

MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER



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Looking Back and then On to the New Year



We all acknowledge that we live in a great community, but just how great is it?

In the year 2011, the Association offered the following activities:

Dancing Under the Stars. If you didn't come to that event, you missed out on fabulous food, enthusiastic dancing, terrific music by a live band, a skit put on by the MWF Divas, and party gifts. Many members helped pull it off, but a special thanks go to Linda and John Trinckes, who buy, prepare, cook, and haul all the food and the serving apparatus to the park and then haul it all back home to clean it all up. By the way, they do this for just about every event, including the **Fish Fry** and the **Meet and Greet**, which

also offered samplings of the recipes from the cookbook, created by the members who supplied them to the book.

The infamous **"Paddock Pickers"** Band (Jim Bain, John Trinckes and Steve Waller) provided the cool music for the Fish Fry.

There were a couple of **Movie Nights** at the Park too.

In addition to those events, many other members stepped up to accomplish these projects:

The Meadow Wood Farms Cookbook. Spearheaded by Lucretia Van Vorst, our very own recipes were collected and published and made available to everyone for the modest price of \$12.00 each.

A generous resident, who wishes to remain anonymous, donated the costs so that all profits have been utilized by the association. So far we've made \$1344.00 on the project. Thank you "anonymous", Lucretia

and all those who purchased the book.

Clear tarps were installed as temporary walls for the Pavilion at the Park. They served us well for activities that were held when the weather was less than advertised for Florida. **Lights** were installed at the entrances, in the shed and pavilion.

A new **concrete apron** was poured in front of the entrance to the Pavilion to eliminate erosion.

Two **work days** were organized to paint the picnic tables, benches and maintain the grounds at the Park.

The huge project accomplished this year, though, was the total **re-roofing of the Shed and the Pavilion** at Friendship Park. The crumbling shingle roofing material was replaced with durable metal that should last us considerably longer. We much appreciate the efforts of Glen Garnas and Dick Woodrome, who put in 3 days of hard labor, helped by

John Trinckes, Dennis Keeler, Art Eide, and Wayne Hebert.

What do we have planned for next year? Stay tuned, or better yet, come to the meetings and find out.

UPcoming Events

Next Board Meeting—

January 3, 2012

7:00 PM

Next Association Meeting

January 12, 2012

7:00 PM

Guest: "Hobie" the Great Horned Owl

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President's Message—I Was Supposed to Be...



Jim Bain—President
Meadow Wood Farms
Property Owners Assoc.

We attended a wonderful holiday party a couple of weeks ago. We enjoyed great food, good wine, a fun gift exchange game, and most important, some wonderful laughs with wonderful friends. We met a very pretty young lady who, when describing her vertically challenged height of barely 5 feet tall, said “I

was supposed to be 5’6”. She based this conclusion on the respective heights of her parents and grandparents, which are, I’m sure, reasonable predictors of one’s adult height.

I immediately started thinking about the phrase “I was supposed to be...” My first thought was that I was “supposed to be” a doctor. I think most of us probably had some idea of who, or what, we were “supposed to be” as children, high school, or college students. In addition to a doctor, at one point or another in my life, I was “supposed to be” an insurance agent, a respectable golfer, a corporate mogul, and a football coach. Needless to say, I am none of those now.

The fact is that I am what I am. So is the 5 foot tall pretty young lady. And so

are you. We spend too much time in our lives mulling over whatever it is we think we are supposed to be and not enough time working on being the best of what we are. Maybe it’s just because I’m getting a little older, but I’m running out of time for “supposed to be’s.” I only have time for working on who I am now.

As I do every year, I’ve prepared my goals for 2012. These are not New Year’s resolutions. They are specific and attainable goals that, when reached, will help me to feel better about the person I have become. They include physical goals, spiritual goals, professional goals, and goals for serving others. I fully intend for 2012 to be my best year yet.

2012 can be Meadow Wood Farms best year yet,

too! We have set some goals for our association and will continue to work toward those goals. But, the Board and handful of willing and able volunteers are simply not enough. We need more help. As you start planning your best year yet, please consider serving your community. Our contact information is all over this newsletter. Call any of us and let us know you want to help. There are so many opportunities to help, that I’m sure we have a need that you can fill. I, for one, really don’t care what our neighborhood was supposed to be. I only care about making it the best it can be. Won’t you help?

