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MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER

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Looking Forward!

I realize that there are some enlightened people out there who suggest that one should not live in either the past or the future, but only in the present. I suppose that is a sound philosophy, but I find the present to be a lot more rewarding if I have something to look forward to – in the future.

When I was 14, I started working mowing lawns. I think minimum wage at the time was \$1.15. I wasn't making much and could have been spending my summers at the pool or on the baseball diamond like my friends, but I was looking forward to driving what I hoped to be my own car. For that, I needed money, and for money, I needed to work. I won't say I had fun, but I had purpose and that made work more enjoyable.

In more recent years, I've bicycled across Iowa, North Carolina, and most recently Georgia. Getting ready for those long distance rides was work, but work I shared for the most part with my best buddy and occasionally, other friends. I made friends along the way, got into pretty good shape, and accomplished something special, at least for me. In each case, it was the goal of completing these adventures that kept me focused, working, and dedicated. In short, I enjoyed the present by focusing on the goal in the future.

As I've gotten a little older the future has become a smaller window in the sense of time, energy, and (hopefully) continued good health. Some of my goals and aspirations have changed. That's a good thing. I've become enthralled with doing live theater, enjoyed new projects around our farm, and am looking forward to another adventure trip, this time to Argentina, in early 2024. I have goals. I am looking forward to some special experiences. I am enjoying nearly every moment of the present as I work toward my future.

As we in MWF turn the page on another fiscal year, I am looking forward to working with some returning members of our Board and Committees and with some new folks who have agreed to step up and share in our journey. We will be setting our goals and working hard to accomplish them and serve our membership. And, we will thoroughly enjoy our efforts and our relationships along the way. How we approach our future determines how we spend our present.

We are hoping that you will choose to join the fun. At the very least, stay informed about what is happening in MWF. There are so many ways to enjoy your friends and neighbors in our community. If you would like to help, join a committee. Show up at the Association meetings and let us know what you think. I assure you, we are listening.

As we look forward to the 2023-24 year, let's have some more fun. Who knows, we might even accomplish something special.

I'll see you around the neighborhood. -- Jim

Upcoming Meetings (subject to change)

**Executive Board Meeting
Tuesday**

June 20th 7pm

**General Association
Tuesday**

July 18th 7pm

Meetings will be held at
Friendship Park under the
Pavilion.

Minutes are posted on the
website after all Board and
Association meetings:

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Anonymous Expression

The May letter from the editor of the MWF Newsletter mentioned that there were comments or complaints that some articles written did not have a name attached. Well, I think sometimes anonymity is a good thing; it has no personal judgment or fear of ramifications. Sometimes it is nice just to write things down as a form a letting things go, and I don't think a name is necessarily needed. In this particular case it seems that is probably the best thing, considering the topic, and since there have now been two articles regarding what seems to be a divided issue already. Names attached would probably create a further divide and separation, whereas in this community one would hope for a way to unite everyone and enjoy a peaceful coexistence. Many people give anonymous donations to charities for whatever reason, so why is submitting an article any different? I think occasionally a nod should be given to "anonymous". Besides, we might not otherwise have The Lone Ranger and Superman without it.

Michele Shuler

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Community Matters

Calendar of Activities — June 2023

All events will be held at Friendship Park unless otherwise stated

- ♦ **Executive Board Meeting** - Tuesday June 20th 7pm
- ♦ **Equine Club Meeting**- Thursday June 22nd 7pm
- ♦ **Trivia Night** - June 29th 7pm
- ♦ **Line Dancing** - NEW TIME** Saturdays 9am



If you would like to schedule an event in Friendship Park, please contact and coordinate with our Treasurer, Karen Reade @ treasurer@mwfpoa.com

Meadow Wood Farms Communications

Website: www.mwfpoa.com

The newsletter is available in **color** on our website:

- ♦ From the main page, click on **Newsletter**, and then select the month.
- ♦ Minutes from all Executive Board and General Association meetings can be found under the Meetings tab.

eMail

To join the Meadow Wood Farms email blasts and conversation, send a note to Meadowwoodfarms1@aol.com and ask the site master to add your email address. Please respect the rules... This service is offered by a private member of the association.

- ♦ No politics, religion, or any offensive material.
- ♦ Your last name is required
- ♦ If you want to respond to the email, you **MUST** select the original sender. (hitting reply sends the email to MWF1 NOT the original sender).
- ♦ We do not forward attachments due to a virus possibility.

SO, think before you send us an email to forward. Is it signed? Is the right person getting it? Does it have an attachment?

About 30% of the email we get are deleted for the above reasons. Want to stay on our email list? Please take note of these rules.

Facebook

Ask to join our private groups on Facebook:

- ♦ **Meadow Wood Farms**
- ♦ **Meadow Wood Farms Equestrian Club**
- ♦ **Meadow Wood Farms Garden Exchange**

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 Jim Bain (352) 615-2572. The Angels will contact you and obtain additional information in order to evaluate the request.



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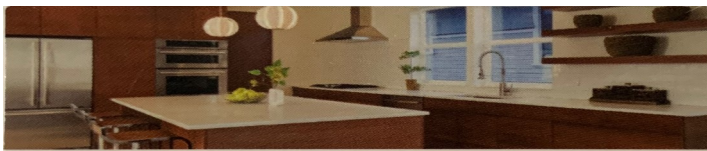
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Hello Friends and Neighbors !

VOLUNTEERS wanted to decorate the 4 front entrance walls for any of the following 2023 holidays. Perhaps you have some new, fresh ideas! This means getting decorations from the park shed, putting them up, taking down, and putting back in the shed.

June 14	Flag Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 11	Patriot Day
November 11	Veterans Day



Thank you for helping with our great community!

Please RSVP by text or phone to Chris Banks 706 889-8310

We are still in need of someone to keep the Neighborhood FUN

1 - Activities

Please consider getting involved and be a part of this wonderful neighborhood

The annual General Association Meeting held on May 16th at Friendship Park was preceded by a Pot luck cook out. Both of the Pot Luck and the Meeting were well attended by approximately 50 people. The food table was full of sides brought by the members and the Association would like to thank all of you who attended and made the evening a success. For full details please visit our website at mwfpoa.com and read the minutes located under the Meeting tab.

Congratulations to the standing board for being re-elected at the meeting. They are:

President: Jim Bain

Vice President: Mark Cooper

Secretary: Gena DeCamella

Treasurer: Karen Reade



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 Karen Reade at 352-622-2030 or email her at treasurer@mwfpoa.com.

Your MWFPOA thanks you!

Please Join - Renew your Membership

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(Annual Dues Effective June 1, 2022, effective through May 2023)

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