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ROONEY'S GOLF FOUNDATION POKER TOURNAMENT HAS BEST YEAR EVER 3rd Annual Poker Tournament Raises \$8,665 for Local Charities

West Palm Beach, FL, January 22, 2013 –The Rooney's Golf Foundation added a poker tournament to its fundraising efforts and \$8,665 was raised for local charities. One hundred and three poker players participated in the tournament on Saturday (Jan. 19) at the Palm Beach Kennel Club. For a \$50 buy-in, that included a buffet and drink, players of all levels faced off in a game of Texas Hold'em to win World Series of Poker Circuit Seats and cash prizes.

“Our RGF tournament was the best ever this year and we thank all those who participated and helped us to raise funds for our charities,” said Alexis Barbish Executive Director of the Rooney's Golf Foundation. “It's such a great event with incredible food and fun and this year we were able to pay out \$4,510 in prizes to the winners!” she added.

The evening also included raffle prizes including a “Sports Lovers” basket filled with game tickets to the Honda Classic, Panthers, Marlins and Spring Training games, plus a Rooney's Dining Package, Wine Tasting party and more. In addition, celebrity guests included: John Martin of ESPN 760AM Radio, Russ Evans from the Golf Exchange and Mike Balsamo from Seaview 95.9FM.

Proceeds from the event will benefit: Autism Project of Palm Beach County, FAU Honors College, Pathways to Independence and Potentia Academy.

Rooney's Golf Foundation has donated \$363,000 to local Palm Beach County charities since 2001. These funds are raised through the golf tournament, 5K and poker events. Next on the agenda is the 6th Annual RGF 5K will be held on Saturday, April 13 at Rooney's Pub in Abacoa and the 12th Annual RGF tournament is scheduled for Friday, October 25, 2013 at PGA National. For more information on RGF events: please call 561-683-2222 Jessica Davis at Ext. 141 or Alexis Barbish at ext. 146 or log on to www.RooneysGolfFoundation.org.

(Pictured guest enjoying the Rooney's Golf Foundation Poker Tournament.)

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