### MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER



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#### Good in the Neighborhood!

We really do have a special community, where people help and look out for their neighbors. Recent examples highlight that point, although there are probably many more acts of kindness occurring every day.

Donna Levin extended her thanks to the Moats family for giving her and Chuck refuge during a stormy downpour. "This morning, I got halfway through my ride and it started POURING... The Moats family were in their front yard and saw my predicament. They offered to let me and Chuck hang out with them for a bit. When I realized the rain wasn't going to let up, I wound up taking off my saddle/pad and leaving it with them. Then we walked the rest of the way home. The Moats were kind enough to text my Mom to let them know we were fine." *Thank you, Moats family!* 



And at the Association meeting, Dale Kennedy praised Gary Sonneberger for mowing her grass as a very generous act of kindness. Based on additional comments from meeting members, it seems Gary is known to go out of his way to help neighbors in similar fashion.

#### Thank you, Gary Sonneberger!

Our Maintenance Committee was busy again last month. Following an accident at our first entrance early in September, Ian Reade and Jeff Rice repaired the portion of fence that was damaged. And when Mother Nature brought down large branches on fencing in Friendship Park, Ian Reade, Herb Albritton, and Jim Thomas made quick repairs.

Thank you to all those who carry on a tradition of caring and doing good in the 'hood. Please don't hesitate to share your own examples of Good in the Neighborhood. I think we all benefit from hearing about these good deeds and blessings.

#### **Revised: TUESDAYS**

#### **Upcoming Events**

(subject to change)

#### **Board Meetings**

October 13, 2020 November 10, 2020

#### Association Meetings

November 17, 2020

Minutes are posted on the website after all Board and Association meetings: <a href="https://www.mwfpoa.com">www.mwfpoa.com</a>

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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#### **Greetings Neighbors!**

It was good to see many of you at the General Membership Meeting. For those of you who missed it, the members present voted on some decisions on a couple issues, and we got updates from the committee chairs. Specific details are in the proposed minutes posted to our webpage. One decision was to cease the neighbor-to-neighbor section of our webpage. Although helpful, the list was difficult to keep current. The consensus was that many of us use social media to obtain information about local merchants and craftsmen, so the neighbor-to-neighbor site was no longer needed. The membership also voted to roll some leftover, earmarked pet-rescue money into the general fund. In addition, members voted to move forward with contacting an attorney to begin legal action on a control committee case that is not resolved.

It seems that finally the season is beginning to change and, just like the seasons, your association is starting to change—a change back to a sense of normality as the COVID restrictions begin to loosen up. Be sure to check out the Calendar, as there are lots of activities popping up. Sandy Mollberg and the Activities Committee are also working on plans for the coming year. I heard something about starting up game nights. We hope to get back to having informative programs at our membership meetings as well.

October also brings us the excitement of campaigning for the upcoming elections. For those of you who restrained yourselves by not putting out political signage until 30 days before the election as per our bylaws, thank you. Now I'm going out on a limb here, getting about as political as I ever get. An election is a serious responsibility for citizens of this country. Democracy is a privilege we enjoy in this country and should not be taken lightly. This upcoming election is especially important, not just because we will elect a President. It is important because there are local and state issues to be decided that hit close to home. Get out and vote!

Looking forward to seeing you around the neighborhood. Stay safe!

Jim Thomas
President MWFPOA

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#### **Proposed Changes to By-laws**

Officers of our MWFPOA presented proposed changes to our By-laws at the September Association meeting. These changes are intended to bring our by-laws into concert with how committees are currently operating. Changes in language incorporate the name change of our Party Committee to Activities Committee, as approved by the Executive Board in July 2020. Other changes eliminate having a specific number of committees and functions, thus allowing flexibility to meet the ongoing needs of the Association. We will vote on these changes at the next Association meeting.

Changes are highlighted below:

#### **Article V—Standing Committees**

#### SECTION 2:

- a. The Executive Board shall create or dissolve Standing Committees as needed to meet the longterm needs of the Association. The Executive Board shall appoint chairpersons of said committees and approve the scope of committee responsibilities, functions, and funding. [NEW]
- Existing Typical Standing Committees are as follows:
  - Activities
  - Beautification and Park
  - Control
  - Directory and Telephone
  - Maintenance
  - Membership
  - Newsletter
  - Party
  - Recycling
  - Refreshments
  - Sunshine
  - Vehicle Decals
  - Welcome

#### **SECTION 3: The Party Activities Committee:**

Description and list of authorized parties eliminated

#### **Meadow Wood Farms Website**

#### www.mwfpoa.com

If you live alone, you may want to be in contact with a neighbor on a daily basis, as a sort of virtual health & safety check. You can arrange with a friend on your own to call or text each day or, if you would like to be put in contact with a neighbor, complete the Phone A Friend form, found on our website.

- Phone A Friend Emergency Info Form: From main page, click on Phone A Friend
- The newsletter is ALSO available in color on our website: From main page, click on Newsletter, and then select the month

To join the Meadow Wood Farms email blasts and conversation, send a note to

Meadowwoodfarms 1@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.



