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Anti-golf activists are taking bold strides to halt development in the Asian market

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WEISKOPF SURVEYS HIS FIRST TRACK IN MICH.
"You are only limited by your imagination," said PGA Tour great and golf course architect Tom Weiskopf, center, shown looking over the site for his design at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire, Mich. Weiskopf is flanked by his shaper Bob McClure, left, and Don Richards of golf course builder H&D, Inc. It is Weiskopf's first design in the Wolverine State. See story, page 26.

The Tournament Players Club (TPC) at Scottsdale (Ariz.) above is among the growing stable of Tournament Players Club courses operated by the PGA Tour. See story on new TPC, pg.23

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Stormwater runoff battle rages on in Fla.
By J. BARRY MOTES
SARASOTA, Fla. — A group of 27 Sarasota golf courses continues to battle the Sarasota County government over stormwater runoff assessment bills that have cost some courses as much as $46,000 per year and in some cases seriously threatened their survival.

The courses, organized as the Suncoast Golf Course Association, say the rates are far too high and unfair when compared to lower rates assessed to other agricultural-related operations in the counties like farms, nurseries and pastures. The group has filed two lawsuits over the stormwater assessment issue which are still pending.

Toro looks toward '99
By M. LEVANS
BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — The Toro Co. and Pinehurst Resort and Country Club, in cooperation with Pinehurst Championship Management, have inked a multi-year agreement that makes Toro the preferred golf course maintenance equipment and irrigation supplier for the Resorts for Pinehurst in North Carolina.

Under the new agreement, Toro will provide

SAFETY BY DESIGN
Safety programs too often overlooked in planning
By MARK LESLIE
NEW YORK — A backhoe cracks into a natural gas line and — boom — the town of North Benheim virtually blows up. A piece of heavy equipment cuts an underground electrical main, shutting down New Jersey's Newark Airport for a day. In cases around the country, laborers are struck by heavy equipment, caught in trench cave-ins, bedridden by Lyme disease contracted from a deer tick on a forested job site.

The "heavy-highway" industry, where these

Cart-path rule gets its day in court
By ROB SPIWAK
An incident at Lassing Pointe Golf Course in northern Kentucky may have far reaching implications for the future of "The Cart-Path Rule" around the country. Invovling a handicapped golfer, the situation was resolved in October after a year and a half of controversy.

Don Duckworth of Covington, Ky., had a heart attack in 1993. He was not expected to live. Two years later, he had open-heart surgery twice and survived. His doctor told him