HENDERSON, Nev. — The Revere at Anthem is the first of four new high-end, daily-fee golf courses planned for Del Webb’s Sun City Anthem Community in the southeast corner of the Las Vegas Valley here. The Revere, which was designed by PGA Tour Hall of Famer Billy Casper and architect Greg Nash, broke ground in December 1997 and is scheduled to open in January.

“We intend to provide players with a golf experience they won’t find anywhere else,” said Director of Golf Clay Meininger. “The golf course is set in the floor of a desert canyon. The topography has tremendous variety and great views of the valley, extending all the way to downtown Las Vegas. Plus, we’ll provide services and amenities you only expect from fine, private clubs.”

The Revere is located 15 minutes from the Las Vegas Strip which is visited by more than 30 million tourists annually. At the same time, the course will provide a unique amenity to the Sun City Anthem community.

“Our goal is to create an atmosphere that will be conducive to the needs of the tourists as well as to the homeowners,” Meininger said. “The addition of this course will provide Vegas golfers with exceptional variety and challenge. Plus the space of the course will serve to create some dramatic views for the residents.”

In designing the 7,010-yard, par-72 Revere course, Casper/Nash & Associates was dedicated to creating an experience that would be different from those currently available in the surrounding Las Vegas golf course communities.

“The land is perfect for a golf course,” Nash said. “It’s built directly into the desert canyons which provides natural elevation changes and a feeling of seclusion from the outside commotion of the city. It is also unique because it doesn’t look like other golf course communities. The houses are on the rim of the canyon rather than being dispersed throughout the course. This style of set-up allows players more freedom and superior, unobstructed views of the course and city below.”

North and Packard form Genesis Golf Design

CHICAGO — Andy North and Roger Packard have created a new company, Genesis Golf Design, formerly Packard & North. The new name and corporate structure provides additional management assistant, vital resources and the latest technology necessary to support the course designs by Packard and North.

Genesis Golf Design has more than 45 years of experience and more than 200 course projects on three continents, many of which have earned design recognition. Other services provided by Genesis Golf Design include landscape architecture, clubhouse architecture, environmental impact studies, land-use planning and site planning.

According to North, “Our vision for Genesis Golf Design is to continue to build upon our reputation by creating challenging and innovative course designs that respect the natural environment, as well as the tradition of the game.”

Nash also created several waterfalls that make this course even more dynamic in its natural setting. This feature is especially prominent on the 490-yard, par-5 No. 7 hole. The hole is played off the side of a canyon on to a wide fairway below. From there, players have to go back up to the green that lies at the end of a box canyon. The view from the fairway gives players the illusion of shooting into the waterfall because of its positioning behind the green.

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