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LPGA FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2016 DINAH SHORE AND PHYLLIS G. MEEKINS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., August 12, 2016 - The LPGA Foundation announced today the two high school graduates selected to receive this year's Dinah Shore and Phyllis G. Meekins Scholarships. Each candidate has demonstrated outstanding academic excellence, leadership skills and active involvement and service to her community while also fulfilling specific requirements for each scholarship award.

Dinah Shore Scholarship



Bailey Popp, a graduate of El Campo High School in El Campo, Texas, is this year's Dinah Shore Scholarship recipient. The \$5,000 scholarship was established in 1994 to honor the late Dinah Shore, a Hollywood legend, and honorary member of the LPGA Tour Hall of Fame. The annual Dinah Shore Scholarship is awarded to a female high school senior, who will attend college but not play collegiate golf.

Popp graduated with numerous awards, including; the Academic Excellence Award for each of her 4 years in high school, the HOSA Outstanding Student of the Year Award, and the Ladybird Varsity Golf – Fighting Heart award. Popp was a member of the Varsity Golf Team and a member of the Public Relations Speaking Team. Some of her biggest accomplishments were leading the

El Campo High School FFA chapter to national recognition as the FFA President, and leading the Varsity Golf Team to two District Champion titles.

Popp plans to attend Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas, where she will pursue a degree in Bio-Medical Engineering. Popp aims to design technologically advanced medical devices that will enhance and prolong the lives of those suffering from disease and disability.

To qualify for the Dinah Shore Scholarship, the applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.2; must have played in a minimum of 50 percent of her high school golf team's scheduled events or have regularly played golf for the past two years; must have demonstrated leadership skills and/or extraordinary community involvement; and must have applied and been accepted to an accredited undergraduate academic program.

Phyllis G. Meekins Scholarship

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Established in 2006, the Phyllis G. Meekins Scholarship awards \$1,250 to a female high school senior from a minority background, who will be pursuing a full-time course of study and playing collegiate golf at an accredited college or university in the United States. Yedin C. Lui, whose accomplishments far exceeded the requirements of this scholarship, is this year's recipient.

Lui is a 2016 graduate of Idaho Falls High School. She has achieved many accomplishments on the golf course, such as being named to the 2014-2015 State-First Team, and earning the 2014 and 2015 title of All-Area Golfer of the Year. As team captain, Lui led the Idaho Falls High School girls golf team to four 5A State Championships, placing second individually in 2014, and second



as a team in 2015. She also represented Idaho in North Pacific Junior Ladies Matches, the Girl's Junior Americas Cup, and the Callaway Junior World Golf Championship. Outside of golf, Lui was the Student Government Senior Historian and a recipient of both the High Country Conference All-Academic, and Outstanding Individual Scholastic Awards.

Lui will be attending Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA, where she plans to master international relations and politics in her pursuit of a career at the United Nations.

The namesake of the scholarship, the late Phyllis G. Meekins, became a member of the LPGA Teaching and Club Professionals in 1981, earning Life Member status in 2001. Known for her dedication to junior golf, Meekins established the Phyllis G. Meekins (PGM) Golf Clinic, Inc. at Mount Airy's Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, Penn., in 1973. Under Meekins' guidance, thousands of students have participated in the PGM Golf Clinics, and through developing life skills such as perseverance, goal setting, self-discipline and leadership, many have also gone on to achieve significant success, both in the classroom, as well as in their careers.

Meekins was inducted into the National African American Golfers Hall of Fame in 1984 and was nominated for the 1993 LPGA Teacher of the Year award. She was recognized by the National Golf Foundation (NGF) with the NGF Outstanding Service Award.

ABOUT THE LPGA

The LPGA is the world's leading professional golf organization for women. Founded in 1950 and headquartered in Daytona Beach, Florida, the association celebrates a diverse and storied membership with more than 2,300 members representing 30 different countries. With a Vision to inspire, empower, educate and entertain by showcasing the very best of women's golf, LPGA Tour Professionals compete across the globe, while dedicated LPGA Teaching and Club Professionals (T&CP) directly impact the game through teaching, coaching and management. The Symetra Tour consistently produces a pipeline of talent ready for the world stage. Follow the LPGA on its television home, Golf Channel, and on the web via: www.LPGA.com, www.facebook.com/lpga.official, www.twitter.com/lpga, and www.youtube.com/lpgavideo.

ABOUT THE LPGA FOUNDATION

Established in 1991, The LPGA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization committed to empowering and supporting girls and women through developmental and humanitarian golf initiatives. Key priorities include: LPGA-USGA Girls Golf, scholarships and the Dolores Hope LPGA Financial Assistance Initiative for those in the golf industry who are experiencing severe hardship. The LPGA Foundation is supported by corporate and private donations, foundation grants and contributions from LPGA members. For more information on how to contribute to The LPGA Foundation, please contact LPGA Headquarters, 100 International Golf Drive, Daytona Beach, FL 32124, or by phone, 386.274.6200 and on the web: <https://www.lpgaonline.com/Donations/>.

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