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MINUTES ARE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE AFTER THE BOARD MEETINGS AND THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com

Standing Committees

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	Gary Shartzter 873-4216, Glen Garnas 304-8417, Elizabeth Waller 304-8871	
Directory	Chair: Lee Chamberlain	873-8520
	Maggie Berardi 861-1448, Nancy Marks 291-2730	
Membership	Chair: None	
Newsletter	Chair: Jodie Gebhard	390-3739
Parties	Chair: Linda Trinckes	854-1856
	Toni Kimball 861-4934	
Recycling	Chair: Mary Hopper	
Refreshments	Chair: BK Sawyer	
Sunshine	Chair: Sandy Mollberg	861-9622
Welcome	Chair: Della Brock	873-2726

Recycle Your Aluminum Cans

To Benefit MWFPOA Treasury

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!

Directory Info Plus Corrections and Additions

Correct the spelling and phone number for Rose Ann Abrams at 28 Lake Wood Circle, to 262-488-3490

Pat Anderson has a new phone number: 352-304-8877

For Association Members who have not yet received their 2011-2012 Telephone Directory they will be available for you to pick up at the January 12th Association meeting. Non members may purchase the directory for \$5.00. Members who would like to have an extra copy may purchase one for \$2.00.

We made every effort to deliver the Members directories, so if you were missed, please let it be known to one of the Board Members or at the next Membership Meeting.

Buy Your MWF Cookbook "Culinary Treasures" from

Lucretia Van Vorst 304-8417

Dick Woodrome 861-2364

THEY MAKE GREAT GIFTS TOO!

\$12.00 per copy

Sunshine Report

A get well card was sent to

Bob van Goethem

If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, whether due to illness or other reason, please notify Sandy Mollberg at

lenelew@aol.com or by phone at 861-9622.

Thank you for the phone calls, the cards, received after my stay in the hospital.

They meant a great deal.

Bob van Goethem

PET Registry & Rescue

If you have FOUND or LOST a pet, you can contact Sandy Mollberg at 861-9622.

This service is not part of the Association, but rather is a personal service provided free to the residents of Meadow Wood Farms.

Sandy does not take any pets in as a rescue, nor does she place pets in homes for people. If you wish, you can register your pet with photo with her so that she will have them on file if she gets a call for a lost pet.



Anyone Lose A Cat?

Thank You!

To all That

Contribute

Baked Goods

To the Association Meetings. It's Much appreciated.



CERT Update

Your team has completed the mandatory training course and graduation is over. We have, or will have for some, the safety vest, emergency hard hat and basic equipment in our official backpacks. Over the next few months we will work on completing our list of supplies. We need help from all of you so we can better serve the individual needs and

complexities our unique community has. Unlike many neighborhoods throughout Marion County, the majority of our neighbors live with a greater distance between homes; often knowing the people next door or across the road is difficult. We choose to live here to enjoy the spacious elbow room, and diverse environment. As we move for-

ward, we will be building a data base regarding confidential measures to enter fenced yards, gated driveways, beware of dog signs, and helping our mature friends who may have disabilities or challenges living alone. We encourage you to get to know your CERT members. Each member has a picture ID and we will always show that before

we ask anyone personal information. Unless you see their identification badge do not give out any confidential information. Remember to dial 911 for emergencies. CERT is only deployed with orders from the Sheriff's Department. Should you have questions or need to know who our members are, please feel free to contact myself or anyone of our board members. We hope for a safe and enjoyable holiday season. Be safe,

Ocala Flight Sim Club

We're a small informal organization of Microsoft Flight Simulator enthusiasts. Our Club has no dues or membership fees. We are happy to help those getting started and are equally pleased to have experts. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome. Computer or piloting skills are not prerequisites.

We meet at 6:00 PM on the first Thursday of each month at Landmark Aviation at the Ocala Airport. It is on 60th Ave.: in the same building with the Tailwinds Café. Ask at the desk for directions to the conference room.

Come join us at any meeting or contact John Allard (33 Wintergreen Way)

Email at

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Support St. John's Pancake Breakfasts

The MWFPOA is very fortunate to have St. John's United Methodist Church as a neighbor and friend of our community. It is a great place to have our Board meetings, Membership meetings, and recently, our Citizens Emergency Response Team training. Inasmuch as they support us, I would ask that you con-

sider supporting them.

The St. John's UMC Men's Club will be holding a pancake breakfast each month on the second Saturday of the month. It is a great way to support them and you get a terrific breakfast for next to nothing. It's simply a breakfast deal you cannot beat.

Here are the particulars:

Time: 8:00am – 10:30 am

Dates: January 14

(continuing on the **second Saturday of each month**)

- What you get: Pancakes, sausage/bacon, coffee, and/or milk, conversation, and hospitality

- Cost: Adults \$5 , Children (under 8) \$3

I'll see you there – and around the neighborhood.

