Wide Open for Development in the Lone Star State

With its wide-open expanses, Texas still has plenty of room for golf-related developments. Some of the most intriguing include the 36-hole TPC of San Antonio, where work is well under way on the initial course designed by Greg Norman and Sergio Garcia. Work should finish up soon on a major remodel of Galveston Island Municipal Golf Course by Jacobsen-Hardy. Another project in Galveston called The Preserve involves thousands of multi-family units in addition to an 18-hole golf course on the former Chapoton Ranch property on the city's west end. And construction is wrapping up on the Arnold Palmer-designed Newport Beach & Golf Club, an integral part of a 36-hole, 1,800-acre resort project on Mustang Island. For details on these and other golf projects around the country, visit www.golfconstructionnews.com.

COURTESY OF:

Golf Rounds Played

The percentages below represent the change in the number of rounds played in December 2007 compared to the number of rounds played in December 2006.

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GOLF DATATECH

High and Dry

America's drought-riskiest cities, according to the Sperling Drought Index:

EXTREME DROUGHT:
1. Los Angeles, Long Beach and Santa Ana, Calif.
2. San Diego, Carlsbad and San Marcos, Calif.
4. Riverside, San Bernardino and Ontario, Calif.
5. Salt Lake City, Utah
6. Nashville, Davidson and Murfreesboro, Tenn.
7. Chattanooga, Tenn.
8. Birmingham and Hoover, Ala.
9. Greenville, S.C.
10. Charlotte, Gastonia and Concord, N.C.
11. Deltona, Daytona Beach and Ormond Beach, Fla.
12. Orlando and Kissimmee, Fla.
13. Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater, Fla.
16. Greensboro and High Point, N.C.
17. Cape Cod, Fort Myers, Fla.
18. Palm Bay, Melbourne and Titusville, Fla.
19. Columbus, S.C.
20. Pueblo, Mesa and Scottsdale, Ariz.
21. Cincinnati and Middletown, Ohio
22. Lakeland, Fla.

SEVERE DROUGHT:
10. Knoxville, Tenn.
13. Charleston, Summerville and Goose Creek, S.C.
14. Myrtle Beach and North Myrtle Beach, S.C.
15. Charleston, Beaufort and Hilton Head, S.C.
16. Myrtle Beach, S.C.
17. Fort Myers and Cape Coral, Fla.
18. Jacksonville, Fla.
19. Miami Beach, Coral Gables and North Bay Village, Fla.
20. Naples, Marco Island and Naples Beach, Fla.
21. Delray Beach, Palm Beach and Royal Palm Beach, Fla.
22. Sarasota, Bradenton and Venice, Fla.
23. Fort Myers, Cape Coral and Bonita Springs, Fla.
24. Miami Beach, North Bay Village and Hallandale, Fla.
25. Fort Myers, Cape Coral and Villa Rica, Ga.

Living Long

Dr. Maoshing Ni, a doctor of Chinese medicine and a best-selling author, says the human body was designed to live 100 years. We just have to live clean lives to get that far. Here's what Dr. Ni suggests we do daily to increase our longevity, that is, if you want to:

♥ Eat five small meals a day.
♥ Climb the stairs instead of using elevators.
♥ Laugh.
♥ Drink eight glasses of water.
♥ Unwind with meditation.