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**GANNON, NORTH, RANKIN AND RINALDI TEE UP ABC'S
COVERAGE OF LG SKINS GAME, NOV. 29-30
AT CELEBRITY COURSE, INDIAN WELLS GOLF RESORT**

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. — The fabulous foursome for the **2008 LG SKINS GAME** – two-time defending champion **Stephen Ames**, World No. 3 and 34-time PGA TOUR champion **Phil Mickelson**, 2008 U.S. Open runner-up and fan favorite **Rocco Mediate**, and seven-time PGA TOUR winner and Korea's finest, **K.J. Choi** – exemplifies the vibrant personality, laughs and relaxed nature that LG SKINS GAME fans and viewers are eager to find in the players.

A similar chemistry behind the microphones is equally as vital to the overall enjoyment of the LG SKINS GAME broadcast, and the granddaddy of all postseason golf events returns a mainstay crew to **ABC's** Thanksgiving weekend tradition on **Nov. 29-30**.

Play-by-play announcer **Terry Gannon**, expert analyst and two-time U.S. Open champion **Andy North** and respected on-course reporter **Judy Rankin** return to the **Celebrity Course at Indian Wells Golf Resort** and are joined by veteran sports reporter **Tom Rinaldi**. Together, the quartet brings a relaxed delivery, humor and nuggets of golf wisdom to a national network audience for the \$1 million LG SKINS GAME.

Renowned for its high entertainment value on Thanksgiving weekend, the LG SKINS GAME is in its 26th year and will be produced by ESPN and aired on ABC Saturday, Nov. 29 from 1-3:30 p.m. EST and on Sunday, Nov. 30 from 3:30-6 p.m. EST (check local listings). This is the 18th year ABC has served as the U.S. broadcast home to the Skins Game.

This year's event is the second consecutive LG SKINS GAME to be produced and broadcast in digital high-definition television (HDTV), complementing the HDTV industry leadership of title sponsor LG Electronics. Ideal for events such as the LG SKINS GAME, the realism, detail and vibrant colors of HDTV will put viewers in the action against the backdrop of Indian Wells Golf Resort's desert vistas.

Gannon, North and Rankin were on the broadcast team for last year's LG SKINS GAME, which Ames won for the second consecutive year following a 7-foot, \$650,000 birdie putt on the 18th hole. Gannon and Rinaldi, a compelling and thorough storyteller across all sports, are veteran broadcasters of golf whose smooth delivery and laidback demeanor make them natural fits for the LG SKINS GAME and a refined complement to North and Rankin.

North, ABC/ESPN's lead golf analyst, is a three-time PGA TOUR winner and 1978 and 1985 U.S. Open champion. His first win came in the 1977 American Express Westchester Classic. He partnered with Tom Watson to win this year at the Champions Tour's Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf.

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Rankin is a pioneer in the golf industry. Rankin became the first woman to work full-time in broadcasting men's golf events. She joined the LPGA Tour in 1962 at 16, won 26 LPGA events, was the 1976 and 1977 LPGA Player of the Year and leading money winner and was the first player to be voted into the LPGA Tour Hall of Fame (under the veterans category) in 2000. She was also inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame that year.

A limited number of tickets are available for the LG SKINS GAME. Fans can enjoy all three days of action with a three-day pass for \$75. Individual day tickets are priced at \$25 for Friday's LG SKINS GAME CELEBRITY PRO-AM; \$45 for Saturday's first round and \$35 for Sunday's final nine holes. There is also a daily VIP ticket for \$150 per day, or enjoy the three-day VIP ticket for \$300. Indian Wells residents will receive a special rate and can purchase their tickets at the Indian Wells Golf Resort Golf Shop or City Hall. Parking and shuttle service are free. Tickets may be purchased online at www.indianwells.com or in person at the Indian Wells Golf Resort, 44-500 Indian Wells Lane, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., seven days a week, or Indian Wells City Hall, 44-950 Eldorado Drive, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Tickets may also be available for purchase during LG SKINS GAME weekend. Children under 17 years of age are admitted free.

