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Woodland Shores Executive retreat enters final phase FAST FACTS

Jim Riffe Homes

The executive retreat that Jim Riffe envisioned for Woodland Shores resulted in a premier community of standard and estate-style homes set along the bluffs and treescapes of Prairie Lee Lake.

That's why it's a bittersweet announcement for Jeri Taul, new-homes professional with Realty Executives of Kansas City, to say the third and final phase is now open.

"No one has done this kind of subdivision in Lee's Summit. It's secluded, small and unique: the kinds of things people are looking for in new homes. This will be the last," said Taul, who has been working on site in the neighborhood since its opening. "After this there will be no more of Woodland Shores."

Considering the speed at which this neighborhood has developed, that's a cautionary note for homebuyers — hurry, she said. The care and attention to detail that set Woodland Shores above other upscale communities in the Lee's Summit area continues to be evident, with new showcase models planned to take the place of the award-winners that already grace the neighborhood.

And if that weren't enough, prospective homebuyers seeking a truly one-of-a-kind experience shouldn't miss the upcoming Dream Factory benefit event. "Riffe Homes' exquisite timber design, at 6,000 square feet, is an extraordinary masterpiece of craftsmanship," Taul said. "Don't miss this opportunity." The home tour event will be in early April.

The new phase features 65 homesites for both standard and estate homes. Reservations may now be made and most lots are walk-out or daylight. Standard lots range from \$60,000 to \$90,000. Estate lots are from \$80,000 to \$100,000. Lakeside lots start at \$200,000.

Several spec homes in various stages of construction are available for purchase in both



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the standard and estate segments of the community. In addition to Riffe Homes, the builder team includes Achten Construction, Brennan & Sons, Harry F. Lutz Homes, Linquist Construction, Wyss Construction Inc., Pfeifer-King Building Corp., Sixta Homes and Red Leaf Homes Inc. Homeowners may also bring their own plan and builder upon developer approval.

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Stylish and distinctive home designs, providing homebuyers with top-notch features and lifestyle-essential conveniences, are demonstrated by the honors garnered by the community. Wyss Construction recently collected a Pick of the Parade Grand Award in the fall 2006 Home Builders Association of Greater Kansas City homes tour and Pfeifer-King Building received a second place Distinctive Plan & Design Award. The community also received a Silver Award from *Kansas City Homes & Gardens* magazine in the Best Community in Missouri category.

New for the Spring Homes Tour will be furnished models by Wyss Construction and Achten Construction.

Making an impression was critical from the start for Jim Riffe as he planned Woodland Shores, and he started with the entrance. After passing through a landscape of wildflowers and pine, residents enter under a covered entrance supported by massive timbers and knotted logs.

“Aesthetics are everything. I wanted this to be a secluded sanctuary from the moment you enter,” Riffe said. “This community feels like you’re at a five-star resort. It really is an extraordinary atmosphere that saturates everything about this place.”

Extensive natural landscaping weaves its way throughout Woodland Shores, where trees line every curvilinear street. Lakefront residents enjoy private docks and lake access. However, all Woodland Shores homeowners have easy access to Woodland Shore’s private community docks where they can fish or share use of a community pontoon boat.

The richly landscaped pool — with its 54-foot water slide — and cabana area, with a hot tub and lakeside terrace, offer a place to entertain, relax or just enjoy the company of neighbors. The active homes association really takes advantage of all of the amenities by hosting numerous family functions and adult lakeside get-togethers, Taul said.

Enhancing that sense of a resort setting, Woodland Shores is surrounded by thousands of acres of parkland, including Fleming Park, Lake Jacomo and Blue Springs Lake. On the eastern edge of Woodland Shores lies Lee’s Summit’s own Legacy Park with its miles of walking trails, recreation center and sports fields. Families with young children will appreciate the “destination” playground that is planned for the near future, Taul said.

Students attend the Lee’s Summit School District, including Richardson Elementary, Bernard Campbell Junior High and Lee’s Summit North High schools. A number of private schools are within a short drive, including Lee’s Summit Community Christian School.

Reservations are also now being taken for a villa home segment at Woodland Shores. The stand-alone homes, by Sixta Homes, will start in the \$300,000s and feature optional maintenance services.

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