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A New Season, A New Sense of Community

IS OFFICIALLY HERE! The official season of vacation and relaxation. Yard work and household chores are still on residents to-do list, but all hard work needs to be rewarded with some time off for rest and relaxation.

There was no better way to kick-off summer than on June 21st, (the official first day of Summer Solstice) with the MWF CERT Members who held their 2nd Annual Hurricane Haven Picnic & Silent Auction, at the MWF Friendship Park. If you were there than you know it was food, fun, amazing prizes from the silent auction and lots of laughs! If you missed it make sure you don't next year! (see page 7 for MORE pictures of the event)





Each season brings something new and exciting! Right now a NEW Board holding their first Association meeting, NEW Association Members to meet and NEW ideas to share, all at the next Association meeting on **JULY 17**! The Association meeting is the perfect place to share your ideas and become informed on ways you can help, it is also a great time to meet your neighbors. Getting involved makes it even more enjoyable and promotes friendship and unity. The volunteer spirit is what makes our neighborhood a great place to live! Head over to the NEW "**MWF Spirit in Action**" Section of the Newsletter to be inspired and motivated!



September 20, 2014

Annual Dancing Under the Stars!!

More info call: Sandy Mollberg 861-9622 or Connie Story 369-0809

Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting

July 10, 2014

Thursday—7:00 PM

Next Assoc. Meeting

July 17, 2014

Thursday— 7:00 PM

Agenda: TBA

Welcome Baskets will be available at future meetings for new residents.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: The Care and Feeding of OUR Meadow Wood Farms Neighborhood



Right after Memorial Day, Deb and I started walking in the neighborhood on many mornings during the week. It's peaceful, good for us and we often join up with other friends

as we pound the pavement. As we walk along the conversation is almost always entertaining and lively covering a wide variety of subjects.

All of us who walk together have one thing in common. We are responsible for the care and feeding of our various critters. All the folks in this group have horses, but also there are dogs, cats and birds, all of whom require a different level of care and feeding. For instance, we have a 28 year old mare, Peaches; who looks like a wide load coming down the road. Peaches is getting a little creaky and arthritic and she certainly needs a lot more care than my 12 year old Haflinger, Monte. Monte you just need to show hay to and he stays in pretty good shape. Peaches on the other hand needs much better groceries to keep her somewhat girlish figure.

What does any of that have to do with our walking? Glad you asked. Like I mentioned we are all responsible for the care and feeding of something other than our-

selves. On our walks I have noticed many people; people who do not know us, or don't know us very well, taking the time to smile and wave as they drive by. We've even had folks standing on their porches wave and holler "Hello!" There are joggers, dog walkers, bike riders, folks out getting their paper or feeding their horses, all taking the time to smile, wave and offer a friendly greeting.

Some we see on a pretty regular basis, and others we don't see very often. But they all have one thing in common. They are all caring and feeding something. Something important to them, something they want to nurture and watch grow. It's a living, breathing thing that surely will wither and die from lack of attention. It's our sense of neighborhood.

That's right; our neighborhood needs caring and feeding just like our critters do. It is important for all of us to participate in that effort to keep it nurtured and growing. Doesn't it make you feel better when someone waves at you as they drive by or smiles and gives you that little head nod back when you wave at them? Try waving at someone on our streets and most of the time they wave back.

So let's say you are having a grumpy morning because you got up on the wrong side of the bed. Then someone in the 'hood pays it forward by waving at you as you drive by, or wishing you a good morning as you are getting your paper, it's got to help your attitude. It's almost enough to make you want to go inside and move the bed against the wall so you can't get up on that wrong side again. It's not a cure all, but it's helping with your care and feeding. While you are responsible for your attitude, positive or negative, others can and often do have an influence on it.

Good moods are contagious, take a moment and help with the care and feeding of our Meadow Wood Farms neighborhood. We are glad you are here. Show your neighbors throughout MWF that you care and are glad as well. Wave, smile, nod, acknowledge, go to neighborhood events and join the Association. It's all part of the nourishment we need as a neighborhood and an individual.

Make this part of your DNA. **D**ecide what you want more of; **N**otice each little instance of its presence; **A**cknowledge and celebrate each time you notice it.

So smile, wave and tell someone "Good Morning!" like you mean it. It might make all the difference in the world for both of you and all of us. See you around the neighborhood.

~Stay Safe, Dave Kane, President, MWFPOA

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Directory Information

New 2013/14 Directories are printed

They will be available at the meetings or please contact Dick Woodrome at rdw218w@aol.com or call 861-2364 to find out how to get yours.

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.

Update Info to Directory:



Calvin & Donna Adams 12 Meadow Wood Drive Ocala, FL 34482 (352) 671-1255 grizadams80@gmail.com

If you have any updates to your phone number, spelling of your name or corrections to your address, please send them to Dick Woodrome at rdw218w@aol.com.

Membership & Newsletter



The newsletter is ALSO available in **color** on the website.

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The current **membership** year runs from June to the end of May the next year. Please renew your membership ASAP. Your membership supports the monthly Newsletter along with a multitude of events and 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 a vote 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.

