



Renowned golf architect Steve Smyers to redesign the Aerie at TwinEagles Club

NAPLES, Fla. (Nov. 12, 2010) - The Ronto Group has announced that the design project for the complete reconstruction of the Aerie golf course at the TwinEagles Club has been awarded to renowned golf course architect Steve Smyers. Smyers, along with co-designer Patrick Andrews, will reconstruct and redesign the Aerie golf course prior to the course's grand reopening in the fall of 2011.

Smyers has been a golf course architect for more than three decades, opening his own design firm in 1983. He has since been involved in over 60 well-known projects and his portfolio includes an impressive list of outstanding new design and redesigns to highly ranked and famed layouts such as Isleworth in Windermere, Fla. (home to the world's top PGA Tour players), Southern Dunes in Orlando, Old Memorial in Tampa, South Course at Olympia Fields in Chicago, Blue Heron Pines' East Course in Egg Harbor City, N.J. and Wolf Run in Indianapolis.

Smyers is also highly involved in the U.S. Golf Association, serving on their executive committee since 2006. His current and past service (since 1986) to the USGA includes the championship committee, equipment standards committee, green section, TurfGrass and environmental research committee, amateur status committee and international team selection committee.

Smyers is also an accomplished golfer who began his competitive golf career playing against Ben Crenshaw and Bruce Lietzke as a junior, and earning a scholarship to the University of Florida where he was a member of their 1973 NCAA championship team. His teammates at UF included PGA notables Gary Koch, Andy Bean and Andy North. He has remained a career amateur and has qualified for 17 USGA events including seven U.S. Amateurs and three British Amateurs. In 2010, he captained the U.S. team that won the Copa de las Americas in South America and qualified this past September for the U.S. Senior Amateur Championship. Smyers is a resident of Lakeland, Fla.

The TwinEagles community includes the outstanding Talon Course co-designed by Jack Nicklaus and Jack Nicklaus Jr. Its natural setting and vistas can be viewed from every window of the spacious two-story 47,000-square-foot Scottish manor clubhouse. TwinEagles is the winter home of The Suttie Golf Academy with legendary instructor Dr. Jim Suttie, who is currently No.16 on the prestigious Golf Digest "America's 50 Greatest Teachers" list for 2009-2010, in a field of over 30,000 eligible teachers. Suttie's training employs the principles of biomechanics using state-of-the-art equipment and computer video analysis to improve all facets of the game.

TwinEagles also features two themed botanical parks named for the plant life that gives them their character. The Palmary has more than a dozen species of palms, a hedge maze and shaded seating beneath a vine-wrapped pergola. The Fernery is enclosed by a hedge, has the sky as a ceiling and features dense green ferns, colorful bromeliads and benches surrounding a center fountain.

TwinEagles is located on Immokalee Road in Naples, approximately three miles east of Collier Boulevard (SR 951). The master-planned community consists of approximately 1,115 acres, with homes and recreational amenities surrounded by more than 300 acres of open green space. For more information on the TwinEagles Golf Club, call 239-352-0002.

Homebuyers and Realtors may request additional information or arrange an escorted tour by visiting the TwinEagles Information Center, calling toll free 888-403-0085 or logging onto www.twineagles.com. The information center is located inside the community's entrance on Immokalee Road seven miles east of I-75.