SPORTS DEPARTMENTS: GREAT LIVE OPPORTUNITY AT 6:15 P.M. FOR BALL DROP!

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BLOCK MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SLATED FOR JUNE 25

COLUMBUS, Ohio -- The 19th Annual Herbert J. Block Memorial Tournament benefiting The Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center-Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute is set for Monday, June 25, at the Winding Hollow Country Club in New Albany.

OSU Head Football Coach Jim Tressel is this year’s honorary chair. He will join Title Sponsors Macy and Shirley Block in welcoming over a hundred golfers for fun and friendly competition to benefit cancer research at The James.

This year’s tournament will feature a tribute to OSU alumnus David Kopelman, a New Jersey businessman, who is currently being treated at The James. Gahanna resident Gary Cheses, a fraternity brother of Kopelman’s, heard that his friend was sick, and immediately started raising money to benefit leukemia research at The James in honor of Kopelman’s courage and spirit. Kopelman will be attending the tournament and will be accepting a check for the money raised in his name on behalf of The James.

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The James... The Next Generation of Hope
The tournament will once again feature the fun and fabulous ball drop at 6:15 p.m. Golf balls are sold for twenty dollars and are dropped from a helicopter as players and guests gather for dinner. The owner of the ball which falls closest to the pin wins two-thousand dollars.

In addition to Macy and Shirley Block as Title Sponsors, additional support for this year's tournament comes from Club Sponsors CheckFree Corporation, Continental Real Estate Companies, Hamilton Parker, The James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute, M/I Schottenstein Homes, Inc., The Monk Catering, National City Bank, and Robert H. Schottenstein. Link Sponsors are Cameron Mitchell Restaurants, Neil and Kathy Clark, Conrad, Phillips & Vutech, Dr. Andrew Glassman and family, Electronic Corporation, Inc., Heron Bay, Neoprobe Corporation, Plaza Properties, RiteRug Company, Vanguard Hardware, and Yamaha.

Participation in the tournament is limited. Registration is $450 and includes lunch, greens fees, dinner, and attendance at the Block Tournament Kickoff Party at Million Air on Saturday, June 23.

The Block Memorial Tournament was established in 1983 in memory of Herbert J. Block, who died of cancer in 1981. Since its inception, the tournament has raised over $1.2 million for cancer research and education at The James Cancer Hospital and Solove Research Institute.

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