

Non-profit Glenmaura by invitation only

Developer proposes 200 memberships to generate \$8M

MOOSIC, Pa. — Aureus Inc. President Edward J. Manley plans to build a world-class golf course on 210 acres of land across from the Lackawanna County (Pa.) Multi-Purpose Stadium. And Manley says the golf course will be part of a first-class country club, with memberships by invitation only.

Manley hopes the non-profit Glenmaura National Golf Club will

be open by 1993. So far, he's had the site reviewed by several big industry names, including course designer Michael Hurzdan and Wadsworth Construction Co. Manley reports the experts have liked what they've seen.

Manley said local demographics show an area that is overpopulated in terms of public and municipal golf courses, but in need of private clubs.

Glenmaura will seek memberships to generate at least \$8 million. This number includes 217 regular memberships at \$21,000 each; 104

corporate memberships, at \$26,000 each; and 200 social memberships at \$4,000 each.

Manley's plans for the club also include a clubhouse with formal dining room, a casual bar and grill, pro shop, men's and women's locker rooms, and a swimming complex.

Manley, who hopes the course will someday host a national tournament, said the 18th hole at Glenmaura National will be an unusual one. He plans a par-4, 390-yard hole that will play against the backdrop of a 25-foot rock cliff, with a cascading waterfall.

Illinois community annexes land, takes over project

LOCKPORT, Ill. — The Lockport City Council has annexed property that will become part of a 575-acre development of homes, a 27-hole golf course, a hotel and a conference center.

Construction of the proposed Broken Arrow subdivision will begin with the golf course, according to planner Robert A. Olson, of the Balsamo/Olson Group, Inc.

Plans call for 1,500 single-family homes, condominiums and town

houses to be built, with construction costs expected to reach \$250 million dollars.

Before it could claim the proposed subdivision as its own, the city had to annex 100 acres.

The 100 acres lie just north of a forest preserve, and thus served "as a bridge" allowing annexation of Broken Arrow.

City Attorney Ron Caneva said communities are allowed to annex land abutting forest preserves that are adjacent to city property.

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Pequot Indians may add course to casino resort

LEDYARD, Conn. — Having gone to the U.S. Supreme Court to defend its right to build a mall-style casino resort, the Mashantucket Pequot Indian Tribe says it may add a golf course to its reservation here as well.

The Mashantucket Pequots put this rural southeastern Connecticut town on the map in 1986 with high-stakes bingo, pulling in an estimated 350,000 out-of-towners per year for "Las Vegas" nights.

The U.S. Supreme Court recently declined to hear an appeal against the tribe's expansive mall casino plan by the state of Connecticut. That cleared the way for the tribe to build New England's only casino near its bingo parlor, and to make plans for a "destination resort."

One of the most definite elements of the resort's master plan, tribal leaders say, is an 18-hole golf course and clubhouse. However, no dates have been set to build the course.

Also envisioned is a bus parking plaza, a campground, several hotels, a conference center, a boathouse, and a museum that would feature educational programs about Indian life and culture.

Guinness gains OK to construct Arizona project

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Arizona Gov. Fife Symington has cleared the way for Guinness Enterprises to build a resort and golf course in Arizona.

Symington signed a new law that allows liquor companies to build resorts, thereby revamping a state Depression-era law that prohibits a liquor maker from being a retailer.

Under the new law, liquor companies like Guinness, the Scottish firm that makes Guinness Liquors, can meet the qualifications needed to build a resort in Arizona, provided the resort has at least 50 rooms and includes an 18-hole golf course.

The firm also must serve at least three brands of alcohol in addition to its own, and hire an independent company to manage its retail-liquor business.