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## LPGA Legends Join the Greats of Golf Challenge



The 3M Championship team recently announced that **Annika Sorenstam** will join fellow LPGA greats Nancy Lopez and Pat Bradley in the 2013 Greats of Golf Challenge.

The Greats of Golf Challenge, a best-ball tournament within a tournament sponsored by Post-it® brand products, has become an annual staple of the 3M Championship. This year the event will offer a new twist with a team made up of three of the top players in LPGA history — Annika Sorenstam, Nancy Lopez, and Pat Bradley.

Sorenstam burst on the scene as LPGA Rookie of the Year in 1994 and with U.S. Women's Open titles in 1995 and 1996. She went on to win 10 major championships and 72 tournaments overall on the LPGA Tour while being recognized as Player of the Year a record eight times. She

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After winning in his Champions Tour debut in February, **Rocco Mediate** has his sights set on another victory at the 3M Championship.

## Champions Tour Headliners Coming to 2013 3M Championship

The 2012 3M Championship provided yet another close race to the finish, with Bernhard Langer firing a 10-under-par 62 in the final round to overtake David Peoples by two strokes. Langer's Sunday charge gave him his second 3M Championship title and went into the record books as the largest final-round comeback in tournament history. The 2013 edition is likely to provide similar excitement with Champions Tour newcomers Steve Elkington, Colin Montgomerie, and Rocco Mediate rounding out an exceptional field that includes fan favorites Nick Price, Kenny Perry, and Tom Lehman.

The tournament takes place July 29 – August 4 at the TPC Twin Cities in Blaine, Minn. The stadium course, ideally suited to provide fans with great views of the action throughout the weekend, was designed by golf legend Arnold Palmer with assistance from Tom Lehman. Lehman is a Minnesota native and University of Minnesota alum who won the 1996 Open Championship and captained the 2006 U.S. Ryder Cup team.

2013 marks the fifth consecutive year the 3M Championship will offer free admission, giving golf fans access to see some of the game's great players in action.

## LPGA Legends *continued from cover*

is the only woman to shoot a 59 in a competitive round and famously took part in a men's PGA Tour event (The Bank of America Colonial) in 2003.

Lopez is a four-time LPGA Player of the Year and one of the most recognized figures in all of women's golf. She won 48 times on Tour between 1978 and 1997 and collected three victories at the LPGA Championship.

Bradley is a six-time major champion with 31 LPGA Tour victories to her credit. Three of her

majors came in 1986 when she was the LPGA Tour Player of the Year, an award she again won in 1991. She also captained the 2000 U.S. Solheim Cup team.

The women will team up to take on other three-player groups of legends on Saturday, August 3 at the TPC Twin Cities in Blaine, Minn. Lee Trevino, Dave Stockton, and Johnny Miller are among those expected to participate. Several legends will also be participating in Pro-Am events, clinics, and autograph sessions throughout the tournament week.

