

## The Joneses

Continued from previous page on that project, he quipped: "How much input does a professor of neurology have when somebody's operating on your brain? Enough to make sure you don't die. He had quite a bit of input. He sketched a bunker here and there and sketched the 4th green, which is a classical Trent Jones Sr. green. Whenever he felt like tweaking and adding things, he did."

Robert Jr. said although the two have not worked together for 24 years, "we've talked back and forth all that time on our individual projects. He'd come by and look at one of my projects and I'd go by and play his..."

But collaborations avoided the Joneses — or vice versa — until now. "I collaborated with Tom Watson and Sandy Tatum [at Spanish Bay on the Monterey Peninsula]. Why wouldn't I want to collaborate with my own father, who taught me the basics of architecture?" Robert Jr. said.

Whether the two will collaborate beyond the three present projects, Robert Jr. said, "has a lot to do with what the clients feel will be helpful to their projects."

"My father still has a staff in Florida. And, of course, anything he may need from our staff, we'll help him in fulfilling some of his obligations for other work he was in the midst of before closing his Montclair [N.J.] office."

Jones Sr. closed that office when his longtime lead designer, Roger Rulewich, left to join another company. Rulewich will complete some of the work he had begun with the Jones Companies, while Jones Sr.'s Florida staff will complete the rest — some with RTJ II's help, Robert Jr. said.

Asked if he still learns from his father, he said: "Yes, I learn all the time. I learn from anybody who is as dedicated to the game as my father. I am a consummate vacuum cleaner on the game. I also share my knowledge and perception of the game."

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Winchester, the Sacramento project which meanders over a 1,000-acre ranch by that name and owned by Johnson, should be under construction this summer or fall. The approval process has consumed six years, but is ready to go under project manager Linda Clifford.

Sitting at 1,500-foot elevation, it encompasses environmentally sensitive areas, wetlands, a variety of birds, and a large master-planned community.

And it already has placed smiles squarely on the father and son who are designing it.

## Candia Woods renovations continue with irrigation

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Sprinkler heads located in the center of the putting greens have created an inconvenience for 30 years at Candia Woods Golf Links, the former Charmingfare Country Club, here. That problem will be cured this spring, with installation of a new irrigation system.

A Phil Wogan design set in the foothills of the White Mountains, Candia Woods was built in 1964. As was done at some other courses, sprinkler heads were installed at green-center. But when Community Golf Corp. bought the property in 1990, changes were in store. The firm has invested more than \$350,000 upgrading the

operation. Improvements have ranged from the re-design of the entrance and parking lot to renovation of the clubhouse and locker rooms and building a new pro shop, driving range and first tee.

Meanwhile, the lack of irrigation on the fairways was seen as a stumbling block for golfers. A Toro LTC irrigation system will be installed by Irrigation Systems of Maine. It will be a single-row system for the fairways, while tees and greens will be upgraded with new heads and piping. A new pump house and Black Max pumping station are included in the upgrade.

Golf course architect Al Zikorus from

Canaan, Maine, has been working at Candia Woods on an irrigation pond enlargement on the par-3 15th hole. The pond, originally having a 1.5 million-gallon holding capacity, will be close to 3 million gallons and will bring the pond into play. The fill from the excavation will be used for mounding on the 1st, 10th, 11th, 16th, and 18th holes. By doing this Zikorus has better framed holes that lacked proper contour. Definition will be achieved without penalizing errant shots, while providing a free-flowing decisive fairway.

Candia Woods Golf Links superintendent Tom Lloyd has overseen the projects.

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