Jim Bain, President
MWFPOA

Meadow Wood Equine Club (not affiliated with MWFPOA)

This is a social group of horse oriented people. Guests or Visitors are welcome.

Membership is open to anyone— you do not have to live in Meadow Wood Farms or own a horse to join. Membership is \$5.00 a year. Members receive a 10% discount off “most in store items” at Seminole, Tack Shack and J&J Tack. Must show your membership card. Some Restrictions apply

as some items are not discounted such as feed, hay, shavings, and warehouse items. Ask store for details.

For more information, please call:

Secretary/Treasurer—
Kathy Rohlwing @ 861-7405

Or Vice –President—
Carol Shockey @ 873-4719

Or President _____
Leroy Conro @ 873-2153

Improvements to Shangi-La— Closed June 1, 2011 for the construction of a new equestrian campground and day use facility, it is nearing completion and supposed to reopen in January, 2012. It has been totally revamped with new pavilions with picnic tables and barbecues; new horse stalls; new expanded roadways and parking; and a new building which includes restrooms and shower

facilities.

HITS—Starts Jan 31, 2012 thru March 18, 2012

Feb. 18, 2012—Horses for Hospice— 12th Annual Trail Ride in memory of Wayne Vaugt at the Florida Horse Park. \$30 minimum donation to ride includes BBQ lunch, door prizes, and entertainment. For information—Karen or Jenny @854-5218.

Small Group Women’s Bible Study

This is a great study for beginners. Did you ever wonder how the early Christian Church got started?

Who were people like Peter, Paul, Stephen, Barnabas, Timothy and Lydia?

Let’s journey together through the book of

ACTS. God worked in the lives of these people and other men and women.

Are you interested in spiritual things? Just starting out reading your Bible? Wondering what your purpose in life is?

This is a great study for beginners. We would love to have you join us

on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm, beginning on January 12, 2012. Please call or email me if you have any questions and or if you are planning to attend.

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MWF Book Mavens

The Book Mavens read these books this year:

The Friday Night Knitting Club by Kate Jacobs

Sarah’s Key— by Tatiana de Rosnay

Bark if You Love Me by Louise Bernikow

Peace Like a River by Leif Enger

Under the Tuscan Sun by Frances Mayes

Sugar by Bernice McFadden

The Bitter Earth by Bernice McFadden

Skinny Dip by Carl Hiassen

Julia’s Chocolates by Cathy Lamb

You couldn’t get much more of a variety than this.



Blue Ribbon Volunteers of 2011

Volunteering is more fun than you think. Meet new neighbors and come away with a feeling of accomplishment and pride in our community.

"Anonymous"	Connie Story	Richard Jancewicz	Della Brock
Glen Garnas	Jim Cantebury	Grace Jancewicz	Lee Chamberlain
John Trinckes	Sandy Mollberg	Arlene Woodrome	Maggie Berardi
Linda Trinckes	BK Sawyer	Bill Lammers	Teresa Dunlap
Dick Woodrome	Pat Anderson	Les Barker	Toni Kimball
Lucretia Van Vorst	Mary Hopper	Dave Wagner	Gary Shartzter
Elizabeth Waller	Pam Hebert	Jim Singer	Sammie Candullo
Steve Waller	Wayne Hebert	Jodie Gebhard	<i>(If anyone was missed, we'll keep better records this year. Thank you, too.)</i>
Jim Bain	Charlie Dunlap	Art Eide	
Merry Lee Bain	Dennis Keeler	Artie Ringfield	

Meet the Owl Guys



They need your support through volunteering your time, and any donations are appreciated and thank you "For giving a hoot".

from the Ocala Wildlife Sanctuary (OWLS) they will be our guest speakers at our General Membership meeting on January 12th, 2012. A presentation will be given by "Bird of Prey" expert, Keith Belisle, President and Kenny Lane, Vice President of O.W.L.S. Our special feathered friend guest, "Hobie" the

Great Horned Owl will be there as well. About 11 years ago Hobie was rescued and was an animal cruelty case. She is the diva of the sanctuary. O.W.L.S. is an all volunteer bird rescue center specializing in birds of prey. They currently have 33 owls and over 40 other rescued friends. They do over 150 free programs and tours yearly. Keith and Kenny are now ex-

panding and rebuilding the sanctuary. A new rehab cage is in the process of being built to house an eagle.

OWLS, Ocala Inc. is a Florida non profit 501C (3) organization.

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It Pays to Come to The Meetings!

It has always "paid" to come to the MWF Membership Meetings. We share information about our neighborhood, solve many of our problems, hear some great guest speakers, have fun and enjoy each others' company.

Now it can REALLY pay to come to the meetings. Beginning with our meeting on January 12, 2012, we will be drawing for a cash prize. Here's how it works.

