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DPM holds annual golf classic and helps to raise \$71,000 for MS

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Diversified Project Management, Inc. (DPM) held its 15th annual MS Golf Classic tournament at the Hopkinton Country Club and raised \$71,000 to benefit National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

"This past tournament has put DPM's combined contribution to the National MS Society over \$477,000," said Bob Keeley, president of DPM. "This is DPM's largest annual donation, as a result of the tournament and we are proud to continue to support the mission to end the devastating effects of MS."

The sellout tournament collected funds from 144 golfers, luncheon attendees, sponsorships, sale of raffle tickets, live auctions and mulligans raising over \$71,000.

The team from Lee Kennedy netted the lowest score at an impressive sixty-four. "The team was led by Lee Kennedy's vice president of Business Development, Gene Kennedy and was rounded out by Andy Erickson, Sunrise Erectors; Ed Dolan, Abbood Holloran Associates and Dorran Prescott, TRO / Jung Brannen. Each player received a \$100 Amex gift card from DPM and Total Office Interiors.

"Over 13,000 families in Mass. and N.H. are affected by this devastating disease," added Keeley. "We support the National MS Society because they provide help for today, and hope for tomorrow through MS education, support, advocacy and research."

"Thanks to money raised by firms like DPM, there are drugs available today that didn't exist before 1993," said Nancy Dlugowski, development manager of the Central New England Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. "And, we'll keep on raising money until the day when no one else has to hear their doctor say, 'you have multiple sclerosis'."

Multiple sclerosis is a chronic, often disabling, neurologic disease that affects the central nervous system, causing unpredictable and often severe symptoms that include tingling and numbness, fatigue, blurred vision, and loss of mobility. "MS is considered an autoimmune disease in which the body's immune system randomly attacks apparently normal tissue."

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Most commonly diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 50, MS occurs two to three times more often in women than in men. "An estimated 400,000 people in the U.S. have MS, and 200 new cases are diagnosed weekly. "For more information, contact the Chapter at 1-800-493-9255, or visit www.msnewengland.org.