MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER



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We hope that you had a Joyful Holiday Season, and wish you a sincere Happy New Year. As a New Year begins it's easy to get sentimental about the old one......To relieve happy memories and reflect on how everyone has grown. It's also nice to look forward to a bright New Year knowing that 2015 will bring even more good things for us and our community.

Make a New Years Resolution to Volunteer in 2015

Volunteering requires time and effort. The most common reason why people SAY they don't volunteer is because they are "Too busy". When I hear people complain about how busy they are and in the same breath talk about all of the T.V. programs they watch (NCIS, Scandal, Dancing with the Stars), coupled with Facebook. I have to question are we all really that busy?

We make a living by what we get. **We make a** life by what we give.



- Winston S. Churchill

We tend to think our own bliss relies on bettering ourselves, so we set our New Years goals on losing some pounds, saving money, taking a trip, but our happiness also increases when we help others. Don't believe me, it's a FACT, studies have proven that VOLUNTEER-ING can reduce depression and improve how you feel physically, mentally and emotionally. You don't have to be a social butterfly to volunteer! There are so many ways to help in our MWF community. (see page 10, MWF Spirit in Action for info)

I'm not a big believer in resolutions, because usually a week or two in, bam, failed. So I make promises instead. Promises are more active and carry more weigh. So if you really want to make a difference in your life and in the lives of others by volunteering this year, it's not enough to make a resolution. You have to **promise yourself** you will do it. Then make realistic attempts to keep your promise -- daily, weekly, monthly, all year. If you promise to volunteer, you'll be more likely to find ways to make a difference in ways that will work for you.

Here is how to start! Attend the Meadow Wood Farms Association Meeting on January 15 at 7pm. If you can't make the meeting check out page 10, MWF Spirit in Action for a list of Volunteer Opportunities and learn how you can help make MWF a better place to live!

Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting January 8, 2015 Thursday—7:00 PM

Next Assoc. Meeting
January 15, 2015
Thursday— 7:00 PM
Agenda: TBA

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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: What's it all about?



"You put your left foot in / You put your left foot out / You put your left foot in / And shake it all about / Do the Hokey Pokey / And turn yourself around."

I was watching line dancing at the park the other night and thinking about 2014 nearing a close and 2015 getting ready to take off whether we are ready or not. We all made resolutions for this past year and for some, keeping them is always easier than for others of us. For me, looking back on 2014, I can see a lot of accomplishments for our Association. Not everything was as smooth as we would have liked and of course not everyone was happy, but we did some positive things for Meadow Wood Farms. Our roads are near completion, we had another successful year of events; Meet and Greet, Dancing Under the Stars, Veterans Appreciation BBQ and Chili Cookoff. Plus we were able to dedicate a flagpole to our Veterans. We also did some rehab on the front entrances and took some dangerous trees out of the park.

President

"Now put your right foot in / Your right foot out / Right foot in / Then you shake it all about / And then you do the Hokey Pokey / Turn yourself around..."

What's in store for Meadow Wood Farms for 2015? We're not entirely sure. A lot of it is up to you. We know we want to continue to build on our popular events. We would like to get more residents involved in our meetings, activities and various committees. We want to get folks involved in everyday activities as well. Like, picking up the litter along the road in front of your home, not blowing baler loads of freshly cut grass onto the new roadways, replace that broken board in the fence, keep the swales and weeds mowed to a reasonable height and other cosmetic items to help Meadow Wood Farms remain a desirable neighborhood.

"That's what it's all about. Hey!"

What if it was that simple? What if the Hokey Pokey was really what it's all about? It can be in a way because all it's asking us to do is take it one step at a time into 2015. Put one foot in front of the other and move forward toward the future. Your future and the future of your

Association, put your best foot forward and join in. Of course, a person can't work all the time which is why in the Hokey Pokey every now and then you have to "shake it all about", or go line dancing at the park.

Stay Safe,

Dave Kane

MWFPOA, President

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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: If you

have any updates, please send them to Dick Woodrome at rdw218w@aol.com

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Thank You Newsletter Delivery People

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.

