

November 2023 Action News

Veterans Day Observance, Saturday, November 11th

The Meadows Veterans Day observance will be held on Saturday, November 11th at 11 am in the rear of the Clubhouse. We invite all to join us as we honor and recognize all the men and women who answered the call to serve our nation. All Meadows veterans, family members, caregivers and friends are invited to attend and participate in our ceremony around the Memorial Flagpole. The Social and Travel Club will provide coffee and light refreshments after the service.

GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS

Election of Officers will be January 8, 2024

It is not too early to contact Barbara Higgins @954-830-6501or Mary Anne in the office @954-426-3503 to give them your name as a Candidate to run for the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors' term of office is two years. This year we will have four positions open, and we are looking forward to receiving your intent to be a Candidate.

Candidates will be introduced at the December 11th HOA meeting. We will take nominations from the floor on November 13th and then close the nominations at that time. At that meeting the residents will have the opportunity to ask questions of the candidates to help them decide who to vote for in January.

Candidates start working on your resumes. Your resumes will be published in the December issue of the Action News Newsletter. Please send resumes to <u>theactionnews@outlook.com</u> no later than November 15, 2023. Thank you.

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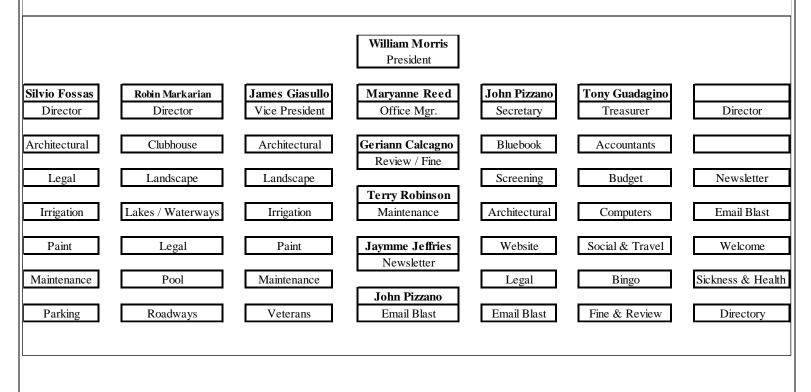
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On My Mind from the President

Hello Residents Near and Far

It's November and the election of directors to your board is just around the corner. Personally, I have been honored to have served on your board and to have served as your President. I was so fortunate to have Tony Guadagnino as our treasurer, John Pizzano as our Secretary, not to



mention Silvio Fossas as an active director. They are all up for re-election this year. Together with Jimmy Giasullo our Vice President, Robin Markarian as our very active director we made a very cohesive team. On behalf of the whole team, we thank you for your trust. If unsure who to vote for, give your Proxy to a friend. Every vote counts.

Looking to the future, your board welcomes the new and continuing challenges. The Social, Bingo, Newsletter, Bunco, Bocce and Card Games Committees are planning more and bigger events with all of you in mind. Come to the events! Volunteer to help. It is fun and you will meet some great people.

The Painting project is well under way. Half of Zone 1 is complete and looks great. Your help is still needed to remove planting from too close to your home and items attached to your home must come down. Remember if we need to remove items or trim items you will be invoiced for the work we need to do. Many thanks to the Paint committee for their continued efforts.

Welcome back everyone and welcome home to our new residents!

Bill Morris Board President

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Special Thanks to our Newsletter volunteers,	OPEN to All. On Tuesdays at 4:00 pm Eastern.
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Jackie Smith, Jim Wells, and Jackie Wright.	the discussion. It's all about helping each
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Pictures from our first Breakfast this year on September 24th, 2023



Social and Travel Club

Hello from the Social and Travel Club

The Meadows' Social and Travel Club had their first Breakfast this year on Sunday, September 24. What a great turnout, 52 residents attended, and we served Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Potatoes, Toast and Fruit along with Orange Juice, Coffee, and Tea! We also had a 50/50 Raffle that raised \$200.00 (Al



Mazzarella won \$100.00)! We also had 3 door prizes. (Steven Schneider, John Murphy, and Don Laux) were our lucky winners!

Our next Breakfast is planned for Sunday, November 5, 2023, from 8:30-11:00am, the menu will be the same as it was in September. We'll also have another 50/50 Raffle. See enclosed flyer.

