

MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER



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Florida is the Equal Opportunity Disaster Venue

Are You Ready for the Next Hurricane, Fire, Flood, Tornado?

Fortunately, Isaac passed us by. Generally, it was considered a tropical storm with a brief stint as a CAT 1 hurricane. Even so, because of its enormous size and slow movement it caused considerable destruction visited again on the Northern Gulf Coast. The lesson to be learned is that it is critical to be prepared for anything, anytime.

Our MWF CERT team reminds us that they are only mobilized at the behest of the Marion County Emergency Management and that will only be on occasions when their services are overwhelmed.

CERT highly recommends that it is only prudent that we all take whatever actions necessary to prepare our-

selves.

Here are some basic tips to get you started:

PLAN AHEAD- DO NOW

1. Designate an out of state location that friends and family can use to contact each other.
2. Designate one or two places to meet if you get separated or local communication systems fail.
3. Decide on locations to go to that would be out of the immediate danger area in different directions. If you have pets and camping equipment, fair grounds, parks, and campgrounds are good ideas.
4. Map alternate routes in case major ones are blocked.
5. Have a list of these sites to call in advance or while you are on the road.
6. Bring copies of impor-

tant documents, such as insurance, household inventory, etc. Scanning and putting it all on a CD is a good option. Photos of furniture, house, equipment, vehicles, pets, are useful too.

7. Bring all prescription medicines for you and your pets. Keep a container handy that you can scoop them into in a hurry.
8. A portable, emergency radio and a computer with wireless capabilities or an air card are great for checking on weather/road conditions, communicating with friends and finding whatever you need.

This is just to get you started. A complete guide for what to do if you're evacuating or staying is available on our website.

www.meadowwoodfarmsocala.com Click on CERT. Click on Disaster Planning

About CERT-MWF's CERT are neighbors just like you, all of whom have completed mandatory training provided by the Marion County Sheriff's Office in basic fire safety, search & rescue, first aid, CPR, and overall emergency preparedness.

Currently, the MWF CERT has no funding sources for their volunteer activities. Donations for CERT of either money or supplies would be gratefully accepted. Watch this Newsletter in the future for needed items that will help the team be ready for hurri-

cane season. You can also help by signing up for the next training course and joining the team. You can also join us at our fund raising Fish Fry.

Email any questions to: mwfcert@yahoo.com

Upcoming Events

Next Board Meeting—

September 10, 2012 - Monday—7:00 PM

Next Assoc. Meeting_

September 13, 2012 Thursday—7:00 PM

Guest Speaker: TBA

Upcoming Events—

Fish Fry Benefitting CERT- Sept. 15th @ 5:00—8:00pm

Dancing Under The Stars October 13th 7:00 pm

Association Dues For This Term Due NOW! Applications are in the back of this Newsletter.

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Elizabeth Waller—

President

Meadow Wood Farms
Property Owners Assoc.

Each summer, Meadow Wood Farms trail-riding equestrians welcome “spider season” with a mix of fear, loathing and resignation. Our woods are filled with intricate golden webs, often spanning an entire trail at exactly the right height to collide with the face of a

President’s Message— SPIDER SEASON

rider on top of a horse. On more than one occasion I have inadvertently broken a web, only to end up with a large and indignant banana spider dangling in front of my eyes, suspended from the visor of my helmet.

However, we need to remember that these very spiders are voracious predators of other, far more annoying insects: mosquitoes, flies, and wasps. They rarely bite humans, and their venom is no worse than a bee sting. Their beautiful webs are actually beneficial to us, as long as we manage to avoid crashing into them.

Thinking about spider webs reminded me of (what else?) this year’s MWFPOA theme, “Each One, Reach One”. Each time one of us connects with someone new in the neighborhood,

we build a strand of the spider web that serves as a safety net for all of our residents. You are creating a connection with one other person who will notice, recognize, and possibly even be in a position to help or be helped by you in a time of need. Neighbors knowing each other by sight and name is a powerful deterrent to casual crime; a friendly greeting to unfamiliar folks in the community removes their anonymity and reduces any inclination to be thoughtless or downright malicious.

