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# MEADOW WOOD FARMS NEWSLETTER

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## Our Executive Board is Hard at Work!

Our new board that was elected in May is “out of the gate” strong! Many thanks to these volunteers who work to serve our community interests. During the August Board meeting, they discussed some recent activities as well as important planning for the future. Below are just a few examples of all they do for us.

Per our by-laws, an audit was recently completed by volunteers and Association members, **Jim Bain and Deb Kane**. (Many thanks for their work as well!) Of note, Jim and Deb offered kudos to **Lisa Yanes** for a job well done in her meticulous recording of our income and expenses.

Our Secretary, **Karen Reade**, has been instrumental in recording, preparing, and maintaining minutes from meetings, as well as in handling all correspondence to and from the Association. Further, she is actively involved in general communications for our benefit and recently secured new volunteers for our Neighbor-to-Neighbor listings, **Lisa Jacques and Sonia Argenio**.

Our new President and Vice President, **Jim Thomas and Marilee McGinnis**, respectively, have been coordinating these and other important activities from behind the scenes, not the least of these being to help oversee SECO’s tree trimming and maintenance of utility wires in Friendship Park.

Of particular interest to the Board, **Sandy Mollberg**, of our new Activities Committee, has been actively scheduling activities in order to begin bringing residents together again, while maintaining all health and safety protocols. Watch for updates and details for proposed events such as an Alzheimer’s Walk, a movie night, a game night, the annual Veterans and First Responders BBQ, and the Hot Rods and Horses Cavalcade, all scheduled to take place right here in our neighborhood.

Thanks to **all** of our volunteers!

*Sydney Smith*

*thank you!*

### Revised: TUESDAYS

#### Upcoming Events

*(subject to change)*

#### Board Meetings

September 8, 2020

October 13, 2020

November 17, 2020

#### Association Meetings

September 15, 2020

November 17, 2020

Minutes are posted on the website after all Board and Association meetings:  
[www.mwfpoa.com](http://www.mwfpoa.com)

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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## Greetings Neighbors!

August was quite a weather adventure: hot, humid, loads of rain. I felt like I was in a constant wet T-shirt. It seems like we were mowing the grass and picking up limbs every day – a few chores to keep things tidy. That's one reason we like MWF so well. Most folks take pride in their property, keeping up with things and maintaining many beautiful plants.

I received a few phone calls a week ago from prospective buyers looking at houses in our neighborhood. It was interesting to hear what they had to say as to why they were looking in MWF. They both said that it was because it was a quiet, well maintained neighborhood that looked like people care about their properties. They had some questions about our Deed Restrictions and were happy that we had some. I guess one reason MWF is such a desirable place to live is that there are some rules that set the limits on what can be done within the neighborhood. When we bought our property, we signed papers that we were aware of the Deed Restrictions. If you are thinking about putting up a fence or a sign, building a garage, or keeping some animals, please review the Deed Restrictions and Association By-laws. You can find them on our webpage ([www.mwfpoa.com](http://www.mwfpoa.com)).

Everyone is invited to attend the upcoming Association meeting. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 precautions, we need to postpone guest speakers for upcoming meetings. However, your neighbors who volunteer on the various committees have been busy, and we look forward to the reports of their progress and things to come. We have some great opportunities coming this Fall to get outside and enjoy seeing and being with one another. With your help, we can come up with other ideas for the coming year. That sounds like more fun than enforcing rules!

Looking forward to seeing you around the neighborhood and at the general meeting on September 15. Stay safe!

*Jim Thomas*

President MWFPOA

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## Committees

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<b>Directory</b>	Chair: Carolyn Camp	352-304-8506
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<b>Neighbor to Neighbor</b>	Chair: Lisa Jacques Sonia Argenio	
<b>Newsletter</b>	Chair: Sydney Smith Dorothy Henry	<a href="mailto:MWFPOAnewsletter@gmail.com">MWFPOAnewsletter@gmail.com</a>
<b>Sunshine</b>	Chair: Jennie Adams	352-854-1914
<b>Welcome</b>	Co-chairs: Allison Carnell Sandy Mollberg	352-857-8146 352-861-9622

## A Big Thank You to MWF Angels!

On one of my recent morning bicycle rides, I noticed that one of our senior neighbors here in MWF was in desperate need of a new mailbox post, so I reached out to the MWF Angels.

