MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER



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President's Message

As I sit here thinking about all of the happenings in our neighborhood, which include things that have been done, as well as the many things that still need doing, I realize that time is short. We only have until May 31st for our current Board to get things done. I would like to remind all of the members, that we are all fully aware that we were elected by you and work for you. As members, you have all of the power with your votes. This is why it is so important to attend as many meetings as you can, but especially when important, and sometimes, expensive items are up for a vote. We truly want to hear your voice and to know what you want for our neighborhood. We try very hard to get information out to everyone through FaceBook, meeting minutes on our Website mwfpoa.com, the newsletter, and AOL email blasts. Not everyone is using those platforms, so the best way to get full information is in person. Furthermore, there are no proxy votes, so in order to use your voting power you must be present at the General Association Meeting.

As you all know our dues went up last year to \$95 per year and we want to put that money to good use and make our common space more enjoyable. The Dream Team spent many hours planning and researching costs and possibilities that they think would make our neighborhood even better. Let me tell you, "Dream" is the ideal title for that group. They came up with some amazing ideas that will hopefully come to fruition within the next couple of years.

For anyone who is not aware, these plans include much needed water at the park, improved driveway, and eventually transforming our current pavilion into an enclosed, climate controlled clubhouse with a kitchen and bathroom. If you have ever built a house, you know how much is involved and how much time, effort, and money it will take.

Working towards that goal, we intend to present to the members at the next General Association Meeting, a plan for moving forward with bringing a well to the park. Please join us for a very important session. Make your vote count!

Gena

Upcoming Meetings (subject to change)

Executive Board Meeting

March 4th - 7pm

General Association

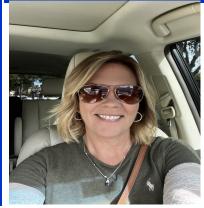
March 11th- 7pm

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

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WE NEED YOU

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The Meadow Wood Farms Board would like to say thank you to Zack Zachary for stepping up to fill the position of Chair of the Control Committee. Having said that, according to our By-Laws, we are required to have three people on the committee. Whether you have lived here a long time or are new to the neighborhood, please consider volunteering for this position. The responsibility of this committee is to protect the integrity of our neighborhood by ensuring that residents adhere to the Deed Restrictions. Please reach out to Zach or myself at the emails listed below. Thank you for your consideration. This is a great way to get involved, meet people, and make lasting friendships.

Gena DeCamella



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Community Matters

Calendar of Activities — March 2025

All events will be held at Friendship Park unless otherwise stated

- Executive Board Meeting March 4th 7pm
- General Association Meeting—March 11th 7pm
- ♦ Food Truck March 11th 4:30-7pm
- ♦ St Patrick's Day March 17th
- Equine Club Meeting March 28th 7pm
- Line Dancing See FB for updates and times

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



IF YOU HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED AS A MEMBER/USER ON OUR WEBSITE YOU ARE MISSING OUT! IT'S EASY, JUST CLICK ON REGISTER NOW AND IF YOU ARE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR PASSWORD.

Meadow Wood Farms Communications

Website: www.mwfpoa.com

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What is available on our website?

Neighborhood Directory

Names, addresses, and contact information of your neighbors

• Neighbor to Neighbor

A list of Agents & Contractors that are tried and tested by your neighbors. Eliminate the guess work

- ♦ Newsletter in Full Color
- Meeting Minutes
- Advertisers

They support our association, so please support them!

- ♦ Board Member Contact Info
- ♦ Committee Member Contact Info

Please reach out to any Board member or Committee person listed on page 2 of this publication if you need any assistance at all. While FaceBook is another form of communication, there is nothing like direct communication!

Neighborhood Facebook pages

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.



FOOD TRUCKS ARE BACK

Spring is in the air, the weather is warming up so due to popular demand, food trucks will once again be offered in the park!

WHEN: March 11th 4:30pm - 7pm

WHERE: Friendship Park

WHO: Everyone is invited to come and enjoy Brick & Ember elegant wood fired pizza. They will be accepting cash or card. Please see menu below for more info.

We also invite all members to stay after and attend the General Association Meeting at 7pm.





General Association Meeting

WHEN: March 11th at 7pm

WHERE: Friendship Park

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION: As many of you know, the board has been working hard on the ideas that were presented by the Dream Team. Several small tasks have been completed since presentation approximately around October. These items include upgrading the electric at the pavilion, painting the picnic tables at the pavilion, tree removal at the park in order to open up the roadway leading in to the park. All of these items were completed at a fairly low cost. The ultimate dream would be to have an enclosed clubhouse at the park for members to enjoy year round activities in a climate controlled (and bug free) environment. I think we can all agree that both currently, and in moving towards this goal, we need WATER.

Therefore, the next item up for discussion will be installing a well. This is not a low cost endeavor and therefore, we need to provide our research to you and vote on this item. Please plan to attend and cast your vote.



NEIGHBOR SUBMISSION

I first came to MWF in 2003 when my Mom first bought her house here. I came to see it, help with some decorating and furniture shopping, we had such a blast, it was fun and exciting. I couldn't figure out why she chose a place out in the middle of nowhere, on a crazy dirt road, I called it a goat path to her house. This was a far cry from the spectacular place she had been on the Isle of Palms, SC a block away from the beach. She had been through hurricane Hugo in 1989 that devastated the island and I think she liked the feeling of being inland versus the threats of evacuation during storms and ever going through a hurricane that bad again. She loved living here especially the people that she met, got to know and became friends with here. I had visited my Mom here serval times over the years and in past few years spending time here during the winters. The more I came down, the more comfortable I became and started to appreciate what she saw in MWF. We would drive around and the now "real roads" looking at all the different houses within MWF enjoying the peaceful scenic drive. Upon my move here, unfortunately without my Mom, the view from the roads is really still spectacular and I have met some wonderful people here, both acquaintances and friends and I am thankfully for the people I that I have met and the outdoor beauty of MWF.

