



A MONTHLY PUBLICATION OF MWFPOA , PO Box 77-1896—OCALA, FL 34477

Elections for the Executive Board to be held on May 21



In accordance with our By-laws, annual elections for the Executive Board will be held at the General Meeting on May 21. Any Association member in good standing may serve on the Board, which consists of four officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

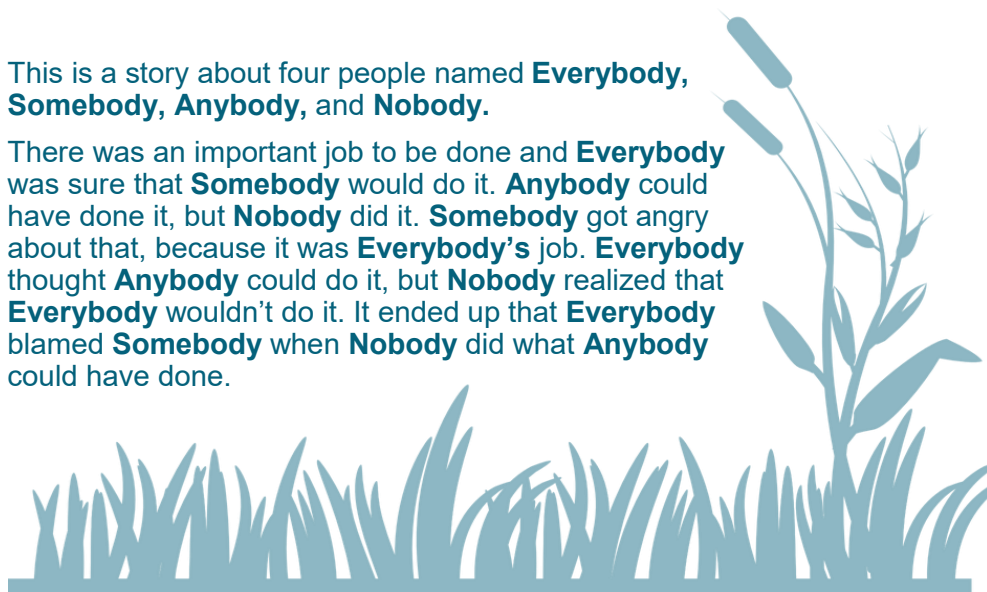
If you are interested in running for a Board position, please contact Sydney Smith, Election Chair, at mwfpoanewsletter@gmail.com. Names of those who wish to be on the ballot will be published in the April and May newsletters. You can read about the duties of the officers in our By-laws, available in your Directory or online at www.mwfpoa.com.

Thank you,

Leslie Pope-Hall
President MWFPOA

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.



Upcoming Events

Next Board Meetings

- February 13, 2020
March 12, 2020
April 2, 2020
May 14, 2020

Next Assoc. Meetings

- January 16, 2020
March 19, 2020
May 21, 2020 elections

Minutes are posted on the website after all Board and Association meetings: www.mwfpoa.com

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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### Hello Neighbors—

Normally, my monthly President's Letter is light and upbeat. This time, I have a few serious topics involving the Deed Restrictions that have come to my attention.

First, I would like to address our **loose dog problem**. Deed Restriction #15 states that "All pets and animals shall be contained upon the premises of their respective owners..." The last time I was in contact with a friend who is a Marion County animal control officer, her arm was bandaged from a very severe dog bite. Of course, the dog was confiscated, the owner was fined, and legal proceedings are imminent. It won't end well for the dog.

Marion County Animal Control and Pet Laws are online at [www.marioncountyfl.org](http://www.marioncountyfl.org). The County's law states that "reasonable care and caution shall be taken to prevent the animal from leaving the real property limits of its owner" and the animal is to be "securely and humanely confined within a house, building, fence, pen or other enclosure." Our residents should enjoy the freedom of walking, riding, or biking in our community without fear of loose dogs.

What can you do if chased or confronted by a loose dog? Carry a cell phone with you when walking, riding, or biking. If confronted, call Marion County Animal Control at (352) 671-8727. Also, take a photo of the offending dog. Pictures are beneficial to Animal Control, and you can post it to our Facebook page. The Animal Control officer will make a case and come out to address the issue, but you have to be willing to be a witness. The first fine is \$100. It doubles for a second fine. You can also fill out a Control Committee form, in which case the Control Committee will send out a warning letter. Or you can do both. That should get some attention.

