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## Hundreds compete in clay shoot for Place of Hope

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On Friday, Jan. 20, well over sixty teams competed for the best shot at the Place of Hope's fifth annual Sporting Clays Fun Shoot at the South Florida Shooting Club.

The event, co-chaired by Mike Burke and Mike Dyer, directly benefited the more than 300 children and teens in the organization's care, providing food, clothing, school supplies and other essential items.

"Each month, in Palm Beach and Martin counties, there are over 150 children being removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect or abandonment," Burke said.

For more than 15 years, Place of Hope has worked to build a community of family-style foster care to assist children who have been traumatized by neglect and abuse. From foster family recruit-



Ryan Furtwangler and Tom McNicholas



Rebekah Bentley, Danielle Carroll, Samantha Shiner, Brittany Hurst and Brooke Dixon



Sandy Stancavage, Christi Thompson, Justina Stancavage and Candace Thompson

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ment and support services, to assisting families in the state licensure process to become foster homes, they work toward the mission to provide a stable and loving family environment for children who are hurting.

More than 260 participants at this year's Fun Shoot enjoyed a day of shooting, breakfast, a barbecue lunch and an awards reception with a live auction and raffle drawings.

To learn more, visit [placeofhope.com](http://placeofhope.com).



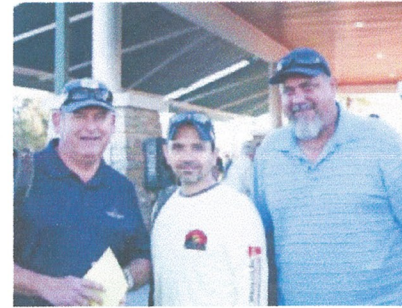
John Pavela and Eilene Minnick



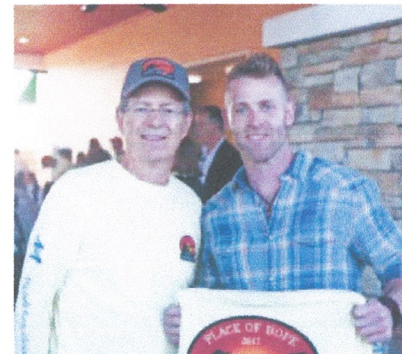
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Craig Bretzlaff, Dan Bowers and Zach Berg



Rani Mathura and Lisa Paczkowski



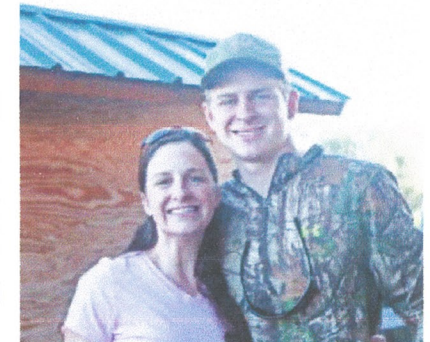
Rick Orcutt, Santiago Gonzalez and Mike Eljaiek



John Patten and Jeremy Howard



Mark Montgomery, Judge Moss and Monte Lambert



Genevieve George and Tyler Wright