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Fred Lang Front Nine Bar Stool Open to be Held November 13

PUNTA GORDA, FL (October 1, 2021) – The Fred Lang Foundation is proud to announce the date for its immensely popular outdoor fall event, the **Fred Lang Front Nine**. This event was named Harbor’s Hottest Festival/Special Event in both 2019 and 2020! So don’t miss out on the fun - mark your calendars for November 13, 2021!

The Fred Lang Front Nine (FLFN) can be best described as a miniature golf tournament. The cost is \$100 per foursome or \$25 per individual player. All participants are encouraged to dress to the “Around the World” theme in honor of the Olympics. Participants are also asked to bring their own putter and golf ball.

The event begins with a shotgun start at 10:30 a.m. Players will play a hole of putt-putt golf at nine different restaurants around Punta Gorda. Each of the nine participating restaurants build a miniature golf hole in the theme of a different country. The locations are: Beef ‘O’ Brady’s, Burg’r Bar, Celtic Ray Public House, Deans South of the Border, Dough Bar, Downtown Gatorz Bar & Grill, Hurricane Charley’s, Ice House, and TT’s Tiki Bar.

Teams of four golfers, dressed to theme, travel from location to location and play each hole. Although many players walk from location to location, free shuttle service is provided courtesy of The Wyvern Hotel Punta Gorda.

An outdoor wrap-up party will be held at 6 p.m. at TT’s Tiki Bar. There, raffle prizes are given out, and grand prizes are awarded for **Lowest Team Score**, **Highest Team Score**, **Lowest Individual Score** and **Highest Individual Score**. There will also be a prize for **Most Outstanding Team Costume**.

The event is presented by the Fred Lang Foundation and print sponsor Suncoast Beverage Sales. Proceeds benefit Charlotte Behavioral Health Care.

“In order to stay as socially distanced as possible, this year’s event is all outdoors,” said Jill Ferguson, event co-chair. “All of us have experienced the isolation that COVID brought. The isolation and stress have created a tremendous need for behavioral health services in Charlotte County. We are here to raise money and fill that need within our community.”

Here are some recent local statistics that may surprise you:

- Overdoses are trending towards a 35% percent increase this year, with alarming trends in January through July.
- Suicide attempts are substantially on the rise and were sadly increasing locally even before COVID.
- At CBHC, adult therapy and case management demand have increased 55-65%.
- CBHC's Substance Abuse high risk admissions have increased by 200%.

Players may register online at www.CBHCfl.org/FLFN/. For more information, contact Ferguson at 412-973-0429 or Liz Green at 407-927-3882 or e-mail BSOforFun@yahoo.com.

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Scan Here to Register for the Fred Lang Front Nine!

1. Open your phone's camera.
2. Point the camera at the QR code.
3. A link will pop up.
4. Press the link & register for the event!

