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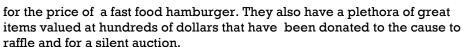


General Meeting May 16th to elect our new board for the 2013-2014 year. Meeting starts at 7:00 pm at St. John's church. We've had great attendance at the last couple of meetings, let's keep it up. Someone will win \$175.00. It might be YOU!

Hurricane Haven Picnic sponsored by our own MWF CERT organization, Saturday,

May 11, 2013 at Friendship Park from 5-8 pm.

Not only is this to fund the emergency supplies that the team needs, but you'll have the opportunity to enjoy old fashioned picnic fare



A custom sign from EZSignsonline, 2) Twosome Rounds of Golf at Golden Ocala, 2 Rounds of Golf & Lunch at Stone Creek, A Fabulous Sculpture, Puma Sun Glasses from Overholser Eye Care, an Advanced Therapeutic Message, lots of Horse Tack and Pet Items, Gift Card from the Outback Steak House, Wine, etc., etc.

To get more details, see page 7.



We keep the party going with our Annual Meet and Greet, Friday, June 7th from 6-8 pm, also at Friendship Park.

It's pot luck, so we're asking those who attend to bring a side dish or a dessert. Meat course, soft drinks and water will be provided by the Association. This is your chance to see old friends and meet your new neighbors. It's always a fun time and we expect no less this year. This is a family affair, so bring the kids, grandparents and visiting friends.

We will need reservations, so for more details see page 6.



Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting—

May 9, 2013 -

Thursday—7:00 PM

Next Assoc. Meeting_

May 16, 2013

Thursday— 7:00 PM

Agenda:

Election of Board Members

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Elizabeth Waller-President MWFPOA

Hello Everyone,

Elsewhere in this issue, you will find our slate of officers for the MWFPOA Executive Board. I hope you are pleased with the nominees, but their names are only the beginning. Additional nominations (including from the floor on the night of the election) are always welcome. We hope that you will get involved in the selection of YOUR representatives on

President's Message: New Plus Old Equals Great

the Board, and that you will be satisfied and comfortable with the election results

Going through this process for the third time reminded me of the fact that most of our officers were initially nominated and assumed office fairly soon after arriving in Meadow Wood Farms. Dick Woodrome, our Treasurer, was a resident for only four years before he volunteered to run; Connie Story for only two years, and the Waller household joined the Board within one year of our arrival in 2008. Our latest candidate for Vice President, Dave Kane, will break the existing record in that he and Deb have lived here for only six months.

I have my own theory about why this happens. For me, it was simple: this was the community I had

been waiting for all my adult life, and I was so happy to be a part of it that I immediately wanted to make a contribution to "pay it forward". I think this is probably a common theme; folks coming here from Tennessee, from South Florida, from suburban D.C., from snowy Oregon-we simply can't believe our luck in finding a place as beautiful, as comfortable, as welcoming and as friendly as MWF. Since most of us move here as adults, we have a variety of talents and experiences that we can bring to the Board, and since many of us are retired or work from our homes, we have the time to get involved.

This is all well and good, but it has its downside as well. Many of our long term residents also have a great deal to offer. Their perspective, their wisdom, their knowledge of MWF

history and how things "got this way" are invaluable to every Board, especially since most of us are relative newcomers. Fresh blood is valuable, but seasoned advisors are critical. Even though they may have already served on the Board in the past and may not be interested in a leadership position, we need ALL our residents to continue to attend, debate, and participate in our Association to ensure that it is the best that it can be. Please come to our next meeting on May 16th, vote in the election, and introduce yourself to YOUR new officers. That is how we will continue to thrive as an Association, and the only way that we can remain aware and responsive to your needs.

Take care, Elizabeth Waller

Officers of MWFPOA

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MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE AFTER THE BOARD MEETINGS AND THE GENERAL MEM-BERSHIP MEETINGS

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Glen Garnas 304-8417, Elizabeth Waller 304-8871

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Sunshine

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Toni Kimball 861-4934

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Recycling Chair: Emily Woolf 237-0994

Refreshments Chair: BK Sawyer 861-8883

Chair: Sandy Mollberg Welcome Chair: Della Brock 873-2726

Directory Information

New Directories are about to be printed. If you have changed your phone, address or email, please contact Dick Woodrome at rdw218w@aol.com or call him at 861-2364.

