

# Fairway Focus

Strengthening the sense of community and fostering communication between neighbors

Fairway Estates Community Association

June, 2011

## Annual Meeting Well Attended

The Fairway Estates annual meeting was held on February 7, 2011, and those attending had the opportunity to hear Vince Gizzi, Dunedin's Parks and Recreation Director, and a Fairway resident, speak about the completion and opening of Weaver Park. He also told of the acquisition by the city of open waterfront land, just north of Mediterranean Manor, to be used as a passive park.

Tim Burke, Dunedin's Director of Public Works also spoke, mostly about the Dunedin Isles stormwater drainage improvement project, and he assured residents that there would be minimal disruption to travel on Palm Boulevard. He explained that the "retention pond" at the corner of Palm Blvd. and Greenway Drive would be a dry "pond." At this point, the work is nearly complete in our area and torn-up roads are being resurfaced.

In addition to the 2 speakers, the board sponsored a trade fair at the meeting, giving Fairway residents an opportunity to promote their businesses. The fair seemed to be a success, with about a dozen residents participating.

After hearing the Treasurer's report, it was suggested that a second dues notice be sent to those who hadn't yet paid. Thanks to resident Diane Wiley for offering free printing of the reminder. Thanks also to all the block captains who distributed the notice, saving the cost of postage.

New board members were elected and officers were chosen for this year. They are listed below.



## Letter From the President

When Stephanie Quartaro corralled me at the last Fairway Estates holiday party and asked if I'd consider taking over for her as the Homeowners Association president, it seemed a far cry from my small tasks as beautification committee chairperson. She assured me that being the new president would not be hard, but never having been one, who knew? I'm happy and relieved to report that, with a lot of helpful guidance from my fellow board members, I'm feeling more and more comfortable in the job, and I'm glad for the opportunity.

Is our community thriving? It would seem so. As many of you know, we had a good turnout for our annual meeting in February. Participation at the first annual trade fair was upbeat and, we hope, beneficial to the homeowners who set up tables to showcase their businesses. This year's payment of the voluntary FECA annual dues has matched, or nearly matched, past years. Our community park at Lake Sandra is looking great, with healthy trees and abundant wildlife.

We've also had success with getting minor code violation tended to by homeowners.

As always, we board members encourage you to come to our monthly meetings, held the 2nd Monday of each month, at 7pm (except July and August) at the Dunedin Golf Club,

We also encourage you to volunteer for committees, and in other ways help us to maintain Fairway Estates as a desirable and friendly place to live.

Margie Sigman, FECA President

## Fairway Estates Board Members - 2011

President: Margie Sigman	474-5508	Deed Restrictions: Ceil McCabe	734-3747
Vice President: Manny Farinas	305 799-7219	Membership: Marilyn Parnell	738-1111
Secretary: Mary Lyon	733-4018	Newsletter: Charlotte Murray	736-8944
Treasurer: Maryellen Farinas	305 799-7219	Special Events: Ina Laughton	734-5023

# *This and That*

## ***Bulk pick-up***

The city has changed its schedule for yard/bulk debris pick-up to once a week, starting the first week of July. Household waste, in the green garbage cans, will continue to be picked up twice a week. Notification of this change will be in your next utilities bill.

## ***Speed humps***

At a recent meeting of the city commissioners, it was decided to remove the speed hump on Brady Avenue between Mangrum and Sarazen Drives. This has been done the hump has now been relocated to Heidelberg Avenue. They also voted to leave the other 2 humps on Brady for the next year and then re-evaluate.

## ***List of Dues Paying Members***

As stated in the previous newsletter, included with this issue is a list of those who have paid their association dues for 2011. If you thought you paid but didn't, or if you meant to pay but haven't yet, it's not too late. Send a check for the mere annual fee of \$40 to FECA, PO Box 563, Dunedin, FL 34697.

The \$40 is so little to pay to help the board of directors keep Fairway Estates a very desirable place to live as they work to keep our property values up.

## ***Weaver Park Opening***

Weaver Park is now open and is being enjoyed by many. It looks as though the fishermen are especially enjoying the 725 foot pier, the longest in Pinellas County.

In addition to the pier, the park has picnic tables, benches and bike racks, and abuts the Pinellas Trail. Future plans include restrooms and two pavilions on the trail side of the property, as well as a kayak launch. In addition, when funding becomes available, it is the city's hope to turn the Blatchley home, on the southwest corner of the park, into a coastal educational center.

The park is open from 7am to sunset.

Please know that it's state law to stop for pedestrians in a crosswalk, so be alert and aware of those people trying to cross Alternate 19 to enjoy the park.

