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**OMAHA COUNTRY CLUB TO HOST 2013 U.S. SENIOR OPEN**

Far Hills, N.J. (Sept. 9) – The United States Golf Association announced today that Omaha (Neb.) Country Club has been selected as the site for the 2013 U.S. Senior Open. The dates of the championship will be Aug. 1-4.

It will be the first USGA championship to be conducted at Omaha Country Club ([www.omahacc.org](http://www.omahacc.org)). The USGA has previously conducted two national championships in Nebraska: the 1941 U.S. Amateur (won by Marvin H. Ward) at Omaha Field Club and the 1996 U.S. Women’s Amateur (won by Kelli Kuehne) at Firethorn Golf Club in Lincoln.

Designed in 1925 on set across 190 acres of farmland, Omaha Country Club completed major renovations and enhancements to the golf course in 2006. These changes, under the direction of Keith Foster, added length and complemented the original design of the course, as well as a 1951 redesign by Perry Maxwell.

“Having the opportunity to host the U.S. Senior Open Championship is a tribute to Omaha Country Club and to Omaha’s ability to support major sporting events,” said Patrick Duffy, chairman of the local organizing committee. “The Senior Open will bring tens of thousands of fans and hundreds of media to our community, and it will be another chance to put our community in the national spotlight. We look forward to seeing some of golf’s greatest players in Omaha.”

The Omaha Country Club has hosted 15 Nebraska Amateur Championships (most recently in 2005), four Nebraska Cup Matches, two Nebraska Match Play Championships and one Nebraska-Kansas Junior Cup.

The future sites of the U.S. Senior Open prior to 2013 are:

2009: Crooked Stick Golf Club - Carmel, Ind.

2010: Sahalee Country Club - Sammamish, Wash.

2011: Inverness Club - Toledo, Ohio

2012: Indianwood Golf and Country Club - Lake Orion, Mich.

The U.S. Senior Open was first played in 1980, and the 2009 championship will be the 30th. A total of 22 players have won the first 27 championships, and 24 clubs have hosted the championship, with Oakland Hills Country Club in Birmingham Hills, Mich., and Saucon Valley



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Country Club in Bethlehem, Pa., having each hosted two Senior Opens.

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The USGA is the national governing body of golf in this country and Mexico, a combined territory that includes more than half the world's golfers and golf courses.

The Association's most visible role is played out each season in conducting 13 national championships, including the U.S. Open, U.S. Women's Open and U.S. Senior Open. Ten additional USGA national championships are exclusively for amateurs, and include the U.S. Amateur and the U.S. Women's Amateur.

The USGA also writes the Rules of Golf, conducts equipment testing, provides expert course maintenance consultations, funds research for better turf and a better environment, maintains a Handicap System and administers an ongoing "For the Good of the Game" grants program, which has allocated more than \$62 million over 11 years to successful programs that bring the game's values to youths from disadvantaged backgrounds and people with disabilities. For more information about the USGA, visit [www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org).

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