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YOU ARE INVITED TO MWFPOA ANNUAL MEET & GREET POTLUCK PICNIC IN FRIENDSHIP PARK FRIDAY, APRIL 13TH 6:00-8:00 PM A FREE FAMILY EVENT

THAT SPRING CLEANING
TO JOIN NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS,
MEET NEW RESIDENTS WHILE ENJOYING A PICNIC
IN OUR OWN PARK.

MWFPOA WILL BE COOKING UP FRESH
GRILLED HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS, SUPPLYING THE CONDIMENTS & TRIMMINGS
AS WELL AS SOFT DRINKS!

As has been the custom, we ask our attendees to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

This event is one that offers a good time, good food and great company,

Be sure to mark this date, bring the kids or your new next door neighbor!

*Just let us know how many will be in your party so there will be enough hamburgers

& hot dogs for everyone. We look forward to seeing you!

*Please Contact:

Connie Story 369-0809 or Sandy Mollberg 861-9622 by April 10th



Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting

April 12, 2018

Next Assoc. Meeting

May 17, 2018

Agenda: TBD

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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



"A little about me "

At a recent get together, someone asked me how long I had lived here in MWF's. As the conversation went on, I decided it would make a good topic for my monthly "President's Letter". So here goes... I was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico. My dad, from New Jersey, stationed there, was an aviator in the Coast Guard who flew Search and Rescue missions. My mother was born in Canada. My sister came along three years later, when we lived in D.C. We moved every 2 years, up and down the East and West coast. Sadly, my father died unexpectedly, when we were living in Kodiak, Alaska. My mother, an FSU grad, was invited to teach at the Coast Guard Academy, in New London, Connecticut. So I grew up a transplanted Yankee.

I graduated from UConn and attended Grad school in Connecticut and Virginia, where I had relocated. It was there I met my husband, Iim, an aerospace engineer and marketing manager who worked for General Dynamics, where I also worked. I later worked for another company, basically in pro-

gram management and contracts. Jim got a great job offer with GD, and soon we were living in Brussels, Belgium for a wonderful 5 years. I worked part time as a consultant to my Company on a NATO study, traveled to many countries, and was the first woman, in the history of the German Navy, to go on sea trials for a new NATO ship. It was in Brussels I learned to ride dressage and owned a lovely Belgian "demi-sang." The last year we lived in Brussels, our son Robert was born. We ended up in Southern California, and our second son, Ryan was born. Because I became a "stay at home Mom", I needed a more portable hobby than the horse (I had a TB then), and started showing and breeding standard poodles. But that's another story. Jim changed companies in 1990 and we moved to Tarpon Springs, where he retired and we moved to MWF's in 2000.

The boys were in college, when Jim got cancer. I was already caring for my Mother who also had cancer. They both passed within 3 months of each other in 2011. I had spent five years caring for them; the last year was very difficult. My saving grace was I always was volunteering in something. I was still showing my dogs when I could, was President of two dog clubs and teaching at another dog club. But I realized one day, I didn't know my neighbors. I just happened to run into Elizabeth Waller, who talked me into getting involved with the Association.

Ending on that note, getting involved in volunteering opens so many doors for you. I've closed some doors, but have opened new ones. Sometimes the hardest part of life is opening that new door and walking through, especially when you've been through some hard times. I strongly recommend getting involved in volunteering; it's healthy for the mind, body and soul. Your life will be greatly rewarded and fulfilled. I never looked back. Hello new friends and neighbors! Leslie

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www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com		Welcome	Chair: Della Brock. Linda Lemisch	873-2726	

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Directory Information

Update Info to Directory:

The 2017-2018 Meadow Wood Farms Telephone Directory will be available at upcoming Association meetings, or you can contact Elizabeth Waller, Elizabeth@slowturningfarm.com 352 304-8871 to find out how to get one. One copy free to members. Non-members can purchase a copy for \$5 and members can purchase additional copies for \$2 each.

New Owners in MWF

Alan Givjack & Kari Hurst 19 Needles Dr

Leonardo Caballero & Anelise Ramos 53 Never Bend Dr

John & Leandra Lawrence 34 Lakewood Circle

Robert Rife 13945 W Hwy 328

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

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.