New directories are free for members. Non members may purchase the directory for \$5.00. Members who would like to have an extra copy may purchase one for \$2.00.

We will make every effort to deliver the Members directories, so if you are missed, please let it be known to one of the Board Members or pick it up at the next Membership Meeting.

Membership & Newsletter

The current membership year runs from June to the end of May the next year. Please renew your membership ASAP and request that the newsletter be sent to you if you want to continue to receive it. There is a month's grace period before your address will be dropped from the Newsletter mailing list. It will always be available online, but we need your dues in order to support the costs of printing and mailing.

One more reason to get your dues in now. Your membership also supports the many functions held at Friendship Park and the improvements to our community. We need all of you to participate in keeping Meadow Wood Farms the wonderful place to live that we enjoy. Finally, don't forget that as a member you have a voice and are encouraged to participate in all aspects of the Association.

Need to check if you've paid? Contact Dick Woodrome at 861-2364 or email him at rdw218w@aol.com.

You can have the good feeling that comes from being an involved and contributing member of your community.

Looking for Help With Pet Rescue

Sandy Mollberg has come to the rescue of many of our wandering pets for several years. She is asking that someone else take on the position or provide some more help at this point.

If anyone has an extra stall or an empty kennel or dog run that would be available to hold some of these critters until the owners can be found, that would be most useful. If anyone would be willing to field calls and maintain the pet registry that too would be welcome. This is not a MWF service, but as most of us have pets, it is a valued service to the community.

Please consider participating for the benefit of all, so we can give Sandy a break.

PET Registry & Rescue

If you have FOUND or LOST a pet, you can contact **Sandy Mollberg at 861-9622.**

This service is not part of the Association, but rather is a personal service provided free to the residents of Meadow Wood Farms.

Sandy does not take any pets in as a rescue, nor does she place pets in homes for people. If you wish, you can register your pet with photo with her so that she will have them on file if she gets a call for a lost pet.

Sandy (and all of us) welcome the help of new assistant, Jasmine Diaz.

Sunshine Report

If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, whether due to illness or other reason, please notify: Sandy Mollberg at: lenelew@aol.com phone at 861-9622.

Condolences were sent to the family of Jackie Cesarek on her passing. Friends gathered at Roberts Funeral Home in Dunnellon, Tuesday April 30th, 5-7 pm to remember her.

Recycle Your Aluminum Cans

To Benefit MWFPOA Treasury

MWFPOA is partnering with the Girl Scouts, who will get 25% of the profits for their efforts. Our local scout, Emily Woolf will be heading up the project.

The recycle point for your aluminum cans is at the front entrance to the Friendship Park on Lake View Drive East. Barrels are provided for that purpose.

Cans that are rinsed, tab tops removed and crushed are our favorites.

Tab tops may go to any charity you know or bring them to meetings to go to Shands Juvenile Kidney foundation.

ALUMINUM CANS ONLY PLEASE!

Elections Will Be Held May 16th.

The slate of those running for office will also be posted on the Website prior to May 1st, 2013.

The slate of officers proposed by the nominating committee is:

President: Elizabeth Waller Vice President: Dave Kane
Secretary: Connie Story Treasurer: Dick Woodrome

If you are interested in running for one of these positions, please contact Elizabeth Waller at Elizabeth@slowturningfarm.com or by phone at 352-304-8871. Nominations are also accepted from the floor. Officers are elected on an annual basis and serve from June 1-May 31st.

The election of officers will be held at the Association Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 16th at St. John's Church on 328.

Holy Cow! Our Own "Butch" Rides Again.

Excerpts from the Parkersburg, W. VA. Newspaper. After beating cancer and surviving a heart attack, Holmes "Butch" Shaver decided it was time to get back in the saddle again.

Shaver took top honors at the Amateur Finals of the National Cutting Horse Association Eastern National Championships earlier this month in Jackson, Miss., walking away with a purse of \$11,000. "My dream was just to make the finals," he said.

