



Touring construction of one of the new model townhomes at The Club at Briarcliff Manor on Tuesday afternoon were, from left: project architect John Sullivan of Sullivan Architecture; Briarcliff Manor Mayor William Vesco; Matthew Phillips, founder and chief executive officer of Integrated Development Group (IDG), which is developing The Club at Briarcliff Manor; and Laurence Gottlieb, Westchester County's director of economic development. The occasion was the second annual Backyard Barbecue at the site of its planned 325-unit luxury continuous care retirement community (CCRC)—the 58-acre former campus of The King's College—hosted by Mr. Phillips. More than 250 people attended the barbecue and toured the site, occupancy at which is pegged for 2013. Many also toured the new eight-acre ballfield that will be donated by IDG to the community. Three model residences and the Information & Design Center are scheduled to open this fall. A formal dedication ceremony for the ballfield is also planned for the fall. 'We are very pleased at the progress of construction of this new senior living community which is generating excitement throughout the area. The concept of gracious retirement living that we are creating at The Club has been very well received by the public,' said Mr. Phillips. The ballfield 'will be a valuable addition to the village's excellent recreational facilities,' he added. Said Mayor Vesco, 'We are delighted to see The Club at Briarcliff Manor begin to take shape on this historic and important property.' Said Mr. Gottlieb, 'We must stop Westchester's retired 'snow birds' from evolving into permanent 'go birds', because we are losing too many seniors to other parts of the country. The Club is a great example of addressing basic needs - such as housing and job creation - while tackling a far greater purpose, which is creating an attractive, active community for Westchester's vital senior population. This is what economic development is all about.'

