



Dottie Patterson—Golden Acorn Award Winner

EACH AUGUST THE DEERCREEK HOME AND GARDEN CLUB opens its year by honoring a resident whom members want to recognize for his or her dedication to our community. This year we honor Dottie Patterson. Dottie and Dick Patterson have been Heather Lake residents since 1993. Dottie's outstanding involvement in Deercreek and the wider Jacksonville community was recognized in an interview with the Deercreek Community News for a front-page article in July 2004. In honor of her receiving the Golden Acorn Award, that 2004 article is reprinted on the Home and Garden Club page of our website at www.deercreekcc.com. Now we have the opportunity to fill in some of the details.

Originally growing up on an Illinois farm, Dottie and her family moved to Chicago in 1939, where she met Dick in 1949. They married in 1950, and at that time, Dick, originally from Texas and looking for a warmer climate, asked Dottie, "How long do I have to stay in Chicago?" "Fifteen years," was Dottie's reply. Sixteen years later, in 1966, Dottie and Dick and their three children, Gary, Gail and Guy, moved to Jacksonville. They feel very fortunate that all three of their children and seven grandchildren live in Florida.

The Home and Garden Club has benefited from Dottie's involvement from the beginning. She served as its president, vice-president, and luminaries program chairman, and she regularly decorates the guardhouse for holidays. In 1999 she found the deer statue that is on Deercreek Club Road near the Edgewater entrance. She has been a model for many fashion shows, and she annually swears in all new board members with her personally written oath. And that only covers her Home and Garden Club activities. Dottie has also served on the board of the Women's Alliance and has worked at the Treasure Chest, the hospice thrift shop that the Alliance supports.

Dottie's involvement extends beyond the Deercreek gate. She is a member of the Jacksonville Symphony Guild and volunteers as a docent at the annual Showcase Home that raises funds for the symphony. She regularly attends the Coffee Series at the symphony. Though her mother, a resident at the assisted living facility Taylor Home, passed away two years ago, Dottie continues to



Dottie stands under the oak tree planted in her honor.

volunteer at Taylor Home by conducting bunko games for residents each month. Her familiar face must brighten lives there.

Dottie's influence reaches even beyond the Jacksonville area. She is president of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA – affectionately known as "A Broad With Ambition"). She has been a member for thirty-five years and is in her twenty-sixth year of hosting ABWA's annual conference for the Florida and Georgia region. This year's topic will be "Engage, Entice and Experience." For 43 years, Dottie has also been a member of Beta Sigma Phi, a sorority that, along with the ABWA, raises money for scholarships.

Always ready with a smile, a joke (some of which are not printable here) and a wonderful outlook, Dottie exemplifies what it means to live life to the fullest while making the world a better place.

Congratulations, Dottie, on a well-deserved award!

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

DCCOA

September 2, Tuesday
6 PM—Access Control

September 10, Wednesday
7 PM—Common Property

September 18, Thursday
6:15 PM—Covenants
Enforcement

September 23, Tuesday
7 PM—DCCOA Board

EDGEWATER

September 18, Thursday
7 PM—HOA Board

COMMUNITY

September 4, Thursday
6:30 PM—Women's Alliance
annual "Dreams Come True"
party

September 15, Monday
10 AM—Literary Circle meets
to discuss Stephen Ambrose's
"Undaunted Courage"

September 25, Thursday
1 PM—Home & Garden Club
discusses "Native Plants"

September 26, Friday
1 PM—ClubCorp Charity
Classic





DCCOA

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May Management

Bernard Vargas Vila 273-9832
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The board meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Deercreek Country Club. Deercreek residents are welcome at all board and committee meetings.



Edgewater HOA

Board of Directors

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The board meets at 7 PM on the third Thursday of each month at the Ciez's home at 7741 Watermark Lane South. Edgewater residents are welcome at all board and committee meetings.

July Board Meeting Highlights

The DCCOA Board of Directors met at the Deercreek Country Club on July 22, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. for a regularly scheduled meeting. All Board members were present. Also present as guests were Bernard Vargas Vila, Marie Smith, Mary Stelbrink, Floyd Campbell, and Pete Gentry.

and they were approved as new members of the Communications Committee.

- Marie Smith will continue to manage the website and directory.
- Rosemary Tutt will contribute a short paragraph about a significant topic of discussion from each meeting.

GUESTS' COMMENTS

- Resident Floyd Campbell reported that he discovered theft of personal items from his garage following work by a garage door repair company. Action: May Management will invite the owner of the company to attend the August Board meeting to discuss the incident and explain why his company should not be restricted from doing business in Deercreek.

CPAC — Danny Becton

- Did not meet

Covenants Enforcement — Ron Peace

- Four residents appeared. Three fines were assessed.

Access Control — Tommy Walter

- Two cameras at the front gate are inoperable and will be replaced.
- 19,900 vehicles entered Deercreek in June.