The NEWSLETTER will be delivered to everyone in MWF who requested it. Mailing tubes have been attached to your mailbox stand in order to make these deliveries legal in the eyes of the USPS. If you're not getting one and/or need a tube, contact Dick Woodrome at 861-2364 or email him at rdw218w@aol.com

NOTICE: Residents who summer outside of Meadow Wood Farms please advise Dick Woodrome to update your subscription from home delivery to the mailing list. A volunteer group of your neighbors delivers your newsletter every month. This saves the association considerable mailing expense and ensures that you get your newsletter in a timely manner.

THANK YOU NEWSLETTER DELIVERY PEOPLE!

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.

Everyone is healthy, wealthy and wise this month!



Thank you to our generous members who contribute delicious goodies to our meetings making them more festive and social.

Recycle Your Aluminum Cans



To Benefit MWFPOA Treasury

Two of our neighborhood young ladies have volunteered to take over the collection.

Thank you Rachael and Lillian Workman!

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!



Come to the Meeting and Win \$50.00

The 'It Pays to Come to Meetings' jackpot is up to \$50! A drawing will be held at the next MWFPOA General Meeting for \$50.00, adding \$25 each meeting until a name of a present resident is drawn.

It REALLY pays to come to the meetings.

MWF Roads Status Report - Jim Bain

June 20 has come and gone and all of those MWF residents who opted to file the Restrictive Covenant application have done so. While the number of lots to be removed from the assessment roll increased from those who filed the now extinct Unity of Title, at last report we are still within the limits established by the county for proceeding with our road project.

As for timing, the final assessment roll will be presented to the Board of Commissioners at their July 15 meeting. Upon the expected approval, the MSTU will be able to notify the contractor that the project is a "go". There are still a LOT of variables but this is an **APPROXIMATION of the schedule going forward.**

- ⇒ July 15 Final assessment roll presented to Marion County BoCC
- ⇒ Week of July 15 Contractor notified
- ⇒ Last week of July Pre-Construction conference scheduled
- ⇒ Early August Notice to Proceed issued and Partnering Session conducted
- ⇒ Early August Assessment pre-payment period expected to begin. This period will last a minimum of 30 days and as much as 60 to 90 days. The time frame depends on the financing status of the county.
- ⇒ Early mid August Construction begins. The actual start date is up to the contractor and depends on his other work, availability of people and equipment, etc.
- ⇒ Mid-November Substantial completion of the project.

Please note that when you receive your TRIM notice, which is the Notice of PROPOSED Property Taxes and Non Ad Valorem Assessments, the assessment for the road may be included regardless of whether you have chosen to pay it up front or over the 10 year payment period. If you've chosen to pay it up front, it will be removed from your final tax bill. This will occur as a result of the timing as all assessments must be reported to the Marion County Taxing Authority by July 31 of the current year.

We continue to work with the county on a daily basis to keep everyone as up-to-date as possible.

If you have questions, please submit them to mwfroads@gmail.com. I'll be happy to do my best to find the answers. Respectfully submitted: Jim Bain lbain2@cfl.rr.com 352-237-9672

Share The Road Safely-Dave Kane



SHARE THE ROAD SAFELY!

Let's say you are driving along the roadway at or near the speed limit and when you look into your rearview mirror you see a car coming up behind you and gaining on you. After paying attention to the traffic in front and to your sides, you look into the mirror again and the driver behind you might as well be in your back seat. You can see their blue eyes, notice their milk mustache and can read the logo on their shirt.

Question: Are they?

- A) Auditioning for NASCAR
- B) Drafting for better fuel economy so they don't have to make a pit stop
 - C) Wanting to meet you and are trying to get your attention
 - D) An Aggressive Driver

The correct answer of course is "D". There are a lot of drivers on the road this time of year and the worse one is the aggressive one. You have all seen this driver. Aggressive driving behaviors can include speeding, frequent and unnecessary lane changes, tailgating, and running red or yellow lights. These behaviors create unsafe situations and can lead to road rage.

What can you do to not be part of the problem? Reduce your own aggressive driving tendencies by keeping your emotions in check. Don't take your frustrations out on other drivers. Plan ahead and allow enough time for delays. Focus on your own driving. Yelling, pounding on the steering wheel and honking your horn won't make traffic move any faster.

What steps can you take to avoid danger or road rage? First, be a cautious, considerate driver. Avoid creating a situation that may provoke another individual. Don't tailgate or flash your lights at another driver. If you're in the left lane and someone wants to pass, move over and let the driver pass you. Use your horn sparingly.

Second, if you do encounter an angry driver, don't make matters worse by triggering a confrontation. Use these simple tactics; avoid eye contact, steer clear and give angry drivers plenty of room, don't make any inappropriate hand or facial gestures and finally, if you're concerned for your safety, call 911. Better yet have your passenger do so or use a hands free device.

Meadow Wood Equine Club (not affiliated with MWFPOA) —Carol Shockey



MWEC - Meadow Wood Equine Club Inc. (not affiliated with MWFPOA) is a social group of horse oriented people. Join us for discussions, find someone to ride with, camaraderie, food, etc.. Guests / Visitors are welcome.

