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The Retreat to Host Annual Golf Outing Honoring Celebrity Chef Michael Symon

**Thursday, October 8, 2026
Amagansett Golf Club**

EAST HAMPTON, NY — August 21, 2026 — The Retreat will host its Annual Golf Outing on Thursday, October 8, 2026 at the historic Amagansett Golf Club, with proceeds benefiting The Retreat's mission to provide safety, shelter, and support for survivors of domestic abuse, sexual assault, and human trafficking. **This year's event will celebrate Retreat supporter and celebrity Chef Michael Symon.**

"As someone who has been the recipient of so much support over the years, I do my best to give back when and where I can," said Mr. Symon, who has been a longtime friend and generous supporter of The Retreat's Annual Golf Outing. "Working with The Retreat over the years has been an incredibly meaningful experience, and a cause that I will continue to support for years to come."

The acclaimed chef, restaurateur, cookbook author and television personality is widely known to audiences from the Food Network, where he became an Iron Chef after winning *The Next Iron Chef* and has since hosted and appeared on numerous programs. He has also authored nine cookbooks, including the newly released New York Times Best Seller *Symon's Dinners: Cooking Out*. Symon is also committed to giving back and has been a generous philanthropist throughout his career. The Retreat is pleased to recognize both his longstanding support and generosity by honoring him at this year's outing.

Nestled in the oceanside hamlet of Amagansett and surrounded by scenic nature preserves, the Amagansett Golf Club offers a truly unforgettable setting for the day's tournament. Originally founded in 1921 as a nine-hole course and expanded to 18 holes in 2000 by renowned golf architect Gil Hanse, the historic course provides a challenging and enjoyable round for golfers of all skill levels.



The day will begin with check-in and lunch, followed by a scramble-style shotgun start at 1 PM. Golfers will take in the course's natural beauty and coastal vistas throughout the round. Following play, guests will enjoy cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and dinner, and a live auction featuring exclusive golf experiences and fine wine.

"We're thrilled to welcome our community to the Amagansett Golf Club for a day of great golf, food, and purpose," said Cate Carbonaro, Executive Director of The Retreat. **"We're especially pleased to be recognizing the wonderful contributions of Chef Michael Symon, whose friendship and generosity of this annual event have meant so much to The Retreat.** Every dollar raised helps us continue providing safety, shelter, and support to survivors of abuse across Long Island."

The Retreat extends its gratitude to **Golf Committee Co-Chairs Steve Maietta and Claudia Pilato** for their continued leadership and outstanding support of this event.

EVENT DETAILS

The Retreat's Annual Golf Outing

Thursday, October 8, 2026

Amagansett Golf Club

730 Old Stone Hwy, Amagansett, NY 11930

11:30 AM > Check-In

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM > Lunch

1:00 PM > Shotgun Start (Scramble Format)

For tickets, sponsorship opportunities, or more information, visit

<https://secure.qgiv.com/event/golfwiththeretreat/> or contact Elise Trucks, Director of Development, at elise@theretreatinc.org or by calling 631-329-4398.

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About the Retreat: The Retreat is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit serving all of Long Island. The Retreat creates safety, healing and hope for those affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking, while working every day to prevent and break the cycle of violence. If you or someone you know needs help, call The Retreat's 24-hour hotline at (631) 329-2200. For more information, visit allagainstabuse.org or follow @allagainstabuse on Instagram and Facebook.

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