



Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

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Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association MGM Northfield Park Charity Night A Huge Success

Grove City, OH – First Tee Cleveland and the Akron Canton Regional Food Bank were the big winners at the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association Charity Night held at MGM Northfield Park, June 11.

Eighteen charities participated in the event; each being paired with a horse. Each charity received a donation from the OHHA for participating, with the top three finishers receiving larger donations. First place received \$10,000, second place received \$5,000 and third place \$3,000. All other finishers received \$2,000 donations.

In the first charity race, Billy Davis Jr. took Bearcreekhoney to the lead and never looked back winning for the First Tee Cleveland. Garbo Ohio Governor's Imagination Library while With Wings was third for the Amelia DiGirolamo Center of Hope. The other charities that were represented in the race were Colleen DeCrane Family Foundation, By Dawn's Early Light, The Emergency Assistance Center, A Kid Again, Spur for the Cure, and Keys 2 Serenity.

In the second charity races of the night, Always B Gigi and Ronnie Wrenn Jr. grabbed the lead heading the half-mile pole and cruised to a 2¼ length victory for the Akron Canton Regional Food Bank. Bella Blue finished second for Ohio Sister Circle and Really Sam was third for Down the Stretch RaceHorse Aftercare. The other charities in the race were Kent State University Foundation, The Lcada Way, Love Doesn't Shove, Sisters of Charity Foundation of Cleveland, Wags 4 Kids, Milestones Autism Resources.

A total of \$60,000 was donated to the charities by the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association.

Photos: First Tee Cleveland receive a \$10,000 at the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association Charity Night at MGM Northfield Park when Bearcreekhoney won.

The Akron Canton Regional Food Bank received a \$10,000 donation with Always B Gigi's victory Saturday night at OHHA Charity Night at MGM Northfield Park.

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The Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association (OHHA) is a non-profit organization serving Standardbred horse owners, breeders, trainers, drivers, and fans who participate in the sport of harness racing in the Buckeye State.

OHHA was founded in 1953. The mission of the Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association is to preserve, protect, promote, and serve the entire Standardbred industry in Ohio and beyond.