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**FROM:** Howard Green, Chairperson for VRA Golf Classic

**RE:** Request for Corporate Sponsorships for the 2007 VRA Golf Classic

The Virginia Rehabilitation Association (VRA) is seeking your **SUPPORT** and **PARTICIPATION** for its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Classic, now called the **VRA Benjy Burnett Memorial Golf Classic**. Benjy, a vocational rehabilitation counselor and disability advocate, passed away in October, 2007 after a long and courageous battle with Melanoma. As an avid golfer and long-time VRA member, Benjy was the driving force behind this tournament, which benefits the VRA's educational programs for rehabilitation professionals and promotes services for people with disabilities. **This year, VRA is pleased to be collaborating with the Positive Vibe Café, which will cater our awards and recognition luncheon following the golf. VRA will be donating a portion of the tournament proceeds to the Positive Vibe Café and a local Cancer Charity in honor of Benjy. The Positive Vibe Café' has received national attention as an innovative food service training and employment opportunity for individuals with physical and developmental disabilities.**

Date: Tuesday, September 9, 2008

Location: Hunting Hawk Golf Club

Time: 8:30 a.m. Shot Gun Start

1:00 p.m. Recognition and Awards Luncheon

Please support this extraordinary and meaningful event by registering a team from your business, being a Hole Sponsor, and/or making a corporate donation. Suggested donations and contact information is included on the attached form.

On behalf of the VRA, I thank you for your support and hope that you can join us on September 9. It'll be a fun day!!!

# The Virginia Rehabilitation Association

The Virginia Rehabilitation Association (VRA) is a chapter of the National Rehabilitation Association (NRA), a private organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all persons with disabilities. The NRA is the oldest, largest, and strongest advocacy organization for all persons with disabilities in the USA.

Chartered in 1959, VRA has the second largest membership in the Mid-Atlantic Region of NRA, with 674 members who are physicians, rehabilitation counselors, vocational evaluators, therapists, social workers, nurses, administrators, placement specialists and other individuals interested in the rehabilitation of persons with disabilities. VRA continues to promote issues that enable persons with disabilities to participate in the mainstream of society and to provide opportunities for professional development for persons in the field of rehabilitation.

An example of VRA's efforts that impact those in the disability community in Virginia includes our collaboration with other groups to advocate for funding of long-term employment supports that have been proven effective in the retention and vocational success of people with disabilities. Over 2,000 citizens of the Commonwealth with disabilities were served through this program in 2007. You may learn more about the VRA at [www.vra.org](http://www.vra.org).

## Positive Vibe Café

Founded in 2002, the Positive Vibe Café is a 501c3 charity that provides hands-on training and meaningful employment in food services to individuals with physical and developmental disabilities. Located in Richmond, Virginia, Positive Vibe has been training individuals since 2002; over 169 students have graduated from the training program.



You may learn more about Positive Vibe at [www.positivevibecafe.com](http://www.positivevibecafe.com)

# VRA Benjy Burnett Memorial Golf Classic

## Corporate Sponsorship

\_\_\_\_\_ \$500 Donation

\*One Golf Foursome (includes 18 holes, golf cart, range balls, luncheon, & prizes)

\*Hole Sponsorship (2' x 3' sign with your corporate name placed on a golf hole)

\*Patio Banner with your corporate name

\_\_\_\_\_ \$425 Donation

\*One Golf Foursome

\*Hole Sponsorship

\_\_\_\_\_ \$300 Donation

\*One Golf Foursome

\_\_\_\_\_ \$125 Donation

\*Hole Sponsor

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Another Donation of your choosing

Corporate Sponsor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the appropriate box and send your donation with a check payable to:

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