Now before things get hot and heavy here, this is an **election year**. Moving on to Article IV.3.a, which states "The (election) signs may be displayed 30 days in advance of the election to which they pertain. The signs must be removed after such election." 'Nuf said.

I also have been alerted to "extended families/friends" **living in vacation trailers** on residents' properties. Let's hope they are just visiting and on vacation.

Finally, I offer a suggestion if you don't want to get directly involved in a situation with a neighbor. Simply copy the page of the Deed Restriction or By-law that concerns you, highlight it, and leave it where your neighbor will find it.

Whew, it's been a busy month!  
See you in the neighborhood,

*Leslie Pope-Hall*  
President MWFPOA

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.



## Community Matters

Although the word “business” does not appear in any of our Deed Restrictions, several do address the issue of businesses in MWFs, including the following:

- ◆ **No. 3** permits professional offices such as a those of lawyers, doctors, dentists, surgeons, and music or art teachers. No name plate or signs shall be displayed other than one sign, not exceeding 1 square foot in area and containing the name of the profession and of the occupants of the premises.
- ◆ **No. 15** specifies that no lot, plot, or tract be used as a junkyard or an auto graveyard. No part of any property can be used in a way that impairs the use or value of adjoining or adjacent properties or residential purposes of the neighborhood.
- ◆ **No. 18** stipulates that a dude ranch may be permitted on an owner’s property, provided that architectural plans and activities are submitted and approved the Control Committee.

In summary, what is important is that any business in MWF not intrude on the privacy or tranquility of our neighborhood, both very important attributes that help to maintain and increase our property values.

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## Sunshine Report

Recent cards were sent to the following individuals:

- ◆ Get Well Soon—Joanna Snyder
- ◆ Sympathy—family of Carol Henry

*If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, please notify Jennie Adams at 854-1914.*



## Line Dancing at Friendship Park!

Join our Line Dancers at the park on **Saturday mornings at 10 am** and **Wednesdays at 7 pm** for great exercise and fun! We’re still looking for new dancers, especially some “brave” men who like to dance. We walk through with instructions before each dance, as needed.

## Newsletter Delivery

**The Newsletter will be delivered to everyone in MWF who has requested it.** Mailing tubes have been attached to your mailbox stand to make these deliveries legal in the eyes of the USPS. If you’re not getting one, contact Pat Van Nostrand at [vannospa@gmail.com](mailto:vannospa@gmail.com). If you need a tube, contact Ian Reade at [at20146@earthlink.net](mailto:at20146@earthlink.net). Please include your contact phone number or email.

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## Meadow Wood Farms Website

[www.mwfpoa.com](http://www.mwfpoa.com)

- ◆ Neighbor to Neighbor Directory: From main page, click on **Neighbor to Neighbor**
- ◆ The newsletter is ALSO available in **color** on our website: From main page, click on **Newsletter**, and then select the month

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... no politics, or religion, or any attachments or offensive material. This site is offered by a private member of the association. It is an extremely useful tool, and we are grateful to that person.

### Board and Committee Responsibilities

Elections in Meadow Wood Farms are held in May, but the process begins now with the selection of an Election Chair and Committee. This year, our Election Chair is Editor of the newsletter, Sydney Smith. If you are interested in a Board position, you must be a property owner in Meadow Wood Farms and be an Association member "in good standing" (that is, annual dues paid in full).

The names of Board nominees or candidates will be published in the newsletter before the election at the General Meeting on May 21, 2020. The new fiscal year for the Association will begin on June 1 with the new Board.

