Fairway Estates Newsletter

Strengthening the sense of community and fostering communication between neighbors

Fairway Estates Community Association

May, 2010

Annual Meeting Well Attended

The large group of residents attending the annual meeting on February 1, 2010 had the opportunity to hear Mayor Dave Eggers speak. He talked about the agreement made between the city and the country club, now called Dunedin Golf Club. He also gave assurance that the city is in good financial shape.

A second speaker, Sheriff's Deputy Sherri Roberts, spoke about the importance of the neighborhood watch program and the vital role the block captains play in the success of neighborhood watch. She also outlined the many crime prevention services offered by the Sheriff's Office.

Unfortunately, Deputy Roberts has subsequently informed Cyndi Rodts that "the entire Crime Prevention Unit will be eliminated from the Sheriff's Office as of April 18, 2010, due to budgetary cuts. Your Neighborhood Watch Program will be added to the duties of the current Community Policing Deputies."

New Resident Directories Delivered

The 2010-2011 Resident Directory has been delivered to every Fairway Estates resident. If you didn't receive a copy, please call Maryellen Farinas at 305 799-7219.

Thanks to all who sold ads, to those who worked so hard creating the database of names and addresses, and to those who worked with the printer on the production. It was a lot of work and a job well done.

No list can be 100% accurate and up-to-date. If you know of an update or correction, please call Charlotte Murray (736-8944) or email her at bcmurray2@verizon.net. A list of updates will be printed in the fall newsletter.



Letter From the President

I am happy to be writing my first letter to Fairway Estates residents as president of the association. I feel as though you have 12 presidents, however, as this is such a dynamic board!! We are working hard to keep the neighborhood and Lake Saundra beautiful and we ask for your help in doing the same.

Our neighborhood watch as been revived and Cyndi Rodts and Ceil McCabe are working tirelessly to make it effective. In that vein, please be an active participant and keep your eyes and ears open. It's all about neighbors looking out for neighbors.

Some of the improvements around the lake will include a repaired sprinkler system and some native planting. Margie Sigman (beautification chair) and Manny Farinas (vice president) both deserve a mention for all the leg work they've done on the necessary upgrade to the sprinkler system.

The 2010 board members are listed below. The directory went to print before the new board was sworn in so couldn't be included in the directory. Please fill in page 2 of your directory with the names and phone numbers of your board members.

We will be holding our monthly meetings at the Dunedin Golf Club on the 2nd Monday of each month (except July and August). The meetings are from 7 to 8:30 pm and any association member is welcome.

Thank you all for helping to keep Fairway Estates such a wonderful place to live.

Stephanie Quartaro, FECA President

Fairway Estates Board Members - 2010						
President: Stephanie Quartaro	733-1861	Block Cpts/Neighborhood Watch: Cyndi Rodts	736-4852			
Vice President: Manny Farinas	305 799-7219	City Liaison: Lois Phillips	736-0972			
Secretary: Beth Bentley	813 404-6327	Membership: Mary Lyon	733-4018			
Treasurer: Maryellen Farinas	305 799-7219	Newsletter: Charlotte Murray	736-8944			
Arch Review/Deed Restrictions Kathie Aubin 434-8865		Special Events: Ina Laughton	734-5023			
Beautification: Margie Sigman	474-5508	Member-At-Large: Marilyn Parnell	738-1111			

News From The Board

The board of directors has been busy working on projects to maintain and enhance the common Fairway Estates property. Among the projects being addressed are the following:

New lights have been installed at the entrance signs on Palm Blvd., to replace the old corroded lights.

"No Soliciting" sign estimates are being obtained for signs to be placed at the Sarazen Drive, Mangrum Drive and Palm Blvd. entrances.

The algae on the lake has been a concern and the board was told there are several reasons for the unusually large growth of algae this year:

*Cold weather this winter delayed the algae bloom for a while, so it "exploded" all at once when things warmed up.

* The cold weather's resulting fish kill built up nutrients in the water that algae feed on.

*The lake is very shallow so sunlight reaches the murky bottom, where algae easily takes root.

*Runoff from lawns brings nitrogen into the lake, which algae loves. The company hired to care for our lake in an environmental responsible way is trying a new chemical (chelated copper) that is more effective in brackish, hard water. They are introducing it from a boat and also from a truck onshore in the common area of Lake Saundra Park. This two-pronged effort is a new attempt to get the algae under control and seems to be working.

Planting at the lake with small native plants, to control erosion, is also being looked into.

The sprinkler system at Lake Saundra is in dire need of repair and upgrading and estimates are being received for this project. The work will involve both an electrician and someone to do the sprinklers, so the board is considering the best way to proceed with this project.

The Block Captain's role is being defined by Cyndi Rodts and Ceil McCabe and a "responsibility letter" will be given to all block captains in the near future. Cyndi and Ceil are also working on the neighborhood watch program with the deputy assigned to our area. **The Policy Statement** for enforcement of deed restrictions has been revised and re-written in order to better guide the board on the appropriate procedures to take when investigating violations of the deed restrictions. A special thanks to Lois Phillips for her help in revising the policy statement.

