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Signs on the 1,300 acres of the Kissing Tree development just south of San Marcos tell of the amenities the “baby boomer-centric” community will have when it is completed. DAILY RECORD PHOTO BY DENISE CATHEY

BABY BOOMER DEVELOPMENT

Kissing Tree sales office to open this weekend

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Although they don't anticipate anyone moving in before December, purchasing a homesite at the new master planned 55+ community Kissing Tree will actually be possible this weekend.

That's when the design and sales office is scheduled to open at the development located on Centerpoint Road west of Hunter Road.

It is the first “baby boomer centric” community to be built by Brookfield Residential and it comes at an op-

portune time — as Texas claimed the country's number two spot to retire (behind Florida), according to a study conducted by the North Carolina Center for Creative Retirement.

“The scenic landscape, coupled with the relaxed small-town charm, make the Texas Hill Country an ideal place to retire,” Lindsey Ketchum of Brookfield said. “As the influx of retirees moving to Texas continues to grow,

homebuilders are taking notice and are investing in communities across the state for baby boomers aged 55 or better.”

The development will eventually have 3,200 homes on its 1,300 acres and will also have an 18-hole golf course, 18-hole putting course, 15 miles of hiking trails and 30 acres of public parks and green space, along with courts for tennis, pickleball and bocce

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ball, a fitness center, “biergarten” and indoor and outdoor swimming pools.

It is located on what Brookfield calls “one of San Marcos' most scenic overflows” and is approximately 31 miles to Austin and 50 miles to downtown San Antonio.

“Kissing Tree was designed to change the way baby boomers envision the next phase of their lives, including retirement,” Ketchum said.

The model home portion of the development is scheduled for completion by the end of October and the first homes will be ready in December. Eight model homes with unique

floorplans are being built and homes in Kissing Tree will range from 1,300 to 3,500 square feet and cost between \$250,000 and \$500,000.

Also integral to the development is a social hub dubbed The Mix that will have a community kitchen, indoor/outdoor bar, community tables and a coffee bar. Developers say there will be Wi-Fi throughout the whole community.

For more information, visit kissingtree.com or Facebook.com/kissingtree.