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**Mary's Place by the Sea's 6th Annual Swing for the Soul Golf Outing
Raises \$160,000 for Women with Cancer, Setting New Record**

*More than 140 golfers and sponsors gathered at Deal Golf & Country Club
to support wellness retreats and integrated services at no cost for women navigating cancer*

OCEAN GROVE, N.J., JULY 6, 2026 – [Mary's Place by the Sea](#), a New Jersey nonprofit organization that offers wellness retreats and services for women with cancer, announced today it raised a record \$160,000 at its 6th Annual Swing for the Soul Golf Outing June 29 at Deal Golf & Country Club in Deal, N.J. The sold-out event drew ~140 golfers.

Proceeds from the yearly outing support Mary's Place by the Sea's mission to help women with cancer heal in mind, body and soul through wellness retreats and integrative virtual services offered entirely free of charge. Since opening its doors, the organization has welcomed more than 17,000 women, providing overnight and day retreats, support groups, counseling and a full slate of virtual services available to women impacted by cancer anywhere in the U.S.

"Every dollar raised on the golf course provides an opportunity for a guest of Mary's Place to step away from her scheduled life and enjoy holistic services, plant-based meals and authentic connection to others on a similar path," said **Michele Gannon, Founder and Executive Director, Mary's Place by the Sea**. "Our guests never see a bill, and that's only possible because of days like this. We are grateful to every golfer, sponsor and volunteer who showed up for our mission, and an incredible community that came together in support of Mary's Place by the Sea and the women we are privileged to serve."

The tournament began with check-in and a lunch buffet, followed by a shotgun start. Golfers returned to the clubhouse after time on the course for a cocktail hour, dinner reception and silent auction. The evening featured an inspiring and heartfelt testimonial from a former Mary's Place by the Sea guest. In a special presentation, the Mary's Place by the Sea team provided the final mortgage payment on its custom home at 22 Main Ave. to OceanFirst Bank – a milestone reminder of what can be accomplished through the power of a caring community.

PHOTOS: Find event and tournament photos here, along with caption detail:

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This year's outing was made possible by Presenting Sponsor Chris Tubby Deborah Wilson Charitable Giving Fund. Halfway House Sponsors were the William Noonan Foundation, Manasquan Bank, Builders General Supply Company, and Dawn and Monte Edwards.

Jones & Associates was the Driving Range Sponsor. Putting Green Sponsors were The Codispoti Foundation, The Plastic Surgery Center, Jaeger Lumber, and Cira Nickerson and Kim

Clark. Cocktail Sponsors were Smallwood Wealth Management, Donato Hayes & Co., Stad's Crabfest, the Gary Messina Family Foundation, and Steven and Bernadette Seneca.

Golf Cart Sponsors were The Arbors of Spring Lake-Senior Living, the Family of Isabel Eadicicco, McLoone's Restaurants, Martha Di Paolo, ShorePoint Architecture, Inner Dynamics, Woman's Club Avon-by-the-Sea, Ron and Cindy Goldfaden, Mary Gormley and American Heart Center PC. Ocean First Bank sponsored golfer gifts.

The 7th Annual Swing for the Soul Golf Outing is expected to take place in June 2027.

About Mary's Place by the Sea

Mary's Place by the Sea is a nonprofit that supports women with cancer through their healing journey. Located in Ocean Grove, N.J., the organization allows guests to step away from their daily responsibilities to experience wellness retreats and integrative services that nourish the mind, body and soul at NO COST. Mary's Place offers two-night retreats, day retreats and virtual services that include individual counseling, nutrition education, oncology massage and more. Mary's Place has served over 17,000 women with cancer since opening its doors in 2009. Learn more about Mary's Place: www.marysplacebythesea.org. Connect with Mary's Place on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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