

## Ronald McDonald House Pro-Am Golf Tournament Hits the Green May 12

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Ronald McDonald House Charities of Phoenix, presented by La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries of Arizona, will tee off for the 2nd Annual Ronald McDonald House Pro-Am Golf Tournament on May 12, 2016. The unique pro-am concept gives participants the opportunity to interact and play golf with Champions Tour Pros and Local Pros at Desert Mountain, a private master-planned community.

This years participants include PGA Tour champions like Howard Twitty, Bob Gilder, Steve Jones, Tom Purtzer, Steve Ames and Jan Stevenson. Golfers will take on the Jack Nicklaus-designed 7,019-yard Cochise Course at Desert Mountain while taking in breathtaking views and gorgeous spring temperatures. The tournament begins with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Registration and raffle start at 7:30 a.m. and a luncheon and awards ceremony will follow the event.

Tournament proceeds underwrite the cost for families staying at the Valley's three Ronald McDonald Houses. Ronald McDonald House Charities of Phoenix provides a "home away from home" for children and their families who travel to Phoenix to receive treatment for serious, often life-threatening illnesses and injuries. The three houses operated in metropolitan Phoenix can accommodate up to 79 families a night.

No family is ever turned away for being unable to manage the \$15 nightly donation that is asked. In 2015, only 10 percent of the more than 2,000 families staying at Ronald McDonald Houses in the Valley were able to make the contribution. Since opening its doors more than 30 years ago, families from across the state and around the world have checked into the Ronald McDonald House more than 44,900 times.

The 2015 inaugural tournament brought together nearly 120 golfers and 30 professional golfers including Purtzer, Jones, Twitty, Ken Triplett and Billy Mayfair. The Cochise Course has hosted the PGA-ending Charles Schwab Cup Championship since 2012.

Interested parties can sign up for the 2016 tournament [here](http://www.rmhcphoenix.com). For more info on Ronald McDonald House Charities of Phoenix visit [www.rmhcphoenix.com](http://www.rmhcphoenix.com).