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## RENOWNED JOURNALIST NORAH O'DONNELL AND TONY-NOMINATED BROADWAY STAR CHRISTOPHER JACKSON TO HEADLINE 2018 TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP WOMEN'S DAY

**HARTFORD, Conn., June 4, 2018** – The Travelers Championship today announced details for its 10<sup>th</sup> annual Women's Day, taking place Thursday, June 21, at TPC River Highlands. The day includes a special networking breakfast program featuring renowned journalist Norah O'Donnell and Tony-nominated "Hamilton" star Christopher Jackson. Proceeds generated by the breakfast will benefit tournament charities, including The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp, which serves children with serious illnesses.

Tickets for the Women's Day Breakfast typically sell out quickly and include general admission to the tournament. They will go on sale at 10 a.m. on June 8 at [www.TravelersChampionship.com](http://www.TravelersChampionship.com).

Benefits offered to all women attending the Travelers Championship on Women's Day will include:

- A golf clinic at the TPC River Highlands practice facility.
- Ten percent off purchases in the official merchandise shop.
- Preferred bleacher seating.
- Exclusive tours of the Golf Channel studio and the opportunity to attend a live broadcast of "Golf Central."

"Each year we try to make the Women's Day Breakfast a can't-miss event," said Travelers Championship Tournament Director Nathan Grube. "This year's is no exception. Norah is an award-winning journalist who has traveled the globe to interview some of the world's most notable figures, and Chris does it all – he's an actor, singer, musician and composer who is sure to entertain the crowd with his interview and performance. We're excited for the 10<sup>th</sup> year of Women's Day."

Travelers is once again the presenting sponsor of the Women's Day Breakfast. Webster Bank is the new supporting sponsor and Hartford Business Journal, Hartford HealthCare, Lux Bond & Green Jewelers and Red Thread will return as event partners.

"In its 10 years, the Women's Day Breakfast has grown to be one of the most highly anticipated events of the week," said Diane Bengston, Executive Vice President and Chief Human Resources Officer at Travelers. "In addition to generating a significant amount of money for charity, the event engages hundreds of women each year, and we're proud to reach so many with such an inspiring program."

**Norah O'Donnell** is the co-host of "CBS This Morning" and also contributes to "60 Minutes." She has conducted interviews with President Donald Trump, President Barack Obama, His Royal Highness Prince Harry, Nobel Prize winner Malala Yousafzai and the Dalai Lama. O'Donnell earned a Gracie Award and was named best national news on-air talent for 2018 and 2016. She received the Edward R. Murrow Award for Best Newscast of 2017 and has covered some of the biggest national news stories during her career, including the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, the Boston Marathon bombing and Hurricane Harvey. O'Donnell is a board member of the International Women's Media Foundation.



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**Christopher Jackson** is best known for starring as George Washington in the original cast of “Hamilton,” earning a Tony Award nomination. Other Broadway appearances have been in “Holler If Ya Hear Me,” “After Midnight,” “The Bronx Bombers,” “In the Heights,” “Memphis” and “The Lion King.” Jackson can currently be seen in the CBS drama “Bull,” playing the character of Chunk. He won a Grammy Award for his song with Will.I.Am called “What I Am,” and earned an Emmy Award for his work as the composer/songwriter for “Sesame Street.”

The Travelers Championship will take place June 18–24, featuring a week’s worth of special events and some of the world’s top golfers, including defending champion Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas, Rory McIlroy, Jason Day, Paul Casey, Patrick Reed, Bubba Watson, Bryson DeChambeau, Charley Hoffman, Zach Johnson, Jim Furyk and others.

#### **About the Travelers Championship**

The Travelers Championship, held in Cromwell, Connecticut, is one of the premier events on the PGA TOUR and part of the FedExCup series. Named by the PGA TOUR as the 2017 “Tournament of the Year,” the Travelers Championship proudly supports the TOUR’s Tradition of Giving Back by donating 100 percent of net proceeds to charities. Travelers, a leading provider of property and casualty insurance for [home](#), [auto](#) and [business](#), is the Official Property Casualty Insurance Provider of the PGA TOUR. The company became the tournament’s title sponsor in 2007. Travelers has been doing business in the Hartford community for more than 160 years and has been a corporate sponsor of this event each year since its inception in 1952. Complete details are available at [www.TravelersChampionship.com](http://www.TravelersChampionship.com).

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