The Fairway Estates website is no longer operational and quotes are being obtained from potential webmasters.

All these projects need your support. If you haven't yet paid your annual association dues of \$40, it's not too late. Just send your \$40.00 check to FECA, Box 563, Dunedin, Fl 34697.

If you have thoughts on any of these projects, please contact any board member. Your input is important. And don't forget that all board meeting are open to any member of the association. The meetings are held the 2nd Monday of every month (except July and August) at the Dunedin Golf Club.

"Neighbors Helping Neighbors"

Lianne Doglione, Marion Humann, Judie Hutchins and Diane Shepherd have formed "Neighbors Helping Neighbors." Its purpose is to assist our Fairway Estates neighbors with the day-to-day chores that can't be accomplished because of an illness or disability.

Some of the chores include, but are not limited to:

- * feeding and walking pets
- * preparing and serving some meals
- * driving to appointments, picking up meds, and shopping.

Because of insurance issues, the help given would not be include any lifting, bathing, changing dressings or administering meds.

If you are in need of any of the above services and don't have anyone nearby to assist you, or if you'd like to be one of the neighborhood helpers, please call:

Lianne	- 733-4917	Marion	- 734-0801
Judie	- 734-9414	Diane	- 736-8613

Meet the New Board Members

Beth Bentley - I am originally from Columbus, Ohio. I am a graduate of Ohio State University and have a masters degree from Franklin University, also in Ohio.

I have worked in healthcare product development most of my career. Currently I am the Communications Manager of the Advanced Woundcare division of Smith & Nephew, located in St. Petersburg. My duties involve some travel abroad and I was recently an "Icelandic volcano survivor," with my trip lasting 6 days longer than planned. Glad to be home!!

I live at 1530 Fairway Drive with my husband Matt and our 16 month old son Clayton. We moved into the neighborhood in 2007 and are happy to call Fairway Estates our home.

Manuel (Manny) Farinas - I was born in Habana, Cuba in 1947 and came to Miami in 1961. My father was an ophthalmologist but couldn't leave Cuba at that time.

I graduated from the University of Miami in 1971 with a degree in electrical engineering, and married Maryellen that same year. I worked in the computer industry until my retirement in 2007.

We lived for 10 years in Wilmington, NC, where we built a 37' steel sailboat. We lived on board for 2 years with our children Victor and Cristina, before traveling the Intracoastal Waterway back to Miami.

We moved to Dunedin in 2008. Dunedin had been our primary focus of retirement since we "discovered" it in 2004. I enjoy boating, bicycling and being outdoors.

Marilyn Parnell - A Minnesotan by birth, after college and marriage, we moved to upstate NY, where Tom pursed his teaching/coaching and business career. We have 5 children and now 12 grandchildren.

I pursued my music education by singing in church choirs and doing community theatre. My favorite show and role was Marian the Librarian in "The Music Man." I was President of the Foothills Girl Scout Council in central NY, and of the Colgate Women's Club and the Hospital Auxiliary, both in Hamilton, NY.

Since becoming a Dunedin resident, I have continued my love of singing through church choirs, the Dunedin Community Chorus and the Internationale Chorale. I also keep busy volunteering, being a member of the Dunedin Youth Guild, and a member, and past president of the Fairway Estates Women's Club. I'm happy to stay involved with this great neighborhood as a member of the board of directors.

Cyndi Rodts - My husband Eric and I moved to Fairway Estates in 1996 and our daughter Sheryl was born in 2000. I'm lucky enough to get to be a stay-athome Mom and spend a lot of time volunteering at my daughter's school. Right now I'm relearning 4th grade science. I also enjoy and spend some time racing small sail boats.

As a family we love boating, golfing and pretty much anything outdoors.

I got involved with the Neighborhood Watch program, and working with the block captains, to help keep our neighborhood safe for ourselves and our children.

Margie Sigman - I moved here last fall from Mt. Dora, a small town in central Florida with much of the charm and community spirit of Dunedin.

As a freelance textbook writer/editor, I can work anywhere, so alongside the Gulf was a viable choice, not to mention it's about 2 hours closer to the man in my life, who lives in Tampa.

Fairway Estates grabbed me the minute I drove in - - well-kept homes, people outdoors, a real neighborhood, not to mention the best bike trail and the best beach in the U.S. I also love gardening so look forward to picking up Carrie Mahony's good work as beautification chair.



The Fairway Estates Women's Club held their April meeting at the Clearwater Country Club, with a member, Janice Hawkes, speaking about RCS (Religious Community Services) and about "The Haven," their domestic abuse shelter. Janice is a volunteer at RCS and spoke about what services they provide, how long the clients can stay at the shelter, and what items they need to furnish their new living quarters. She urged all attending the luncheon to help out and get involved.

The officers of the FEWC for the coming year, elected at the April meeting, are Stephanie Quartaro, President; Arlene Feehan, Vice President; Caryl Lynch, Secretary; and Donna Moore, Treasurer.

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