Sunshine Report

Get well cards were sent to Lee Albritton & Barbara Keeler. Sympathy Card was sent to Bill & Rita Lammers. Congratulations on a New Baby Girl to Luke & Kayla Burell

If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, whether due to illness or other reason, please notify: Jennie Adams 854-1914

Membership & Newsletter

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

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 Karen Reade at 352-622-2030 or email at at20146@earthlink.net. Please include your contact phone number or email.

NOTICE: Residents who summer outside of Meadow Wood Farms please advise Dick Woodrome to update your subscription from home delivery to the mailing list.



Recycle Your Aluminum Cans

A Portion to Benefit MWFPOA Treasury

Thank you Rachael and Lillian Workman!

Dave Wagner has graciously offered to help the Workmans with the aluminum can recycling at the park.

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 \$175

The 'It Pays to Come to Meetings' jackpot is up to \$175. A drawing will be held at the May MWFPOA Meeting for \$175, and since this is the last meeting of the year, names will be drawn until someone who is present WINS the jackpot. Don't miss out! It REALLY pays to come to the meetings.

Control Committee

Community Matters

Businesses in Meadow Wood Farms

The Deed Restrictions address the issue of businesses in MWF's, although the word "business" does not appear in any of our Deed Restrictions. Several of the Deed Restrictions that pertain to running a business here, include the following:

- No. 3. Professional offices such as a lawyer, doctor, dentist, surgeon, music or art teacher may be situated within the main residential structure, provided that not more than twenty-five (25) percent of the ground floor of such dwelling shall be so occupied, and provided no name plate or signs shall be displayed upon the premises other than one sign, not exceeding one (1) square foot in area, and containing the name of the profession only and of the occupants of the premises.
- No. 14. No lot, plot or tract shall be used as a junkyard or an auto graveyard. No nuisance or offensive, noisy or illegal trade, calling or transaction shall be done, carried on, suffered or permitted upon any such lot, plot or tract. No part of any lot, plot or tract shall be used or occupied injuriously to affect the use, occupation or value of the adjoining or adjacent premises, or residential purposes, of the neighborhood where said premises are situated.
- No. 18. A dude ranch may be permitted on owner's property. Architectural plans and all activities contemplated for said ranch shall be submitted in writing to the Control Committee for approval or disapproval. The determination of the Control Committee is final.
- No. 21. There shall not be permitted or allowed any commercial building or activities in this subdivision other than herein provided.

While some of the terminology may be confusing, the Deed Restrictions do not apply to our neighbors who are self employed. We know many have trucks and cargo trailers, and bring their equipment home at night. What is important, is that any "business" in Meadow Wood Farms, not intrude on the privacy and tranquility of our neighborhood.

Robert Zachary

Do you know of a Meadow Wood Farms neighbor in need? The Meadow Wood Farms Angels is a group of anonymous volunteers who are ready to help with those small, one-time projects that our neighbors cannot do by themselves by reason of age, illness, disability, or lack of funds.

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.



LINE DANCING —— Sandy Mollberg

Line dancing is performed by a number of people all facing in the same direction and moving in lines. Partners are not needed to enjoy this style of dance.





Regular Line Dancing is Offered Mondays at 7PM Frendship Park.

Everyone is Invited to Join in on the FUN! We review all dances first, so beginners are welcome.

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DO YOU KNOW THE POA?

Do you know who or what the "Association" really is? The Association is made up of your neighbors, the people who live here, your friends next door. Our founding "fathers", for whatever the reason, set up the MWFPOA (Property Owners Association) as a "volunteer management" group with guidelines to maintain our property values. Their vision was a "village" of small equestrian farms, with three or four board fencing, among the oaks and rolling hills here in Marion County. I have heard residents say they thought the Association was a social group, a clique. Far from it! The neighbors who make up the Association have a voice and care about the way our community looks, feels and grows. They strive to maintain our property values. Remember, our property is an investment, hopefully something you can bank on for the future. We want our property to appreciate, just like money in the bank. We can't "appreciate," if we don't maintain our village. The road improvements, for example, really made a difference in our community. MWF's is now a desirable place to live because the members and volunteers care about appearances. Being a member of the Association, gives you an important voice (and vote) in our local community.

