THE ART OF LIVING

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"Wow. This is gorgeous." That is the standard reaction of those visiting Sand Creek for the first time. Located in Chesterton, Indiana, near the southern shores of Lake Michigan and just an hour's drive from downtown Chicago, Sand Creek is a private country club community with a national reputation.

"A Modern Masterpiece"

Resort-like services and facilities along with 27 holes of world-class golf have made Sand Creek one of the finest country clubs in the United States. Within Sand Creek's magnificent 50,000 square foot clubhouse are all of the amenities you need to feel like you are on vacation- a library, formal dining room, golf shop, men and women's lounges, clock garden and fitness center with certified personal trainers, massage therapy, the latest in exercise equipment and fitness programs such as Spinning, yoga and Tai Chi. And an outdoor pool and tennis complex is the venue for Sand Creek's many summertime events and live entertainment.

With its signature terrace views and state-of-the-art equipment, the grand ballroom and meeting spaces offer the perfect place for everything from business meetings to wedding receptions. Supported by a culinary team of executive chefs, pastry chefs and ice sculptors, Sand Creek hosts over 100 events including its famous Labor Day Fireworks Celebration with the Northwest Indiana Symphony Orchestra.

"Award Winning Golf"

Challenge and beauty are the hallmarks of Sand Creek's courses. The beautiful Marsh, Lake and Creek courses are ranked in the top three most difficult and gorgeous in Indiana. The original eighteen holes were designed by Chicago golf course architects, Killian and Nugent. The newest course, the Marsh Course, which opened in 1995, was designed by Jerry Mobley and Charle's Howard of Desert Springs.

Golf is king at Sand Creek. Members enjoy the extensive practice facilities and professional teaching staff who offer swing analysis and instruction to members and non-members alike.

Sand Creek has been honored with many awards including the "Best of Golf" award at the 1996 U.S. Open at Oakland Hills in Bloomfield, Michigan. The award was presented by *Links Magazine* and Audubon International to recognize Sand Creek's achievements in natural resource preservation and wildlife conservation. Sand Creek was the first course in the State of Indiana to become fully certified as an Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System by Audubon International and the United States Golf Association.

For 18 years, Sand Creek was the site of the Northern Amateur, one of the world's premier men's amateur golf tournaments. The international championship attracted players from around the world. The Championship was retired in 2002 when Sand Creek directed its efforts to promoting junior golf and founded the Northwest Indiana Junior Golf Association in January of 2002.

Sand Creek's grand facilities belie its family focus. There are an abundance of activities for the entire family and the Sand Creek staff hosts outstanding summer junior golf, swimming and tennis programs for all age groups. A wonderful amenity unique to Sand Creek is the Park Nine Course. The nine-hole executive course surrounds an outdoor soccer field and winter ice-skating rink and is a perfect place for children to practice their golf skills.

"Artful Living"

The residential community at Sand Creek is one of the most desirable developments in the Chicagoland area. Renowned for its gorgeous homesites, beautiful estate homes and stunning landscape, it offers a variety of housing options. The Highlands, Sand Creek's newest neighborhood featuring golf course and wooded homesites, will break ground in the Spring of 2004. Sand Creek will be introducing more phases of its development with both single-family and multi-family homes in the next year.

The luxury of Sand Creek and the small-town charm of Chesterton, together with an excellent school district, its proximity to Lake Michigan and easy access to Chicago, has attracted many Chicagoans to the area.

Sand Creek is a special place. For those who have discovered the beauty of Sand Creek, there is nothing like it.