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.

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:

Harper family on Carolyn Harper's passing, Barber Family for passing of Norman Barber, and Bart Lesser family on his passing.

Speedy Recovery cards to Dee McHenry and Johanna Snyder.

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



MWF Pet Rescue

Please call Stephanie (Stevie) Gordon at 352-566-8527 or Sandy Mollberg 352-861-9622.

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 \$75.00

MWF Roads Status Report - Jim Bain bain2@cfl.rr.com 352-237-9672

MWF Roads: Status Report January 1, 2015

As you read this, the roads should be very nearly finished. In construction we call that substantially complete. There is still some painting to do and a bit of work along the shoulders, but for the most part, they are done. In the course of the project, the crews have reclaimed almost 18 miles of road and repaved all of it. They have found and fixed 3 sink hole chimneys. The have rebuilt the drainage systems in 4 areas that were not properly built by the original developer. And they have done all of this with minimum interruptions and maximum courtesy almost 3 months ahead of schedule.

For our part, we have provided snacks to the crews every other Friday and generally been both patient and understanding of the process and the project. As the community Liaison to both the contractor and the county, I want to thank everybody for your cooperation. Although the county owns the roads and the project, we, as residents of MWF, have a vested interest in the results – especially since we are paying for those results

As a result of the excellent relationship our neighborhood has developed with both the county and the contractor, they have agreed to re-grade the drive in Friendship Park, apply and compact a new layer of stabilized material, and build a small parking area next to the pavilion. And, they are doing this for no charge as a favor to us.

As you drive our new roads (at 30 mph or under) over the course of 2015 and years to come, you can pat yourselves on the back for a job well done. It hasn't come without some argument and some problems but at long last, our roads finally reflect the quality of our community. In addition to our MWF residents, I'd like to thank the crews from Art Walker Construction, the Marion County MSTU staff for their hard work over the last 2 years, and the engineering firm who designed and planned the project. It was truly a team effort. Thank you and congratulations to all.

Respectfully submitted:

352-237-9672

Share The Road Safely- Dave Kane



"Can you see me now? How about now? Maybe now? Why not? You blind or something?"

It's that time of year when we get some pretty good fog around here. I find it hard to understand why some folks won't turn on

their headlights. I'm pretty sure it's so they don't wear out their battery and besides, why should they have to while there is daylight out there and they can see just fine. As long as they can see what difference should it make? Some people get kind of rude when you try to remind them. I flipped my headlights at someone the other morning and they flipped something back at me. These are probably the same folks who won't turn on their headlights as it is getting dark, preferring to wait until it is pitch black out to turn them on. So turn on your low beams and fog lights. Be seen by others.

While I'm on a rant, what about those folks who feel the need to drive by following the fog line on the road, the white line closest to the road edge, dissecting their car almost in half. I was listening to a couple of friends who are also cycling enthusiasts talk the other day and their conversation was about close calls they had when people have the passenger side of their car in the bike path and not in the correct lane of travel. I say if you need the white line to guide you down the road, maybe it's time to get your eyes checked.

The bottom line is, think ahead, pay attention, follow the traffic rules and be courteous to others.



HELP US KEEP FRIENDSHIP PARK CLEAN.

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

Upcoming Horsey and Other Events

January 10, 2015 - 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 corals 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

January 10 & 11, 2015 - Ocala Horse Properties Winter Series 2- at the Florida Horse Park, 11008 S Highway 475. For more information <u>Equiventures.com</u> or contact Richard Trayford at <u>Richard@equiventures.com</u>

January 13 - March 23, 2015 - HITS Ocala Winter Circuit - at Post Time Farm, 13710 US Highway 27. 352.620.2275. For more information http://www.hitsshows.com/ocala/hits-ocala-winter-circuit

January 13, 2015 - HITS Ocala Winter Circuit Ocala January Classic - 1 - at Post Time Farm, 13710 US Highway 27. 352.620.2275. For more information http://www.hitsshows.com/ocala/hits-ocala-winter-circuit

January 17, 2015 - SOCA Obstacle Challenge (Southern Obstacle Challenge Association)

January 18, 2015 - SOCA Extreme Cowboy Race - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475. Flyer, info, entry form, etc - http://www.southernobstaclechallenges.com/pdf/SOCA%201-17-18-15%20-%20FL%20Horse%20Park.pdf For more info contact Tracy Pinson at southernobstaclechallenges@gmail.com. 352-217-2448.

