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## **Leigh Chien**

**Press Conference** 

Q. Well, you ran out of comebacks, I guess. You had two big ones this week. Down three twice and came back and won. Ran out of gas today or she just played a little better?

LEIGH CHIEN: Yeah, I've been having some swing issues this week. So as the week goes on I get more tired, it's just harder to get back. I had trouble hitting fairways. My irons weren't going very straight. So nothing really worked out today. But it was a good round.

Q. Obviously in the morning you had enough strength to come back from three down and force extra holes and win a match. So was it just playing another match today that took a little bit out of you?

LEIGH CHIEN: Yeah, I think especially since it got a little windy it affected me a little bit, too. But overall I think it's just the stamina portion and my swing just started deteriorating in the end.

Q. What goes exactly wrong with the swing when you get a little tired?

LEIGH CHIEN: My head starts to not stay center, my back swing gets too long, and I don't swing left enough.

Q. So that's something you probably want to work on, because obviously you got other USGA events in your future.

LEIGH CHIEN: Yes, I'm playing in the Women's Am.

Q. How would you sum up your week? You get to the semifinals of a USGA event. It's the deepest run you've made.

LEIGH CHIEN: It's great. Unexpected. Especially since I wasn't totally confident with my game. But I stuck with it and it worked out. I'm pretty happy with semi-finals.

Q. Fun to have your brother on the bag?



LEIGH CHIEN: Yeah.

Q. Because he's a competitive player as well.

LEIGH CHIEN: Yeah, he's good with the greens, yeah.

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