PROPERTY MANAGER'S REPORT

—Bernard Vargas Vila

- As recommended, the Board sent 4 properties to the Covenants Enforcement Committee for hearings.
- The JEA has installed a permanent deodorizer system by the pool.
- A sinkhole on Ashford Crossing Drive was repaired once, but the repair was unsatisfactory and will be redone.
- As recommended, the Board approved revocation of bar code access for a resident due to nonpayment of fines and assessments.
- Another case of nonpayment was reviewed. Deercreek's attorney will be consulted regarding what further action can be taken.

ARB — Joe Cernigliaro

- No report

Finance and Insurance — Judd Schwartz

- All committees were under budget in June.
- Committee members and a chair are still needed for the Finance Committee.

Legal — Carol D'Onofrio

- The status of property owners in arrears was reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

Street repair

- There was lengthy discussion regarding streets needing repair.
- The Board approved patching of 6 areas at a maximum cost of \$60,000.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Common Property — Mary Stelbrink/ Jim McKinney

- The Board approved purchase of two stop signs, as well as accessories needed for mounting, in order to replace a broken sign and to have a spare sign available.
- The pavilion roof was not pressure washed when other structures were, but will be washed later in the year.
- The committee will send notes to specific residents requesting that trees and shrubs be trimmed so that sidewalk access is not blocked.
- Final resolution of the drainage problem on hole # 5 is pending. Additional bids have been received.

Vendor contracts

- Contracts up for renewal are for landscaping, lake management, and security.
- Contracts will be for one year, renewable up to three years by mutual agreement of Deercreek and the vendor. May Management will solicit bids from vendors and forward them for consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

- John Cole (Legal) resigned his Board position with approximately 18 months remaining. Deercreek Bylaws permit the Board to appoint someone to fill the position for the remainder of the term. Action: Pete Gentry was appointed by the Board to complete John Cole's term.

Communications — Marie Smith

- Laurie Bacalis and Jan Thompson will coordinate production of the newsletter,

Compiled from minutes submitted by Tommy Walter



AUGUST LANDSCAPE AWARD

Rodrigo and Christine Sievert • 7934 Bishop Lake Road North



Rodrigo and Christine Sievert have managed to show dramatic color in their lovely garden during the heat of summer. Caladium and sun coleus are eye-catching while creeping fig vine grows along the front of their splendid house. Fire power bushes, variegated holly and Japanese azaleas also enhance the landscape.

Road Repairs on the Horizon

Expect a smoother ride through the streets of Deercreek once plans for patching and paving neighborhood roads come to fruition.

At the July 22 Board meeting of the Deercreek Country Club Owners Association, the need for street repair was high on the agenda. After lengthy discussion and review of the current Deercreek roads, six areas were identified as a priority and unanimously approved by the Board. They include:

- Blakeford Mill at Deercreek Club Road
- Vineyard Lake Road at No. 3 tee
- Orchard Hills Road at No. 3 green
- Vineyard Lake Road at No. 16 green
- Chelsea Lake Road
- Ashford Crossing Drive at McLaurin Road/Tennis Courts

Board member Danny Becton will collaborate with property manager Bernard Vargas Vila of May Management to move the project forward in a timely manner and adhere to cost restrictions. Plans for more extensive future paving requirements are also being reviewed. Future updates will be provided after the next Board meeting.

Submitted by Rosemary Tutt

Women's Alliance To Host "Dreams Come True" Party

Mark your calendars for September 4th for our annual "Dreams Come True" party. We will be sponsoring a child from Dreams Come True and will have a party to go along with the theme of a dream trip. This year, our special child is Mitchell, who will be 3 years old in November. He had a brain tumor removed and is doing well in remission. This gathering is always fun and it is such a joy to see the look on the face of the child when the trip's location is revealed. Details for this event will be sent to you via email, so be on the lookout for that announcement.

Now ladies, the event you have all been waiting for – the Fashion Show. It will be held Thursday evening, November 6, at the Clubhouse. This is always a fun event where our own members model clothing from a local shop. Hair and makeup are done and they walk the runway! This year's theme is "Decades," and fashions will be provided by Talbot's. This is a very popular event, and tickets, at \$30, go very quickly. Tickets will be available at the September meeting, so contact your friends and mark your calendars.

If you would like to join the Women's

Alliance of Deercreek, please contact the Membership Chair, Mary Tenuta at 519-8191 or gtenuta@comcast.net. It's a great

way to learn about the community and make good friends.

Submitted by Vicki Khan

Home and Garden Club Lights Up Deercreek Entrance



The Home and Garden Club has completed the final phase of lighting the Deercreek entrance. New lights, shown here, enhance the three oaks trees recently planted at the Southside entrance. Also, two large mercury lights have been added to the median inside the gate. Thanks go to all the Home and Garden Club members and residents who support the Garden club fundraisers. The Deercreek Board extends their thanks to the Home and Garden Club members for the latest, as well as their other significant contributions to the community.





