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TOPIC Tink Smith Golf Classic ends with \$3,000 Gift from Stratton Mountain

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The awards ceremony at the end of the thirty-fifth annual Tink Smith Golf Classic concluded with a special presentation of a \$3,000 gift from the Stratton Mountain Resort by Michael Cobb, Vice President of Marketing and Sales, to the Stratton Foundation Board President, Andy Avery. This gift represented a portion of the proceeds of the last weekend of the 2007-08 ski season. Stratton Mountain also donated the use of the golf course for the tournament that this year raised just over \$16,000 for the Foundation. During the presentation, Michael Cobb noted that "Stratton Mountain is honored to support such a worthy community organization as the Stratton Foundation. The resort continually looks for ways to give back the community, we are proud of the work that the Foundation does, and we are happy to be able to support them in their endeavors." Thrilled to receive the gift, Andy Avery said, "The Stratton Mountain Resort has been extremely generous in supporting us throughout the years. This year, we hosted three events at the Mountain; Men Who Cook, the Stratton Challenge, and the Tink Smith Golf Classic. The Mountain's generous support has enabled us to help organizations that make a significant contribution to the quality of life in the sixteen towns we serve."

Board member, Sherry Clark, had overall responsibility for organizing this year's Tink Smith Golf Classic. Twenty-nine teams enjoyed friendly competition and had a great time. Prizes were presented to the following players:

Ladies and Men's Closest to the Pin - Barbara Price (25' 9") and Peter Cornell (3' 5")
Ladies and Men's Longest Drive - Pat Barnett and Peter Fillion
Ladies and Men's Straightest Drive - Irene Glazer and Peter Walsh
First Low Gross - 58 - Jeff Koch., Mike Koch, Casey Komline, and Devin Komline
Second Low Gross - 63 - Gary Butts, Steve Currie, Dan Frost, and Charlie Lynch

Third Low Gross – 64 - Pat Barnett, David Halligan, Will Hersom, and Barbara Price
First Low Net- 56.2 - Bernie Blair, Rob Day, Todd Granger, and Tony Parker
Second Low Net - 56.3 - Steve Brown, Peter Fellion, John Gregory, and Adrian Max
Third Low Net - 58.6 - Peter Cornell, Rick Hube, Casey Rowley, and Jeff Smith

The event had tremendous support from the community. Thirty-six businesses and individuals sponsored Tee Signs. Lead sponsors included the Stratton Mountain Resort and Brown Enterprises followed by Mulligans of Stratton, Equipe Sport, Winhall Real Estate, Water Works, Bondville Construction Management, Ann and Cal Low, and David Hoopes. Many businesses donated prizes for competitors.

In its first eleven years, the Foundation has contributed over \$500,000 to area non-profit organizations. Unlike conventional foundations, there is no endowment. Every dime given to the community is raised annually from the community. Individuals, area businesses, and service organizations give generously of their time, talent and financial resources to support the foundation's mission. In addition, the foundation organizes four annual community-building events, such as the Tink Smith Golf Classic, where people have a lot of fun together while raising additional funds for the community. For information about the Foundation, please call 802-297-2096 or check www.strattonfoundation.org.