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He said it

'God makes golf courses and men find them. We've just found one.'

— Edgar D. Airey Jr.
Developer
on proposed Greystone
CC near White Hall, Md.

Ancient village spoils plan

A major archaeological find has forced planners to abandon plans to build a golf course in Ohikilolo Valley on Hawaii's Waianae Coast.

Archaeologist Bertell Davis, who was commissioned by the potential developer, Alpha Kai Corp., discovered the remains of an ancient Hawaiian village in February.

Davis, of the International Archaeological Research Insti-

tute, said the find is "one of the most significant prehistoric coastal Hawaiian villages ever to be discovered on Oahu."

A spokesman for Alpha Kai, which is owned by Japanese financier Yoji Takahashi, said the company has not made alternative plans for the property but "any plans would be compatible with the preservation of the archaeological sites."

Antioch being renovated to former self

The golf management firm GreenVisions, Inc. has begun extensive work to return Antioch (Ill.) Golf Club to "its former caliber."

More than \$1 million has been budgeted for the facelift and improvements to the public course which are targeted for May completion.

Antioch Golf Club, now owned by William Smith Jr., Randall Bus and Daniel Regan, was formerly called George Diamonds and later Harbor Ridge.

Restoration will include new landscaping and rebuilt sandtraps, tee boxes, greens and bunkers as well as redecorating and refurbishing clubhouse rooms and grounds.

The course will remain open during the work.

Carlton Oaks work complete

A \$5-million facelift to Carlton Oaks Country Club in Santee, Calif., is finished, complete with two new lakes and 35 new traps and bunkers.

Dye Designs Inc. of Denver, Colo., moved 350,000 cubic yards of earth in recontouring the fairways and greens in the one-year project. The contractor also cut down around 100 trees.

Honolulu-based ophthalmologist Dr. Allan Kunimoto and several associates bought Carlton Oaks for \$5.5 million in 1987 and hired Dye for the work.

Calendar raises money for MS

A 1990 calendar, "The World of Golf," has been produced by Mercedes-Benz of North America for the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

The 14-1/2-by-22-inch calendar takes an historical look at the game. It can be bought from MS chapters and by mail from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, 205 East 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10017; 800-666-PUTT. It costs \$35.

Grand Prix helps 'Wish' fund

Golf Cars Ltd. will sponsor the second annual Melex/Sun Cities Grand Prix in March in Phoenix, Ariz., to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

About \$6,500 was raised at the inaugural event this year by the race which featured media personalities as drivers and Sun Cities residents as navigators.

The race will coincide with the Phoenix Grand Prix.

Carmel has facelift

The three-year, \$2.5-million renovation of Carmel Highland Resort Golf Course is complete, having opened along with the \$45-million golf and tennis resort in Carmel Mountain, Calif.

Three new holes were built and three were redesigned on the 6,500-yard public course. The resort is managed by the Dallas-based Signet Hotel Corp.



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