I was told the property owner needed to agree to having her mailbox post repaired first. After speaking with the property owner and getting permission, the Angels said they would take care of it.

About a week later, as I was riding down the road, what did I see? The mailbox was mounted with a new post! How cool was that! It made me feel so proud of our community. It was such a simple fix, but gave me such a wonderful feeling of appreciation. My gratitude goes out to the MWF Angels!

Thank you so much!

*Dorothy Henry*



## Meadow Wood Farms Website

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

If you live alone, you may want to be in contact with a neighbor on a daily basis, as a sort of virtual health & safety check. You can arrange with a friend on your own to call or text each day or, if you would like to be put in contact with a neighbor, complete the Phone A Friend form, found on our website.

- ◆ Phone A Friend Emergency Info Form: From main page, click on **Phone A Friend**
- ◆ Neighbor to Neighbor Directory (Business Referrals): 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.



## Sunshine Report

*If you are aware of someone who could benefit from receiving a card, please notify Jennie Adams at 352-854-1914.*




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.



**Calendar of Activities at Friendship Park**

*September 2020*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Line Dancing 10:00am	2	3	4	5  10:00am
6	7	8 Line Dancing 10:00am Board Meeting 7:00pm	9	10	11	12  10:00am
13	14	15 Line Dancing 10:00am Assoc. Meeting 7:00pm	16	17	18	19  10:00am
20	21	22 Line Dancing 10:00am	23	24	25	26 Walk to End Alzheimer's 8:30am
27	28	29 Line Dancing 10:00am	30			

If you would like to schedule an event in Friendship Park, please contact and coordinate with our Activities Chairperson, Sandy Mollberg, at 352-861-9622 or [lenelew@aol.com](mailto:lenelew@aol.com).

**Upcoming Activities**

The newly organized Activities Committee met in August to discuss potential future gatherings for MWF neighbors. Committee members include Jim Bain, Allison Carnell, Jodi Gebhard, Mary Halleck, Pam Hebert, Dave Kane, Mark Moats, Sandy Mollberg, and Christine and Gary Philman.

Discussion of future events included a Night at the Movies, scheduled for October 17. An equestrian Greet and Ride event is being organized for October 25. The yearly Veterans Day BBQ is scheduled for November. And we're looking for a possible Bingo and Corn Hole Night soon. Suggestions for other events are always welcomed. (For now, we are **not** planning any potlucks.)

*Sandy Mollberg*

## Pasture Management—Presented by Sara Hurst

The Meadow Wood Equestrians Club met on August 11 for another great session. After old business was covered, we were fortunate to have our very own Sara Hurst present information about pasture management. Sara teaches Agricultural Education at Vanguard High School and provided excellent guidance for controlling pasture weeds and for correctly maintaining pastures in Ocala's climate.

1. Start by maintaining your grass correctly:
  - Keep your mowing height at 4 inches.
  - Fertilize and overseed.
  - Minimize grazing pressure, allowing for one horse per every 2 acres. Rotate horses through pastures to give each pasture about 2 weeks to rest and recover from grazing.
2. Identify weeds and determine a treatment plan, using a combination of mowing, hand-pulling, and chemical control.

In addition to detailing the tips listed above, Sara brought samples of common weeds found in Meadow Wood Farms. She also prepared and distributed a flyer with links to helpful resources, and she followed up with additional information on the club's website. Thanks, Sara, for a very informative meeting!

## Meadow Wood Equestrians: Greet 'n Ride



The Meadow Wood Equestrians invite all interested residents to join them for a Greet 'n Ride, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, October 25. This casual afternoon ride in the neighborhood will allow fellow equestrians to meet one another and to maybe identify riding buddies for other events.