In the LG SKINS GAME, players compete for money for each hole rather than the low score for the round. A player must win a hole outright to win a skin. If a hole is tied, the skin(s) and money carry over to the next hole. Each of the first six holes (one through six) will be worth \$25,000. Each of the second six holes (seven through 12) will be worth \$50,000. Holes 13 through 17 will each be worth \$70,000, and the 18th hole, the LG Super Skin, will be worth \$200,000. The foursome will play for \$300,000 on Saturday and \$700,000 on Sunday. Twenty percent of the winnings (\$200,000 total) will be donated to the players' favorite charities.

The photogenic Celebrity Course, which opened in November of 2006 to rave reviews, hosts the LG SKINS GAME for the second consecutive year and will host the event through 2009. Last year, the par-72, 7,088-yard course lived up to expectations by giving the professionals a dramatic stage loaded with risk/reward scenarios. For example on the par-5, fourth hole Couples went for the island green in two, managing to avoid the water, but instead he found a green-side bunker. Then, in what will certainly make highlight clips for years to come, Couples holed out for eagle and three skins, worth \$75,000. In addition to competitive drama, the Clive Clark-designed Celebrity Course features aesthetic drama such as spectacular mountain views, streams, brooks and split-level lakes connected by cascading waterfalls. Vibrant desert wildflowers along with mature trees neatly frame the fairways and greens adding yet another dimension to the Celebrity Course's alluring charm.

During the past 25 years, the list of participants in the LG SKINS GAME reads like a who's who of the greats in golf – Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Tiger Woods, Tom Watson, Gary Player, Lee Trevino, Fred Couples, Curtis Strange, Nick Faldo, Raymond Floyd, Tom Kite, Paul Azinger, Vijay Singh, Colin Montgomerie, Payne Stewart, Greg Norman, Mark O'Meara, Tom Lehman, Fuzzy Zoeller, John Daly, Sergio Garcia, Corey Pavin, Adam Scott, Peter Jacobsen, Jesper Parnevik, David Duval, Fred Funk, Zach Johnson, and the only female player, Annika Sorenstam.

The popular event was first played in 1983 at the Desert Highlands in Scottsdale, Ariz. for two years before moving to Bear Creek Golf Club in Murrieta, Calif. in 1985. The Coachella Valley became a permanent fixture for the event beginning in 1986. The TPC at PGA West in La Quinta, Calif. was home from 1986-1991 and then the site shifted to BIGHORN Golf Club in Palm Desert from 1992-1995. Rancho La Quinta Country Club in La Quinta, Calif. hosted from 1996-1998, followed by Landmark Golf Club in Indio, Calif. from 1999-2002. The LG SKINS GAME was played at Trilogy Golf Club in La Quinta, Calif. from 2003-2006.

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About The City of Indian Wells

The City of Indian Wells is a world-renowned residential and resort destination located in the heart of the Southern California Desert Resorts, only 20 minutes from Palm Springs International Airport. Indian Wells is home to the famed Indian Wells Golf Resort, which recently underwent an \$80 million transformation. Owned by the city and professionally managed by OB Sports, this upscale public access resort features the IW Club, a stunning, new 53,000-square-foot upscale clubhouse; The Celebrity and Players' Courses; a lighted natural grass putting course; spacious Golf Shop and Callaway Golf Performance Center, dining and banquet facilities, and more. Four luxurious hotels are conveniently located adjacent to the Golf Resort campus—Hyatt Grand Champions Resort, Villas & Spa; Indian Wells Resort Hotel; Miramonte Resort & Spa; and the Renaissance Esmeralda Resort & Spa. The city's unique attractions also include the state-of-the-art Indian Wells Tennis Garden, home of the Indian Wells Tennis Tournament; and The Living Desert, the only zoo and botanical garden dedicated to preservation of the desert eco-system. Premier city amenities encompass outstanding spas, restaurants, boutiques, and country club communities. Indian Wells enjoys the benefits of being one of California's wealthiest and financially well managed cities, and sponsors many sporting and cultural events including the LG Skins Game, the Indian Wells Tennis Tournament, Desert Town Hall—Indian Wells lecture series, The Palm Springs International Film Festival, and Indian Wells Arts Festival.

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