



Mistwood Golf Course shows the artistry of architect Raymond Hearn.

Hearn's Mistwood opens

ROMEOVILLE, Ill. — Mistwood Golf Course, a par-72 layout measuring 6,727 yards from the back tees, has opened in this southwestern Chicago suburb. Designed by Plymouth, Mich.-based Raymond Hearn Golf Designs, it recaptures a site encompassing an abandoned quarry, floodplain and a 65-acre

lake — a site whose land use has proven problematic to the community for years.

"We tried to view existing site liabilities — on-site flooding, scarred landscape from the sand and gravel quarry — as features that could eventually be turned to the course's advantage," said Hearn. "Unlike

some designs — where the objective is simply to 'let the course happen' according to the contours of the land — Mistwood's holes really had to be created."

With input from the Baarstad Family, Hearn's design manages to mitigate flood plain problems around two creeks running through the property. The quarry remains and lake are incorporated as design elements that add visual appeal and challenge commensurate to the five sets of tees. The back two sets often require forced carries over these obstacles, whereas the front three, the most-forward of which plays to 5,231 yards, do not.

At Mistwood, Hearn's employed pot bunkers, grass swales, deep fescue rough, closely trimmed aprons, and a sod bunker.

SunCor, Irwin team on major expansion

PHOENIX — SunCor Development Co. has announced that it will expand the golf facilities at Palm Valley in the West Valley to include an 18-hole executive course, a lighted nine-hole pitch-n-putt course, and a lighted practice facility. Hale Irwin will design each component.

The new facilities will complement the existing Arthur Hills-designed 18-hole championship course at Palm Valley Golf Club and provide a greater variety of golf-related amenities to the West Valley.

All three developments will be built on the west side of Litchfield Road, opposite the existing Palm Valley clubhouse. The clubhouse itself is being expanded to better accommodate the new facilities.

"Golf is tremendously popular in this community, with a lot of that interest coming from the young families and seniors who live in the area," said Jay Ellingson, vice president of development for the Palm Valley master-planned community. "This expansion project will enable us to provide a variety of fun, high-quality playing options for players of all ages."

Further, Tom Patrick, vice president of SunCor Resort & Golf Management, said: "Growing the game through the promotion of junior golf is a major goal of Palm Valley, as well as all of SunCor."

The 18-hole executive golf course, which will be known as the Lakes Course, is scheduled to open in late 1999. It is being developed on 127 acres and will measure 4,755 yards from the back tees. It will feature six far-4s and 12 par-3s. Additionally, the golf course will be extensively landscaped using cottonwoods, palms and pine trees.

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