Over the last couple of months, I have spoken to several wonderful MWF residents and even POA members who say that they don’t come to meetings or attend community events because they just aren’t very social and they don’t enjoy parties. Well, I like parties as much as anyone,

a fact to which many of my neighbors will attest—but “Each One Reach One” is not all about the parties, or being sociable. It’s ALL about safety, security, and the concept of community in a world where technology is making us all increasingly isolated and disconnected. I’m not asking, nor do I expect each of you to become BFFs, drinking buddies, or golf partners with your neighbors. But in a community this size, a spider web can be a very good thing indeed.

Take care,

Elizabeth Waller
President, MWFPOA

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

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Sunshine	Chair: Sandy Mollberg	861-9622
Welcome	Chair: Della Brock	873-2726

Directory Information

For Association Members who have not yet received their 2011-2012 Telephone Directory they will be available for you to pick up at the next 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.

Membership & Newsletter

The current membership year runs from June to the end of May next year. Please renew your membership ASAP and request that the newsletter be sent to you if you want to continue to receive it. There is a month's grace period before your address will be dropped from the Newsletter mailing list. It will always be available online, but we need your dues in order to support the costs of printing and mailing.

One more reason to get your dues in now. Your membership also supports the many functions held at Friendship Park and the improvements to our community. We need all of you to help keep Meadow Wood Farms the wonderful place to live that we enjoy. Finally, don't forget that as a member you have a voice and are encouraged to participate in all aspects of the Association.



**Thank You
To All Who
Contribute
Baked Goods
To The Association Meetings.
It's Much Appreciated.**

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.

Sandy (and all of us) welcome the help of new assistant, Jasmine Diaz.

Sunshine Report

A card wishing a speedy recovery was sent to Denver Paul.

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
phone at 861-9622.

Recycle Your Aluminum Cans

To Benefit MWFPOA Treasury

MWFPOA is partnering with the Girl Scouts, who will get 25% of the profits for their efforts. Our local scout, Emily Woolf will be heading up the project.

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!

Meet The CERT Members

This month we are featuring Artie and Tina Ringfield, Meadow Wood Farm Residents and Members of the CERT team.

Artie and Tina live on the first entrance...

Artie came to Ocala in 1984, from Long Island, New York by way of the Keys. In New York he owned 2 clubs...and a neighborhood bar, "The Red Baron" in East North Port and a Cocktail/Piano Lounge, "Lorilei" in Commack. After being very successful in New York, Artie, who had purchased property in Summerland Key, Florida in the 70's, moved to Summerland Key designed and built his home on the airstrip that he owned part of, had a Piper Archer plane built and lived it up for several years.

A friend in Ocala, actually a couple of friends in Ocala convinced Artie to move here. One friend, a trainer, convinced Artie (not much arm twisting really) to get back into Thoroughbred racing. The other to have a good time up here...Artie did both. He was a successful trainer with many winners to his credit. At Ringfield Ranch (Artie) bred a Graded Stakes winning filly, Radiant Megan, she won amongst other races the Sabin Handicap. Radiant Megan's mom/dam is Radiant Flower. That is the mare on the farm now. Retired from training and breeding, Artie works 2 days a week clocking the horses for the Daily Racing Form and officiates at the day racing held at the Ocala Breeders Sale every year as the Clerk of Scales. Radiant Flower, known as Rose to all her friends

(and the people that feed her) has been retired from breeding for a number of years.

Tina works in law enforcement as the latent print examiner at the Ocala Police Department. She's the person that looks at fingerprints collected at the scene of crimes or prints developed in a lab and compares them to suspects and victims. She is one of only 900 certified latent examiners world wide, and the only certified latent examiner in Marion County, Florida.