Our Secretary, Christine Hunt, is in the process of planning a Remembrance gathering for Jimmy Buffett. This event will be held on Saturday, November 11th at 7pm. At the clubhouse (inside and outside). The cost of this event is \$5.00 for Members & \$10 for Nonmembers. See enclosed flyer. Please RSVP as soon as possible. Light snacks and mixers will be provided (BYOB) We will have a 50/50 raffle.

We have decided to have a New Resident Welcome Meet & Greet on Sunday, December 3rd at 2pm in the clubhouse. Any new or seasoned residents are welcome to come and meet new residents and learn about the weekly and monthly events that take place daily at the Meadows. We will serve light snacks, water, soda, coffee & tea.

We would like to remind everyone about the Social and Travel Club membership. The cost is \$5.00 per person, per calendar year (January to December). You can download the membership form off the website or stop by the office Monday-Thursday 9-2pm and pick one up! We have 198 members to date.

Also, a friendly reminder we have changed our meeting time to 2pm in the clubhouse the 3rd Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday). All are welcome to attend, the more ideas the better! The next meeting will be held on December 4th, no meeting in November.

Any questions please feel free to reach out to: Kelley Giasullo-President 978-375-9874 or John Pizzano-Treasurer 603-997-1372 or email us at: themeadowssocialclub@gmail.com

Upcoming Social & Travel Club Events for December:

- 12/03 New Resident Welcome Meet & Greet at 2pm to 4pm
- 12/10 Ladies Meet & Greet 2pm to 4pm
- 12/31 New Year's Eve Party 8pm 12:30pm

Western Night

We had an amazing turnout for the Rick Crocker Country and Western Event on Thursday, October 12th at the clubhouse. We had 64 guests in attendance, 53 of those were Meadow's residents and their guests and 11 were Rick's friends/fans! The dance floor was full for the entire evening.

We of course had our usual 50/50 raffle, and the lucky winner was Bea Guadagnino who won \$163.00. We also had 3 door prize raffle winners. Our winners were a new resident and a huge Rick fan Angela Laurentano, Rose Schmidt (a guest of Thomas Milo) and Marta Morris!





Meadows Welcome Wagon

Lot# 127 Ralph and Katyanne Lima from Boca Raton, Florida Lot# 67 Scott Richman from Ft. Lauderdale and his brother Michael from Boynton Beach, Florida



We look forward to welcoming all new residents at the Welcome Wagon Meet & Greet on December 3rd at 2pm -4pm at the clubhouse.

Call the Meadows office at 954-426-3503 if you have any questions 9 - 2 Monday-Thursday.

Peacock TV is not free

Peacock TV LLC is a streaming TV service, and is a subsidiary of NBC Universal, a Comcast Company. It is understood that previously, Comcast TV subscribers (Bulk and Non-Bulk) received Peacock at no charge, as an "added value" service provided to Comcast Cable TV subscribers. Peacock TV was not a service which was included in the Association's Comcast Bulk Agreement. With that said, Comcast has announced recently that they are no longer providing this service at no charge to Comcast customers, and that if Comcast customers want to continue receiving Peacock TV, they will need to pay the current monthly fee.

Getting to know Jim Wells Jr.

By Bill Jeffries

November is a month to celebrate veterans. This November we will get to know Meadow's resident, Jim Wells. Jim is a retired Marine Corps Major and leader of the Meadows Veterans Club.

Jim was born in 1947 in Long Island, New York. His father owned and operated a fuel oil distribution company. His mother was a homemaker and part-time bookkeeper for the family fuel oil company. Jim is the oldest of three children. His brother, Nick is three years younger, and his sister Phoebe is 12 years younger.

Early memories include, "going up to the roof of the apartment to hang laundry to dry, and the smell of burning leaves in the fall." The family belonged to the local yacht club. He remembered the family owning a boat, which also meant painting the boat every year. Jim was also an avid swimmer and swam competitively during his teen years.

Jim recalls, "My parents tried to give us the 'All-American Childhood'. We would go out and play or walk to the club to swim. We would come home as the streetlights came on. We also spent part of each summer at the Jersey shore."

