrook. The **Best Dressed Individual Golfer** was awarded to **Kelly Chabebe** of Rover's Place in Northbrook.

“We always have so much fun with great energy at this event,” said **Kim Nyren**, Director of Community Investments and Events at the NSYMCA. “What was even more humbling this year was the number of local businesses that supported our golf event this year. Events like this are not possible without the backing of generous local businesses, and we’re lucky to be in a place that cares so deeply about families and the underserved.”

2025 Community Strong Golf Sponsors included:

- Presenting Sponsor: Tito’s Handmade Vodka
- Patio Party Sponsors: Warren Barr Buffalo Grove, Warren Barr North Shore, Bella Terra Wheeling, Avantara Long Grove, Avantara Libertyville
- Beverage Cart Sponsor: VisoGraphics
- Contest Sponsors: Wintrust Community Banks, 94.7 WLS-FM, Q101-FM, WLS-AM, Greengard Engineering
- Hole Sponsors: Norwood Builders, 4S Bay Partners, Autohaus, ChiroOne, Covenant Living, Countryside Day School, Vasey Team - State Farm, FGMK, Hunger Resource Network, Hill & Stone Insurance, Illinois Bone & Joint Institute, Janzen & Chwa Orthodontics, Reebie Moving & Storage, Stumm Insurance, Sunset Foods, UBS Financial Services, Waterway Carwash
- Cart Sponsors: Rover’s Place, Matlin Law Group, Mike Rizzo State Farm
- Tee Box Sponsors: Matlin Law Group, Nolan & Freund Dental Professionals, Wildfire Glenview
- Dessert Sponsor: Culver’s Northbrook
- Music Sponsor: Bach to Rock Northbrook
- Photo Booth Sponsor: Cobalt Photography
- Prize Sponsors: PGA Tour Superstore – Vernon Hills, Wildfire Glenview, GiftsForYouNow.com and many more generous prize sponsors.

Coming this fall, the North Suburban YMCA is gearing up for two more of its most popular community events: the **8th Annual SeniorPalooza** and the **NSYMCA Trunk-or-Treat Fest**. Both events are **free and open to the public**, offering something for everyone—from older adults to young families.

SeniorPalooza – Wednesday, September 17, 2025

Kicking off the fall season is **SeniorPalooza**, a vibrant **health and fun fair** featuring **over 50 local vendors**, free health screenings, presentation, raffles, and more. The event, now in its eighth year, focuses on **healthy aging, wellness resources, and community connection** for older adults and their families. To support and be a vendor or sponsor [CLICK HERE SENIORPALOOZA](#).

Trunk-or-Treat Fest – Sunday, October 19, 2025

Spooky fun awaits at the annual **Trunk-or-Treat Fest**, where hundreds of families gather in the Y’s parking lot for a safe, festive Halloween celebration. The event features **elaborately decorated cars, costume contest**, and, of course, **plenty of candy!** Community members and businesses are invited to decorate a trunk, donate treats, or become sponsors. To support and be a vendor or sponsor [CLICK HERE FALL FEST](#).

Both events take place at the **North Suburban YMCA**, located at **2705 Techny Road, Northbrook, IL**, and are designed to build community, promote wellness, and provide safe and inclusive spaces for all ages.

For more information, visit www.nsymca.org or call 847-272-7250.

About the North Suburban YMCA

The North Suburban YMCA services Northbrook and 15 surrounding communities with programs and tools that help its residents become healthier, more connected, and confident, ensuring that everyone, regardless

of age, income, or background, has the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive. The NSYMCA focuses on Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility and is a 501(c)3 charitable organization, inclusive and welcoming to all in our community. Learn more at NSYMCA.org.



Picture 1: At the NSYMCA's Community Strong Golf Fundraiser the "tied" winners of Lowest Scoring team show off their trophy. (from left) Ryan Liebgott, Patrick Livengood, Patrick Niday, Chase Noonan, Howard Schultz, Alex Williams and Patrick Tatarek.



Picture #2: (from left) Mike McCarthy, Bryan Benavides, Johanna Benavides and Lance Neuhauser one of the best dressed teams at the NSYMCA 5th Annual Community Strong Golf Fundraiser on July 17th at Chevy Chase Country Club.



Picture 3: (from left) Liz Chmiel, Chris Murphy, Lisa Rudisel and Jocelyn Garner voted for best dressed team at the NSYMCA 5th Annual Community Strong Golf Fundraiser on July 17th at Chevy Chase Country Club.



Pic 4: Three Generations of the Dahlke Family, (from Left) Danny, Bob Jr and Bob Sr, try to win a Mercedes Car donated by Autohaus on Edens.



Picture 5: Kelly Chabebe who won for Best Dressed Golfer with Christopher Dietrich at the NSYMCA 5th Annual Community Strong Golf Fundraiser on July 17th at Chevy Chase Country Club.



Picture 6: (from left) Frank Karkazis, Meredith Ade, Ron Bernardi of Sunset Foods pose in the selfie booth at the NSYMCA 5th Annual Community Strong Golf Fundraiser on July 17th at Chevy Chase Country Club.



Picture 7: Waterway Carwash, one of the supporting sponsors at the event, enjoyed at day on the course giving away free carwashes with their community carwash wheel spin.



Picture 8: (from left) Eric Eversman, Jerry Nagaj, Nathan Margol and Jeff Theolecke from Wintrust Community Bank, heads out on the course at the NSYMCA 5th Annual Community Strong Golf Fundraiser on July 17th at Chevy Chase Country Club.