



January 2024 Action News

We had a Ladies Meet & Greet Ornament Exchange Event on Sunday, December 10, 2023. We had 36 ladies in attendance. We served coffee, soda & Christmas Cookies. We laughed a lot during the Yankee Swap of the Ornaments. It was a great afternoon with our lady residents! The lucky winner of our door prize was Monica Garzon.



Election of Officers will be January 8, 2024

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Condolences

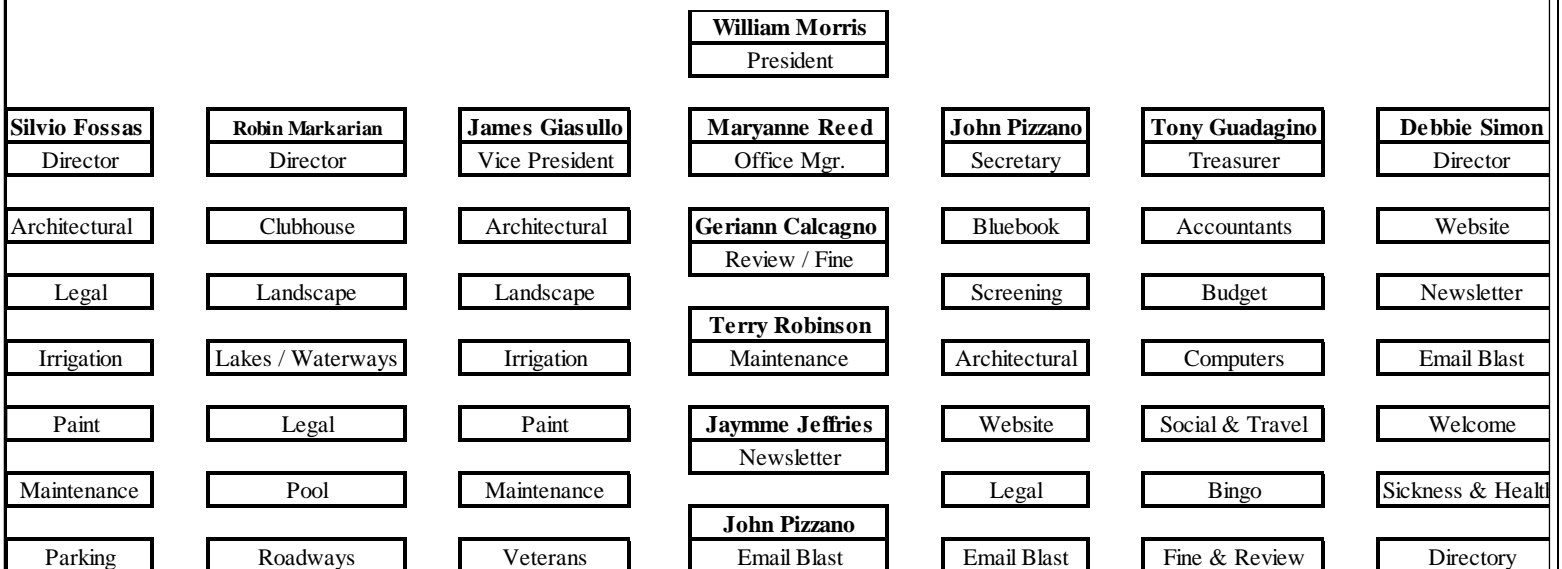
May the wonderful memories of your loved one bring you comfort and know your Meadows neighbors are here to listen and help. To the Families of

**Sebastiano Falco
Patricia Ries**

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New Organizational Chart



On My Mind from the President

Hello Residents Near and Far

The new year is upon us. Our community is buzzing with activities. From Bingo to Swimming there is something for everyone. Come join in this year and celebrate with your friends, new and old. This is your community to enjoy! Like we always say, the Meadows of Crystal Lake is the best kept secret in Deerfield Beach.



The painting project is winding down and the community looks great. More improvements are in the works for 2024. Details will be coming soon.