DCCOA Committees

Access Control

Chair: Doug Klippel 363-9698
dougklippel@aol.com

Board Liaisons: Tommy Walter

Members: Mike Graves, Bunny George,
Jeannie Harlan, John McIlvaine, Faris Monsour,
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MEETINGS: First Tuesday of each month at 6 PM at the club

Architectural Review Board

Chair: Skip Yauger 363-2809
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Board Liaison: Joseph Cernigliaro

Secretary: Tobe Budner 285-2519
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Members: Floyd Campbell, Buck Eng, Kent Smith

MEETINGS: First Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the club

Covenants Enforcement

Chair: Frank Albanese 519-6562
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Co-Chair: Frank Tuenge 519-5040
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Board Liaison: Ron Peace

Members: Douglas Harlan, Ted Jackson, Donna
Robinson, John Robinson

MEETINGS: Third Thursday of each month at 6:15 PM in the
ladies' card room at the club

Common Property

Chair: Mary Stelbrink 363-2360
mhstelbrink@aol.com

Board Liaison: Jim McKinney

Members: Chuck Jantz, Charlotte Johnson,
Sandy Montgomery, Dave Noble, Terry Templeton,
Joe Williams

MEETINGS: Second Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at the club

Communications

Chair: Marie Smith 519-8103
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Board Liaison: Rosemary Tutt

Members: Rita Allen, Laurie Bacalis, Jill Cole, Joe
McTighe, Nancy McTighe, Sandy Montgomery, Mary
Stelbrink, Jan Thompson

MEETINGS: Third Wednesday of every other month at 7 PM at the club

Finance

Chair: Mike Tanner 716-5633
mtanner@cfo-services.com

Board Liaison: Judd Schwartz

Members: Merrick Bayer, Walt Beissinger, Herb Rodman,
George Partin, John Tomka

MEETINGS: Monthly, usually the week before the board meeting

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC)

Representative: Danny Becton 519-1276
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Alternate

Representative: Ted Jackson 608-8670
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DEERCREEK WANTS YOU!

There's still time to submit your resume for the Annual DCCOA Board elections. Resumes are needed by October 1 for three positions opening when the current board members' terms expire.

Board members serve three-year terms, attending monthly association meetings and an occasional special meeting. In addition, most members serve as a liaison, and attend the meetings of a standing committee of the association. They also may be asked to work on special projects. The Board members whose terms expire this year are Carol D'Onofrio, Jim McKinney and Tommy Walter.

If you would like to serve your community, please send or e-mail a brief personal statement of 200 to 250 words to David Stelbrink (7917 McLaurin Road North or e-mail: desmtg@aol.com). Statements should include your length of residence in Deercreek, personal qualifications, a brief career description, and your goals and vision for the community of Deercreek.

Please call Dave at 363-2360 with questions. The October 1 deadline allows time for ballots, resumes and proxies to be mailed out in early November and profiles of candidates to be printed in the November newsletter. Elections will be held at the DCCOA Annual Meeting on December 9 at 7 PM at the clubhouse.

FLU SHOTS TO BE OFFERED OCTOBER 4

Did you know that the flu vaccine can reduce a healthy adult's chances of getting the flu by 70%-90% and that getting a flu shot is the most effective way to prevent the flu? Protect yourself and those around you, and get a flu shot this year and every year.

Maxim Health Services will provide the flu shot to members of the Deercreek Community on Saturday, October 4, from 9 AM until 1 PM. The cost will be \$30 per shot. Medicare and most insurance plans will be accepted, and payment can be made by check or cash.

Notes

Help "Green Up" Deercreek

The Garden Club's annual Tree Sale is in full swing. Place your orders now through October 15 for trees to line the streets of Deercreek. Besides the environmental benefits, trees provide a shady canopy throughout the community. A local nursery will plant the trees in December in a suitable location approved by the Architectural Review Board. For details, see the insert in this newsletter, or call a committee member: Charlotte Johnson, 363-1453; Sandy Montgomery, 519-1931; or Mary Stelbrink, 363-2360.

www.deercreekcc.com

Our community's web site is refreshingly up-to-date and thorough, thanks to Marie Smith, Communications Chair. Recent additions include DCCOA Documents complete with bylaws, covenants and amendments. The site also includes information about board and committee members, social clubs, past newsletters, and who to contact for just about whatever you may need.

Remember to use Bargain Avenue

There are piles of cash hiding in your closets and garage! Bargain Avenue is a great way to get rid of your unused treasures, or find new ones. Go to www.deercreekcc.com, and click on the tab at the top of the page. Buy or sell items without even leaving the neighborhood.