We'll all meet in Fellowship Park at 3:00 pm. (We'll have a sign in with waivers and light refreshments to kick things off.) We plan to head out two-by-two at 3:30. Each pair will have 10 minutes to briefly meet and greet one another. After 10 minutes, we will switch partners, with the lead horse on the left going to the back of the line and all others moving up one space (sort of like "Speed Networking," if you have ever done that). We'll be out for about 1 hour before returning to the park.

If you are interested in participating, please contact me at 410-371-6563 or [sydneysmith7441@att.net](mailto:sydneysmith7441@att.net). Let us know if you would like to join but need a horse, if you have an extra horse, or if you would like to help with the sign-in and mount-up.

Can't make this event but interested in others? Join us at our next meeting. You can also keep up with group activities and discussion by joining our Facebook group, **Meadow Wood Equestrians Club**.

*Sydney Smith*

### Interested in Vintage/Performance Cars and Trucks?



Looking for something fun to do with vintage and performance car and truck people here in Meadow Wood Farms? I would like to offer an open invitation to residents who have or simply like older vehicles. It's nothing all that organized, just an invitation to get together within our neighborhood to enjoy our machinery (with safe distancing).

It doesn't matter if you have a car, a truck, a tractor, or a motorcycle. (But squat trucks can stay away <lol>.) It might be nice to hang out and have some local fun inside our own borders, rather than making a road trip to some hot parking lot. Anyway, if there is some interest... Get in touch with me:

*Jeff Rice*

8 Saddle Drive

(912) 481-7648

DEEPNHOCK@gmail.com

### “Hot Rods & Horses” Christmas Cavalcade

#### Calling all Hot Rods, Golf Carts, Riding Horses and Driving Horses

Start preparing now for the Christmas Cavalcade in the neighborhood, scheduled for **December 12**. Preliminary plans are underway, and with everyone staying home due to COVID-19, the time is perfect to get our hot rods, golf carts, and horses ready for our very own big event here in MWF. Let's see if we will have more hot rods or more horses turn out. We will also need volunteers on the ground for the horse staging area. And we will need at least one volunteer to be a muck scooper with a golf cart.



**Christmas decorations are a must!** It will be great with our Cavalcade being in daylight hours. Horses and riders can be decorated, and driving horses can don bells. Buff up your classic car and wrap it in garland. Dust off and decorate your golf cart with banners to match your costumes.

Let's get out there now to get the horses used to our costumes and bells. Maybe join a session with some of the driving horses. Maybe a Santa tryout?

- ◆ All hot rod drivers—contact Paul Gregorzek at 706 889-3861.
- ◆ All horse riders/carriage drivers—contact Jim Thomas at 785 691-5886.
- ◆ Volunteers—contact Dorothy Henry at 352 817-7494.



## Meadow Wood Farms to Participate for Sixth Straight Year in the Walk to End Alzheimer's



The Meadow Wood Memory Walkers, a group of neighborhood volunteers (along with friends and family), will be participating in our sixth consecutive "Walk to End Alzheimer's." Our team of walkers, with strong support from our MWF neighbors, has been one of the top teams for the last 5 years. We are looking for new team members to join and help us raise funds to support the objectives of the Alzheimer's Association.

This year's walk, like so much of our lives lately, will not be same as it has been in the past. Rather than walking among hundreds of other people, we will be walking with a small group of people from within our own neighborhood. The plan is to meet at Friendship Park on Lake View Dr. East at 8:30 am on Saturday, September 26. The route is less than 2 miles. Dogs, cats, horses, and other well-behaved pets are invited. Walking is optional. Team members who raise \$100 or more will receive a special commemorative t-shirt (mailed to your address). There will be a volunteer supporting us with cold water and transportation if needed. The event will be outdoors with ample room for social distancing.

