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honored as the NCAA Co-Player of the Year.

■ **Cindy Figg-Currier:** Figg-Currier, 34, is an exempt player born in Mt. Pleasant. She joined the LPGA tour in 1983 and has a career-best finish of a third-place tie (at the 1990 Stratton Mountain LPGA Classic). She had six top-10 finishes in 1990 and surpassed the \$100,000 mark in season earnings for the first time in her career. Figg-Currier posted a career-best round of 66 in the first round of the 1989 Sara Lee Classic. As a high school player in Mt. Pleasant, she won the 1977 and 1978 Michigan State High School Championship. She graduated from the University of Texas in 1982 with a degree in marketing.

■ **Sue Ertl:** Ertl was born in Milwaukee but lists Riverview, Mich., as her current residence. She was named All-American in 1979 at Michigan State University, winning medalist honors in the 1977 and 1978 Big Ten Championships. Ertl, 36, joined the LPGA tour in 1982.

■ **Barb Mucha:** Mucha is an exempt player who captured two collegiate titles while playing at Michigan State University. She received All-American honorable mention honors in 1984.

■ **Becky Iverson:** A non-exempt player residing in Gladstone, Mich., Iverson was winner of the 1986 Michigan Junior Amateur and 1987 Michigan Women's Amateur. She was a member of the Michigan State University golf team from 1985-88. Iverson, 26, joined the tour in October.

■ **Debbie Massey:** Massey, 43, is an ex-

1994 U.S. Women's Open: The course at Indianwood

Hole	Yardage	Par
1	470	5
2	370	4
3	142	3
4	377	4
5	170	3
6	406	4
7	367	4
8	371	4
9	339	4
OUT		35
10	351	4
11	334	4
12	468	5
13	204	3
14	377	4
15	524	5
16	404	4
17	188	3
18	382	4
IN		36
TOTAL		71

empt player born in Grosse Pointe. She joined the tour in 1977 and has three career wins to her credit. She lives in Beaufort, S. C.

■ **Kris Tschetter:** Tschetter (pronounced Chedder), 29, joined the tour in 1987 and has one career win. The Detroit native graduated from Texas Christian University in 1987.

Merten points toward touring pros Beth Daniel, Patty Sheehan, Donna Andrews and Michelle McGann as some of the top talents eager to knock her from the Open throne.

"All four are always very good Open players," Merten said. "But I know I'll go out there and have some fun playing golf and enjoy being the champion. I'd like to defend in a good way, and for me that's giving it my best shot. Playing in the Open has been a dream come true. Winning it made it even more special."

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things, but the hospital took care of everything else," Jane said. "That's why we are anxious to share our story about the center. We have a happy ending, but not all patients are as fortunate as Sarah.

"The funds need to be there to continue the research against catastrophic childhood diseases and to extend this

wonderful treatment to families dealing with a child's struggle to survive."

To make a donation to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital or to learn more about the Birdies for Babies benefit at the U.S. Women's Open July 18-24 at Indianwood Golf & Country Club, call 1 (800) 942-5533.

There's no shortage of activity

Here's the schedule of events:

Practice Rounds
Monday, July 18:
— Rounds begin 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
— Driving range open to 8 p.m.
Tuesday, July 19:
Junior Golf Day. All junior golfers through age 17 admitted free.
— Rounds begin 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
— First 250 juniors receive a complimentary visor, hot dog and soft drink, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
— "Peanut Butter" press conference, 2 p.m.
— Junior Clinic featuring LPGA players off the No. 1 fairway, 5 p.m.
— Driving range open to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, July 20:
Senior Citizen Day. All visitors age

55 and older get two tickets for the price of one.

— Rounds begin 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
— Driving range open to 8 p.m.

Championship Rounds
Thursday-Friday, July 21-22:
— Starting times 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
— Driving range open to 8 p.m.

Saturday, July 23:
— Starting times 7:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
— Driving range open to 8 p.m.

Sunday, July 24:
— Starting times 8:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.
— U.S. Women's Open Trophy presented to the champion after completion of play at 6 p.m.

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will like it, but I think they're just saying that."

Merten, along with the rest of the 150-player field, will be forced to battle the rolling hills, grassed bunkers and tall rough that makes designer Willfred Reid's Scottish links-style "Old Course" a masterpiece. During the 1989 U.S. Women's Open at Indianwood, Betsy King's six-under-par 278 was good enough to earn her the championship.

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