Shaver, 74, and his horse, Lasso My Colors, the only American Paint Horse in the competition, earned 217 points to edge out his closest competition. Shaver was an NCHA Super Stakes Amateur finalist on the mare in 2006. He has been an NCHA member since 2003 and has been a finalist in several NCHA Triple Crown events, but this was his first ride in the finals

at the Eastern National Championships.

"This competition originated from the Old West. When a cow was sick, they would go into the herd and separate it out. At the competition, there were about 60 head of cattle. There are 12 to 15 participants working a certain set of cattle. A specific cow is driven from the herd. The horses are bred to do this. I bought my horse when she was five months old; she's 10 years old now. The sport is very physically demanding on the horse," Shaver said.

Shaver said he started cutting cows about 35 years ago. He quit for a while when his son, Steve, was growing up so he could spend more time with his family. "Then I got back into it about 10 years ago," he said.

Shaver and Donna, his wife of 50 years, have had a farm for many years and he credits Donna with conditioning and

taking care of the horses. To get to the national champion-ships to compete, he drove for about 13 hours to Jackson, Miss., pulling his horse and trailer.

"There were 26 in the finals split into two sections. In the first set someone got 216, then I got 217. I had to sweat out 12 more people, and they were all tough, but it held up. I couldn't believe it," Shaver said. "My mare was spot on; she was awesome."

Shaver said he was obviously the oldest one participating in the competition. "It made me really proud - a lot of people came up to me and said you don't look it and you don't act it," he said of his 74 years.

Shaver's next stop is Fort Worth, Texas, in December. He described the competition as the National Cutting Horse Association equivalent of the Kentucky Derby.

We'll be rooting for you!

Meadow Wood Equine Club



This is a social group of horse oriented people. Guests or Visitors are welcome. Join us for discussions, find someone to ride with, good food, camaraderie, etc.

Membership is open to anyone—you do not have to live in Meadow Wood Farms or own a horse to join. Membership is \$5.00 a year.

Members receive a 10% discount off "most in store items" at Seminole, Tack
Shack and J&J Tack. Must show your membership card. Some Restrictions apply as some items are not

discounted such as feed, hay, shavings, and warehouse items. Ask store for details.

For more information, please call: Secretary/Treasurer—
Kathy Rohlwing @ 861-7405
Or VP— Carol Shockey @ 873-4719 Or President —-Leroy
Conroe @ 873-2153

May 11, 2013 - Florida Horse Sale - Southeastern Livestock Pavilion, NE Jacksonville Rd / CR 200A. Contact: Pat Sanders 352-544-0170

May 11,2013 Dressage, Show Jumping and 3Phase Schooling Show- 9am - 3 pm - Florida Horse Park ,11008 South Highway 475

May 12, 2013 - Cross Country Schooling Day and Jumper Ring Rental - 8 am - 3 pm - Florida Horse

(not affiliated with MWFPOA)

Park ,11008 South Highway 475. Cross Country Schooling Fee: \$50/horse. Jumper Ring Rental: \$50/half hour, \$100/hour -- Horses schooling XC may school the Jumper Ring for \$10/half hour. http://flhorsepark.com/
CompetitorHome/
UpcomingEvents/tabid/154/
Default.aspx Schedule the Jumper Ring in advance with Simone Cormier: 508-612-0224 or scormier.fla@gmail.com Proper riding attire and safety vests for Cross Country required.

May 19, 2013 - STRIDE Dressage Schooling Show - 8 am - 5 pm - Florida Horse Park ,11008 South Highway 475

May 25 & 26 - Florida Reining Horse Show – OEC (Ocala Equestrian Center) SW 60th Av, Office 352-237-4411



Thank You To All Who Contribute Baked Goods To The Association Meetings. It's Much Appreciated.

And a big thanks to Deb Trinckes, who has volunteered to organize the food while BK recovers, which we all hope is soon.



Come to the Meeting and Win \$175.00!

A drawing will be held at the next MWFPOA General Meeting for \$175. Normally, if the winning resident is not present, his/her winnings will be added to the pot along with another \$25.

Since there was no winner this year, our pot is \$175.00. At our final meeting in May, therefore, we will select until someone wins.

