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I don't know about you but I am definitely the type of person who when golfing likes to arrive a little early to the course. I like to have time to order and leisurely sip a cup of coffee and maybe even consider buying and eating that spicy chorizo breakfast burrito which always seems to be the local specialty. Of course I also need to provide for the possibility of utilizing the clubhouse restroom particularly if I have taken advantage of the aforementioned burrito special. I need at least 20 minutes to stretch and practice at the range because God knows if I don't I will almost certainly pull a back muscle or worse yet kill someone on the course on account of an errant shot. Also important is my need for being able to meander to the tee box without rushing so I have a chance to hear the life story of the person I have been paired up with which inevitably has a chapter about how they carry a 29 handicap and they have not played in years only to moments later see them blister one down the fairway. Although this ritual seems to have little, if any, impact worth noting on the overall outcome of my consistently crappy score, I am at peace with this ritualistic pursuit and absolutely convinced that without it my score would be far worse.

Now I say all this because when I golf with my wife (who I love dearly by the way) it never seems to work out this way and maybe some of you can also relate. My worst pre-golfing fears are realized when I find myself screeching into the golf parking lot on two wheels just ahead of the HOA rental cop who is ready to issue me a speeding ticket if he can only catch me. My wife and I then run to the first tee with my shoes untied while carrying both bags and sweat flowing down the side of my head as I wonder why today of all days she decided to pack an ACME anvil in her travel light carry bag. While still in full stride I see the missed opportunity to use the restroom and with it I start feeling an inward pressure suggesting that I definitely should have used the facilities before leaving home. It dawns on me that I might not want to swing as hard as I usually

do on the first tee but then I am thrust into an awkward introduction of the new people we are paired up with who have already hit their drives at least 270 yards down the fairway and I proceed to shank my tee shot into the native grass 7 feet in front of us and we are off, just steps ahead of Paul Blart and his tricked out Segway.

I say all this because preparing for the Texas Shotgun is much like preparing for a round of golf as it takes time to get ready and prepare but because you and our aviation industry have kept all of us at Strom Aviation so busy staffing the world, it feels like we are running to our own golf tournament. The good news however is that most of you have played in our event, heard about it or already read our invitations so you know that this e-mail signifies "Game Time". You also know that this is in fact your personal invitation to join us in the unique aviation golfing experience that is our 18th Annual Texas Shotgun Golf Tournament benefitting Children's Health and the time to act is NOW.

Make no mistake about it we want YOU and we wouldn't mind your money as well as we are trying to raise awareness and money for Children's Health so if you have a heart for the mission of Children's and you have a wad of unmarked bills just reply right now with your intentions to sponsor this storied event or perhaps you want to make a donation you can do that too (www.Crowdrise.com/TexasShotgun). We are all in this together and every dollar counts!

It is with great pleasure that I get to announce the 2016 Texas Shotgun Golf Tournament to be held on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at The Golf Club at Fossil Creek in Fort Worth, TX (www.thegolfclubatfossilcreek.com) where we will have a shotgun start at 1:30 pm immediately followed by a high number of "bag drops" as we head off to our respective tee boxes. Dinner will be generously sponsored and provided by GDC Technics with an awards ceremony and if that is not enough we will be able to hear the stories about how the 37 under to win the event was in fact a legit score.

As you know the party will continue and we have made arrangements with the Holiday Inn Express (Fort Worth I-35 Western Center) in Fort Worth, for a limited number of rooms at the Strom Aviation rate of \$99.00 per night. Click the following link to book your room today and take advantage of the special rate ([Strom Aviation Group Rate](#)) and keep it safe while we continue into the night telling tall tales about shots gone by!

We will again be holding an optional pre-tournament practice round on Friday, September 23rd at a rate of \$50.00 per player, payable at check-in. This event will also be held at The Golf Club at Fossil Creek in the afternoon and we ask that you RSVP for this event as well. Come out and join us so you can scout the course, the generally weak competition and develop your strategy for pulling off a big win in 2016.

Texas Shotgun To-Do List:

1. Accept our invitation by replying to this e-mail with your confirmation to attend and then wait while we take care of the rest with less written words!

2. Create a team for just \$600 using the following link and reply with e-mail confirmation of your plans with the full contact information of each player from our aviation community ([Foursome Registration](#)).
3. Sponsor this event. Review the following link of options and feel free to call me to discuss further any other ideas you might have as we want this to work for you and your team. After determining the level of sponsorship send me an e-mail with your intent and any guests you would like to bring as golfers or perhaps volunteers to help a contest hole ([Sponsorship Options](#)).
4. Make a Donation directly to Children's Health through [our fundraising site](#).
5. Help us get the word out for the Texas Shotgun. Facebook, Tweet, LinkedIn, forward this e-mail or suggest our Texas Shotgun website in passing to others as that will help us a great deal. Do whatever it takes to help spread the word on this aviation charity tradition. If you have vendors with deep pockets that would benefit from the networking and could sponsor, please call us. Or if you have an aviation colleague who you think would be an excellent addition to our esteemed group of aviation movers and shakers send us their contact information and we will see what we can do.

As always we cannot do this without your help and generosity so please help us out in whatever way that you can. 18 years is a long time to be doing this with no improvement in golf whatsoever but I am proud that on behalf of all of us at Strom Aviation and Children's Health you have helped transform what started as simply a party into a party with a cause and whether you realize it or not YOU are making a difference and every dollar counts.

Thank you for being a part of this aviation tradition and for allowing us to work in an industry that we all love.

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*As always, if you have an aviation friend (or two) who would appreciate this industry charity event, has patience for generally bad golf, possesses wads of cash with a heart for the Children's Health please call us or e-mail their contact information and we will personally reach out and invite them. If, however, you are receiving this yearly e-mail and while you enjoy the attempted witty banter you would like **to be removed from this correspondence please kindly reply to this e-mail with "remove" in the subject or body and we will take care of the rest immediately.***

We appreciate your support and partnership for the Texas Shotgun, an aviation golfing tradition benefitting Children's Health made possible by an industry we all love.

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