

Citizens raise funds, then oversee building of course

PETERSBURG, Ind. — A Pike County citizens' group interested in building a golf course since 1980 but stymied by lack of money took several fund-raising approaches.

As a result, they are supervising the building of a nine-hole public course surrounding the 90-acre Prides' Creek Lake.

Construction may be finished in September and may open in late June 1992.

The citizens' committee raised

\$160,000 in corporate and private individual donations, \$100,000 from the Department of Natural Resources and \$20,000 from the county.

Land for the 3,000-yard-long course was leased from Parks and Recreation.

Gress Construction Co. and architects Dave Henson and Dave Wilson provided the early spade-work.

The clubhouse will be the former Atheists' Museum.

Glenmaura will ease lack of playing time

Pennsylvanians look forward to new 18 designed by Hurdzan outside Scranton

Pennsylvania golfers frustrated by lack of playing facilities soon may be swinging freely without extensive travel time.

The Glenmaura National Golf Club near Scranton is taking shape on a 210-acre Montage Mountain layout. Fourteen holes have been

cleared, as well as an area for a driving range.

Five holes will feature the natural backdrop of waterfalls, streams and massive rock ledges.

Each hole will have five tee boxes, and the course will play from 5,000 to 7,000 yards.

Michael Hurdzan of Columbus, Ohio, is the designer.

Southern Pennsylvanians may be prominent participants in the new Oakmont Green Golf Club.

It is situated 25 miles southwest of York and 12 miles south of Hanover in Carroll County in

Maryland.

The 310-acre tract of land, just off Route 30 near Hampstead, Md., will become a par 72 course scheduled to open for the 1992 Memorial Day weekend.

Construction, begun early in May, is 50 percent complete.

Clubhouse construction is due this winter.

The course was designed by Morris Ritchie Engineering of Baltimore.

Developer Lynn Snyder said the course is more directed to trade from northern Maryland.

Landowner gives in, sells crucial one-third acre

NORTH AUGUSTA, Ga. — Augusta Golf Planning & Development Co. may be shy about public disclosure of its officials, but local developer and company representative Mark Bennett made his presence known three times to Alberta Scott in the most forceful way.

Bennett made three offers to Scott for her one-third acre of land on the North Augusta Riverfront, where an 18-hole golf course is planned.

After rejecting offers of \$10,000 and \$20,000 for her property, she accepted \$25,000.

The developers now own a continuous stretch of 185 acres along the riverfront. Cost was estimated at \$1.5 million.

Moon Chul Kim, the only partner listed in corporation papers, is not listed in the Atlanta telephone directory. Mail addressed to him is listed in care of Wilford Lau.

Mike Graybill, chairman of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners who sold 5.3 acres of riverfront property to the company for \$133,586 in May, said, "From what I have been told, they are Japanese investors."

Shakespeare chain club nears completion in Ga.

FLOWERY BRANCH, Ga. — An 810-acre country club development here, part of a chain of upscale golf course communities called Shakespeare Country Clubs, is in an advanced stage.

A preliminary site plan approved by the Hall County Commission includes a nine-hole public golf course and a 19-hole private course.

Atlanta-based Cooke & Andrews Investments Inc., a division of Japan Systems Engineering, will develop and manage the property.

The 19-hole course — a trademark of Shakespeare developments — will be designed by Lee Trevino-William Graves Design Inc. of Dallas. The 19th hole, usually a par 3, is used as a playoff hole.

Ground-breaking ceremonies are due in late spring 1992.



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