Michele Shuler





Angels in Our Midst

What IS an angel? Most definitions refer to "heavenly messengers or servants of God" sent to deliver the word of God or do good things on behalf of God. Whether you believe in God and heavenly angels as I do, or not, I think that you have to agree that there are most certainly angels here on Earth. I know for a fact that there are angels here in MWF. A question you might ask is "who are those angels and what do they do?" I can answer the first part of the question vaguely and the second part specifically.

As for the who...like most angels, these are an anonymous group of people who just seem to be there when they are needed. They expect nothing in return for their good hearts and good deeds. They are simply operating out of the literal goodness of their hearts to make a neighbor's life a little easier. In my mind, their anonymity and selflessness are parts of what makes them angels.

The MWF Angels is a collection of this like-minded folks who live right here in our midst. Their mission is published every month in this very newsletter. It reads, "We exist, anonymously, to help our MWF neighbors in need, doing those small and urgent projects they cannot do for themselves by reason of age, illness, disability, or lack of funds." Organized in the fall of 2009, they have replaced mailboxes, repaired fences, cleaned up yards, repaired front doors and shower doors, and multiple other small projects. In some cases, materials for these projects have been purchased from a bank account funded by donations for that purpose that exists yet today. In short, they have honored their mission and lived up to their name.

Recently, a small group of interested MWF residents met to review and revitalize the Angels. As of this writing, the Angels have two well established "wings" and are beginning to sprout a third "wing." The first "wing" is the original wing and is tasked with taking care of the routine property needs as described above.

The second "wing," established within the last couple of years, is the Disaster Response Team. This group of anonymous volunteers is a rapid response team whose main function is to respond the hurricanes and the like by doing the *initial* clearing of roads, driveways, etc. the event of downed trees. This group is all about getting MWF functioning again quickly, typically before the county or a private tree service can get to you.

The third and newest "wing" is our Home Needs Team. This group, when staffed with volunteer Angels, will be doing things like providing transportation to doctor appointments, maintaining regular contact with our elderly who might live alone, or providing simple meals to those who need help until coordinating with county services can be accomplished. **This new team needs volunteers!**

There are indeed Angels in MWF – and YOU can be one of them. If you are interested in helping, especially on our Home Needs Team, it takes very little time, a kind heart, and a willingness to serve.

To volunteer, please contact me by TEXT at 352-615-2572 or by email at jimbain31@gmail.com. Please include your contact phone number, your email, and on which team you would like to serve. I'll be happy to pass your information on to the appropriate team leader.

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

NEIGHBOR SUBMISSIONS

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I've had the pleasure of living in Meadow Wood Farms for the past 3 and a half years. During that time, I've had the opportunity to witness the kindness and generosity of this neighborhood. I'm uniquely situated with the Newsletter Editor, the past POA Secretary and the Current President. And I've seen and heard about people in need and the volunteers who without fanfare lend a helping hand. Neighbors who go out daily and pick-up trash. Groups of neighbors coordinate entire neighborhood clean-ups and the neighbors who supply coffee and donuts for the volunteers. Groups of neighbors who band together to help new neighbors move into their homes. Neighbors who drop everything when trees are down across the roads in our neighborhood, or when a neighbor needs a tractor to move tree debris after a storm. Neighbors who fix fences when tree branches fall on them. Neighbors who volunteer to take care of the park, fixing fences, cleaning up tree debris. Neighbors who try and plan fun events so we can all come together and meet each other for the betterment of the neighborhood.

Over the years, those neighbors have become wonderful friends. And I have to tell you, when Gena and I were in need, those same neighbors came through for us. I was visited in the Hospital every day! After I was released from the hospital, these same neighbors helped out with a Meal train, that at first, didn't seem like a big deal, but trust me it saved us big time. Not having to worry about cooking was a huge relief and we were able to settle into our new normal. I received numerous cards and letters. I certainly wouldn't have made it through everything without all your prayers. And the Cherry on top, the "Welcome Home" sign that was hung on our Gate and signed by our neighbors and friends.

Thanks to Gena and all our great neighbors, I'm on the mend getting better and better every day.

So, I'd like to take this time to Thank our neighbors! There's no need for a list of names, they know who they are. I'm truly touched by your continued kindness and generosity. I'm proud to say I live in Meadow Wood Farms.

Michael Pineiro

In 1966 we were at the Sands in Las Vegas to see Frank Sinatra at a dinner show. He came out and sang a few of his most popular and well known songs. Fabulous. He was at his most famous at that time. No backup singers or dancers. He asked the audience if we would like to know the results of the mid-term elections which were going on. We had all been in line outside the showroom for an hour and then inside for dinner. In those days we had no cell phones and were cut off from the news. We all applauded. He asked an aide to bring him a bar stool and the list of results (Ronald Reagan was elected Governor of California that night). Then he sat on the bar stool and read elections results to 3,000 strangers. It was amazing. After that he did another hour show for us. Can you imagine?

Dale Kennedy

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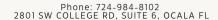
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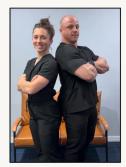
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Membership Information

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.

Your MWFPOA thanks you!

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