One of the problems of MWF's being set up as a voluntary "Property Association" is that the annual "dues" are also voluntary. So, our "founding fathers" established this Association for those who choose to join, to pay all the bills? Really? Did you know less than 50% of the residents are Members? That means the minority of residents here are paying all the community bills. And yes, we do have bills to pay: insurance, mowing, maintenance, and electric (we have 5 meters!). The POA also maintains the entrances, pavilion and playground. (Totally unfair! Members should at least get a golf course out of this!!!) Can you imagine what MWF's would look like without the front entrances maintained (and decorated for holidays!), without lighting and overgrown weeds galore? And to those that say the socials are only for Association members, not true! They are meant to foster neighborhood friendship and a sense of community for all residents. The monthly Newsletter is also available to all residents free, published and delivered by our wonderful volunteers. (No Newsletter? You'll need a Newsletter Tube, just contact a Board Member).

I propose a change and I hope you will support this wonderful community. Not everyone is a "joiner", I get that. MWF's is so peaceful, we do have our share of hermits and that's OK too. So, you don't need to join the MWFPOA but I do ask you to contribute something towards the maintenance of our lovely community. It's fair and the right thing to do. Yes, being a member of the POA gives you a vote in our little "government of neighbors" (as well as a free directory!) It doesn't unfortunately give you a golf course membership, spa or access to the swimming pool! Really, \$55 is less than your monthly electric bill! (but that's why we don't have golf or a community pool). But we do have a lovely community, which is all of our responsibility to love and maintain. Every resident needs to step up and care about their investment.

When the annual "Association Billing" comes out in May, please be responsible and care about maintaining the lovely place where we live, contribute what you are able, \$50, \$40, \$25, and \$55 gives you a voice in our Association. Electricity, gas and insurance go up, not down. There will be a separate line on the form for you to check. If you want your property investment to appreciate, you need to appreciate the lovely community in which we live. Please support your neighborhood management team, elected by your neighbors, for the good of the neighborhood. Hope to see you at the "Meet and Greet" on April 13, a free social at the Park, from 6-8 pm. Come and get to know your neighbors. We care.

Leslie Pope-Hall

President

MWFPOA

Thank you Dick Woodrome

Thank you Dick Woodrome for 10 years of your dedicated contribution to the MWF Community.

Dick and Arlene moved into their beautiful house (which Dick designed) on Never Bend Drive in 2002. They came here from Miami, where Dick worked for 21 years at WOMETCO, the parent company of WTVJ. I worked as a minor TV reporter for them out of Key West, years ago, so we had a lot of acquaintances in common, including my boss, news anchor Ralph Renick.

At WOMETCO, he was an applications designer and worked with some of the original computer systems, so setting up the association's finances on Quick Books was a natural for him, though not an inconsequential project. As treasurer he was, ever watchful over our monies.....one might even say "frugal" and despite many improvements over the years, we still have a bank balance. How can we not appreciate that? Keeping track of our Association membership dues and current property owners was also part of his duties.

As if, ten years as treasurer were not enough, he also managed and coordinated the maintenance committee during that time period. I told Dick that I thought his most valuable asset may have been recognizing what needed to be done and then processing how to do it. Most of us wander through the neighborhood oblivious to the fact that stuff is seriously in need of repair. Actually, the Association exists primarily to maintain the subdivision such that our property values are protected, so we owe him for that too. He insisted to me that he was only able to accomplish anything through and with the help of the usual suspects and ticked off names like Glenn Garnas, Bob Coveny, John Trinckes, Jim Bain, Dave Kane, Dennis Keeler, Wayne Hebert. He apologized to those regulars he must have left out and was also just as grateful for the many, many others who participated as they could. "That's what makes our neighborhood so great" he said. While he and Arlene are not going anywhere, Dick claims to be getting too old to do some of this. I'm sure I spoke for all of us when I told him he deserved a rest, but we would still be calling on him for advice.

