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11TH ANNUAL LEGENDS RENO-TAHOE OPEN SEEKS VOLUNTEERS AUG. 3 – 9, 2009

Get up close and personal with 132 PGA TOUR professionals all vying for the prize

RENO, Nev. (June 24, 2009) – Each summer, the Legends at Sparks Marina Reno-Tahoe Open relies on volunteers from across the country to ensure the successful execution of northern Nevada's only PGA TOUR event. And this year is no exception. The 11th annual Legends Reno-Tahoe Open is seeking more than 700 dedicated volunteers to help run northern Nevada's only PGA TOUR tournament, set for Aug. 3 – 9, 2009. Tasks range from coordinating guest transportation and hotel accommodations to working on the course as walking scorers and Shotlink laser operators. In 2008, volunteers traveled from 12 different states to work the tournament, which is known for being a favorite among golfers for its beautiful mountain scenery.

"Volunteers travel from near and far to work the tournament last year," said Bill Ferguson, Legends Reno-Tahoe Open volunteer committee chairman. "The 2008 tournament had volunteers hailing from states including Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah and Washington, as well as right here in Nevada. And it's those Nevada locals we rely on the most, as they're an invaluable source of information on the area and the tournament for visitors."

Volunteer applications for the 2009 Legends at Sparks Marina Reno-Tahoe Open are now being accepted and can be found online at www.LegendsRenoTahoeOpen.com/Volunteers. All volunteer packages include two weekly passes to the event, a volunteer parking pass, two logo'd golf shirts, a Legends Reno-Tahoe Open hat and complimentary meal and beverage during each shift worked. Volunteers also receive an invitation to the annual volunteer party hosted by Silver Peak at Montrêux Golf & Country Club.

"Volunteers are the life line of this tournament," said Michael Stearns, Legends Reno-Tahoe Open tournament director. "Because of their hard work and persistence, we are to accommodate PGA TOUR players, sponsors, spectators, and Montrêux members and their guests, guaranteeing a fun week of golf for everyone. Volunteers truly do enhance the tournament experience for all of us and because of them we're better able to make a difference in our community."

For more information on this year's Legends at Sparks Marina Reno-Tahoe Open, including ticket sales, volunteer and sponsorship opportunities, visit www.LegendsRenoTahoeOpen.com or contact the tournament office at 775-322-3900.

The 11th annual Legends at Sparks Marina Reno-Tahoe Open, an official PGA TOUR event, takes place Aug. 3 – 9, 2009 at Montrêux Golf & Country Club in Reno, Nev. As the PGA TOUR's only summer West Coast venue, the tournament is a regular full-field stop on the TOUR schedule and is part of the FedExCup series, a points competition for PGA TOUR professionals. The nationally-televised tournament brings in millions of dollars in coverage for the Reno-Tahoe region through its affiliation with The Golf Channel as it follows 132 PGA TOUR professionals competing for a share of the tournament's \$3 million purse. The Legends Reno-Tahoe Open is operated and managed by the Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation comprised of its members including RED Development's The Legends at Sparks Marina, Eldorado Hotel Casino, EMPLOYERS, Montrêux Development Group, NV Energy, and Reno-Tahoe.

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