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**** MEDIA ADVISORY / PHOTO OPPORTUNITY ****

A's Community Fund Golf Classic Set for Thursday, June 24

A's Players and Coaches Join Fans and Sponsors at Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton

- WHAT:** **Oakland A's Community Fund Golf Classic**
The Oakland A's will hold their annual Community Fund Golf Classic on Thursday, June 24, with proceeds benefiting the A's Community Fund, which supports charitable organizations in improving the quality of life for people throughout the Bay Area. In addition, a portion of this year's proceeds will benefit A's pitcher Craig Breslow's "Strike 3 Foundation," which he established in 2008 to help find a cure for childhood cancer, and to honor his sister Lesley, a survivor of pediatric thyroid cancer for over 15 years. The A's Community Fund Golf Classic is sponsored by Chevron and State Roofing Systems of San Leandro.
- WHEN:** **Thursday, June 24**
10:40 am — Pepsi Long Drive Contest
11:20 am — Shotgun Start
5:30 pm — Awards Dinner Banquet, Live and Silent Auction
- WHERE:** **Castlewood Country Club**
Hill Course
707 Country Club Circle
Pleasanton, CA 94566
- LONG DRIVE:** **Pepsi Long Drive Contest**
The Pepsi Long Drive Contest will feature A's pitchers **Dallas Braden** and **Michael Wuertz** and outfielder **Gabe Gross**. The Long Drive Contest will take place at the first hole of the Hill Course at 10:40 am. The winner of the contest will receive a Chevron gift card.
- PARTICIPANTS:** **Current and former A's players, coaches, front office personnel and fans**
Additional players expected to play in the golf classic include **Daric Barton, Jerry Blevins, Gio Gonzalez, Cliff Pennington, Ryan Sweeney, Brad Ziegler**, among others. Former players expected to participate include **Shooty Babitt, Vida Blue, Bert Campaneris, Mike Norris, Billy North, John "Blue Moon" Odom and Joe Rudi**. Other participants include A's manager **Bob Geren** and coaches **Mike Gallego** and **Todd Steverson**, General Manager **Billy Beane**, Assistant General Manager **David Forst**, A's broadcasters **Ray Fosse, Glen Kuiper, Ken Korach, Vince Cotroneo** and former broadcaster **Monte Moore**.
- AVAILABILITY:** A's players, coaches and front office personnel will be available to the media during the registration period from 10:15-10:40 am outside the player check-in area. The Long Drive participants will be available immediately following the contest at the first hole of the Hill Course. Golf carts can be reserved by television crews that would like to obtain on-course footage by contacting Kristy Fick in advance.
- MEDIA NOTE:** The Oakland A's Community Fund Golf Classic is closed to the public.
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