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## **Golf For Kids' Sake set for June 11 at Thornberry Creek** **31<sup>st</sup> annual fundraiser supports youth mentoring**



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin will host its 31st annual Golf For Kids' Sake on Monday, June 11, at Thornberry Creek at Oneida. Participants can enjoy nine or 18 holes on one of Northeastern Wisconsin's finest golf courses and spend the day with friends and colleagues while supporting mentoring for local children. The event begins with a shot gun start at 10 a.m. for the 18-hole course and noon for the nine-hole course. Space is limited for both experiences. Lunch, dinner and beverages are included for all participants.

Register online at [www.bbbsnew.org](http://www.bbbsnew.org) or call 920-489-3544. Registration and additional sponsorship support is requested by June 4.

The event raises critical funding for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin. All proceeds from **Golf For Kids' Sake** benefit mentoring programs in Brown, Door, and Shawano counties.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin greatly appreciates sponsorship support from: **Schneider, the Green Bay Packers, Green Bay Packaging, KI, WBAY TV-2, and WIXX 101 FM.**

Serious golfers can test their mettle on the challenging Legends and Iroquois courses, and if they wish, participate in a little fun and games. Optional course activities include:

- Longest drive contest for men and women.
- Longest putt contest for men and women.
- Use the pro's drive, including average distances for male and female pro golfers.

All participants can purchase a chance to win a Kohler golf get-away, Door County golf experience, a cooler of meat from American Foods Group with spirits, and win a brand new vehicle from Broadway Automotive with a hole-in-one.

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Anyone can participate in silent auctions for a chance to win a signed Aaron Rodgers Green Bay Packers practice jersey; a David Bakhtiari signed Packers helmet; a Masters Flag framed and signed by Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer, and Gary Player; a golf and spa getaway to Scottsdale, Ariz.; a music focused adventure to Nashville, Tenn.; deck level tickets to the LPGA Classic at Thornberry Creek at Oneida; Gamblers luxury suite tickets; rounds of golf at the region's most popular golf courses, and more!

Last year, the event included more than 150 golfers who helped raise \$54,000 for local children.

The event also shines the light on the need for mentors. There are more than 85 children on the waiting list to be matched right now.

In the simple act of being themselves, mentors help children in need realize their full potential. Any adult with the desire to be there for a child in need can become a mentor. Go to [bbbsnew.org](http://bbbsnew.org) and click on "Be a BIG." Or call 920-489-2227.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin served a record high 602 children and was awarded a national Quality Award in 2017 for excellence in leadership and programming in Brown, Door, and Shawano counties.

Mentors change lives. Having a mentor provides a consistent, positive force in a child's life that leads to improved academic performance, better attitudes about risky behavior and a more trusting relationship with a parent. When compared with their peers, children who have a mentor matched through Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin are:

- 52 percent more likely to remain in school;
- 75 percent more likely to earn a four-year degree;
- 48 percent more likely to volunteer;
- 81 percent more likely to hold a leadership role in an organization.

Because Thornberry Creek is hosting the LPGA Classic in July, it adds a level of excitement the Golf For Kids' Sake. Golfers will get a sneak peek of the course before the pros hit the links. The Thornberry Creek LPGA Classic will be held at the course July 3 through 8, attracting 144 of the world's best golfers to Northeastern Wisconsin to compete for a \$2 million purse.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeastern Wisconsin** is the premier youth mentoring organization serving Brown, Door and Shawano counties, recognized nationally for quality in 2017. Our mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong, enduring, professionally-supported one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. Founded in 1972, we are a 100 percent donor and volunteer supported nonprofit organization.

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