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**TPC PRESTANCIA RAISES \$40,000 TO BENEFIT  
U.S. MILITARY FAMILIES THROUGH BIRDIES FOR THE BRAVE**

SARASOTA, FL – TPC Prestancia raised \$40,000 to benefit *Birdies for the Brave*® during a November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012, event. The charity, a primary element of Heritage Golf Group’s philanthropic endeavors, provides much needed support to members of the United States Armed Forces and their families.

This year’s event marked TPC Prestancia’s 8<sup>th</sup> annual *Birdies for the Brave* tournament and raised more than \$40,000. During the span of eight years and eight hosted charity golf tournaments, the Club has raised more than \$140,000 in support of *Birdies for the Brave*.

Held on a picture perfect Veteran’s Day, TPC Prestancia’s November 12<sup>th</sup> event hosted a full field of 160 golfers. During Opening Ceremonies, golfers were welcomed by a lone bagpiper and each four-some of golfers was joined by an active duty military member; many of whom are stationed at MacDill AFB in Tampa, FL. A dinner and awards presentation followed tournament play, including presentations by Major Steven L. McLeary, USAF of Operation Homefront, and Joe Beimfohr, representing Homes for Our Troops.

“Each year, we are honored and humbled to have the opportunity to continue our efforts in support of this great cause,” said Bob Holzman, General Manager of TPC Prestancia. “We have had excellent support again from our membership, sponsors and local community which has allowed us to raise awareness for the *Birdies for the Brave* program and for those brave individuals who give so much to maintain our freedom and safety.”

TPC Prestancia is one of ten Heritage Golf Group properties to host *Birdies for the Brave* fundraisers this year. From 2008-2012, the Heritage Collection of Clubs donated more than \$2.1 million to *Birdies for the Brave*.

*Birdies for the Brave* is a military outreach initiative that is dedicated to supporting the brave men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families. Funds from these Birdies for the Brave events will benefit numerous military homefront groups that are supported by PGA TOUR players, including: Green Beret Foundation ([www.greenberetfoundation.org](http://www.greenberetfoundation.org)) -- Bubba Watson; Homes for Our Troops ([www.homesforourtroops.org](http://www.homesforourtroops.org)) and Special Operations Warrior Foundation ([www.specialops.org](http://www.specialops.org)) -- Phil Mickelson; Military Warriors Support Foundation ([www.militarywarriors.org](http://www.militarywarriors.org)) – Ted Purdy, David Toms; Navy SEAL Foundation ([www.nswfoundation.org](http://www.nswfoundation.org)) – Jerry Kelly, Frank Lickliter II, Vijay Singh; United Through Reading ([www.unitedthroughreading.org](http://www.unitedthroughreading.org)) -- Rory Sabbatini; Wounded Warrior Project ([www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org)) -- Jason Gore, Nick Watney, Boo Weekley; and Operation Homefront ([www.operationhomefront.net](http://www.operationhomefront.net)) – Corey Pavin.

For additional information, visit [www.birdiesforthebrave.org](http://www.birdiesforthebrave.org).

**About Heritage Golf Group**

Heritage Golf Group ([www.heritagegolfgroup.com](http://www.heritagegolfgroup.com)) began in 1999 with funding provided by the private equity firm, GTCR Golder Rauner, LLC. Since then, the company has grown an impressive portfolio of private and resort golf clubs around the country. The Heritage portfolio represents some of the most well-known and acclaimed properties spanning Texas, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina. The company, led by Bob Husband, President and CEO, distinguishes itself through its dedication to unrivaled golf and uncompromising service.

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