It would **not** be a complete “On my Mind” letter if I do not mention my public service announcements. Such as, to slow down on our roads. Remember 15 MPH is the limit. Pick up after your pet! Do not plant, trim or cut any trees or bushes without an approved Architectural form. Remind your neighbors and guests of our rules and regulations. Keep our community the way you first saw it when you were looking to buy here! Say hello with a friendly smile to all you see. Wave as you drive by! Have a safe and prosperous 2024!

Bill Morris
Board President

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Special Thanks to our Newsletter volunteers,
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Please note that the deadline for articles for the newsletter is the **15th** of each month by 5 pm. Submit via email, themedowSACTIONnews@outlook.com

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FREE Meadows Technology Club,

OPEN to All. On Tuesdays at 4:00 pm Eastern.

During the online video session everyone brings a few questions, and everyone joins in the discussion. It's all about helping each other.

No matter your knowledge level everyone is welcome. We cover Android, iPhone, iPad, Computers.

Call Jerry Novickas (954) 260-7071 to suggest a session topic. Email your request to be added to the weekly Google Meet invitation: jnovickas@yahoo.com

Looking for help to reorganize the books in Library early in 2024. Call Rosalie Ray at 954-696-6214 if interested. Thanks

Social and Travel Club

Hello from Social and Travel Club.

Social & Travel also asked Meadows of Crystal Lake Residents to provide items for the Local Shelter. We had a tremendous response to this request! I want to personally thank each one of you who helped those less fortunate during this holiday season. Your kindness is appreciated.



We have a comedy night scheduled for Saturday, January 13, 2024, along with our Free bagel brunch for the social & travel members scheduled for Sunday, January 21, 2024. Flyers will be provided in the January newsletter.

Please remember we are changing the Social & Travel Club Membership Fee to \$10 Per Person, Per Calendar year (January-December)! Anyone that paid in advance I will inform you of the difference owed. Fill out your membership forms and return them to the office at your convenience.

Upcoming Social & Travel Events for 2024

- 2-10 Valentine's Day Party 6 pm to 10:00 pm
- 2-18 Breakfast 8:30 am to 11:00 am
- 3-10 Breakfast 8:30 am to 11:00 am
- 3-16 St. Patrick's Day Party 7:00 pm

Deerfield Beach garbage cart replacement program

The City of Deerfield Beach will be launching a garbage cart replacement program in 2024. Curbside collection customers will have existing garbage (brown) and recycling (blue) carts upgraded to a single, new 95-gallon garbage cart.

Curbside collection customers will benefit from having new, larger carts that provide for greater collection capacity. The cart replacement will help optimize collection service.

Starting in mid-January 2024, the city will begin delivering the new carts. This process is anticipated to take up to 4 weeks for the new containers to be delivered to every curbside collection customer in Deerfield Beach. Customers are to store these new containers until the old carts have been collected.

Once delivery across the city is completed, the city will begin removing old carts. Cart retrieval will take about four weeks to complete. This retrieval will take place on the normal collection day and after containers have been emptied by the garbage truck.

Curbside collection customers should continue to set out old carts on normal service day(s) until they are retrieved. New carts should not be used until the old carts have been removed.

The cart replacement program is anticipated to be completed by the end of March 2024.

The Meadows Welcome Wagon

Lot 229 David Cohen from Schertz, Texas

Lot 286 Tracey Bowker from Beverly, Massachusetts

Lot 300 Eliana M De-Verna from Ronkonkoma, New York

Lot 353 Flor Teresa Alvarado de Hernandez and Dommyng Hernandez Larez, from Margate, Florida

May they have many years of happiness at the Meadows of Crystal Lake.

Any questions call the office Monday – Thursday 9am -2pm.