Membership is open to anyone – you do not have to own a horse or live in Meadow Wood Farms 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. - some restrictions apply – some items are not discounted, such as feed, hay, shavings,

and warehouse items. Ask store for their details. You must show your membership card to receive the discount.

For more information, please call: Secretary-Treasurer Kathy Rohlwing at 861-7405, or Vice-President Carol Shockey at 873-4719, or President Leroy Conro at 873-2153.

Upcoming Horsey and Other Events

July 11th - 13th, 2014 - Orange Blossom Mini Horse Show - at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion - 2232 NE Jacksonville Road.

July 12, 2014 - Driving Schooling Day - 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475.

July 12, 2014 - **Tractor Supply Farm Swap** - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm - (RAIN OR SHINE) - Buy-Sell-Trade Anything and Everything Poultry, Livestock or Farm related (NO yard sale items). They can have some corrals set up for anyone who wants to bring larger animals such as horses and cattle if you contact Joan: 352-216-4225. at Tractor Supply - 11252 N Williams St, Dunnellon. For more info contact Joan: 352-216-4225

July 12 and 13, 2014 - Hunt Country Horse Shows - FLORIDA'S NEWEST HUNTER/JUMPER 2 DAY SHOW - at The Grand Oaks Equestrian Resort - 3000 North Marion County Road, Weirsdale (just south of Ocala, in The Villages) for more info: http://thegrandoaks.com/hunt-country-horse-shows/ Flyer - Class Schedule - Entry Info - Grand Oaks Amenities - etc. http://thegrandoaks.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/HuntCountryPrizeList2014.pdf

July 18 - 20, 2014 - Southeastern Paso Fino Show - at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion - 2232 NE Jacksonville Road.

July 19, 2014 - POP Schooling Show - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475.

July 19, 2014 - POP XC day - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475.

July 27, 2014 - **Hunter Pace/Trace Pace** - 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475 . For more information contact Ellen Ettenger, <u>events@flhorsepark.com</u>.

Aug 2, 2014 - Driving Schooling Day - 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475.

Aug 9, 2014 - POP Schooling Show - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475.

CERT Fundraiser & Classes

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THANK YOU for supporting your MWF CERT Team! See you at next years Picnic!

Upcoming Classes!!



Line Dancing —-Sandy Mollberg



Our Line Dancing "Club" has been well attended. We are meeting on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM at the Friendship Park for LINE DANCING! There is a step-by-step run through before each dance to ensure you get it. Y'all come! It's lots of fun and good exercise. Call Sandy Mollberg at 861-9622

or just show up. It's FREE!





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Send your information for next month newsletter with subject "MWF Classified" to:

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VOLUNTEER SPIRIT?

If you want to get more involved in your neighborhood and make more friends, we are always looking for volunteer spirited neighbors. Contact any board member to learn about our latest projects and initiatives.

Meet Your Neighbor

Visiting **Tomeltown** with Ellen O'Connell

I arrived at Thomas & Ellen O'Connell's home on Nashua way to write a piece for the newsletter about their Saratoga Racetrack train display. Not knowing what to expect, I was immediately delighted both by the warmness of Ellen's greeting and the size of the train display, 8 feet by 8 feet. I was quickly transported, by train <wink>, to Tomeltown, cleverly named by combining Thomas & Ellen. If, 'Love is in the details', then this train display is full of both. Every piece in this set is a story, memory or in-side joke contributed by friends, family and loved ones. There is a store for her daughter, Amy, called "Tiffamy's", the Saratoga Racetrack with her horses in the winners circle and a store for their mother who loved candy, Monnie's Candy Shop. There is even a Sopranos 'Sit-Down' with an unmarked police car waiting outside. Ellen's interest started as a child with her two older brothers who shared a love for trains and later with encouragement from Thomas she started her own display about eight years ago before moving to MWF. This is a trip down memory lane but also a continually changing Town with new memories being created and then added into the display. I look forward to visiting Tomeltown again and seeing the ever-



changing scenery. Maybe I will visit again around Thanksgiving and Christmas...I hear there will be Autumn leaves, holiday lights and SNOW.

~Jessica St. Hilaire Guest Editor







They're back....



The Meadow Wood Farms Angels are anonymous volunteers who are ready to help. This group is NOT an official part of the Meadow Farms Property Owner's Association, but is simply made up of neighbors who want to lend a hand. Mission Statement of the Angels: We exist, anonymously, to help our MWF neighbors in need, doing those small and urgent projects they cannot do for themselves by reason of age, illness, disability, or lack of funds. If you know of anyone in the neighborhood who has an immediate need for short-term support, perhaps the Angels are the answer. To submit a request for assistance, email: MWFAngels@gmail.com or call Elizabeth Waller. The Angels will contact you and obtain additional information in order to evaluate the request.

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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.

To Join The Meadow Wood Farms Email Blasts and Conversation, go to Meadowwoodfarms1@aol.com and ask the site master to add your email address. Please respect the rules...no politics, or religion or any attachments or offensive material. This site is offered by a private member of the association. It is an extremely useful tool and we are grateful to that person.

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