Artie met Tina in 2001, on line...yep on line. Not in a chat room or dating site, but Tina, living in Clearwater at the time, saw Artie on line and instant messaged him. A friendship began and a great love affair followed. Tina is 10 months younger than Artie's oldest son. Artie attributes his good health to a young wife. Tina attributes it to nagging of which she feels she is a natural. Artie is Tina's only marriage. Tina is not Artie's first, but according to him the best!

Tina signed up to train for the CERT team. Artie tagged along to the first meeting and signed up at that point. "We wanted to be prepared to help ourselves should a hurricane or some such event occur here", but with the training the Ringfields found they wanted to be available to help their neighbors if they could, should Mother Nature go a little rough on us at any time.

"I keep trying to get as many people as I can to sign up and join the "fun" and help out if they can", says Tina. (applying those skills of nagger supreme).



"We have a FISH FRY coming up in September to help us, the CERT team needs to pay back the Association for the loan we got in order to get in bandages, gloves, thermal blankets and such so we can help out if we are deployed by the County in an emergency." Tina explained. "We're going to have, Fish, but also pulled pork...thanks to Connie Story. I had her pulled pork at the Yard Sale...oh was it ever tasty." Tina went on, "I'm hoping to contact those that live close by the house to buy tickets, but I'll sell them to anyone that will buy...don't warn the postal person...it's our secret".

Artie encourages anyone even remotely interested to join, to volunteer to help if there is an event/emergency, "If I can help out, and I'm 82, I believe anyone can. If only to bring water to those checking on the neighbors, or if anyone is injured and needs someone to sit with them."

The Ringfields fervently hope they won't have anything more than a good rain and some wind, but if there is more they are at the ready to serve their neighbors and the community alike.

Meadow Wood Equine Club

(not affiliated with MWFPOA)



This is a social group of horse oriented people. Guests or Visitors are welcome. Join us for discussions, find someone to ride with, good food, camaraderie, etc.

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 Rohl-
wing @ 861-7405
Or VP— Carol Shockey
@ 873-4719
Or President _____
Leroy Conroe @ 873-
2153

Did you know? The economic impact of HITS? (Horse Shows In The Sun) in Marion County in 2012, according to the Marion County Visitors and Convention Bureau—\$72 Million Dollars.

Goethe State Forest— Logging Operation—a logging operation has begun (August) in the Stein Tract of Goethe State Forest. This will affect the blue and purple trails in the Tidewater Trail system, please use caution if you use these trails. For more information contact Goethe State Forest 352-465-8568.

Sept. 1, 2012 8:00 am to 2:00 Dressage, Show Jumping and 3 Phase

Schooling Show at the Florida Horse Park.

Sept. 13, 2012— Thursday—Florida Equine Institute & Allied Trade Show— at Southeastern Livestock Pavilion—8:00 am—4:30. Early Registration (postmarked on or before 9/7/12) \$25.00—after 9/7/12 \$50.00. Registration includes admission to all seminars, trade show, a printed copy of the speakers' papers, refreshment breaks, catered lunch, and entry in a drawing for a \$50 Tack Shack gift certificate. For informational brochure of seminars, schedule & registration form <http://extension.vetmed.ufl.edu/files/2012/08/EquInstbrochure12.pdf>

Sept. 22, 2012 Florida Horse Sale—at Southeastern Livestock Pavilion.

Sept. 29th-30th, 2012— Saturday & Sunday—Tack Shack Horsey Yard Sale & NEW Arts & Crafts Fair— Yard Sale is both Saturday &

Sunday—Arts & Crafts fair is only on Sunday.

Sept. 29th-30th — Horse & Pet Expo—at Ocala Equestrian Complex. For more information 352 237-4411. Flyer—www.ocalaesquestriancomplex.com/flyers/expoFlyer.pdf

Oct. 16-18, 2012, 2012 OBS Fall Mixed Sale

Nov. 16-19th, 2012—50th annual Ocala Equine Conference Golden Anniversary Celebration at the Hilton Ocala, FL.—A Proud Tradition of Quality Equine Practitioner Education—The conference is an equine-exclusive event of scientific information and practical techniques from internationally acclaimed educators. www.faep.net/events/index.php#ocala



Come to the Meeting and Win \$75.00!

