



# Par for the Course

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## Seniors name winners, new president

Greendale Seniors Golf Club President **Rick Townshend** announced his retirement as president before naming winners in the three flights who competed during the 2011 season.

**Gary Marco** was elected president by acclamation after his nomination without opposition. Re-elected were Vice President **Tommy Satterfield**, Treasurer **Peter Bolton**, and Tournament Director **Glenn Zueber**.

Greendale's new manager, **Peter Kim**, said he would observe course operations for a time before making any changes. Kim wishes to offer gratis a day of short game lessons next May and will show seniors how they might add 5 to 10 yards when driving. Kim is considering shotgun starts to speed play.



Winners present at the Greendale Seniors Golf Club awards luncheon were, left to right front row, **Rich Pratt**, **Pat Paterno**, **Gary Marco**. Top row, **Joe Scates**, **Jim Ernst**, **Jerry Knittle**, **Carl Eifert**. **Marco** is the new president.

Winners of 2011's club competition between April and October are:

Flight A – **Rich Pratt** first with a 64.5 net average; **Mike Farrell** second at 65, and **Dennis Jung** most improved golfer by 7 strokes.

Flight B – **Jim Ernst** first at 66.75; **Carl Eifert** at 68.25, and **Pat Paterno** most improved by 5.

Flight C – **Joe Scates** first at 70; **Jerry Knittle** at 71, and **Gary Marco** most improved by 6.

Townshend will continue to help the seniors club by maintaining the website and the tee times system, which he said would be modified to switch the sign-up from Wednesdays to Tuesdays.

He added that he would continue to arrange outings at other courses, planning on April 27, 2012 at Old Hickory. Another site would be Laurel Hill and possibly Augustine.

In his five-year tenure, Townshend said membership had grown with 117 members in 2011, down from 135 a year earlier, but up from 97 formerly. He thanked members for their support, and gave a special thank you to his wife, **Terry**, for her help with club matters.

Play Santa Claus  
Without renting a costume.

## Toys for Tots

*Greendale Golf Course  
Official Drop Off Point*

*Please bring new and unwrapped toys before Dec. 14 so that they can gladden the hearts of girls and boys during the upcoming 2011 holiday season.*

## Meet the Volunteer Golf is but one sport for this marshal

Golf is the game of Greendale volunteers. But for **Michael "Mike" Farrell** his sporting life also included softball, hockey and sailing. Mike began volunteering as a marshal last September, having learned of the opportunity from partners in the Greendale Seniors Golf



Club. Mike is an advocate of "fast play and ready golf, and passes that on to golfers. Mike finds it fascinating watching players, such as a fellow of slight stature on 17 calling his shot. Riding down to the gravel drain line just to the right of the green, he said, that player's drive was there, as predicted. And there was the foursome



of recent college grads playing from the blue markers on 16; three of them carried the 240 yards and hit the green.

Mike was born in Elmira, NY, and joined the Army in 1966. He spent two years stateside during those Vietnam years. Then he became an itinerant carpenter. He and his ex-wife lived in 14 cities in 14 years. While living in Virginia Beach, the family – including a daughter and son – competed successfully on Hampton Roads in their J-24 sailboat. The boat was

christened HammerRN, combing his trade and her profession as a nurse. Mike was also a charter boat captain for six years on his 40-foot craft named Shamrock II, commemorating his Irish heritage.

When the family lived near Buffalo, NY, Mike would sleep a few hours after work and then drive to club-hockey games that began after 11 p.m. He gave up hockey at age 40 and softball at 46.

Mike would still pursue carpentry except for the economy. He has lived in the area for three years earning his living with a package delivery firm, but will shortly be moving to Virginia Beach where his children and three grandchildren live.

Mike was the runner-up in the A-Flight in the Seniors League.

## Special Olympics

Greendale hosted an outing for Special Olympic Golfers on Sunday November 13, 2011 when 7 Olympians and their partners competed over 9-holes.

## Women golfers honor winners

Greendale Women's Golf Association has announced that **Pat Cecka** is its 2011 champion. Other winners announced at the association's annual luncheon were

**Lucinda Audey** for low net score and **Francoise German** for fewest putts. Four flight winners were also

announced. They

were: **Helen Burke**, Flight A; **Sally Reams**, Flight B; **Brenda Sandberg**, Flight C, and **Helen Crum**, Flight D.

**Noni Milici** was honored as most improved player.



Pat Cecka, left,



Noni Milici, above

## Hole in One

**Robert Vesely** of Arlington, shot his first Hole in One on Hole no. 8 with a six iron on Sunday, November 13, 2011.

## Dapper Dan?



On the last Seniors outing, Dan Glanz played wearing his retro Irish tweeds and sporting real woods in his bag. It was a day close to Halloween. Maureen Sullivan snapped this photo.

## End of Season Specials

Greendale Golf Course is offering two winter specials. An End of Season Sale is on going on Ladies and Men's Summer Golf Shirts. Three 45-minute Golf Lessons are on sale at a bargain price of \$115.00 for one or \$175 for two with National Golf Instructor Jim Loftus.

*Play with the same deliberate speed you would have the group ahead play.*