## ***New Board Members Needed***

The board of directors needs several positions to be filled on the board. The positions open are city liaison, beautification, and member-at-large.

If you can give up just 1 ½ hours a month for the board meeting, and are interested, please call President Margie Sigman at 474-5508. Your participation would be most welcomed and appreciated.

## ***Dunedin Golf Club***

Thanks to the Dunedin Golf Club for accommodating Fairway Estates so well. Not only do they set up and provide refreshments for our annual meeting, all for a very nominal fee, but they also give the use of a room, free of charge, for the board's monthly meetings. Thanks to Debbie Logerquist, general manager, for working so hard on our behalf.

The club restaurant is now open to the public. Call 733-2134 for more information.

## ***Grass Clippings***

It is against city code to blow leaves and grass clippings into the street. Please make your lawn service aware of this.

## ***New Residents***

Thanks to realtor and resident Sandra Gridley for providing Marilyn Parnell, the board's membership chair, with a list of new Fairway Estates owners, listed on the next page. If anyone has been omitted, please contact Marilyn Parnell at 738-111 or at [marilyndunedin@aol.com](mailto:marilyndunedin@aol.com) to let her know you're also new to the neighborhood. She'd like to personally welcome you with information about Dunedin, and with a resident directory.



## ***Fairway Estates Women's Club***

The Fairway Estates Women's Club its their April meeting at the Dunedin Golf Club. The speaker at the luncheon was Carlos Thomas, Chief Deputy Tax Collector for Pinellas County, who spoke about the new requirements for identification when renewing your driver's license. Several forms of ID are now required.

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

The fall meeting of the Women's Club will be on Monday, October 17th, at The Living Room on Main Street.



## Welcome New Residents

Bill & Carol Allen	2340 Armour Drive	Michael & Savannah Howell	2214 Davies Avenue
Kenneth & Jean Bergman	1189 Ford Lane	Kenneth & Constance Howse	2368 Sarazen Drive
Todd & Nicole Britton	2326 Armour Drive	John & Sherry Leverich	1159 Burke Avenue
Aaron Craft	1440 Fairway Drive	Stacey Magenheimer	1462 Fairway Drive
Liz Davis	1301 Fairway Drive	John & Elizabeth O'Connor	1190 Fairway Drive
Matthew Dietz	2340 Jones Drive	Ralph & Ruth Scholl	1401 Hagen Avenue
Patrick Gillant & S. Shinkaretsky	2317 Jones Drive	Linda Summers & R. McNamara	1148 Burke Avenue
Richard Gillies & R. Wellborn	1242 Taylor Avenue	Robert & Marcia Sutton	1195 Ford Lane
William Houle & Jenne Frisby	2310 Jones Drive	Steven Ulrich	1310 Fairway Drive

## *My Play About Elvis*

By Margie Sigman, Hagen Avenue

Fifty years ago this year, Elvis Presley came to Citrus County (about an hour north of us) for a six-week stay while he filmed parts of "Follow That Dream."

My cousin Wendy, who lives in Inverness, had the grand idea of interviewing locals about their memories of that exciting summer of '61, when Hollywood came to small-time Florida. Their stories, always touching, often funny, brought back a past that in some ways seems like yesterday. Wendy even uncovered a "romantic interest" who was just sixteen at the time, but lucky enough to spend some quality time with Elvis when he wasn't filming.

Wendy collected the stories over a two-year period, typed them up, and invited me to help her shape them into a play. I'm proud to say that the resulting production, which we named "When Elvis Came To Town" was a big success, so much so that because the 2 scheduled performances were sold out, a 3rd one was added.

Staged in the Historic Citrus County Courthouse in April by volunteer actors and production crew, the play featured an Elvis Tribute Artist (Ted Torres) who is well known to Tampa Bay Elvis fans. Local students played the teenagers, and even the mayor of Crystal River got in the act.

The audience really seemed to enjoy their "trip down memory lane" and in the process, helped us raise more than \$10,000 for the ongoing renovation of the Courthouse.



## Upcoming Events

**June 12** Spring Sprint Triathlon  
Honeymoon Island



**June 21** National Go Skate Day,  
MLK, Jr. Recreation Center

**June 25,26** Arts and Crafts Festival,  
Downtown



**July 3** Concert and Fireworks  
Florida Auto Exchange Stadium

**July 3,4** Kiwanis Midnight Run  
Dunedin Causeway



**July 9-10** Showcase Theater Kids Show  
Community Center

**Saturday Market** - Every Saturday at Pioneer Park

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