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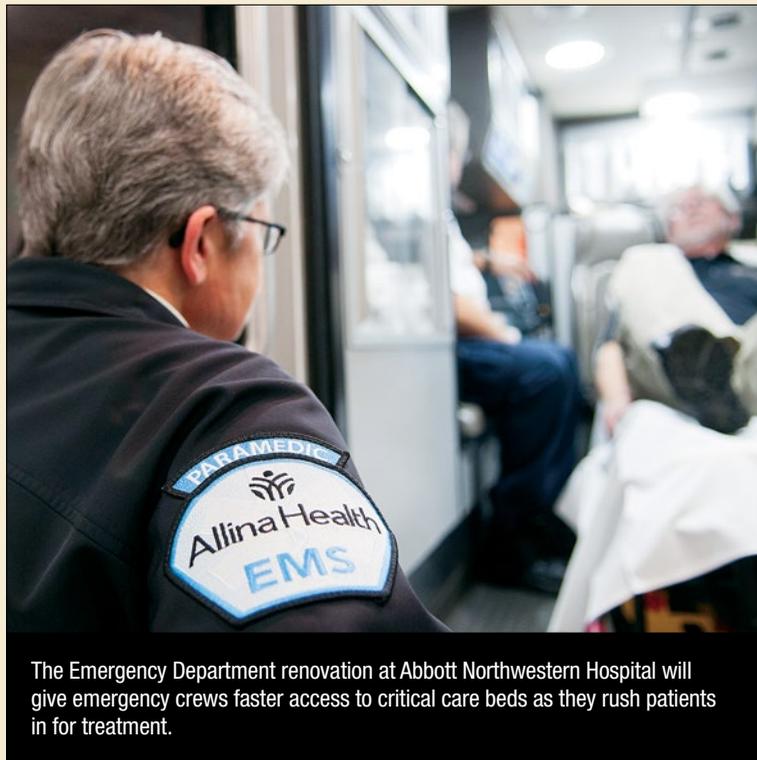
*The 2013 3M Championship will continue the legacy of benefiting the community and improving health care for Minnesotans by funding the programs of Allina Health. The main beneficiaries this year are:*

- *United Hospital's Surgery Center Expansion*
- *Abbott Northwestern Hospital's Emergency Department Capital Campaign*
- *Mercy and United Hospitals Mother Baby Initiatives.*

*The tournament is one of the largest donor sources for the hospital foundations of Allina Health, whose facilities are consistently ranked among the best hospitals in the Twin Cities. They receive over 190,000 emergency department visits and perform 60,000 surgical procedures annually. Read more about Abbott Northwestern Hospital's Emergency Department Capital Campaign below:*

## **Abbott Northwestern Hospital's Emergency Department Capital Campaign**

Proceeds from the 3M Championship will support the Emergency Department Capital Campaign at Abbot Northwestern Hospital. The Emergency Department serves as a gateway for the nationally recognized critical services the hospital offers. Forty percent of all inpatient admissions arrive through the department.



The Emergency Department renovation at Abbott Northwestern Hospital will give emergency crews faster access to critical care beds as they rush patients in for treatment.

“No one disputes that we offer expert and compassionate care, but we need a facility that is thoughtfully designed around our patients’ needs and our workflows,” said Chris Kapsner, MD, medical director, Emergency Department. “Our patients deserve an efficient, peaceful environment that is retooled to take full advantage of the resources and technology that we can offer.”

The campaign will fund a major renovation of the existing space, with faster access for emergency crews and improved flow for staff, patients and visitors. The new Emergency Department will collaborate with the Penny George™ Institute for Health and Healing, part of Allina Health, to incorporate integrative health treatments in the emergency setting.

Other renovation highlights include:

- dedicated space for telemedicine consultations
- secure areas for mental health patients
- a new Trauma Resuscitation Center that will help the staff expedite care for critically ill patients
- improved facilities to respond to community emergencies.

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Each year the 3M Championship is a great experience for players, customers, and fans. This is due in large part to the critical role played by the over 1,000 volunteers needed to coordinate a successful PGA Champions Tour event. 3M employees and retirees, as well as their families and friends, are encouraged to sign up to be a part of Minnesota's largest charitable sporting event.

Serving in areas such as admissions, corporate hospitality, scoring and marshaling, volunteers commit to work at least 16 hours throughout the tournament and pay a \$65 uniform fee, which

includes golf apparel, a parking pass, and a meal voucher for each shift worked. Volunteers are also invited to an exclusive party, featuring prizes and activities, immediately following play on Saturday, Aug. 3.

For more information or to sign up, visit [www.3Mchampionship.com](http://www.3Mchampionship.com) or contact Kady Stoll, tournament manager, at (763) 783-9000 or [kstoll@3Mchampionship.com](mailto:kstoll@3Mchampionship.com). You can also stay connected with the 3M Championship on Facebook and Twitter (@3MChampionship).