The MWFPOA will put up \$50 to start. One name will be drawn at the meeting from the entire membership list. If that person is present, they win the pot of \$50.

If that person is not present, we will add \$25 to the pot for the March meeting and repeat the drawing. Again, if the winner is present, they take home the pot of \$75. The process will repeat itself until the last meeting of the year

in May. At that meeting, we will draw names until someone who is present wins.

We will then start the process over in July of 2012. Any time we have a winner, we will start the pot again at \$50.

So now it REALLY pays to come to the meetings. See you in January.

Jim

“Needles”—1st FL Bred Horse to Win The Kentucky Derby and Belmont Stakes

Edited from the Ocala Thoroughbred History

Highway construction expert, Carl G. Rose, is among Florida's first horse breeding pioneers. He knew the limestone under Ocala's soil was not only good for building roads, it built strong horses. He bought hundreds of acres of central Ocala for racehorse breeding and encouraged others to make the gamble.

Mid-western wildcatters, Bonnie M. Heath II and Jack Dudley, came to Ocala in the mid fifties and hooked up with trainer Hugh Fontaine, who convinced them to buy a sickly colt called **Needles**, so named because of his many visits to the vet. To their astonishment, in 1956

Needles won both the Kentucky Derby and Belmont Stakes, becoming the first FL bred racehorse to win “classic” races.

In the beginning, owners of Kentucky well-pedigreed horses looked down their noses at FL horses, but FL racehorses were fast. To prove their horses on the track, Ocala breeders campaigned to get two year olds approved for racing. This was a risky business, since the bones of a race horse's knees aren't fully developed at that age. They can be “as fragile as strawberries, because 1200 pounds of horse can rest on legs that are smaller than most men's”.

Thanks, in part, to **Needles'**

success, the Ocala breeding and training industry gathered speed in the 50's, 60's and 70's. In 1979, Ocala's Harbor View Farm produced Triple Crown Winner “Affirmed”. Since then, no other horse has swept the Triple Crown Series.

Sadly, most of the signature farms of Ocala's early breeders have been replaced by businesses, homes, colleges and shopping malls. **Needles'** home, the 400 acre Bonnie Heath Farm on State Road 200, will also be turned under the bulldozer's blade.

From a start of three farms in 1956, Marion County is home to 450 today, mostly small operations, and is right up there in stature with Kentucky and Chantilly, France.

Do You Know Your Neighbor?

My neighbor is Jim Kell. Many of you long term residents know him. He and his wife Jean, raised two boys, then after retirement, moved into the subdivision in 1982. He's been a member of the Association for 31 years! What makes him most interesting to me is his clocks. He makes them himself. All sizes, all shapes, all designs. Twentyish of them still reside with him and when the hour strikes, you can hear a symphony of melodious sounds throughout the house.

I asked Jim if I could publish his age, because what is also remarkable to me is that he is still producing these gems at the young age of 89. He takes the meaning of retired to a new level.

I told the board members at our

last meeting in the community room at St. John's church, that I was going to interview my neighbor. Jim Bain told us to look around the room. He said that Jim Kell had done most of the woodworking in the place. He also created the pump house on the lawn to look like a miniature church.

Well, that made sense to me, because most, if not all, the cabinets, tables, you name it—in his house were also created by his hands.

Mr. Kell's wife died before I got to meet her, but you can easily spot her influence in his cozy retreat. Can you imagine her “honey do” list? Something we would all envy, I'm sure.

He also showed me photos of a

“kneeling bench” and a clock on a cross made for other local churches, one an Episcopal and the other a Catholic. “I wanted to cover all the bases” he told me with a sly smile. Jim is shown here with a grandfather clock he made for Jean for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Anyone else know an interesting person we can feature?

All of us are neighbors here in MWF.



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Scenes from the Neighborhood

These will show up much better in the newsletter published on our website.



Summer Exercise Class



**Divas & Artie Performing
at Dancing Under the Stars**



**Cloyd Ramsey,
Buster and Friends**



Christmas lights in MWF



**Jim Kell outside
his workshop
with one of his
creations.**



New Roofs on the Shed and Pavilion

A Friendly Place to Live

Please send or email items to be published to:
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14 Carry Back Road
Ocala, FL 34482

Phone: 352 390-3739
E-mail: jgebhard@sbcglobal.net

It's time! 2011-2012 membership dues for the MWFPOA are due now. 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.

Your MWFPOA thanks YOU!



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MEADOW WOOD FARMS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Meadow Wood Farms Property Assoc., Inc., P.O. Box 77-1896, Ocala FL 33477-1896

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