Facts from the August 2019 Newsletter: "Alzheimer's is a disease that is guaranteed to eventually affect almost all of us on a very personal level. One in ten people currently 65 years or older has some form of Alzheimer's, and one in three seniors will die of it. Deaths attributed to Alzheimer's have risen 145% since 2000, and it kills more people than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. It robs us of our memories, our independence, our confidence, even of our families and friends. It carries a huge price tag in terms of finances and the emotional and physical toll it takes on caregivers. And worst of all, it is the only major disease for which we have NO preventive measures, NO effective treatment, and NO cure."

Please consider joining our team this year and/or financially supporting our cause of establishing a world without Alzheimer's.

Go to <http://act.alz.org>. Click on **Walk to End Alzheimer's**, then **Find a Team**, and type in **Meadow Wood Memory Walkers**. From there, click on **Meadow Wood Memory Walkers** and either join the team or select a team member you wish to support.

Thanks again for supporting your neighborhood team. For more information, contact acting team captain, Robert Coveney, at 352 229-4243 or [rwcoveney@yahoo.com](mailto:rwcoveney@yahoo.com).

View my page at: [https://act.alz.org/site/TR?pg=personal&px=11115300&fr\\_id=13350](https://act.alz.org/site/TR?pg=personal&px=11115300&fr_id=13350).

*Bob Coveney*



# Dorothy Henry

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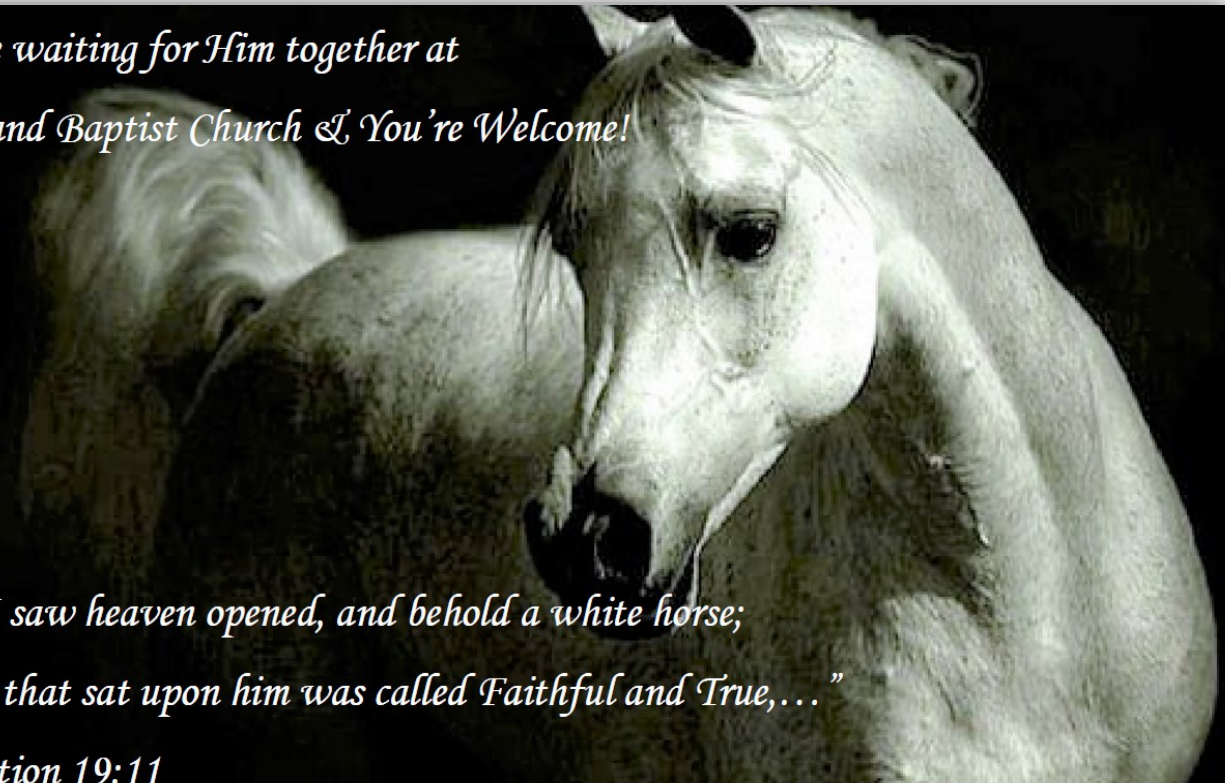
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*Revelation 19:11*