FYI, a partial list of projects over the last 10 years:

Dick and Arlene donated and put up the fans at the Park Pavilion, as well as the lights on the columns.

The Pavilion was rewired to code (which it most certainly was not previously).

New roofs were installed on the Pavilion and one of the sheds, along with concrete aprons and walk-ways to the shed.

The lights were replaced or repaired at the Entrances.

The entrance signs were rebuilt and repaired.

The playground equipment was maintained and repaired.

The Park grounds were cleared of debris and cleaned before most events.

Jodie Gebhard

Thank You, BK Sawyer!

At the last General Meeting, the Board and residents, thanked BK Sawyer "for her years of the being the Chair of our Refreshment Committee". At every General Meeting, she made sure we enjoyed fresh coffee, water, and delicious desserts. After many, many years our "hostess with the most-est" is retiring. We will certainly miss her and appreciate all she has done for the MWF's meetings. We also applaud her tireless work for "Race for a Cure", the fundraiser for Breast cancer. She was always at the top of the list for leading in donations. She was presented with a special cake and gift certificate. We'll miss you, BK! Hope to still see you at the meetings!







ELECTIONS!

Meadow Wood Farms is looking for nominations! According to our By-Laws, we must announce the formation of an Election Committee to seek qualified Board candidates. Article III, Section 2 outlines the duties of the Election Committee. Just because a person currently holds a Board office it does not necessarily mean they will run again. You can help make a difference in MWF by volunteering a bit of yourself and a bit of your time. There are a lot of new residents in MWF which means a lot of new ideas and talent. Anyone interested in serving on the Executive Board as President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer please let me know.

Names of the Nominees will be announced at the March Association meeting and elections will be held at the May meeting. The newly elected officer's term begins June 1, 2018 and extends through May 31st of 2019.

Thank you,

Debra Kane

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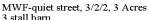
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ALLISON and SANDY

Fannie Mae

As promised in the March newsletter, here are the exciting details of Lee Albritton and her successful show dog, Fannie Mae.

Lee's interest in the Maltese breed started when she went to an Arts in the Park show at Lake Mirror. She saw a woman pushing a pram with two Maltese dogs dressed up in doll clothes. Soon after, she purchased two Maltese. She took her dogs to Nursing Homes, hospitals as therapy for patients. She soon met a person who showed her Maltese. She liked the thought of showing hers and never looked back. She thoroughly loves it.



In January of 2018, Lee took her show dog, Fannie Mae to several amateur dog shows across the country and Fannie Mae won them all; owner/handler/breed. There were 8-12 Maltese in the class. Soon after the last show, she received a written invitation to compete in the Westminster Dog Show with Fannie Mae! Lee was ecstatic! Fannie Mae competed in a group of about 17 dogs and won Best Of Opposite Breed! Lee is the owner/handler and has trained Fannie Mae herself.

Lee does all her grooming and told us it takes 2-3 hours to get the dog ready for a show. A real labor of love and she loves it. The judges look for black points which include black paws (pads), black nose and black eyeliner. Also, the top line must be level, pace must be a floating trot and the coat flat and drop.

Believe it or not, Maltese are easy to keep clean, won't run away, are obedient, don't shed and love attention and fussing over. Lee breeds and raises Maltese and has a beautiful kennel for her dogs. Sandy and I had the honor of holding Fannie Mae and she was so cuddly. We also held a few more and they love cuddles and running around.

We had a wonderful time talking to Lee, she is very passionate and proud of her dogs and thoroughly enjoys them.

Allison & Sandy



We have a plethora of interesting and creative people among us . We thought you would like to meet them or get to know them better. Likewise if you have someone you think we should feature, let us know at mwfpoanewsletter@gmail.com

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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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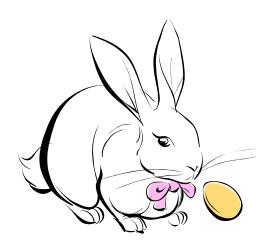
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