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Unique active-adult community

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Builder/developer Pat McGuire has brought an interesting, new type of residential development to the Tulsa area. Located northeast of 111th Street and U.S. 75 in Jenks, Augusta Greens is a one-of-a-kind community offering luxurious, low-maintenance homes for those who enjoy socializing and an active lifestyle.

"I thought this was something missing in the Tulsa metroplex," said McGuire. Rather than offering the more common duplex or triplex home designs for people interesting in retiring or downsizing, the development has single-family homes where you actually own your lot.

Houses have low-maintenance facades, and homeowners dues cover lawn maintenance as well as taking care of the entry, clubhouse

and golf course.

Homes start at \$197,900 for the two-bedroom, two-bath plans and \$219,000 for the three-bedroom, two-bath designs.

Golf enthusiasts will notice that Augusta Green's clubhouse resembles Augusta National's in Augusta, Ga., and that's no mistake.

"I called Augusta National and told them about the concept, and they were behind it because it promotes golf in the Midwest," said McGuire. "They allowed me to include some of the same features, such as the club's nest cupola on top. We will be putting shutters around the windows, too."

In fact, McGuire got the theme of the entire development from Augusta National and the Masters Tournament. Streets are named Masters Circle and Augusta Drive.

Pitch-and-putt golf holes and extensive common area reserves create

an attractive venue for golf lovers. "We have a three-hole course with three holes on each one so you could hold a nine-hole tournament on the golf course," said McGuire.

"These are the only golf greens in America endorsed by the Jack Nicklaus Design Group. Top golfers have them: Vijay Singh, Jim Furyk, Sergio Garcia," he said.

You can see the greens from all the lots on Masters Circle as well as from the clubhouse.

Originally a 4,500-square-foot home on a ranch, the clubhouse is the perfect setting for all kinds of gatherings. Amenities include a large kitchen with eating bar, a tea room for women's bridge and a fitness center with exercise equipment and a nearby changing room with a bathtub and shower. A large family room has a THX II surround sound theater system and a Panasonic 50-



Top: The clubhouse is fashioned after the most famous clubhouse in the world at Augusta National Golf Club where the Masters Tournament is played every year.

Inset: Hardwood flooring and crown molding gives the model's dining room a formal look.

inch plasma TV that is rated No. 1 for

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