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# MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER

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## Nothing to Say

Can you believe it? As I sit down to write the President's Message for this issue of the MWFPOA Newsletter, I have nothing to say! Anyone who knows me, and most especially my wife, would be happy to tell you that it isn't very often that I'm silent. It just NEVER happens. I'm long on opinions, trivial information, and occasional almost profound thoughts – *always* verbalized. I'm short on patience and hate dealing with details – at the very least. How do I manage to fit in?

Isn't that what is great about any community, and in particular, Meadow Wood Farms? We have so many different kinds of personalities living here. We have significantly diverse backgrounds, experiences, beliefs, interests, opinions, cultures, skills, and ideas. Yet we have many things in common as well. C. S. Lewis once said that the Law of Human Nature, or "right conduct," calls for "fair play, unselfishness, courage, good faith, honesty, and truthfulness." It is here that we have so many common bonds. For the most part, our neighbors want to do the right thing. And that right thing is not necessarily what is best for them as individuals, but what is good for the community as a whole. And those good friends, is where the MWFPOA comes in. Your Association is your best opportunity to contribute your experience, your skills, and your ideas, not only for your benefit, but for the benefit of all those who have chosen to make Meadow Wood Farms their home.

One of the many things I recall from my Midwestern childhood was our local "George Awards." Taken from the colloquial expression, "Just let George do it," the awards were intended to recognize those who didn't wait for someone else (George) to do what needed to be done. They just stepped in and did it. The good folks who work so hard for you through their efforts with the Association are all "George Award" candidates. Is it time you stepped forward to help?

In reflecting on the many years of my activity in the MWFPOA, I cannot adequately describe the vast benefits I have received in return for a small investment of my time and energy. I encourage you to BECOME A MEMBER, get involved, get connected, and give something back to your community. It pays huge dividends.

Well, I'll be darned. My wife is right (again). I guess I did have something to say!

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

## Upcoming Meetings (subject to change)

**Executive Board Meeting  
Tuesday**

**July 11th 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:  
[www.mwfpoa.com](http://www.mwfpoa.com)

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# IT TAKES A VILLAGE

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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.

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

### Officers of MWFPOA

<b>President</b>	Jim Bain	352-615-2572	<a href="mailto:president@mwfpoa.com">president@mwfpoa.com</a>
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### Committees

<b>Activities</b>	AVAILABLE		
<b>Maintenance</b>	Chair: Ian Reade		<a href="mailto:tp2280000@yahoo.com">tp2280000@yahoo.com</a>
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<b>Refreshments</b>	Holly Roberts		<a href="mailto:hbrlifestyle@gmail.com">hbrlifestyle@gmail.com</a>

## Community Matters

### Calendar of Activities — July 2023

**All events will be held at Friendship Park unless otherwise stated**

- ♦ **Independence Day** - Tuesday July 4th
- ♦ **Executive Board Meeting** - Tuesday July 11th 7pm
- ♦ **General Association Meeting** - Tuesday July 18th 7pm
- ♦ **Equine Club Meeting**— On hiatus until September
- ♦ **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](mailto:treasurer@mwfpoa.com)

### Meadow Wood Farms Communications

Website: [www.mwfpoa.com](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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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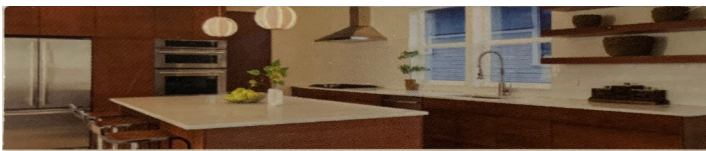
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### Easy Ways to Get Involved

The board meeting held on June 20<sup>th</sup> at Friendship Park here in MWF was attended almost entirely by board and committee members. For those who are unaware, all MWF association members in good standing (for those of you who don't know "good standing" means your dues are paid) are welcome and encouraged to attend. Like any governing body, the more involvement and attendance, the better. Although the minutes of the meetings are available on the website, they are only a very condensed version of the meeting itself and some sharing of information is certainly lost in translation.

It was commented that the MWF Newsletter is one of the things this community seems to really enjoy and looks forward to getting every month. Gena DeCamella is not just the editor; she does the entire layout of the paper putting the paper together, getting all the advertisers in and confirming payment, then sending it out for proofing and submitting it to the printer and quite often then picking it up at the printer for distribution. This is much more than what just an editor would do and our hats should be off to her. She mentioned at this meeting that submissions of articles and stories for the newsletter were lacking, which brought a discussion of what we could do to bring in some more submissions. It was mentioned maybe we could do a who's who in the neighborhood. We all have stories some short, some long, of something interesting we did or someone we met. We have someone willing to interview you if you yourself don't want to write the story. We also thought maybe a who's new in the neighbor could also be interesting.

A few of us talked after the meeting as well, discussions about wines and a local winery, remembering the days of riding motor cycles and riding in groups – were you a motor cycle mama or papa? So we could do a compilation of short stories about that or maybe make some comparisons or suggestions of wines and wineries, or gardening info, any shared information that we could maybe put together. We just need some contributing stories to pull it together. Do you have a story to share? Even if you don't consider yourself a writer per say, almost everyone can write about something they are passionate about or enjoy doing or are knowledgeable about. Please consider sharing a story, with or without a name being mentioned (your choice) or let newsletter@mwfpoa.com know if you would like to be interviewed for a story. We would really love to hear from you and expand the newsletter a little at the same time.

Michele

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### What's Happening to Our Money

So you can't afford to pay \$95.00 a year to support your community. (Lighting, entrance mowing, general maintenance).

Here is why:

Contrary to widespread claims that the U.S. government will default on its debt if Congress doesn't raise the debt limit, Federal law and the Constitution require the Treasury to pay the debt and it has ample tax revenues to do this.

Nor would Social Security benefits be affected by a debt limit stalemate unless President Biden illegally diverts Social Security revenues to other programs.

The debt limit is a valuable tool for transparency and accountability giving voters an ongoing say in how their money is spent.

The U.S. national debt has grown by \$8.2 trillion since 2020 and is now \$31.5 trillion. This is an average debt of [\\$239,763](#) for every home in the nation. Those figures don't account for the government's [fiscal liabilities and unfunded obligations](#). The short answer is that your money has no value.

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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 Karen Reade at 352-622-2030 or email her at [treasurer@mwfpoa.com](mailto:treasurer@mwfpoa.com).

*Your MWFPOA thanks you!*

## Please Join - Renew your Membership

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(Annual Dues Effective June 1, 2023, effective through May 2024)

Please send your check for \$95.00 with this form to:  
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(Otherwise, it is available on the website, which saves the Association printing and mailing costs.)

The directory can be found on-line, by members only, at [mwfpoa.com](http://mwfpoa.com).

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