Then, the pot will start again at \$50.00 for the next meeting in July. So now, it REALLY pays to come to the meetings.

Meet & Greet

You are invited to the annual MWF Meet and Greet

POTLUCK AT THE PARK

FUN * FOOD * FRIENDS

Friday, June 7, 2013 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm @ Friendship Park

This is a FREE event and a great opportunity for our NEW neighbors and our ESTABLISHED residents to gather and become better acquainted. We ask those attending to please bring a side dish or dessert. MWFPOA will provide the meat course.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BEFORE MAY 24. 2013
CONTACT: Sandy Mollberg 861–9622 or Connie Story 369–0809





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TO BENEFIT THE MEADOW WOOD FARMS
COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM
(CERT)



Saturday May 11, 2013
5:00pm—8:00pm
Meadow Wood Farms Friendship Park



Hamburgers or Hot Dogs
Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Baked Beans
And a variety of condiments
Homemade Desserts
Soft Drinks, Tea, Coffee & Water

\$7.50 pp (Take Out Is Available)

For Tickets Contact: Dick Woodrome (352) 861-2364 Or Donna Levin (262) 497-1618

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CERTMeet a new member

Meet Dave Kane, who recently moved to MWF and soon joined the CERT team.

Deb and I moved here from Oregon in September of 2012 and set up housekeeping at 8 Nashua Way with our horses and a St. Bernard Tiffy some of you have already met. Prior to marrying Deb and moving to Oregon, I lived in Idaho for 32 years, North Dakota for 3, Minnesota for a few and I was born and raised in Nebraska.

I worked for the Idaho State Police, retiring after 32 years. I started out as a Narcotics Detective and worked my way through the ranks to retire as the Major in charge of all Investigative Operations. Deb came to Oregon from Pennsylvania. She worked as an accountant in Oregon before we moved.

We both got tired of the cold and wanted a complete change of pace and scenery. So here we are and as a relatively new resident of Meadow Wood Farms and still lots to do around the place, why you might ask, would I join CERT?

Was I bored? Nope, still plenty to do around here. Did I need some ex-

citement in my life? No, 35 years in law enforcement, 3 years with the State of North Dakota and 32 years with the Idaho State Police provided that; working undercover and later heading up a major crimes unit, plus stints on a SWAT team and a Meth Lab entry team, plus being shot at, gave me enough excitement for a couple of lifetimes.

Did I want to see nature at work and up close? Don't think so, since I believe that being stranded overnight during a blizzard and below freezing temps on a highway in North Dakota, shoveling ash and vacuuming the dogs after Mt. St Helens popped it's top, floods and forest fires all qualify.

No, I believe, and have since before I started in law enforcement, that there has to be a way and a time to help people when they need it the most, due to circumstances beyond their control. While in Idaho I helped start and I oversaw a Drug Endangered Children program based on that premise. We were proactive when it came to children at risk. It was very successful and used as a model for other states.



I view my membership in CERT as an opportunity to help those in our neighborhood, who, due to circumstances beyond their control, are at risk. CERT can help educate all of us to be better prepared, CERT can provide aid and direction during an emergency or disaster, CERT can be a calming and stabilizing force during times of need, when other first responders are too overwhelmed to be here. It's neighbor helping neighbor, much in the same way our forefathers did when they were settling this great country.

So, here's hoping I have a quiet retirement and we have a lack of need for CERT. But remember, if needed we will be there to help. Just shine the "Bat light" skyward and see your neighbors come to your aid.



MWF Classified ad, free for members:

Trailer for Sale:

Sundowner, Siesta w/living quarters. 3 horse slant. Stove, dbl. sink, 3 way fridge, shower, toilet, queen bed, AC. Awning, electric jack. Screens, 2 marine batteries, extra water tank.

\$17.995.00.

Call: Judi Lentz 509 7442.

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Membership Form & Information to Access Our Website, etc.

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Annual membership dues for the MWFPOA are June through May. If you aren't a member, we would love for you to join us. The MWFPOA provides all kinds of services for your neighborhood (including this newsletter). Please use the form below to accompany your check. Need to check if you've paid? Contact Dick Woodrome at 861-2364 or email him at rdw218w@aol.com.

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www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com

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