



## **Tripp Davis and Associates Celebrates 20 Years of Golf Course Design Excellence**

**Norman, OK (March 12, 2014)**—Golf course architecture firm Tripp Davis and Associates celebrates 20 years of world-class golf course design work this year.

“Getting to ‘20’ is strange,” said Davis. “It certainly doesn’t seem like that long. I started my own firm without having worked for a name architect before, which is very unusual, so that is what I am most proud of. It required a longer learning curve, but what I learned I learned on my own and I had to not only learn what to do, but I had to learn why to do it. I think it gave me a better base over time. It made it hard to develop a reputation, but it made me work harder. It has been an interesting ride, but I hope the best is yet to come.”

A highly regarded amateur golfer, Tripp decided to follow the profession of golf course architect instead of pursuing a playing career and that decision has paid off.

“As a player I see a golf course strategically and I can see specific shots. I have a much more focused view of a golf course than someone without my experience would have,” said Davis. “It is something that allows me to feel things when evaluating an existing course or designing a new one. It allows me to see how subtle things can make a huge difference in the playing interest of a golf course.”

The Tribute Golf Club in Dallas, which opened in 2000, was the firm’s first big break with new course construction. And in the same year, being hired to rebuild a green at Engineers Country Club on the north shore of Long Island was Davis’ first opportunity with a historic restoration project. Since that time, Davis has been fortunate to work at many of the most historic clubs in the country. An admirer of Perry Maxwell, A.W. Tillinghast, C.B. Macdonald, Seth Raynor and Charles Banks, Davis now is regarded as one of the leading restoration specialists in the U.S.

The award-winning original design and restoration/renovation projects by Tripp Davis and Associates have been praised highly for their strategic substance, giving Davis the recognition as a "craftsman" of the most strategically interesting and enjoyable golf courses of our time. Recent and current work by Tripp Davis and Associates includes: Brook Hollow Golf Club, Dallas Texas; Old American Golf Club, The Colony, Texas; The Tribute Golf Links, The Colony, Texas; Oak Tree National, Edmond, Oklahoma (site of the 2014 U.S. Senior Open); Preston Trail Golf Club, Dallas, Texas; The Whippoorwill Club, Armonk, New York; Spring Lake Golf Club, Spring Lake, New Jersey; Engineers Country Club, Roslyn, New York; and Eco-City International Country Club, Eco-City, China.

### **About Tripp Davis and Associates**

**Tripp Davis** and Associates (TDA) was founded in 1994 and has offices in Norman, Oklahoma, and Peoria, Arizona. TDA practices golf architecture with an unparalleled passion for craftsmanship of unique landscapes and strategic details. Tripp Davis, a decorated amateur golfer, was a member of the 1989 National Championship Golf Team and a NCAA All-American selection while at the University of Oklahoma. He continues to play in several prestigious amateur events each year. His abilities as a world-class player give him a unique insight into those subtle details in strategy that can make a golf course an interesting challenge for better players, while proving an enjoyable test for the average golfer. His knowledge of the game has also been incorporated into the development of innovative practice facilities that give players the opportunity to practice the right shots in the right way, thus expanding their golfing abilities and their appreciation for the game.

Davis earned a Master's Degree in Landscape Architecture from The University of Oklahoma and is a Member of the American Society of Golf Course Architects.

For more information about Tripp Davis and Associates, please visit the website at [www.tdagolf.net](http://www.tdagolf.net) or call 405-447-5259.

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