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Giant weekend of hot cars, hot chili and golf generate big crowds and big bucks for Mesquite Cancer Help Society

The annual Mesquite Motor Mania weekend presented Jan. 14-16 drew its usual colorful collection of hot rods while benefiting the Mesquite Cancer Help Society at the same time.



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The inaugural \$5,000 Smokin Big Chili Challenge People's Choice competition along with the Golf 4 Life tournament at the CasaBlanca Golf Course also raised \$6,440 for the Mesquite Cancer Help Society thanks to incredible participation from fans of the event who donated nearly \$5,000 for the right to test chili provided at the booths featured in the CasaBlanca parking lot.

"The Chili Cookoff and Golf 4 Life tournament could not have gone any better," said Black Gaming General Sales Manager Michele Evans. "We had perfect weather for both and a wonderful turnout!

"The CasaBlanca and the ICS (International Chili Society) were pleased to raise so much money for the Mesquite Cancer HELP Society." Lorraine Scharff, the office manager for Mesquite Cancer Help Society, said the donation was wonderful.

"It was a very big help because we're only funded by personal donations and fund raisers," said Scharff, who has been with the society for more than a year. "Everybody really supports us and Black Gaming is a big help."

The goal of the Mesquite Cancer Help Society is serve the community to the fullest extent possible with educational information while providing cancer patients with the tools necessary to understand and manage their illness.

The MCHS has been in existence for almost 11 years. Situated at 150 N. Yucca St., No. 36, the MCHS is open Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday from 10 until 2 p.m.

CAPTION: Black Gaming General Sales Manager Michele Evans, left, presents a check for \$6,440 to the Mesquite Cancer Help Society's Lorraine Scharff. The funds were raised from the Smokin' Big Chili Challenge People's Choice and the Golf 4 Life tournament during Mesquite Motor Mania weekend Jan. 14-16.