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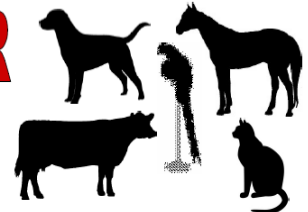
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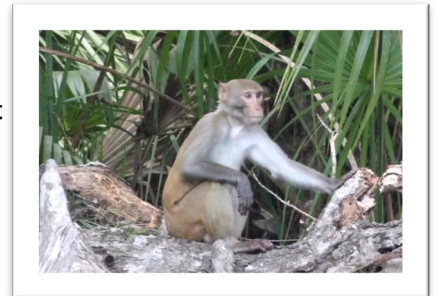
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### ...in a Tandem Kayak

About 4-1/2 years ago, my wife and I bought a tandem kayak for each other for Christmas. We have a wonderful marriage. However, having tried riding tandem on a wave runner, I wasn't sure how this might work out. We both want to be in charge. We both want to steer. We both want to be the captain of our craft. We reasoned, however, that a tandem kayak would at least ensure that we share the experience, every time.

Our first adventures in our new kayak included Silver Springs and a couple of trips to Crystal River. As you might suspect, there was a learning curve for both of us. We managed to work out who was responsible for what, including everything from carrying the kayak to the launch, to steering our little craft, to hauling it out of the water. Having worked all of that out, life got in the way. We got busy with both work and our other many hobbies, so the kayak hung idle in our shed for nearly 2 years.

A few weeks ago, I lowered the kayak from its sling, propped it up on a couple of saw horses, and began cleaning it up. In addition to the green film that coats everything left outdoors in sunny (and damp) Florida, I removed multiple wasp nests and two bird's nests (thankfully empty). Spic and span, or as they say, ship shape, she was ready to be launched once again. Our first trip in 2 years was back to the Silver River with two other MWF couples. We hoped to see alligators, many bird species, and maybe a manatee or some monkeys. On this very gentle 90-minute paddle, there is so much to see and appreciate about living here in Central Florida. If you haven't taken advantage of any of the hundreds of natural springs in Florida, you have really missed one of nature's greatest features. We saw everything we had hoped to see except the monkeys that inhabit Silver Springs State Park... until the last 200 yards of the trip. It was then that a troop of more than 100 monkeys began crossing over the creek in the trees right in front of us. There were bellowing males, acrobatic juveniles, and mothers carrying tiny babies. It was a spectacular finish to a relaxing day on the river.



Our second adventure of the season in our tandem was a trip to Crystal River. The main attractions there are Three Sisters Springs and the chance to see some manatees. Once again, we had a wonderful 2-hour paddle on Kings Bay with the same two MWF couples. We were disappointed to have missed seeing any manatees... until the last several hundred yards of our trip. And sure enough, we encountered a small family of manatees: a large bull standing watch over his family, the mama cow, and a darling little calf playing in the canal. It was adorable and another great end to a marvelous day on the water.

On each trip, we found a fun restaurant to grab lunch after being on the water, and we shared both laughs and appreciation for the opportunity to be Out & About – especially with good friends.

Until next month, I can only hope that you, too, will be **Out & About**. Next week, weather permitting, we'll be back on the water in our tandem kayak exploring the springs and rivers of this beautiful state. BTW, I am the Captain... and the Admiral said I could say so (smiles).

*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 [stokey1152@gmail.com](mailto:stokey1152@gmail.com).

*Your MWFPOA thanks you!*

## **Please Join**

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(Annual Dues Effective June 1, 2020, through May 2021)

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