#### **Neighborhood Sunshine**

If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, please notify Jennie Adams at 352-854-1914.

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: <a href="mailto:MWFAngels@gmail.com">MWFAngels@gmail.com</a> or call Jim Bain (352) 615-2572. The Angels will contact you and obtain additional information in order to evaluate the request.



#### Calendar of Activities at Friendship Park

October 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 10:00am
4	5	6 Line Dancing 10:00am	7	8	9	10 10:00am
11	12	$13^{ ext{Line Dancing}}$ Board Meeting 7:00pm	14	<i>15</i>	16	$17^{ m Line\ Dancing}$ 10:00am Movie Night 7:30
18	19	20 Line Dancing 10:00am	21	22	23	24 10:00am
25 Greet 'n Ride 3:00pm	26	Line Dancing $27^{10:00}$ am Equestrian Club 7:00pm	28	29	30	31 10:00am

If you would like to schedule an event in Friendship Park, please contact and coordinate with our Activities Chairperson, Sandy Mollberg, at 352-861-9622 or <a href="mailto:lenelew@aol.com">lenelew@aol.com</a>.

Watch for more information about the following events. Suggestions for other events are welcomed.

- Night at the Movies, scheduled for October 17
- Equestrian Greet and Ride event, planned October 25
- Annual Veterans Day BBQ, scheduled for November 7



Want to share helpful tips and tricks related to your favorite hobby? Have creative ideas to share? Interested in meeting and interviewing new neighbors?

Please email your interest to:

mwfpoanewsletter@gmail

#### Welcome to Our Newest Residents!

We have seen lots of recent activity involving the real estate in our community. Please join in welcoming the following new neighbors to Meadow Wood Farms:

- ♦ Shawn and Donna Hoefer (Wood Ridge Drive)
- ♦ Richard and Alicia Pepin (Wagon Wheel Way)
- Gary and Christine Philman (Chalendon Close)
- ♦ Judi and Charles Tintera (Carry Back Way)
- Miguel and Maria Ward (Middleground Road)





#### Meadow Wood Equestrians: Greet 'n Ride

The Meadow Wood Equestrians invite all interested residents to join them for a Greet 'n Ride, scheduled for **Sunday, October 25.** We'll all meet in Fellowship Park at 3:00 pm.

If you are interested in participating (riding or helping on the ground), please contact me at 410-371-6563 or <a href="mailto:sydneysmith7441@att.net">sydneysmith7441@att.net</a>.

Sydney Smith

# "Hot Rods & Horses" Christmas Cavalcade Calling all Hot Rods and Classic Cars!!

Time is quickly approaching for our fun December 12 Hot Rods & Horses Cavalcade. I would like to have a good car count to make this a successful endeavor. I invite anyone who wants to participate to reach out now to let me know. Please call me at (706) 889-3861.

#### Paul Gregorzek



Other residents who are planning to participate also need to reach out to confirm where and how you would like to be involved:

- ◆ Horse riders/carriage drivers—contact Jim Thomas at (785) 691-5886.
- ♦ Volunteers—contact Dorothy Henry at (352) 817-7494.

# 7th Annual MWF Veterans and 1st Responders Appreciation BBQ

Saturday, November 7th, 2020 3:00 until 6:00 pm

Friendship Park at 73 Lake View Drive East

Meals are free for Vets, Active Service Members and First Responders—past and present

\$5 payable at the door for all others for this family event

Join us in honoring our MWF veterans and active service members.



Reservations can be made by contacting
Dave Kane at 509-7754 or <u>dck945@yahoo.com</u> or
Sandy Mollberg at 861-9622 or <u>lenelew@aol.com</u>



#### General Election Update from Your Precinct Clerk

The 2020 General Election will be held on **Tuesday, November 3.** All Meadow Wood Farms registered voters, regardless of party affiliation, will have the opportunity to vote for President/Vice President as well as for the U.S. Congressional Representative for District 2, the state Representative for District 22, and one Marion County School Board representative, as well as several retention votes, six Florida constitutional amendments, and one Marion County Referendum.

#### Key points to remember:

- Voter registration deadline for this election is **October 5.**
- ◆ To register or to confirm ALL the details of your current voter registration status, and to view your own sample ballot, go to the Marion County Supervisor of Elections website: <a href="https://www.votemarion.gov">https://www.votemarion.gov</a>. Click on the green **Am I Registered?** button for various actions.
- Mail ballots can be requested at the website above until 5 pm on October 24, and must be received at the Supervisor of Elections office by 7 pm on November 3. They can be mailed, dropped off at the office, or deposited in a special receptacle at any Early Voting site during Early Voting hours.

