



14th Annual Golf Classic Auction Item Request *Coming Home to Michigan*

We are writing to ask for your support of the 14th Annual Golf Classic in support of *Michigan From The Heart*, to be held at the University of Michigan Golf Course on Sunday, June 6, 2010, through the donation of an item to the accompanying auction.

Our years as student-athletes at the University of Michigan are filled with many memories. Some of the most powerful came from our visits to C.S. Mott Children's Hospital through the *Michigan From The Heart* program. In memory and in honor of the many patients and families we met through that experience, we are pleased to serve as the Honorary Co-chairs of this year's event.

For nearly 20 years, *Michigan From The Heart* has served as an inspiration to both University of Michigan student-athletes and the pediatric patients and families of C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. On Thursday evenings, *Michigan From the Heart* arranges visits to the hospital by student-athletes who offer a welcome distraction by spending time with patients and families. Patients are then given the opportunity to watch the athletes in action by attending University of Michigan sporting events as special guests of the team. They even meet the players after their games for photos and autographs. *Michigan From The Heart* provides further support to these children through their contributions to the hospital's Child and Family Life department.

Michigan From The Heart was founded in 1991 by Ed and Leann Boullion when their daughter was diagnosed with cancer and underwent treatment at the University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. While their daughter was a patient, she was visited by a football player named Desmond Howard. Ed and Leann witnessed the positive impact that this visit had on the quality of life for her and the other patients and decided to start a program to share that experience with others. We can tell you that visiting these kids leaves an equally positive impression on the student-athletes.

The funding to support this program is raised primarily through the annual golf outing and an accompanying auction. From items donated to last year's auction, we raised nearly \$10,000 and your contribution will help us raise even more this year.

Popular items from previous auctions include:

Tickets to Sporting Events
Personal Tours of U of M Sports Facilities
Honorary Team Captain for a Day

Unique Experiences for Sports Fans
Autographed Sports Memorabilia
Golf Foursomes

Michigan From The Heart is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization operated entirely by unpaid volunteers. The entire amount raised from your donation will be used to fund activities that provide the patients and their families with memorable experiences that might seem out of reach during a difficult time. To donate an item to the auction, please **contact Bob Turck** at **(734) 426-4410** or **turckrobert@sbcglobal.net**

Thank you for your support and Go Blue!

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Honorary Co-chair, 14th Annual Golf Classic

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