Basically, the **Executive Board** is a property management organization. We follow the Deed Restrictions to maintain our property values and reference the By-laws for further guidance. You can review the "official" duties of the Officers in the By-laws (provided online or in your directory), but I thought I would give you more insight into the actual duties:

- ◆ **President:** Will file our Sunbiz Corporation paperwork (done online with new Board updates and nominal yearly fee), as a first duty. The President presides over all the Board and General Meetings. The President prepares and sends the agenda to the Board and Committee Chairs for their input a few days before each meeting and ensures the agenda is published online. You should be an organized individual with good management skills, as well as a sense of humor.
- ◆ **Vice President:** Assists the President and acts as an additional chairperson or committee member, if necessary. The Vice President brings the flag to each General Meeting, updates the MWFPOA website information through the Webmaster, and is responsible for maintaining and updating the signs at the front entrances. You should be a team player and ready to jump in as necessary.
- ◆ **Secretary:** Maintains all official documents of the Association and conducts the official correspondence of the Executive Board. Duties include picking up and distributing the mail, assisting with meeting agendas, maintaining the sign-in sheet of POA members, and of course, records, prepares, and maintains the minutes of all official meetings. Monthly minutes are posted to our website. The Secretary also holds the keys to the Friendship Park gate and storage shed.
- ◆ **Treasurer:** Maintains all of the Association's financial accounts, pays all authorized bills, deposits any income, and keeps account of all paid POA membership dues. A monthly report is prepared, approved by the Board, and posted to our website. Working with the Board, the Treasurer prepares the annual notification of membership dues to be mailed out in the spring.

All Executive Board positions are officially available. The current Secretary and Treasurer are interested in remaining in their Board positions for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. The current members have worked well together, and having a good team makes the Board successful.

The **committees** are always looking for new members, which makes each position easier and more fun. It's also a great way to be more social in the neighborhood and to make new friends.

I'll briefly go over each current committee.

- ◆ **Control:** Maintains the Deed Restrictions. The Control Committee currently has the required three members, but an alternate is always welcome. We have worked hard to make this position one of courtesy, education, and fairness.
- ◆ **Parties/Refreshments:** Hosts one or two social events at the Park—the more the merrier! Refreshment volunteers also help set up snacks and coffee at the General Meetings (held every other month).
- ◆ **Sunshine:** Sends out cards to residents to let them know the community is thinking about them. I'm sure our "Chair" would love to have another person to help out.
- ◆ **Welcome:** Meets new residents and provides a Welcome Packet of information. Must be a go-getter, willing to track down new residents by whatever means necessary! We could use another social butterfly or two or three.
- ◆ **Newsletter:** Gathers and prepares information to be published in the monthly MWF newsletter. We're always looking for additional writers!

Just contact any Board or committee member for more information!

*Leslie Pope-Hall*  
President MWFPOA

## Officers of MWFPOA

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<b>Treasurer</b>	Lisa Yanes	291-0509	<a href="mailto:stokey@cfl.rr.com">stokey@cfl.rr.com</a>

## Committees

<b>Control</b>	Chair: Elaine Hager Zach Zachary Dale Kennedy	857-4825
<b>Directory</b>	Chair: Toni Kimball	861-4934
<b>Membership</b>	Chair: Herb Albritton	954 260-2233
<b>Newsletter</b>	Chair: Sydney Smith Dorothy Henry	<a href="mailto:MWFPOAnewsletter@gmail.com">MWFPOAnewsletter@gmail.com</a>
<b>Parties</b>	Chair: Connie Story Sandy Mollberg Dave Kane	369-0809 861-9622 509-7754
<b>Refreshments</b>	Chairs: Janice & Art Eide	861-8883
<b>Sunshine</b>	Chair: Jennie Adams	854-1914
<b>Welcome</b>	Chair: Lee Albritton	954 260-2223

## Coming Soon: MWF Meet & Greet

We're All Fired Up for Our Annual MWFPOA  
**Meet & Greet Picnic**  
Friday, April 24, 2020 6:00 - 8:00 pm

\*We will be grilling while you are chillin'!  
A FREE family event in Friendship Park

We're having a picnic in the Park  
On your calendar, make your mark!  
You've set the date,  
Now come for a relaxed evening and celebrate!  
Greeting new neighbors, reuniting with old friends  
That's how the evening begins.  
Plenty of food to fill your plates,  
Don't miss the desserts, they're really great!



MWFPOA will be providing grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, as well as condiments, soft drinks, and water.

We ask our guests to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

We will be requesting reservations as we get closer to the event.

Further information will be in the next newsletter and on [meadowwodfarms1@aol.com](mailto:meadowwodfarms1@aol.com).

