

Fairway Focus

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Fairway Estates Community Association (FECA)

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Upcoming Events

For event sponsorship and questions, contact Kelly Dixon at Events@FairwayEstates.org. As events get closer, find details on Facebook and NextDoor.

Fall Festival - Sunday October 20



Join your neighbors on Sunday, October 20th from 2-5pm at Lake Saundra Park for the Fall Festival. There will be kids' activities and games as well as a Costume Contest with prizes, food and alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Guests are welcome to bring a spooky dish to share! Returning will be the Chili Cook-Off and new this year, a Cornbread Cook-Off. Contact Todd Brooks at Brooksto@pcsb.org for details and to register.

Neighborhood Garage Sale - Sat. Nov. 2

Our neighborhood yard sale is 8am-3pm, Sat., November 2. General signage will be displayed and an ad will be placed in the newspaper and free online garage sale websites but residents are encouraged to place signs and ads as well. Permits not required.

Holiday Festival - Sunday December 8



Clear those calendars for Sunday, Dec. 8, 2-5pm for our annual holiday festival at Lake Saundra Park with kids activities, refreshing alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks and pizza for all. Listen and dance to Rick on the steel drums. Guests are welcome to bring a holiday treat to share.

There will be a Holiday Bake or Cook-Off again. Contact Todd Brooks for details and to register at Brooksto@pcsb.org.

Women's Social Events

The women's social club will be posting dates for ladies' happy hours and other activities on Facebook and NextDoor. For details about Oct. 23rd, the first Happy Hour at Dunedin Golf Club, contact fairwayestateswcl@yahoo.com.

Note from the President - Matt Stevens

Happy autumn, neighbors! We hope you had an enjoyable summer here, or at your summer residence. So far, so good for us with this year's hurricane season. As you work on your projects, I encourage everyone to check your FECA directory which is a great source for quality contractors who support our community.

This year we've seen a steady stream of new neighbors. Marilyn Parnell, our Membership Board member continues to greet them with a warm smile and cheerful "welcome" to the best neighborhood in town. Like Marilyn, your board has stayed busy. The new signage, voted in at our last annual meeting, has started to be installed. You can see the finished product at the Mangrum and Sarazen entrances. Thank you to the Beautification Committee for the new fall plantings on Palm. Saundra Park received some TLC with tree trimming and volunteer work at the butterfly garden. We are happy to see increasing use of our park for picnics, the little library, fishing, bird watching, and just plain relaxing. We ask all to be mindful of other residents, and clean up when you leave.

Looking forward, we've been hard at work preparing several events: Fall Festival, Neighborhood Garage Sale, Holiday Festival. See dates/times listed in the newsletter and social media. To introduce you to your neighbors who volunteer their time and effort to be on the Board, in this newsletter we highlight Jessica Parchman. I've had the opportunity to see the passion, professionalism and insight Jessica brings to projects she's involved with. As a Board, and a community, we are fortunate to have her. Lastly, we are always looking for your input, and thoughts. If you want to volunteer or have ideas for us, please reach out to a Board member at <http://fairwayestates.org/officers-and-committees/>

Fairway Estates Women's Club

The Fairway Estates Women's Club is open to ALL adult female residents of Fairway Estates. Our club is a great way to meet new friends and neighbors. See page 6 for luncheon dates. Annual membership, due in October, is \$15. Contact fairwayestateswcl@yahoo.com or Rita Kelb at 937-470-1459.

FECA Board Meetings

The FECA Board of Directors meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm from September through June at the Dunedin Golf Club. Members are welcome to attend. See the Upcoming Events calendar on page 6 for dates. Contact a board member for agenda details. Contact information is on our [website](http://www.fairwayestates.org).

Neighbor Spotlight: Lynn McKelfresh



History is alive and well in Fairway Estates. Just ask our neighbor, Lynn McKelfresh, and she will weave a tale about the three generations that have occupied her home on Palm Ave. Lynn is married to Gary whose grandfather built their home here in 1957. As a matter of history, Gary's grandfather was the first President of our

HOA. In the early 1980's, the grandparents moved out and Gary's parents moved in. In 2005, Lynn and Gary moved from Illinois and became the third generation to call the Palm Ave. house their home. Her family history doesn't end there. Four generations have occupied their summer home on Grenell Island, Thousand Islands in NY. Lynn is now the Island Historian and has written more than 122 articles for the magazine ThousandIslandsLife.com.