His first job was when he was in junior high school. He worked at the family business, figuring out total daily sales. His second job, "and the best job ever," according to Jim, was being a lifeguard. Jim was a lifeguard from 9th grade through college. Among other parts of the job Jim recalled the feeling of accomplishment he got from teaching kids to swim.

After graduating from the University of Miami in June 1970 he was sworn in as a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. He served six months in Quantico, Virginia, "learning how to be a Marine Officer," according to Jim. The next four years were spent at Camp LeJeune, North Carolina as an Infantry Officer. From Camp LeJeune he and his unit deployed for two six-month tours of duty. One deployment was on a ship to the Mediterranean Sea and the second was on a ship deployed to the Caribbean Sea. Upon leaving active duty in 1974 Jim's dad, a Marine Veteran of both World War II and the



Korean Conflict, convinced Jim to join the Marine Reserves. Jim retired from the Marine Reserves in 2007 with over 22 years of service.

Jim was married in 1968 to Louise, his girlfriend since 9th grade. They had two children, Jennifer, and James III. The couple divorced in 1989.

After his military service Jim found a career in Financial Services, first working as an account executive for Merrill Lynch for two years. From there he worked for other financial corporations until 1981 when he started at Diners Club Corporate Card. He recalled that Diners Club was a perfect fit for him. In 1996 Jim started his own Financial Consulting Company, Wellspring Consulting International. His company had clients from, "literally, all over the world," The company had corporate clients from Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe, and the Americas. His company worked with NPOs to better communicate



with their audiences. Jim closed his company down in 2016 after working over 40 years in the Financial Services Industry. Currently Jim spends much of his time helping Military affiliated organizations like the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), American Legion, and not for profit organizations to better communicate with likeminded groups.

When asked what brought him to Florida, Jim said, "I did go to the University of Miami." As it turned out, Jennifer, his daughter, married and decided to raise her family in Florida. In 2002 Jim concluded he could do his consulting from Florida as well as he could from New York. Besides, His brother had lived in Florida for 50 years and his

parents had lived here for 40 years. When asked what brought him to the Meadows, Jim said, "I just felt comfortable coming in. I love the community, the peace and quiet. Concerning words of wisdom, Jim said, "Quitters Never Win, and Winners Never Quit.

PAINTING UPDATE

The painting project is going very well. We have successfully painted the first 50 houses on schedule.

The painting company is informing the residents more than a week in advance that their house will be power washed and painted in the next week. The notice will be placed on your garage door. At that point your foliage must be trimmed back, and the removal of all items on, and around the house must be moved. If the Association Employees must trim and or remove any of your items, you will be charged for their time.

The office is only able to follow the progress and the Board of Directors are on the streets following the Painters.

We want to thank Ralph Milo, Steve Hunt and the Paint Committee for their help and expertise following the painting crew to catch any mistakes.

We have been ahead of schedule thus far and hope to continue in the next few weeks. Call the office if you have any questions.



Veteran's Club

The next Veterans' Club meeting will be on **Wednesday, November 15, at 3pm** in the Clubhouse. All Veterans are invited to join 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. Reach them at **855-260-3274** or at <u>caregiver.VA.gov</u>. Any questions contact Jim Wells at: <u>MeadowsVetsDFB@gmail.com</u>

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!

<u>Aqua Mermaids</u>

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 Jo Lojewski @954-429-3320 or 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 to with you to our next Tech Talk at the Meadows. Not comfortable asking your question in front of everyone? Email Debbie at <u>techtalkmeadows@gmail.com</u> and your question will be discussed anonymously. We meet the last Saturday of the month at 10am in the library.

<u>Mahjong</u>

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.

Power washing the houses prior to painting.

Please know that Smart Coat Painting will be power washing the homes prior to painting. Please have your **water** on so that they may connect their hose to **your water** for this process.

Thank you, The Paint Committee



You now can pay your HOA Dues be Credit Card

The Meadows now takes credit cards-- if you want to pay your HOA dues by credit card you need to come by the office and fill out a credit card payment form, or to receive an email bill we need your name, lot number, and email address. There will be a 3.5% credit card fee added to your bill.