## Installation of New Entrance Signs

The first of the two new MWF entrance signs went up on Jan. 22. Thanks to Ian And Karen Reade, Tim Smith, and Bob Coveney for their installation expertise! And thanks to Wayne Hebert of EZsignsonline! Leslie Pope-Hall joined in the celebration. What a lovely upgrade to our great community.

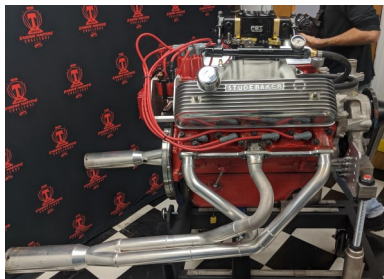
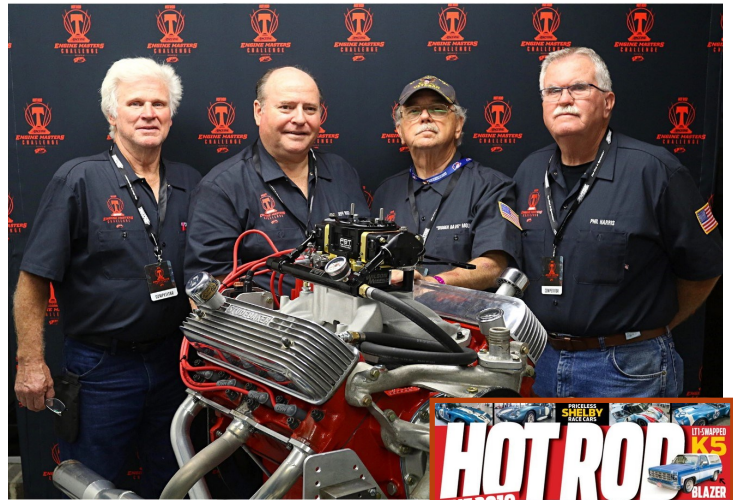


## Studebaker Power Team Competes in Engine Masters Challenge

Last October, a Meadow Wood Farms resident, Jeff Rice (2nd from left), joined his fellow "Studebaker Power Team" members to compete in the Hot Rod Magazine Engine Masters Challenge, a nationwide engine building competition. You can think of it as a car race... without the car. You build your best engine, take it to the JE Pistons company dynamometer, and run your engine against the very best engine builders. Top horsepower and highest torque numbers win.

The Studebaker Power Team competed in the "Old Iron" class, for vintage American-made V8 engines built before 1967. This was the first Studebaker engine to compete in this series.

The rules were very specific as far as displacement, valve size, carburetor size, and the parts allowed on the engine. There was also an equalizing factor applied so that engines of various displacements factored out equally. The Studebaker V8 engine was only 309 cubic inches, but it competed against much larger displacement engines.



The Studebaker R3 is normally a factory supercharged engine, but David Molnar of Studebaker Power brought it to the Engine Masters Challenge in naturally aspirated form. While the team did not win the event, they performed very well. A stable valvetrain, combined with a healthy COMP camshaft that checks in at .545 inches of lift, helped this unique engine combination crank out nearly 400 horsepower on the dynamometer!

The Studebaker company began manufacturing horse-drawn vehicles in 1852, with many of the westward expansion Conestoga wagons built by them. The Budweiser beer wagons were also all built by Studebaker. By 1888, Studebaker was the largest vehicle manufacturer in the world.

The company built its last horse-drawn vehicle in 1923. In 1966, they stopped building cars and trucks. However, many of their subsidiary companies are still around today.

You can read more about the Engine Masters event and the competitors in the March issue of *Hot Rod Magazine*, which is on sale now in stores nationwide.

~ Jeff Rice

Jeff recently captured this photo during a bike ride. "Came around the bend (on Never Bend Drive) and this view stopped me in my tracks. **What a great place to live! What a great country to live in!**"

Thanks to Buddy and Dorothy Henry, who have continued a proud tradition started by the previous property owner, Bob Hanson. And thanks to Jeff for stopping to acknowledge and admire this scene.