Lynn loves writing. She knew at the age of 13 that writing was her destiny. After her first article appeared in *Jack and Jill* magazine, she wrote for several children's publications and business journals. Lynn is now the proud author of three novels. The first is a children's novel called *Can You Feel the Thunder?* followed by *Strong Deaf*, a novel for young adults. For her next novel, Lynn decided to write for adults. *Grenell 1881* is a historical novel that recounts the life of Marguerite Hartranft, the first generation to live on the island. Lynn plans to write a series of eight more novels to give readers an inside look at summer life on Grenell between 1881 and 1961.

Ghostwriting is another of Lynn's fortes. She was the unseen author of five novels from The Beacon Street Girls series. In *Charlotte in Paris*, Charlotte, the main character, is fashioned after Lynn. Charlotte is an outsider who loves to travel and, of course, write. As an outsider, Charlotte is considered "weird," a characterization that Lynn says perfectly describes her personality.

Lynn was in high school and Gary in college when they met working at McDonald's. While Lynn left for college, Gary stayed with McDonald's for 32 years and they eventually owned three McDonald's. Married in 1976, they have two children. Michelle lives in Columbus, Ohio and designed the cover of *Grenell 1981*. Ironically, she now works for Wendy's. Rob, her son, lives in Chicago. Lynn and Gary have three granddaughters.

Lynn and Gary have traveled to seven continents. Lynn's imagination runs wild on trips conjuring up ideas for her books. Lynn loves photography, researching newspaper articles and living in family friendly Fairway Estates. *Grenell 1881* was released in June 2019. Her second Grenell novel is in the works.

Dunedin Golf Club News

Ken Nyhus, Manager of the Club, is happy to announce that the new Pro Shop and Cart Barn will be completed by the end of 2019. He is planning many special events for the upcoming "Season" including the regular nightly specials. On Two for Tuesdays, two can dine for \$21.99. Wok-In Wednesdays offer Asian Specialties. Thursdays offer Italian-themed dinners and, as always, Friday is All Day Fish Fry. The first Friday of every month is also the Prime Rib Buffet for \$21.99.

Special Events are listed below. Call 727-733-2134 ext. 0 for reservations and more information. Please note that the Club closes at 5:00pm on Dec. 24th and Jan 1st, and is closed all day on Dec. 25th.

Oct. 11	Octoberfest Specials
Oct. 19	Seafood Buffet
Nov. 21	Wine Tasting
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Dinner
Dec. 22	Brunch with Santa
Dec. 31	New Year's Eve Early Dinner
Jan. 1	Bloody Mary Scramble at 9:00am

Welcome New Neighbors

Bengtsson, Kenneth	2306 Jones Dr.
Bonanno, Moorea & Thomas	2352 Sarazen Dr.
Doggett, Sarah & Paul	2341 Armour Dr.
Gettler, Caitlin & Robert	2380 Harrison Dr.
Henderson, Jeff & Elizabeth	2218 Snead Ave.
McIver, Ken & Susan	2316 Jones Dr.
Mesick, Jake & Brinton, Haley	1140 Nelson St.
Moore, Kelly	2370 Middlecoff Dr.
Morgan, Rachel & George	1168 Burke Ave.
Parker, Elana	2310 Jones Dr.
Pettinger, Cynthia & Steven	2230 Demaret Dr.
Poley, Candee & Benjamin	1411 Hagen Ave.
Russo, Laura & Thomas	2330 Harrison Dr.
Stein, Rebecca & Robert	2240 Watrous Dr.
Schneske, Paul	2337 Mangrum Dr.
Smarslok, Brian	2387 Demaret Dr.
Stockton, Steven	2260 Watrous Dr.
Strickland, James	1486 Fairway Dr.
Watler, Glenn	2370 Watrous Dr.
Taylor, Jeanne	2120 Mangrum Dr.

Our Famous Street Names - part 4

By Glen Gaither

We are learning more about the outstanding golfers whose names we see daily on our street signs. Previous articles are on our [website](#), click on 'newsletter' and see Fall 2018, Winter 2019, Spring 2019.