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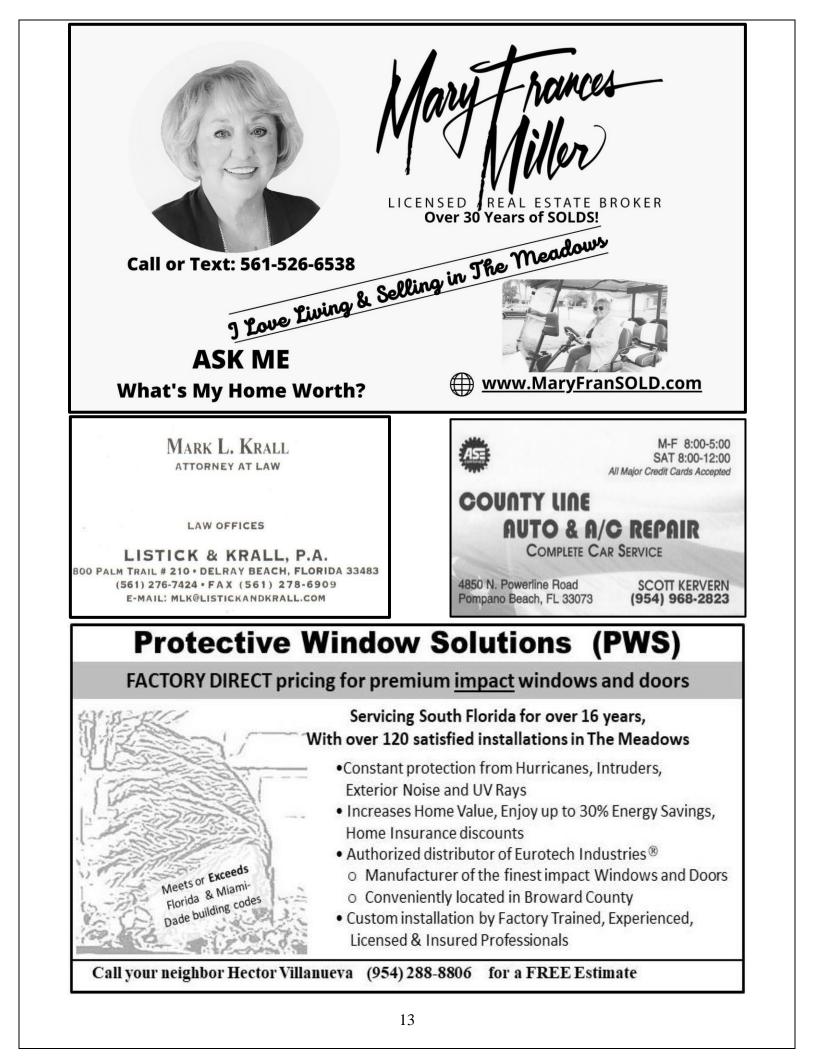
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Charles Goldmacher





November Celebrations



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

First Name	Last Name	Day
Nicola	Iannetta	1
Marcia	Grossman	2
Walter	Hamann	4
Maria	Reino	4
Michael	Brignola	4
Rosario	Morales	7
Winston	Grant	8
Peter	Goncalves	8
Enrique	Garcia	8
Antonio	Medina	9
Gary	Camacho	10
Jorge	Ernandes	10
David	Canfield	11
Judith	Smyth	11
Pat	Milo	13
Hector	Villanueva	14
Christine	Hunt	15
Barbara	Cucerzan	16
Frederick	Summers	17
Kim	Zeidner	17
Donna	Pandolfo	17

First Name	Last Name	Day
James	Wells, Jr.	19
Deb	Hoven	19
Maria Isobel	Tinoco	19
Lilia	Turner	20
Vincent	Poliseno	20
Hugo	Garzon	21
Sheila	Margeson	22
Monica	Bracho	22
Dorothy	Pearson	22
Maria	Querales	22
Robert	Kohl	22
Nancy	Alfonso	22
Jean	Valentine	22
Xuelian	Wu	22
Sherry	Cowan	23
Marta	Hanlon	24
Lance	Naiman	24
Carmela	Toma	24
Arnold	Williams	28
Erik	Lapinskas	28
Beverly K	Linder	29
Denese	Adel	29

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

Ronald & Susan	Masloff	1
Alexander & Olga	Gudkevich	1
Rodney & Jean	Valentine	11
Howard & Linda	Addis	15
Bill & Diane Kelley	Picone	19
Michael & Lori	Karol	20
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