

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the
Regents
July 16, 2015

Subject: Radrick Farms Golf Course Driveway and Circle Naming

Action

Requested: Authorization to Name the Radrick Farms Golf Course Driveway and Circle in honor of Paul B. "Pete" Dye and Alice Dye

Background:

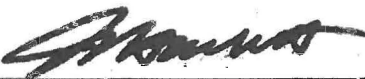
Radrick Farms, one of two University of Michigan golf courses, is celebrating its fiftieth year of operations. The Radrick Farms property was the gift of Frederick C. Matthaei, Sr., loyal alumnus and regent of the university. In the 1930s, Mr. Matthaei purchased the land formerly used for gravel mining. At the suggestion of University of Michigan President Harlan H. Hatcher, Mr. Matthaei donated the property and funds for the construction of a golf course to the university in the 1960s. Before he made the donation, he and his family restored the ecological vitality to the property. An existing boulder monument on the first tee informs all visitors of this generous gift.

Mr. Matthaei and President Hatcher wanted an architect that could use the natural lay of the land with minimal changes. As fate would have it, President Hatcher had played a nine-hole course that Paul B. "Pete" Dye had designed south of Indianapolis, Indiana. He liked the course so much that he called Pete Dye to Ann Arbor for an interview. When Dye was selected, Radrick Farms was the first 18-hole course Pete and Alice Dyes' designed. Alice Dye has been Pete Dye's partner in life and golf course architecture for their entire design careers.


Since their initial design of Radrick Farms, the Dyes have gone on to design some of the world's most iconic golf courses, many of which have hosted Professional Golfers' Association tour events and major championships. During this storied career, they have continued to support the Radrick Farms Golf Course. Subsequent course visits resulted in guidance to renovations and updates to the layout. The Dyes also continue to provide input and advice for future endeavors. Their support is a major reason for Radrick's continued success.

In honor of two of the greatest golf course architects of all time for their contributions to the game of golf and to the University of Michigan, we recommend that the Board of Regents formally designate the Radrick Farms Golf Course driveway as the Pete Dye Driveway, and the clubhouse entryway circle as the Alice O'Neal Dye Circle in honor of the golf course designers, Pete and Alice Dye.

Respectfully submitted,



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