Middlecoff Drive



A dentist by profession, Dr. Cary Middlecoff gave up his practice at 26 to play professional golf and ended up winning more money than Ben Hogan, Sam Snead and all other pros on the PGA tour during the storied 1950s. The Tennessee native took up the game at an early age and by 17 was city champ in Memphis. He attended Old Miss where he be-

came the school's first golf All-American. After graduating, he returned to Tennessee to attend dental school, following in the footsteps of his uncles and his father—who was also a club golf champion.

He was commissioned as an Army dentist during World War II and, while still in the Army, he became the first amateur to win the North South Open in Pinehurst, N.C., playing against Ben Hogan and Gene Sarazen. After the war, he joined his father's dental practice, but after a year and against his father's objections, he left to play golf full time. Middlecoff gave himself two years to succeed or return to tooth drilling. His name remained on the dental office door for ten years but he never returned.

In his prime PGA years from 1945 to 1967, Middlecoff, nicknamed "Doc", was a glamorous figure—tall, attractive, articulate, and charming; all traits that would later aid his television career. He won the 1949 and 1956 U.S. Open and the 1955 Masters. He won more tour titles than any other player in the 1950's - 28. In all, he had 40 PGA Tour wins, placing him tenth across pro golfers.

A player with plenty of power, great accuracy and a superb putter, Middlecoff was nevertheless plagued by nerves and was known for often taking excessive time to play his shots. Back problems and struggles with his nerves during competition ended his career when he was still in his early 40s. He later said he never missed the tour life, especially traveling fifty thousand miles a year by car. He still played occasionally, competing as a past champion in the Masters until 1971.

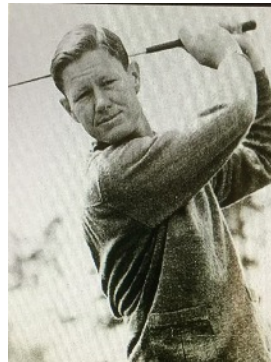
Nelson Street

Byron Nelson was a top professional from 1935 to 1946. Despite a relatively short career, he was widely considered one of the greatest golfers of all time. Nelson and two other golfing legends, Ben Hogan and Sam Snead, were all born in 1912. Like many players of his day, Nelson learned the game as a caddy in his native Texas. Initially caddies weren't allowed to play at the club so Nelson would practice in the dark, placing a white handkerchief over the hole so he could see it. Later, club policy changed and 14-year-old Nelson beat fellow caddy Ben Hogan by one stroke in a nine-hole playoff. The two remained close friends and rivals during their teens and early pro years, but they grew apart as Nelson found success faster than Hogan.

Nelson turned pro in 1932 during the Great Depression. With money tight he entered as many tournaments as he could afford in order to develop his game. One of his first important early wins was at the Metropolitan Open in New York, which he won with the last \$5 in his pocket. The following year, 1937, he won his first major title at The Masters, shooting a first-round 66, a record low score which stood until 1976. Nelson won four more majors, the U.S. Open in 1939, the PGA Championship in 1940 and 1945, and a second Masters in 1942. A blood clotting disorder kept him out of service in World War II, though he gave hundreds of golf exhibitions to raise money for charities and the war effort.

In 1945 Nelson won 18 PGA tournaments, including 11 in a row—both records which still stand. Arnold Palmer once said, "I don't think anyone will ever exceed the things Byron did by winning 11 tournaments in a row in one year." In 1945 Nelson also set a record for scoring average which stood for 55 years. That year is often called the greatest single year by a golfer on the PGA Tour. In his career Nelson won 52 professional events, played on two Ryder Cup teams and won the Vardon Trophy for leading scoring average.

Early on Nelson realized that the newly changing club construction from hickory to steel shafts would require a modification in the golf swing. He was among the first



of the new generation of players who developed a swing using increased leg drive leading the downswing, the forerunner of today's technique. He is often considered the father of the modern golf swing. He retired officially at age 34 to become a rancher and later a golf commentator. The first PGA Tour event named for a golfer, The Byron Nelson Championship in Dallas, honors him. He was posthumously awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 2006.

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Taoist Tai Chi Calls Dunedin Home



As a Dunedin resident there are good reasons why you may be hearing about the Taoist Tai Chi Society. We have several neighbors who practice this ancient art, and the national headquarters is right behind the Society-owned Fenway Hotel. There are about 6,000 participants in the US, and over 42,000 across 26 countries that actively practice Taoist arts, including Tai Chi.

