



The Snead Course at The Greenbrier Sporting Club Recognized for Environmental Excellence

April 14, 2008 - White Sulphur Springs, W.Va – The Snead Course at The Greenbrier Sporting Club has achieved designation as a "Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary" through the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses, an Audubon International program. The Snead Course at The Greenbrier Sporting Club is only the sixth course in West Virginia and the 658th in the world to receive the honor.

"The Snead Course at The Greenbrier Sporting Club has shown a strong commitment to its environmental program. They are to be commended for their efforts to provide a sanctuary for wildlife on the golf course property," said Jim Sluiter, Staff Ecologist for the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Programs.

"To reach certification, a course must demonstrate that they are maintaining a high degree of environmental quality in a number of areas," explained Sluiter. These categories include: Environmental Planning, Wildlife & Habitat Management, Outreach and Education, Chemical Use Reduction and Safety, Water Conservation, and Water Quality Management.

"Our involvement with Audubon International has been a fulfilling experience. It is our goal to maintain this property in the most environmentally friendly manner possible so that the natural surroundings will be here for future generations to enjoy," says Lee Hancock, The Snead Golf Course Superintendent, The Greenbrier Sporting Club. *"It is part of the legacy that our members can leave to their children."*

The Greenbrier Sporting Club continues its eco-friendly evolution with the addition of a Green Neighborhood at the Sporting Club's newest real estate offering at Summit Village. Situated atop the 3,300-foot peak of Greenbrier Mountain, the new Green Homes at The Greenbrier feature magnificent architectural designs that both complement and mesh with their dramatic, yet understated, forest surroundings, while providing the comfort and convenience that club members expect. Green Homes at The Greenbrier will be comprised of 56 unique homesites that incorporate a level of environmental sophistication and sensitivity in their design through the selection of "green" building materials and building practices that deeply respect the environment. Homesites range from slightly less than one acre to over six acres.

DPS Sporting Club Development, LLC, developers of private, environmentally sensitive, residential sporting communities on historic and unique properties, has a long history of thoughtful and environmentally sensitive planning for new and continued

projects. Previous planning efforts have preserved 5,460 acres of permanent open space, protected 29 miles of pristine river and oceanfront, and restored historically significant buildings such as the Henry Ford Plantation in Savannah, GA. Careful planning by the DPS in-house Environmental Advocate, coupled with stewardship on all projects by resident on-site Naturalist teams, have resulted in a DPS legacy of walking "lightly" on the land entrusted to them.

"By effectively promoting the legacy of DPS Sporting Club in the area of environmental stewardship, a movement towards green living is a progressive, evolutionary step," says Peter Pollak, Managing Partner, DPS Sporting Club Development. *"DPS members and buyers are passionate families who believe in the role of stewardship of their property, their community and their planet."*

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses, endorsed by the United States Golf Association, provides information and guidance to help golf courses preserve and enhance wildlife habitat, and protect natural resources. Golf courses from the United States, Africa, Australia, Canada, Central America, Europe, Mexico, and Southeast Asia have also achieved certification in the program. Audubon certified courses in West Virginia include The Greenbrier Course, also in White Sulphur Springs on The Greenbrier resort property.

For more information on golf and the environment, visit www.golfandenvironment.org. In addition to golf courses, Audubon International also provides programs for businesses, schools, communities, and new developments. For more information, contact Audubon International, 46 Rarick Rd., Selkirk, NY 12158, USA, (518) 767-9051, e-mail them via the Internet at acsp@auduboninternational.org, or visit their website at www.auduboninternational.org.

***The Greenbrier Sporting Club** is a residential sporting community created by DPS Sporting Club Development Company, LLC. DPS develops private, environmentally sensitive, single-family residential sporting communities on historic and unique properties, with a commitment to preserving the distinct character of each location. These clubs are managed by DPS Management Company, the exclusive service provider for the renowned Greenbrier Resort & Club Management Company, combining world class services, amenities and outdoor pursuits for all ages and skill levels. The award-winning DPS Sporting Club Collection includes The Greenbrier Sporting Club, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.; Turks & Caicos Sporting Club at Ambergris Cay, British West Indies; Snake River Sporting Club, Jackson Hole, Wyo.; The Ford Plantation, Savannah, Ga., and Deep Water Cay Club, The Bahamas.*

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