  (I have personally seen the drop off deposit lockboxes, and they have been specially designed by our Supervisor of Elections with utmost safety, security, and privacy in mind.)
- Early voting will take place at nine locations throughout the county, starting on Saturday, October 19 and ending on Saturday, October 31, from 8 am to 6 pm every day. Voters may go to ANY Early Voting location to cast their ballot. Locations are listed at the website above.
- In-Person voting on Election Day is, of course, an option. Polls will be open from 7 am to 7 pm. Social distancing precautions will be in effect to protect voters and poll workers alike. The polling location for ALL MWF residents is at St. Johns United Methodist Church, 12390 West Highway 328, in the large community room (entrance on the left as you face the community building).

Elizabeth Woods Clerk, Precinct 2600



#### Did You Know...?

Last year, it cost us roughly \$14,000 to keep things running here in Meadow Wood Farms. That covered things like electricity and lights, maintenance of our entrances and Friendship Park, our monthly newsletter, office supplies, and special events. With annual dues at only \$55.00, that means we need at least 254 members to cover costs. (We currently have 222 paid members for 2020-2021.) If you haven't done so already, please join the MWF Property Owners Association and help us to "keep the lights on" while keeping our dues low.

#### **ADVERTISEMENTS**

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# Dorothy Henry

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### Join us for a Night at the Movies in Friendship Park!

Date: Saturday, October 17, 2020

**Showtime:** 7:30 pm (cartoon and movie will run about 2 hours)

Film: Young Frankenstein - Comedy - Mel Brooks 1974



Respected medical lecturer Dr. Frederick Frankenstein (Gene Wilder) learns that he has inherited his infamous grandfather's estate in Transylvania. Arriving at the castle, Dr. Frankenstein soon begins to recreate his grandfather's experiments with the help of servants Igor (Marty Feldman), Inga (Teri Garr), and the fearsome Frau Blücher (Cloris Leachman). After he creates his own monster (Peter Boyle), new complications ensue with the arrival of the doctor's fiancée, Elizabeth (Madeline Kahn).

What to bring: Your own chair and beverages of choice What is provided: Movie, sound, laughs, and POPCORN!

#### A Good Walk Spoiled

I think it was John Feinstein who wrote the book, A Good Walk Spoiled. He actually borrowed that title from Mark Twain, who referred to the game of golf as just that – a good walk spoiled. In past columns, I have covered everything from kayaking to horses, and coffee shops to bars, but I have only mentioned the game of golf once – and that in passing. I used to play a lot of golf, and then we bought a boat. After the boat, we moved to Florida with "our" (read that as "her" horses). While we were both working, we only had time for so many hobbies, and golf drifted into our more and more distant past. This year, we have both retired. We no longer have the boat and, voila, we have more time to play – anything! So, Merry Lee has begun retooling her game with lessons. And I, well, have buried my ego with my once younger body and am learning to enjoy the game again, albeit at a much less competitive level.

So, this month, I'd like to share a little about the local courses that await a good walk – or more accurately – a nice ride in a cart. Over the years, I have played many courses in the area. While several have closed for lack of play and cash flow, several are still out there that are both fun and challenging. Some have nice restaurants/bars on the premises, and some do not. But, if you like the course, nearly all of them are within a few minutes' drive of one or more of our favorite dining establishments.

Since I've been playing golf for more than 40 years and have had the great fortune of playing from Scotland and Ireland to Hawaii and the Philippines, I've been able to develop a personal list of qualities that I look for in a golf course. First, is it pretty? Is each hole different in layout, landscape, and view? Second, is it fair? Does it reward good shots and only penalize bad shots? Frankly, if you hit a good shot and it rolls unabated into some bottomless pit, it's not fair. Third, does the layout allow for both good and not-so-good players to have fun? A course that is too hard for any player is not fun. And finally, is the course in good shape? American golf courses are typically better manicured that those across the globe, but obviously not all of them are like the ones you might see on TV. Needless to say, cost is a factor, but in my experience, you get what you pay for – in golf as well as in many other things in life.

With all of that in mind, if you are looking for a place to play golf, here are my local suggestions.

- Rainbow's End, Dunnellon nine holes, cheap, and below average condition, but a great place to hack it
  around if you are not really a golfer but just want to whack a ball around. It's just a couple of miles from the
  Blue Gator.
- ♦ **Juliette Falls, Dunnellon** a beautiful layout, moderate to high priced, and well-manicured. Think of it as a resort style course without the resort.
- Stone Creek, Ocala a bit pricey but great condition and very fair. Best practice facility in the county and not far from Shuckin' Shack.
- ♦ Ocala National Golf Club best layout around and fair. Its condition is average to good, but the price is right. The restaurant/bar has great food after a round or, if you prefer, you are less than a mile from Horse and Hounds.

I realize that many of you reading this are not golfers, but if you decide to give it a go, you'll know some of the best places to be out on a great walk (or cart ride) spoiled – *Out & About.* 

Jim Bain

#### JOIN MEADOW WOOD FARMS ASSOCIATION

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### **Membership Information**

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 find out if you've paid? Contact Lisa Yanes at 291-0509 or email her at <a href="mailto:stokey1152@gmail.com">stokey1152@gmail.com</a>.

Your MWFPOA thanks you!

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#### MEADOW WOOD FARMS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

(Annual Dues Effective June 1, 2020, through May 2021)

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