You may have seen the slow flowing synchronized movements done by a group practicing Tai Chi at the beach or in the front lawn of the Fenway. These movements are over 2500 years old and originate from traditional Chinese medicine and the martial art of qigong. By moving with a full range of motion, people feel deep stretching with no body stress that is really helpful and safe for all parts of the body as well as the mind. Studies are showing that practicing Tai Chi significantly helps with balance and reduces falls. But findings also show benefits to blood pressure, immunity, arthritis and depression.

Diane Garcia on Hagen was interested in the potential benefits Tai Chi movements could have on her health. While she felt challenged at times when learning the 108 moves, she enjoys the camaraderie and support the group gives one another. Kathy O'Leary on Middlecoff agrees and enjoys the energy and calmness she feels when doing a Tai Chi set with a group.

The Society has periodic open houses to welcome the community to watch or even try some Tai Chi moves. But if that is not your interest, take advantage of their investment in Dunedin by visiting the restored Fenway Hotel. The quality of work required by the Marriott Autograph Collection hotel chain is impressive. You can see the doorway to the old speakeasy bar from the 1920's, eat at the delicious restaurants, or grab a sunset view from the rooftop bar. The collaboration between Taoist Tai Chi Society, the City of Dunedin, and Marriott has given us yet another reason that Dunedin is a wonderful place to live.

Meet Board Member Jessica Parchman

When you hear Jessica Parchman talk, you can tell she was not born in Connecticut where she has lived for 30 years. Her gentle but authoritative Tennessee accent and her professionalism come through at every Board meeting! After all, Jessica retired as a top executive at Bristol-Myers Squibb.

Jessica joined Fairway Estates in 2016 when she became a snowbird. She loves Dunedin's quaint downtown and the quick access to bustling Tampa and St. Petersburg. When she was looking for her winter home, she was drawn to our beautiful tree-lined streets and lake, and the friendliness of waving neighbors as she drove by. This was not Connecticut.

Jessica became a Board member in 2018 and has actively participated in Beautification activities and was instrumental in the analysis of the signage upgrade. She loves learning about our Fairway Estates history. Jessica is busy with her two 'sometimes' well-behaved terriers Kate and Tucker and with the never ending list of home projects that need to be accomplished before she returns to Connecticut each summer.



Welcome To More FECA Members

Members who paid their dues since Spring newsletter.

Auman, Karen & Paul	2374 Sarazen Dr.
Bengtsson, Kenneth	2306 Jones Dr.
Bonanno, Moorea & Thomas	2352 Sarazen Dr.
DeSchepper, Gladys	2362 Demaret Dr.
Lopex, Pam & John	1230 Nelson Dr.
McNamara, Rosemary	1148 Burke Ave.
Mersis, Anne	1492 Fairway Dr.
Nagapen, Sharmilia & David	1157 Nelson Dr.
O'Donnell, Pat & Gene	2301 Harrison Dr.
Parker, Elana	2310 Jones Dr.
Thompson, Fran & Forrest	2368 Harrison Dr.
Willis, Erin & William	2255 Demaret Dr.

Beautification Updates

The beautification team welcomes neighbors (men and women) who don't mind getting their hands dirty, want learn about plants that work well with our Florida heat and water conditions, and give back to our community in the process. Want to join us? Contact Dianne Schuldt (see directory) or watch for project invitations on Facebook and NextDoor.

Two Big Projects

There were two big projects this season: the selection and installation of new signs for the Brady Street entrances, and major tree trimming at Lake Sandra Park.



The Board listened to the community requests for updated signage that reflects our mid century architecture while reducing long term maintenance costs. The completed signs were installed and reinstalled this summer and look great.

With safety considerations and the health of our middle aged trees in mind, the Board approved the trimming of the large oaks and other trees at Lake Sandra Park. The age and size of the trees made them vulnerable to damage from our windy summer rainstorms and the potential tropical storms. The Board wanted to ensure our neighbors would be able to safely enjoy the park, and that our trees would be around to shade us when we do.



