Ray Hearn leaves Matthews to form course design company

HASLETT, Mich. — Ray Hearn, formerly of Matthews & Associates of East Lansing, has formed his own golf course design company here, Raymond Hearn Golf Designs, Inc.

A senior architect for Jerry Matthews whom he worked with for 10 years, Hearn was involved in some of the firm’s most highly acclaimed projects and in the last several years.

“I believe the best way to attain my life goals and career objectives is to form my own company,” Hearn said. “I want to be involved with every project. He said he and Matthews will continue working together on some projects.

“Who always hate to see someone with Ray’s talent leave, but I wish him well and look forward to a continuation of our professional and personal relationship,” Matthews said.

Hearn is in the process of signing several new clients around the country. Two of the projects to be announced in the near future are in Oklahoma and Georgia. Both exhibit sites that have outstanding landforms, according to Hearn, and should contribute to great golf courses.

Matthews will be significantly involved in both projects and will be credited as the co-designer. Joining Hearn as senior designer is Paul Albanese, who was an associate designer at Matthews & Associates. Albanese holds a bachelor of science degree from Cornell University and a master’s degree in landscape architecture from Harvard University.

Among the major courses on which Hearn was project architect while at Matthews & Associates are The Twin Lakes Golf Club in Oakland Township, scheduled to open this summer; The Majestic at Lake Walden in Hartland and the Mianus Golf Club in Lake Anne, which opened in 1994; The Woodlands of Van Buren, opened last year in Van Buren Township; The Club at Rye Brook in Farwell; and The Natural in Gaylord, which opened in 1992.

Hearn is an honors graduate in landscape architecture and turfgrass science from Michigan State University. He worked two years as an assistant superintendent at the Country Club of Detroit, where he was also a recipient of the Evans Scholarship sponsored by the Western Golf Association and founded by Charles “Chick” Evans.

Hearn and Albanese are members of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

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