

## Secretary Rice, More Than 200 Golfers Help Raise Money for DS Foundation

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There was some debate and then a majority decision. The team chose to take advantage of Rick Hull's long drive on the 10<sup>th</sup> hole on the Robert Trent Jones course. The choice left the foursome with 75 yards, side hill, out of the rough, over a bunker to the green.

Former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice alone preferred a shot that was twice as long with a perfect lie in the fairway and a good look at the pin. In the end, as each player tried the difficult shot, only Dr. Rice's golf ball -- from the imperfect lie -- ended up on the green about 15 paces beyond the hole. DS Foundation President Walt Deering hit the ball to about eight feet and Marty Kraus putted it in for par. A true team effort.

The teams of Kathy Lane, Sean Noble, Bill Schwartz, and Steve Schwartz; and Denis Boykin, Bill Stalnaker, Chris James, and Mike Agrillo won the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Diplomatic Security Foundation Mike Considine Golf Outing, playing courses designed by Greg Norman and Robert Trent Jones, respectively, at the Lansdowne Resort in Leesburg, Virginia, on June 7.

But according to Secretary Rice, her team "played good steady golf. We didn't kill any wildlife. We didn't hit any other golfers. So it was a really good day." They shot 71 in a scramble format, where each player tees off and then the team picks the best drive, and all the players play from that point. The team then selects the best position from which to hit a next shot, and all competitors play from the same position on the course.

The DS Foundation "sold" the ability to take mulligans, or do-overs, and even toss the ball. In such a circumstance, both scoring and following the rules can reach new lows.

But it is all for a good cause. The selling of raffle tickets and do-overs alone raised \$9,000 for the DS Foundation, which provides financial support to help individuals and families of the U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service and other colleagues in the law enforcement and foreign affairs communities. A final tally of the event's proceeds to the Foundation is forthcoming.

Some of the most recent DS Foundation grants were awarded to the families of the local guards serving at the Peshawar Consulate that was attacked in April 2010. Two were killed and nine



were injured. While no sum of money can ever compensate for the loss of life or permanent injury, grants ranging from \$1,000 to as much as several thousand dollars can provide some relief for the families of those who relied on a salary of less than \$200 per month.

“We saw an outpouring of support from our sponsors and players this year,” said Foundation President Walt Deering. “The golf outing is the major source of funds for the Foundation’s work around the globe. I am especially pleased that Dr. Rice joined us as our Honorary Chairperson.”

Secretary Rice said in remarks during the luncheon, “The DS Foundation is able to fill in the gaps for families of the DS agents that may need a little help. I have seen stories of locally engaged staff -- local guards -- who are killed in a firefight or killed in the line of service to the United States of America and this Foundation helps them. I know that we all appreciate what the Foundation has done,”

Celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Mike Considine Golf Outing has grown in popularity. More than 260 players filled two golf courses at this year’s event.

Mary Ann Considine traveled from her home outside of Rochester, New York, to attend the event that memorializes her brother. “I am proud to have this event named after my brother,” Mary Ann Considine said as she waited for the golfers to come in off the courses. “It is a real tribute to how his DS colleagues felt about him. Mike worked really hard to get companies to donate for the prizes and make the event fun. He always used to wear his plus fours.”

Secretary Rice is now a professor of business and political science at Stanford University, and the Thomas and Barbara Stephenson Senior Fellow on Public Policy at the Hoover Institution, after four years as U.S. Secretary of State and four as the White House National Security Advisor. She said she only follows geopolitics in the paper these days. In the coming weeks, she plans to work on her putting stroke and attend a day of competition at the U.S. Open in Pebble Beach in mid-June.

Throughout the day, she warmly greeted a number of old friends and members of her detail and posed for photographs with admirers. She played in the golf outing to help the DS Foundation and to say “thank you” to the broader DS family.

“The DS agents do extraordinary work for the country in difficult places,” Secretary Rice said. “People forget that the RSO organizations in places like Kabul and Baghdad and Islamabad are on the front lines in some of the most difficult situations. We know of their sacrifice and the dangers they face, but they keep everyone else safe. That is really what Diplomatic Security does.”

“On a personal note, when I was Secretary they kept me safe. Never did they say, ‘You can’t do what you need to do.’ They always found a way for me to do what I had to do on behalf of the country. They were with me every hour that I was not asleep. That meant a lot of travel. I traveled over a million miles. They were away from family and friends and kids’ soccer games. And yet they did it without even the slightest complaint. I have the strongest and greatest respect

for the DS organization. Your personal security detail becomes like part of the family. They are wonderful.”

**Winners**

**Norman Course**

<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b>          Kathy Lane          Sean Noble          Bill Schwartz          Steve Schwartz</p>	<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b>          Tony Bell          Phil Hodges          Darrell Larch          Erik Crumm</p>	<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b>          George Bailey          Patrick Schwartz          J.R. Arocho          Dennis Sokel</p>	<p><b>Last Place</b>          Cameron Burks          Thomas Richardson          Jack Gorrie          Ron Stead</p>
<p><b>Straightest Drive</b>          Erik Crumm</p>	<p><b>Longest Drive (men)</b>          Patrick Schwartz</p>	<p><b>Longest Drive (women)</b>          Juliana Strieter</p>	<p><b>Closest to the pin</b>          Howie O'Brien</p>

**Robert Trent Jones Course**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> Denis Boykin Bill Stalnaker Chris James Mike Agrillo	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> Thomas Campbell Robert Grimes David Kaseman William Weber	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Place</b> Bill Stevens Brian Rodgers Chuck Orrico Tim Griner	<b>Last Place</b> Don Hirsch Peter Ford John Hampson
<b>Straightest Drive</b> Craig Young	<b>Longest Drive (men)</b> Chuck Orrico	<b>Longest Drive (women)</b> Maureen McGeough	<b>Closest to the Pin</b> Paul Fernandes



Before the tournament, Secretary Rice greets Mary Ann Considine (right), sister of the Golf Outing's namesake. U.S. Department of State Photo



Secretary Rice prepares to tee off at the 20th Annual Diplomatic Security Foundation Mike Considine Golf Outing. U.S. Department of State photo.



Marty Kraus rolls in a putt as Walt Deering looks on. U.S. Department of State photo



Secretary Rice was not pleased with her putting at the 20th Annual Diplomatic Security Foundation Mike Considine Golf Outing. U.S. Department of State photo



From left to right, the team of Brian Cook, Rick Colon, Todd Brown, and Tom Barnard prepare to tee off on number 10 on the Robert Trent Jones course. U.S. Department of State photo.



From left to right: J.R. Arocho, Tom Husband, Rich Saunders, and Don Reid each sank a long putt to win the putting contest and took home a \$100 gift certificate. U.S. Department of State photo.



From left to right is the team that placed 3rd on the Norman course: George Bailey, Dennis Sokol, J.R. Arocho, and Patrick Schwartz. U.S. Department of State photo



Team Rice: from left to right are Marty Kraus, Rick Hull, Secretary Rice, and DSF President Walt Deering. Kraus and Hull served on the Secretary's protective detail. U.S. Department of State photo



Secretary Rice (left) was glad to catch up with Rick Colon (right). U.S. Department of State photo