Yard of the Season - Summer



Summer YOS was awarded to Alan and Chris Gustafson, 2196 Demaret Drive. They moved here in 2014 and worked with Eden Nursery who successfully

captured the tropical look and feel they wanted with low maintenance plantings that enhance the home's curb appeal.

Anchoring the landscape is "Otto" the stunning Bismarck Palm in the center of their circle driveway. The orange ixora bushes add a pop of color surrounded by coonti palms and shrubs.

Yard of the Season - Fall

"I just love coming home to the peacefulness here," homeowner Lisa Henkel says after returning from Atlanta to her home nestled in the Jones Court cul-de-sac. Since leaving Safety Harbor to return to Dunedin, the Henkel's have spent the past seven years renovating 2309 Jones Ct.



The Henkel's got expert help from Earthscapes for the refresh. They removed the old landscape but left a soaring live oak and two laurel oaks. Colorful crotons, blue daze, jasmine vine and Xanadu were planted to frame the live oak. To the left of the center island, three ligustrum trees were added with coleus. Palms flank the corner of the house and the entry where visitors are greeted by red pots with pink Siam Tulips.

Neighborhood Watch Tips

Speeding in our Community

There have been complaints of speeders on our streets and the combination of no sidewalks and speeders is a disaster waiting to happen. The Tampa Bay area has one of the highest pedestrian death rates in the US.



Here is how you can help.

Todd Brooks is our liaison with the Sheriff's office. When you see recurring speeding identify the day, time and street location and send to Todd at ReportBadDriving@FairwayEstates.org.

He does not need vehicle specifics and your identity will not be shared. Once we can establish a pattern of recklessness, he will contact the Sheriff's department who will set up some "targeted enforcement" with the intent of changing driver behavior.

More roadway safety tips from the Sheriff include:

- Always walk facing traffic
- Don't focus on your cell phone while walking on the street
- At dusk and later, carry a light and wear reflective clothing so you can be seen by your driving neighbors.

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For clear photos and links, sign up to get the online version of our newsletter

Upcoming Events

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| Nov. - May | Friday and Saturday Downtown Market, Pioneer Park, 9am-2pm | Nov. 16, 17 | Arts and Crafts Festival, Downtown Dunedin, 10am-5pm |
| Sept.-May | Dunedin History Museum Downtown Walking Tours, contact Museum for info | Nov. 23 | Celtic Music and Craft Beer Festival Highlander Park, 11am-9pm |
| Oct. 20 | FECA Fall Festival, Lake Saundra Park, 2pm-5pm | Dec. 6-13, 15-18 | Dunedin Express, Contact Dunedin History Museum for reservations. |
| Oct. 21 | Fairway Estates Women's Club Luncheon, Dunedin Golf Club, 11:30am | Dec. 7 | Dunedin Holiday Boat Parade and Tree Trimming, Dunedin Marina, 6pm-9pm |
| Oct. 23 | Women's Club Happy Hour, Dunedin Golf Club, 6pm | Dec. 7 | Santa Breakfast, Community Center, 9am |
| Oct. 24 | Haunted Cemetery Tour, Dunedin Cemetery, 6:30pm-9pm | Dec. 8 | FECA Holiday Festival, Lake Saundra Park, 2pm-5pm |
| Oct. 25 | Downtown Dunedin Trick or Treat 5-8pm | Dec. 8 | Dunedin Community Chorus, "Unwrap the Holidays," Community Center, 3pm |
| Oct. 26 | Halloween Happenings, Highlander Park, 5:30pm-9:30pm | Dec. 9 | Fairway Estates Women's Club Luncheon, Dunedin Golf Club 11:30am |
| Nov. 2 | FECA Neighborhood Garage Sale 8am-3pm | Dec. 11 | FECA Board Meeting, Dunedin Golf Club, 6:30pm |
| Nov. 2 | Art Harvest, Highlander Park, 10am-5pm | Dec. 14 | Dunedin Old Fashioned Christmas and Holiday Parade, Downtown, 4pm-9pm |
| Nov. 9 | Dunedin Wines the Blues, 6pm-10pm | Jan. 8 | FECA Board Meeting, Dunedin Golf Club, 6:30pm |
| Nov. 13 | FECA Board Meeting, Dunedin Golf Club, 6:30pm | | |
| Nov. 16 | Dunedin Community Garage Sale, Hale Activity Center, 8am-noon | | |