Our New Meadow Residents



The Social and Travel Club hosted a New Resident's Meet & Greet on Sunday, December 3, 2023. This hasn't been done since Covid hit, so it was well overdue. We had an amazing turnout with 16 seasoned residents joining us to welcome the 23 new residents that attended. New resident Tracey Bowker won the door prize. We served coffee, tea, soda, and snacks along with a lot of conversations and hopefully some new friendships. If for some reason you were invited and couldn't attend no need to worry, we will do another Meet & Greet in March to welcome even more residents.

Dumpster

The dumpster is to be used for clubhouse purposes only! Homeowners are no longer free to use the dumpster.

We know that in the past homeowners have used the dumpster for miscellaneous trash! However, lately the dumpster is being used for homeowners' daily trash disposal, entire cardboard TV boxes, toilets, sinks, pallets, cabinets, paint cans, carpet, tile, flooring, and other miscellaneous items. It is filled up very quickly and often overflowing which our Maintenance Crew then cleans up with a shovel and gloves. They should not have to do this!

The daily trash can be kept in your barrels as we get pick up two times per week! These others can all be put out by individual homeowners for bulk on Wednesdays. (Our dumpster area is under camera surveillance.)

In our efforts to keep costs down, this is the best solution! The dumpster disposal fee has gone up, enormously. We have checked the costs, and we cannot afford a larger dumpster or another scheduled pick up. Thank you to all for your cooperation.

Veteran's Club

The Veteran's Club meets at **3pm on the 3rd Wednesday of the month** in the Clubhouse. All Veterans are invited to join, swap war stories, and enjoy camaraderie with fellow vets. Veteran family members & caregivers are also invited for assistance in caring for their Veterans. In-person assistance from trained **Service Officers** is available at **American Legion Post 142** in Pompano every Tuesday from 10am to 1:30pm. The VA **Caregiver Support Program** promotes the health and well-being of those caring for vets with education, resources, support & services. It can be reached at **855.260.3274** or at caregiver.VA.gov.

All World War II veterans are now eligible for FREE health care, medical services, and nursing home care. Use RallyPoint.com to locate former military colleagues. Any questions, contact Jim Wells at: MeadowsVetsDFB@gmail.com

Rob's Guitar Jamm

In the Clubhouse, Fridays 1:00-6:00 PM.

Bring your own instrument and join in. Or just come to visit and enjoy.

Requests honored. If I do not know it, I'll learn it, Rock on!



Bocce

Ladies, come join us for BOCCE at the Bocce courts every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 AM. No experience necessary. Beginners are welcome. Come join in and have fun!

Aqua Mermaids

Come to the pool on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 11:00am for some aqua fun! Join the fun of coordinated water exercises while getting in a good workout! Easy, fun and move at your own pace. All are welcome!

Bridge at the Meadows

Attention: If at one time you played Duplicate Bridge and would like to get back in touch with Bridge, we meet weekly in the library on Thursdays at 12:30pm. If you have any questions, please call **Trudy Kalen @954-729-0750**. Bridge has been recommended as one of the things to sharpen your memory and to off-set Alzheimer's Disease.

Free Haircuts for Men

Alfonso M., Lot #371 is a Retired Licensed Barber and if you need a haircut and can't leave your home, he will come to your home, by appointment only, and cut your hair free of charge. Just call Al @954-446-3242 (no tips or gifts allowed).

Bunco

Come join us to play Bunco every Wednesday @ 7:00 pm in the clubhouse. We will teach you how to play. It's a very easy game to learn how to play! Please be at the clubhouse by 6:45 pm so we can start on time. If you have any questions, call Kelley Giasullo @ 978-375-9874 or John Pizzano @ 603-997-1372

Pickleball

Coed pickle ball has returned to the Meadows at 9:00 am to noon, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Come play the fastest growing sport in America. Good exercise, great fun, fresh air, and meet your neighbors, it's a perfect way to begin your day.

Tech Talk

Do you have questions about your computer, or other devices? Not sure where to turn? Bring your question, your laptops, phones, tablets, or other devices with you to our next Tech Talk at the Meadows. Not comfortable asking your question in front of everyone? Email Debbie at techtalkmeadows@gmail.com and your question will be discussed anonymously. We meet the last Saturday of the month at 10am in the library.