January 20-25, 2015 - HITS Ocala Winter Circuit Ocala January Festival - 11 - at Post Time Farm, 13710 US Highway 27. 352.620.2275. For more information http://www.hitsshows.com/ocala/hits-ocala-winter-circuit

January 28 - February 1 - HITS Ocala Winter Circuit Ocala Premiere - III - at Post Time Farm, 13710 US Highway 27. 352.620.2275. For more information and schedule of events http://www.hitsshows.com/ocala/hits-ocala-winter-circuit

January 29 - February 1, 2015 - Sunshine State Combined Driving Event - at the Florida Horse Park, 141008 S. Hwy 475. For more information, contact Ellen Ettenger at 352-615-6460, or email at events@flhorsepark.com.

February 3-8 - HITS Ocala Winter Circuit Ocala Winter Classic - IV- at Post Time Farm, 13710 US Highway 27. 352.620.2275. For more information http://www.hitsshows.com/ocala/hits-ocala-winter-circuit

January 27, 2015 - OBS Winter Mixed Sale Horses Under Tack - Monday 10:00 am

January 27, 2015 - OBS Day at the Races / Day of Champions / Championship Stakes - Tuesday

January 28-29, 2015 - OBS Winter Mixed Sale - Wednesday & Thursday.

- at OBS/Ocala Breeders' Sales Co - 1701 Southwest 60th Avenue. (352) 237-2154. http://www.obssales.com/

Line Dancing —-Sandy Mollberg



Our Line Dancing "club" has been well attended. We're meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:00 PM at 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!





Are we having fun, yet?

HOW TO PLACE CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified Ads (limited to 40 words if possible) must be received by the 20th of each month. This space is dedicated to MWFPOA members.

Send your information for next month's newsletter with subject "MWF Classi-fied" to: mwfpoanewsletter@gmail.com

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MWF SPIRIT IN ACTION

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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.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNTIES HERE!



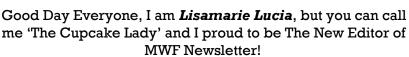
- **★Chair and members for the Control Committee**
- **★Beautification Committee**
- ★Come to the January Association Meeting on Thursday January, 15 @ 7pm and participate in the membership meetings. You could win \$75!
- ★Elizabeth Waller would like help with both the Directory and the Neighbor to Neighbor updates.
- ★Send us your ideas for PARK EVENTS! mwfpoanewsletter@gmail.com

And as always we would like to see YOU participate in our community events. All of our events are worthwhile and give folks a chance to meet old friends, find new friends and have a great time.



Meet Your Neighbor

You can call me, "The Cupcake Lady"





My husband Ed and I moved to Ocala in July from St. Thomas, USVI. I started my business 3 years ago and decided to add Children's Tea Parties to my cupcake business in memory of my Aunt. My Aunt was a wonderful woman and held etiquette classes, teaching children how to 'behave' while dining. I'm sure you can agree how important it is to teach children when they are young how to properly dine (behave) and communicate with others. That is why I created the Children's Tea Parties— it adds up to happy kids and parents! Tea Parties by Lisamarie will be opening soon, I am in the process of creating a beautiful, inviting and fun event room—just adding the finishes touches, so stay tuned!



Stop by anytime to look around and sample a mini gourmet cupcake or two. I change my flavors every month so there is always something NEW to taste!

If you would like a menu every month, email me at Yummy-tastibites@yahoo.com or Call 352-286-4318



Do you know of a Meadow Wood Farms neighbor in need? The Meadow Wood Farms
Angels are anonymous volunteers who are ready to help.
To submit a request for assistance, email: MWFAngels@gmail.com or call Elizabeth Waller. The Angels will contact you and obtain additional information.

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