

MONTHLY DIVOT

DECEMBER

CONGRATS MAKAEALA!

Congratulations to First Tee – GVR’s Makaela Swanson on her commitment to play college golf at Black Hills State University. Witnessing her growth over the past decade within our program has been truly remarkable. She has not only evolved into an exceptional golfer but has also become the outstanding individual she is today. We are so excited for Makaela as she takes this next step in her life. Congrats Makaela!



GIVES DAY IS APPROACHING

As we approach Colorado Gives Day on Tuesday, December 5th, seize the opportunity to make a meaningful impact. Act now by donating to First Tee – GVR and play a crucial role in broadening our community outreach. Your donation will contribute to our overarching mission of empowering kids and teens through golf. Join us in making a difference on this exceptional day of giving. Donate now using the link below!

**Easily
the
best
day
to
give.**



GIFT WRAPPING AT PGA TOUR SUPERSTORE

Celebrate the holiday season with us! On Saturday, December 16th, we invite you to join our gift-wrapping event at the PGA TOUR Superstore. Embrace the spirit of giving as we wrap gifts for customers, with all proceeds benefiting First Tee – GVR.

We have two shifts available, the first one is from 10-12:30 and the second is from 12:30-3. If you are interested email Aaron at apinkerton@coloradoopen.com.





OPERATION FREEBIRD

This past month, 10 of our First Tee - GVR participants volunteered at the 19th Annual Operation Freebird. Operation Freebird is an annual event designed to provide all the makings for a Thanksgiving meal. No profits or income are generated by this event. The Adams County Sheriff's office, Food Bank of the Rockies, and over 40 local non-profit agencies and community partners, strive to eliminate hunger in families with this initiative. Thanks to the collective efforts, Operation Freebird successfully provided Thanksgiving meals to more than 800 families.



DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Edward Hunt, a Board member and fourth generation Trustee of the Roy A. Hunt Foundation, is an avid sports supporter and philanthropist. He prioritizes helping the less fortunate with health care, debt relief, and scholarship access for practical degrees while also serving as the Board Chair of the Youth Violence Prevention committee.

Through all this, Edward Hunt and the Roy A. Hunt Foundation have generously supported First Tee - GVR since 2014. Together, the Hunts have dedicated over \$75,000 to the Colorado Open Golf Foundation.

In addition to his significant contribution, Ed goes above and beyond by generously sponsoring a team to participate in the Inspirato Colorado Open JLL Pro-Am. This team, comprised of himself and three dedicated tournament volunteers or rules officials, exemplifies Edward's commitment to giving back to those who play a crucial role in ensuring the success of the tournament.

Thank you, Ed, and your family's foundation, for your support over the years. Your commitment has made a lasting impact on our organization and the communities we serve. We look forward to continuing our shared journey of making a positive difference together.