## Jesus' Loves Us All



### St Johns United Methodist Church of Cotton Plant

12390 W Hwy 328, Ocala, FL 34482

*A Place to Call Home, Love God,*

*Love People, Serve our Community*

Adult Sunday School 9:15 am

Sunday Worship & Children's Sunday School 10:30 am

**Family Breakfast Buffet - Sponsored by Men's Club**

Saturday February 1 8 am-10 am \$6/ Kids Free

Pancakes, Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Grits, Biscuits'n Gravy, OJ

#### Youth Fellowship

"Jam" Youth Contemporary Service

Saturday February 1 at 6 pm Theme "Love"

**Soup'n Sandwich Sunday February 9**

Following service \$4 adults, Kids FREE

**Movie Night & Covered Dish Dinner**

Friday February 28 at 6 pm

With movie "Over Come"

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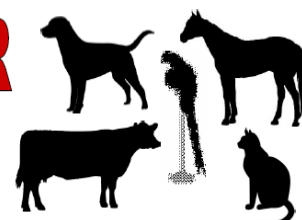
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Send payment to: Meadow Wood Farms Property Assoc., Inc., P.O. Box 771896, Ocala FL 34477

Ad Size	Member Rate	Non-member Rate	6-month Rate (Member)	6-month Rate (Non-member)
Business card	\$10/month	\$15/month	\$50	\$75
1/4 page	\$20/month	\$30/month	\$100	\$150
1/2 page	\$30/month	\$45/month	\$150	\$225
Full page	\$70/month	\$80/month	\$350	\$400





This month's Out & About has us traveling a bit. Over the first few days of January, we had the opportunity to venture south to the Sarasota/Bradenton area. Specifically, we enjoyed attending a family wedding in Sarasota while staying at a VRBO (Vacation Rental by Owner) home a block from the water and three blocks from De Soto National Memorial Park. You might remember from your high school history classes that Hernando De Soto was the Spanish explorer who "discovered" Florida. De Soto's North American expedition was a vast undertaking. It ranged throughout what is now the southeastern United States, both searching for gold, which had been reported by various Native American tribes and earlier coastal explorers, and for a passage to China or the Pacific coast. Ah, but enough of the history for now (although it is a fascinating study about our adopted home state in the early 1500s.)



The Sarasota area has so much to offer and is only about a 3-hour drive from MWF. In fact, it is so close and has so many things to see and do that we have been there many times over the last several years. The first thing you might notice is the beaches. There are many of them and, like the beaches that are scattered up and down the Gulf Coast, they do not disappoint. While we are getting a little too old for a good old beach football or volleyball game, we enjoy walks on the beach and the many seaside bars and restaurants from which you can catch beautiful sunsets nearly every evening.

Off of the beach, there are opportunities for bicycling, golf, tennis, boating, and fishing. Pick one or pick several. Again, you won't regret some time outdoors in this garden spot of Florida.

If you are looking for a little culture, The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art complex is a must see. It is a 66-acre museum complex in Sarasota featuring the Museum of Art, Circus Museum, Ca' d'Zan mansion, Historic Asolo Theater, Art Library, and Bayfront Gardens.

And then there is the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall. It is a 1,750 seat theater that hosts a complete series of great shows every season. We've been to a couple of shows there, but our all-time favorite was an acoustic and intimate performance and conversation featuring Lyle Lovett and Vince Gill. We truly felt as if they were sitting in our living room playing, singing, and laughing just for us.

Finally, if you are thinking about heading to the area, you won't want to miss St. Armand's Circle on Lido Key. It can get a little crowded in the high season but is worth the visit for the restaurants, the shopping, and the people watching. And speaking of Lido Key, it is just one of the many potential locales for a fun stay. Among the local areas are the aforementioned Lido Key, Longboat Key, Siesta Key, and Anna Maria Island. As I mentioned, we have been to this beautiful area of Florida many times and have enjoyed being Out & About every time. Give it a try – or go again! You won't regret being *Out & About*.

*Jim Bain*



## 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 Lisa Yanes at 291-0509 or email her at [stokey@cfl.rr.com](mailto:stokey@cfl.rr.com).

*Your MWFPOA thanks you!*

## Please Join

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(Annual Dues Effective June 1, 2019, through May 2020)

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**YES**     **NO**    Deliver my/our newsletter to my/our address.

(Otherwise, it is available on the website, which saves the Association printing and mailing costs.)

A directory is distributed to MWFPOA members at no charge. It may be purchased by non-members for \$5.00. Additional copies for members = \$2.00.

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