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Old American Golf Club Vaults Up Golfweek's 2012 'State-by-State' Rankings

Tripp Davis, Justin Leonard Collaboration Rated Best Course in Metroplex

(THE COLONY, Texas) – Old American Golf Club – the Tripp Davis, Justin Leonard design just north of Dallas – has moved up to No. 5 in *Golfweek's* 2012 "State-by-State" rankings.

The rankings, which include all daily-fee layouts and courses accessible via resorts, make Old American the highest-rated golf experience in the Metroplex. Last year, Old American debuted at No. 7.

"Being named the fifth best course in Texas by a prestigious publication like *Golfweek* is a tremendous honor," says Mike McCabe, general manager. "Tripp and Justin have created a course that's really resonated with golfers and generated a tremendous amount of buzz in a short time."

Old American has garnered a staggering list of accolades since opening in 2010, including "Best New" by *GOLF Magazine*, *Golfweek* and *LINKS*. Media frequently cite Davis and Leonard's commitment to delivering an authentic "Golden Age" design as one of the myriad reasons Old American is an "instant classic."

The course is a regular stop for TOUR professionals in DFW. Nathan Green, winner of the 2009 RBC Canadian Open, holds the course record. Green fired a 4-under-par 67 in February, breaking the previous record of 68 held by Leonard and K.J. Choi. Other pros who've played Old American include Y.E. Yang, Rod Pampling, John Senden, Steven Bowditch, and Paul Stankowski.

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About Old American Golf Club

Inspired by the 'Golden Age' of golf course architecture between 1911 and 1937, Old American's natural contours, hazard styles, native grasses and green shapes were influenced by such masterpieces as Shinnecock Hills, National Golf Links, Prairie Dunes and Crystal Downs.

Acclaimed architect Tripp Davis, an accomplished amateur player and former All-American at the University of Oklahoma and PGA TOUR/Ryder Cup star Justin Leonard, who played his college golf at the University of Texas, toured and played a handful of America's classic Golden Age golf courses prior to starting the design process for Old American.

The result is a golf course that emphasizes strategy and shot-making and flows with a natural rhythm from first tee to 18th green. Old American features six sets of tees, ranging from the 5215-yard forward markers to the 7174-yard "Leonard" tournament tees. Davis and Leonard conceived the routing and layout with both medal and match play in mind, as golfers are required to hold "steady to par" through a number of holes, but enticed to gamble on birdie or better during select stretches of the course.

About The Tribute

The Tribute is an unmatched lakeside golf and resort community on Lake Lewisville. Nestled between two world-class golf courses, the community offers first-class luxury amenities anchored by a spectacular clubhouse with a Scottish pub and grill, meeting facilities and eight guest suites. This 1,500-acre master-planned community boasts a resort-style pool, splash park and playground, a future on-site school, more than six miles of existing and planned hike-and-bike trails, beautifully landscaped canals, and 200 acres of open space - perfect for the Old World residential architecture that is the signature look at The Tribute.

Matthews Southwest maintains relationships with Texas' premier builders to offer myriad best-inclass residential products at The Tribute ranging from the \$230's to over a \$1 million. Builders include American Legend Homes, Grand Homes, and Highland Homes. Custom builders include Belclaire Homes, Ryan Hartman Homes, Sanders & Assoc. and Warwick Custom Homes. As members of The Tribute's Green Homebuilders Alliance, builders are required to maintain the highest standards of energy and water efficiency, recycling and indoor air quality.

For more information visit www.thetribute.com.