



Meijer LPGA Classic for *Simply Give* Announces Celebrity Pro-Am Lineup

Top celebrities to play at Egypt Valley Country Club during LPGA week

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (May 16, 2016) – Tournament officials announced today the list of celebrities playing in the Meijer LPGA Celebrity Pro-Am. More than 35 celebrity guests and LPGA Tour professionals will join the action-packed week during the Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give to play in the celebrity pro-am June 14 at Egypt Valley Country Club.

“We are thrilled to host such a stellar mix of celebrities, athletes and local personalities this year,” Tournament Director Lesley Baker said. “The Meijer LPGA Celebrity Pro-Am is one of the many reasons our LPGA week is unlike any other.”

The 2016 lineup includes:

*Joe Kocur
Dan Pohl
Darren McCarty
Brian Vander Ark
Eddie Mio
Luke Glendening
Dean Kolstad
Dave Rozema*

*Bryan Smolinski
Sergei Samsonov
Mike Knuble
Pat Peake
Larry Murphy
Dino Ciccarelli
Hélio Castroneves
Jack Doles*

*Drew Neitzel
Trey Wingo
Heather Mitts
Dan Jansen
Drew Stanton
Lou Whitaker
Charlie Batch
Herman Moore
Bill Simonson*

“Our community has truly stepped up and supported our fight against hunger,” Meijer Co-Chairman Doug Meijer said. “We couldn’t have this amazing event without our sponsors and we know the Celebrity Pro-Am will be a priceless experience everyone can enjoy.”

The Meijer LPGA Celebrity Pro-Am is open to the public for those with a ticket to the tournament. General admission daily tickets are \$10. General admission weekly tickets are \$25, and allow for general grounds access at Egypt Valley Country Club on June 14, and Blythefield Country Club throughout the entire tournament week. Children, ages 17 and under, get in free with a ticketed adult.

Similar to last year, proceeds from the tournament – and each of the week’s festivities – will benefit the Meijer *Simply Give* program that restocks the shelves of food pantries throughout the Midwest. The Meijer LPGA Classic for *Simply Give* has donated more than \$1.3 million to local food pantries through the *Simply Give* program.

For more information on the Meijer LPGA Classic for *Simply Give* or to volunteer, please visit meijerLPGAclassic.com.

To view a video recapping the 2015 Meijer LPGA Classic for *Simply Give*, please visit meijerLPGAclassic.com, and a video on the Meijer hunger relief efforts, including *Simply Give*, please visit <http://newsroom.meijer.com/meijer-simply-give-video>.



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About Meijer *Simply Give*

Meijer is a family-owned retailer based in Grand Rapids, Mich. with a fundamental philosophy aimed at strengthening the communities it serves. Meijer operates 223 supercenters and grocery stores throughout Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Wisconsin, and proudly donates more than 6 percent of its net profit each year to charities throughout the Midwest. With hunger as a corporate philanthropic focus, Meijer partners with hundreds of food banks and pantries through its *Simply Give* and food rescue programs. Meijer also supports education, disaster relief, and health and wellness initiatives. For additional information on Meijer philanthropy, please visit www.meijercommunity.com. Follow Meijer on Twitter @twitter.com/Meijer and @twitter.com/MeijerPR or become a fan at www.facebook.com/meijer.

About Blythefield Country Club

Located just north of Grand Rapids, Blythefield has been providing families the best golf and social experience in West Michigan since 1928. With the Rogue River flowing through, Blythefield boasts one of the most beautiful championship layouts in Michigan. Previously, Blythefield has hosted the 1953 Western Amateur, the 1961 Western Open, won by Arnold Palmer, and the 2005 Western Junior won by Rickie Fowler. Beginning in 2014 Blythefield is honored to host the Meijer LPGA Classic. Learn more about Blythefield Country Club at www.blythefieldcc.org.

About the LPGA (Ladies Professional Golf Association)

The LPGA is the world's leading professional golf organization for women. Founded in 1950, the association celebrates a diverse and storied membership with more than 2,300 members representing more than 30 different countries. With a Vision to inspire, empower, educate and entertain by showcasing the very best of women's golf, LPGA Tour Professionals compete across the globe, while dedicated LPGA Teaching and Club Professionals (T&CP) directly impact the game through teaching, coaching and management. The Symetra Tour consistently produces a pipeline of talent ready for the world stage. The LPGA is headquartered in Daytona Beach, Florida. Follow the LPGA on its television home, Golf Channel, and on the web via: www.LPGA.com, www.facebook.com/LPGA, www.twitter.com/lpga, and www.youtube.com/lpgavideo.

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