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2014 check passing ceremony – pictured left to right: Steve Allen, MD (CEO Nationwide Children's Hospital), Elizabeth Sopko (2015 Leaderboards Chair), Christina Copeland (2014 Leaderboards Chair), Marcy Williams (2015 Women's Division Committee Chair), Patty Dixon (2014 Sandwich Factory Chair), Paula Brose (2014 Women's Division Committee Chair), Anne Bogenrief (2014 Hospitality Chair), Stephanie Doherty (2013 Women's Division Committee Chair), Paula Ferguson (2016 Women's Division Committee Chair), Dan Sullivan (Executive Director of the Memorial Tournament)

RECORD-SETTING CHARITABLE DONATION ANNOUNCED BY THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT PRESENTED BY NATIONWIDE

Dublin, Ohio – Officials of the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide announced today that the 39th playing of the prestigious invitational, held May 26 – June 1, 2014, raised a total of \$1,800,000 for charitable organizations in central Ohio, including a record-setting \$1,322,186 for Nationwide Children's Hospital through an alliance with the Nicklaus Children's Health Care Foundation. Since its first playing in 1976, the Memorial has eclipsed \$23.5 million in donations to central Ohio charities, with more than \$13 million going to Nationwide Children's Hospital.

True to the hearts of Jack and Barbara Nicklaus, the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide includes as one of its primary objectives a genuine, philanthropic vision. Embodied in the Memorial's

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longstanding partnership with Nationwide Children's Hospital and support of the Memorial Tournament Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, pediatric care is at the center of each campaign and event these entities jointly execute.

"The Memorial is proud of its long-standing history of charitable giving in central Ohio and beyond, especially its very successful 39-year relationship with Nationwide Children's Hospital," said Dan Sullivan, the Tournament's executive director. "There is no doubt the Memorial could not achieve the success it has realized without the dedication and commitment exhibited by the Tournament's volunteer corps, in particular the members of the Women's Division Committee and the over 2,000 Nationwide Children's Hospital volunteers. These volunteers provide the foundation for the Memorial to annually be considered one of the top tournaments on the PGA TOUR and a must-attend event in central Ohio. "

"We are deeply appreciative of the Memorial Tournament's generous gift and their history of supporting our outstanding care and groundbreaking research," said Steve Allen, MD, CEO of Nationwide Children's. "The Memorial's philanthropic support and ongoing commitment plays a significant role in our aspiration to become the nation's most comprehensive pediatric healthcare provider, benefitting children everywhere."

Nationwide, which has been the Tournament sponsor for five years, shares a similar tradition of support for Nationwide Children's. Nationwide is committed to broadening the impact of its presenting sponsorship of the Memorial Tournament to bring greater awareness and increased funding to Nationwide Children's and to those who benefit the most – families and children in need of care.

"Nationwide is honored to be the presenting sponsor of the Memorial Tournament," said Matt Jauchius, Nationwide's chief marketing officer. "The money raised by the Tournament helps Nationwide Children's Hospital succeed in its mission to provide outstanding care to every child, regardless of a family's ability to pay. We are proud to be a part of an event that gives back to our community so generously."

The 2015 Memorial Tournament is scheduled for June 1 – 7 at Muirfield Village Golf Club. The public may call the Tournament Ticket Office 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays at 877-MT BADGE or visit <http://www.mtbadge.com> to purchase badges. Kids 16 and under can attend for free with a ticketed adult and kids 18 and under are admitted free on Wednesday, June 3, 2015 for Junior Golf Day. Daily practice round tickets for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are also available. The introductory cost is \$35 through March 6, and they are valid for all three practice-round days.

About the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide Insurance

The Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide is held annually at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus. The Tournament, founded and hosted by Jack Nicklaus, is conducted each year with three goals in mind: to honor the memory of individuals living and deceased who have distinguished themselves in the game of golf; to showcase the world's best golfers competing on one of the most challenging venues in the world for the enjoyment of spectators; and to benefit many Greater Columbus Charities in alliance with the Nicklaus Children's Healthcare Foundation, Nationwide Children's and numerous other local organizations. For more information, visit www.thememorialtournament.com or call 614-889-6700.

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