A drawing will be held at the next MWFPOA General Meeting for \$75. If the winning resident is not present, his/her winnings will be added to the pot along with another \$25.

At the following general meeting another name will be drawn to win \$100.00. If that person is not present, another \$25 will be added and so on.

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 at the September Meeting, won't we?

Deadline Approaching for Tickets to the



Fish Fry to Benefit MWF C.E.R.T.

Your Citizens Emergency Response Team

Saturday, September 15th 5:00—8:00 pm
MWF Friendship Park

MENU INCLUDES:

Fried Fish or Pulled Pork BBQ Dinner
Corn, Coleslaw, Hushpuppies, White Beans
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Desserts & Soft Drinks

Adults \$9.00— Children under 12 \$5.00

Take-out & Delivery available with advance notice.

Tickets available from CERT members,
or at MWF Association Meetings

or Contact:

Dick Woodrome 861-2364 or Nancy Kostoff 229-2806

Cutoff for ticket purchases is September 7, 2012

**Come in 50's Costume & Vintage Vehicles
to the Annual Event of the Year in MWF!**



**“Dancing Under The
Stars”**

At Friendship Park

Saturday

October 13th

7:00 PM

Dine at the MWF Drive-In

Dance to the Music of a Live Band

Door Prizes * Entertainment**

\$18 per person

Tickets Available

Contact:

Linda Trinckes 854-1856

Sandy Mollberg 861-9622

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13 Lookout Lane ~ Ocala, FL 34482

Thanks from all those who need hope and a cure!

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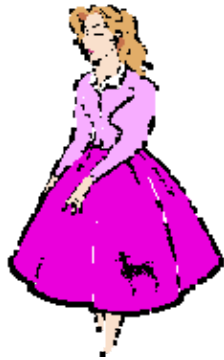
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Fifties Theme for DUTS

Need some help deciding what to wear to this year's Dancing Under The Stars? Can't find your poodle skirt or zoot suit? Threw away your blue suede shoes? Maybe these ideas will refresh your memories or, for the younger generations, inspire your imagination. Be sure to throw a few timely phrases around to let everyone know you're "TOO COOL FOR SCHOOL"! Seriously, did we really say those things? Remember- shoes, gloves and handbags had to match. Hats too.



You were "the cat's meow" in a shocking pink poodle skirt!

Sandwiched between World War II and the revolutionary 60's, the Fifties will be remembered as one of the most innocent times in this century. As teenagers, the most daring things we did were to smoke (cigarettes) behind the barn and pour a drink from our parent's liquor stock, replacing it with water.

There was no key to the house and the car keys were left in the ignition. You could ride your bike anywhere without supervision or helmets. Kids had fun summer jobs that also taught them the value of hard work and money. Getting pregnant out of wedlock required a disappearing act and divorce was scandalous.

The TV show, "Happy Days" exaggerated the sweet times and James Dean and "Rebel Without A Cause" exposed the undercurrent that was building toward the 60's explosion of expression and independence in every area.

It's like it was too good to last. I'm glad I lived through it and sorry for those of you who didn't.

FYI, I also lived in San Francisco during the 60's "Flower Child Era". Do you think that was a profound contrast in lifestyles? Oh, yeah! Jodie Gebhard



Saddle shoes, white socks, jeans rolled up a couple of inches, your father's white dress shirt, a pony tail or "the flip" hair do and you were cool. After school only. No pants allowed in school.



No patent leather before spring and white only after Memorial Day.

Duck Tail Hair



Can You Identify These MWF Residents From Their 50's Photos? All will be revealed at the DUTS event.

Thanks to all of you who participated.

Since the October Newsletter will come out before DUTS, the rest of you still have time to submit YOUR photo.

Send in .jpg format to jgebhard@sbcglobal.net.





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It's time! Annual 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.

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