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Community Corrections

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On March 20, 2013, we lost one of our employees to a tragic death. Not only was Surry County Probation/Parole Officer James "Jim" Matty an employee, he was one of the best friends I have or ever will have in my life. Jim would give you the shirt of his back and ask for nothing in return. He had an exuberant and passionate personality unrivaled by most. It was this tragedy that first brought me into contact with the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation (CPOF). Representatives of CPOF showed up at Jim's funeral to show support for his grieving family, friends, and co-workers; Jim was not a member of CPOF, yet this organization not only showed moral support but also contributed monetarily to his family.

On April 18, 2016, we lost another employee Richard "Rick" Brenner to a tragic death. Rick was loved by so many in his role as a Probation/Parole Officer in Cabarrus County. His loss is still felt to this day by his former co-workers. Once again CPOF came in and provided support to Rick's family despite the fact Rick was not a member.

In addition to the families of Jim and Rick, CPOF has donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to countless other institutional corrections and community corrections employees in North Carolina who have been displaced due to fires and natural disasters. Additionally, CPOF has provided financial assistance to employees who are dealing with or have family members dealing with severe illness. Most recently, CPOF has assisted the families of fallen correctional employees who lost their lives in Eastern North Carolina while on the job protecting the citizens of this state. I do not know the membership status of any of these employees, I only know CPOF was there to help regardless of their status.

Other than my church I have never been prouder to be part of such a caring and giving organization as the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation.

Due to the losses of Jim and Rick, many of us came together to form the Matty-Brenner CPOF Golf Tournament sponsored by Division Three of Community Corrections. This year will be our 4th annual tournament and up to this point we have raised over \$41,000 to benefit CPOF. We loved Jim and Rick and miss them dearly, but their legacy lives on through this tournament.

With all of that being said, this year's tournament will be held on Friday, October 18, 2019 at The Revival at the Crescent Golf Club in Salisbury, NC. We are asking for any help you may be able to provide whether it be through monetary sponsorships, silent auction items, door prizes or by simply playing. **Please see the enclosed documents for specific sponsorship and tournament information.**

Thank you in advance for your support of this worthy cause and thank you for helping us keep Jim and Rick's memories alive.

Sincerely,

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