



PGA Announces Western PGA Village, Site Set for Southern Nevada

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PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. – The PGA of America will spread “The PGA Experience” to the West, with the development of a PGA Village in Clark and Lincoln counties in Nevada, just outside Las Vegas.

Construction of the PGA Village at Coyote Springs, scheduled to begin in 2005, will serve as a prime destination for PGA Professionals in the western United States, just as the PGA Village in Port St. Lucie, Florida has been a mecca for eastern golf professionals and their guests. The PGA Village at Coyote Springs, with an anticipated opening in 2006, will offer the same world-class golf courses and facilities as its sister village in Florida, including a PGA Learning Center and a PGA Historical Center.

Comprising almost 43,000 acres, Coyote Springs will be one of southern Nevada’s most vibrant new communities for families, visitors and businesses. The PGA Village at Coyote Springs is the result of a licensing partnership agreement between The PGA of America and Coyote Springs Investment (“CSI”), an affiliate of the Wingfield Nevada Group, based in Reno, Nevada.

“The PGA of America is excited about bringing the PGA Village experience to our member professionals in the West,” said PGA of America Chief Executive Officer Jim L. Awtrey. “The PGA Village brand is an extension of our mission to grow the game of golf, and will offer the best possible facilities to our members and their guests, and residents and resort visitors with a growing appetite for golf. Coyote Springs will offer all of the amenities consistent with a carefree golf course lifestyle.”

Awtrey said the PGA Village at Coyote Springs will be a western winter home to PGA professionals, just as the PGA Village in Port St. Lucie has become on the East Coast, by providing priority access and rates for PGA Professionals. The Association plans to host several PGA of America club professional events at Coyote Springs.

CSI has also announced its partnership with Pardee Homes as the master residential builder for the first development phase.

The overall project will include a series of Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Courses that will be identified internationally as the Bear Trail; up to six additional courses to be built with additional architects; other amenities including almost 500 acres of parks and large expanses of preserved open space; a village spa; a tennis and swim center; and a series of hotels, restaurants, multiple town centers and village centers. In addition to the first Nicklaus courses, Phase 1 will include a general store, a welcome center and the initial PGA clubhouse and learning center facilities.

“The PGA Village experience is not only an exciting opportunity for the residents, visitors and businesses of the Coyote Springs community, but also represents a welcomed addition for Las Vegas, Nevada and the western United States,” said Wingfield Nevada Group’s Owner and Founder Harvey Whittemore. “Together with the PGA, the PGA Village® designation and the golf facilities that will be built at Coyote Springs, we have the elements of a special community that is certain to become the next great American golf destination, literally next door to the world’s most exciting vacation destination.”

The PGA of America’s first PGA Village is a premier resort community in Port St. Lucie, Florida. It opened in 1996 and features the award-winning PGA Golf Club, the PGA Learning Center, PGA Historical Center and PGA Education Center. PGA Golf Club, The PGA of America’s first owned and operated public golf facility also has all three of its world-class courses as members of the Audubon International Signature Status for environmental compliance.

The PGA of America, founded in 1916, is a not-for-profit organization that promotes the game of golf while continuing to enhance the standards of the profession. The Association is comprised of more than 28,000 men and women PGA Professionals who are dedicated to growing participation in the game of golf.

Coyote Springs Investment, LLC is an affiliate of the Wingfield Nevada Group, a real estate investment, development and operating company, owned by Harvey and Annette Whittemore. CSI has projects throughout Nevada including Wingfield Springs, the Resort at Red Hawk, and the Foothills at Wingfield Springs, in addition to Coyote Springs. With its significant land and water holdings, The Wingfield Nevada Group is one of the largest private landowners and land development companies in Nevada.