Mahjong

The goal of Mahjong is like poker, in that the aim is to make matching sets and pairs. On Mondays at 1pm Liz is willing to teach anybody how to play the game. Come one come all. Join in the fun and meet your neighbors.

Chair Yoga

Starting January 8th, 2024, on a trial basis, we will offer a Yoga Chair Class at the Clubhouse, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10:30 – 11:00 am. Come and Try it!

Thank you to all!

This Holiday season, we have **Rosalind Guadagnino** and **Patty Drabik** to thank for decorating the inside of the clubhouse. The 3 trees, stage, picture frames, all turned out beautiful.

Our fireplace, this year was done by **Ralph** and **Pat Milo**. It looks like a masterpiece.

A big **THANK YOU** to all who helped. Please stop by and enjoy the decorations.

Over the years, we have had many people who helped us decorate the clubhouse. **Jocko Castagna** has mastered the Christmas Decorations for years in the Ballroom. **Rose Salvatore**, and **Ann Davies**, decorated the Fireplace and Hanukkah table and it was always amazing. Thanks to all.

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January Celebrations

Birthdays

Best wishes to our neighbors! Have a wonderful celebration.
This month is YOURS

First Name	Last Name	Day	First Name	Last Name	Day
Edward	MacDonald	2	John	Caruso	20
Flor Teresa	Alvarado Hernandez	2	James	Langston	21
Eduardo	Pereira	3	Charlotte	Coury	22
Le	Loi Van	3	Adolfo Hugo	Jimenez	22
Christine	Dassow	3	Florence	Dudley	23
Lorraine	Forget	4	Virginia	DaCunha	23
Barbara	Higgins	6	Dorothy	Canonico	23
Rosalie	Church	7	James	Detore	23
Joao	Rodrigues	7	Paul	Davies	23
Carmen	Colon	8	Dorothy	Tully	25
Carol	Winiarz	11	Diane Kelley	Picone	26
Diana	Simpson	12	Cindy	Scherer	26
Richard	Riess	12	David	Cucerzan	27
Louis	Leonardo	13	Jacalyn	Wright	27
Olga	Quintero	13	Carrington	Scott	27
Barbara	Griffith	14	Rodney	Valentine	27
Randy	Shapiro	14	George	Mandis	28
Luigi	Iannolillo	15	Raymond	St.Laurent	29
Susan	Masloff	15	Charles	Goldmacher	29
Hilton	Bonniwell	18	Deborah	Langston	29
Rosana	Clark	18	Joseph	Licamara	30
Mireille	Barriere	18	Concetta	Falco	31
Guy	Church	19	Mary Anne	Reed	31

Anniversaries


Wishing a perfect pair
A perfectly happy day.
Here's to another year of
being great together!

Peter & Maria	Goncalves	1
Elisabete & Horacio	Reis	2
Antonio & Virginia	DaCunha	17
Audrey & John	Carey/Murphy	20



January 2024

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Happy New Year Maintenance Due 1-1-2024	2 Bocce 9:30am Zoom Club 4pm Bingo 7:00PM	3 Aqua's 11am pool Bunco 6:45pm	4 Bocce 9:30am Bridge 12:30 PM Mahjong 6:30 PM	5 Aqua's 11am pool Rob's guitar jamm 1:00PM	6
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14	15 Mahjong 1pm OFFICE CLOSED Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Social & Travel Club Meeting 2pm	16 Bocce 9:30am Zoom Club 4pm Bingo 7:00PM	17 Veteran's Club 3PM Clubhouse Aqua's 11am pool Bunco 6:45pm	18 Bocce 9:30am Bridge 12:30 PM Mahjong 6:30 PM	19 Aqua's 11am pool Rob's guitar jamm 1:00PM	20
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4	5	Notes Remember to Vote, 6 PM January 8th, 2024-Annual Homeowners at 7 PM				

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