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Arizona's Singing Cowboy Gary Sprague entertains the crowds who came to see the new StageCoach Village in Cave Creek. The shops are expected to open in several weeks. **Page 3**



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Plan would lessen high school students' commute

Rivals DMB, Westcor join for shopping

By Peter Corbett
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SCOTTSDALE — Former business competitors were to announce today allowing Westcor to develop the retail portion of DMB's mixed-used project One Scottsdale, northeast of Loop 101 and Scottsdale Road.

The DMB-Westcor partnership means that the luxury retail shops at One Scottsdale will be built before Westcor starts developing its luxury retail at Palisene, its mixed-use project across the street, northwest of Loop 101 and Scottsdale Road.

"This is an exciting project to create a vision of luxury retail on both sides of Scottsdale Road and do it right and at the right time," said Bob Williams, Westcor senior vice president of development and leasing.

One Scottsdale and Palisene will compete with CityNorth, the mixed-use project northeast of Loop 101 and 56th Street, which is headed by Nordstrom and Bloomingdale's.

Impact of announcement

Find out more about plans for shopping development along Loop 101. **See today's Business section.**

StageCoach Village ready to roll out

Mixed-use business project took 3 years to finish

By Beth Duckett

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CAVE CREEK — The long-awaited StageCoach Village, Cave Creek's largest commercial project, is completed.

But it could be a several weeks before shops open.

The array of Western-style restaurants, stores and offices northwest of Cave Creek Road and Galloway Drive already has caught the eye of sight-seers, who came by the hundreds last month for a sneak preview.

"It's about creating a legacy for our town," said project manager Ken Moore. "It's a destination place."

The mixed-use project just west of the Carefree border was nearly three years in the making. Among other details, the developers spent an estimated \$35,000 two years ago so they could move a giant saguaro about 100 feet to make way for an emergency driveway.

Signed tenants include a wine shop, dry cleaners, art gallery, yogurt shop, dry cleaners and orthodontist. Re/Max Fine Properties opened offices last month.

Of the center's 105,000 square feet, more than half is pre-leased or sold.

Prudential Commercial Real Estate is handling the sales and Retail Brokers, Inc. is in charge of leasing.

Shops are expected to open this month, though it could

take up to a year for the center to fill up, a spokeswoman said.

To salute the town's Wild West origins, developers used mostly turn-of-the-century architecture and wooden vestiges.

The center is bounded by the Continental Mountains to the north and Black Mountain to the south.

"I'm so impressed," said Carefree resident Sue Harrison, who plans to open a spa there in May. Sonoran Oasis will offer facials, laser treatments, body wraps and a full-service salon.

"I am excited to open here," Harrison said.

Pages Bookstore will open soon with its collection of new and rare books.

Owners Sandi and Will Pearson said they couldn't be happier about their new address.

"Once we saw (StageCoach Village), we knew this was going to be dynamite," Will Pearson said.

The couple, who live in north Scottsdale, are readers who "caught the rare book bug" last summer, Sandi Pearson said.

Many rare books are first editions or signed by the author. The store will have author book signings starting in April and a Tuesday afternoon children's story time.

For information about the center, visit www.stagecoachvillage.com.



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Will Roberts works on his lasso tricks at the new Stagecoach Village, Cave Creek's largest business project. It could be several weeks before the restaurants, stores and offices open their doors.

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