

# March, 2021



# **Happy St Patrick's Day**



# The City of Deerfield Beach is having a free shredding day

March 6th, 2021 from 8:00 am to12:00 noon At The Meadows of Crystal Lake

The City of Deerfield Beach with the help of Bernie Parness, our District 3 representative has offered to make The Meadows of Crystal Lake a free site for shredding on Saturday, March 6th, 2021 between the hours of 8:00 am & 12.00 noon.

The shredding truck will be located at the clubhouse parking lot so lets all take advantage of it. It is time to clean out our closets & start gathering all your old paper work, bill, taxes and whatever you have been storing for years. You may leave paperclips on if you choose but take off large binder clips and remove excess paper bags. The debris will be placed inside the Shredding Truck and it is gone in seconds. You will stay with your documents and watch them disappear before your eyes. It is secure and private.

Please take advantage of the free shredding day so tell your friends & family about the event.

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Kindly, notify the HOA office of any homeowner contact information changes

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Special Thanks to our Newsletter volunteers. Rob Schwerdtfeger, Robin Markarian Bill Morris, Jaymme Jeffries, Jackie Smith, Ed MacDonald, Nagui Yassa and Jerry Novickas, Technical Advisor

Please note that the deadline for articles for the newsletter is  $20^{th}$  of each month by 5 pm. Submit via email, words as text to this new address: themeadowsactionnews@outlook.com

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# **General Information**

Bulk & Trash Pickup is Tuesday

- Earliest time to street is 4pm Monday Trash Pickup is Friday
- Earliest time to street is 4pm Thursday

### **Get Well Wishes**

To all our ailing residents in The Meadows No matter how difficult things might get during your recovery, we are always thinking about you. Please get well very soon.

> No one to report Stay safe neighbors Wear your mask or social distance

### **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 **Arthur (Artie) Yasser** 

### FREE Technology Club, Zoom OPEN to All Wednesday 4:00 pm Eastern

Tech club goes on via Zoom. In the interest of health and safety; we have not resumed in person sessions. Once things settle a bit more, we will announce the resumption date for Clubhouse in-person sessions.

#### Until then...Join with us via Zoom

On Zoom everyone brings a few questions and everyone joins in the discussion It's all about everyone helping each other. No matter your knowledge level everyone is welcome. We cover Android, iPhone, iPad, Computers

Call Jerry Novickas (954) 260-7071 for a future class topic you would like.

Each week check The Meadows website <a href="mailto:themeadowsofcrystallake.com/">themeadowsofcrystallake.com/</a>

Please register at the bottom of the home page "Register for Class" to get the zoom invitation.

**Request to be added** to the Zoom invitation and weekly topic email announcement by Emailing <a href="mailto:jnovickas@yahoo.com">jnovickas@yahoo.com</a> or go to the "Contact Us" website page.

# **President's Perspective**

Hello Friends and Neighbors,

Again I begin with thanking the residents of the Meadows for their continued support. It has been about a year since the beginning of the Covid 19 Pandemic. The world outside the Meadows has been in a constantly changing, state of turmoil. We have had a worldwide pandemic, riots in many US cities, a hotly contested presidential election, and a second impeachment of President Trump. I don't usually comment about events outside the Meadows, but I decided to this time, to show the contrast between the rest of the world and the Meadows.

When you look around the Meadows things are pretty much the same as they were a year ago. Yes, bingo and social activities have been canceled and everyone wears a mask, but day to day activities at the Meadows continue. The main reason for this is because you, the residents, make good choices about how you choose to live your life. I applaud you for doing the right thing, even when no one is watching.

When I was teaching school, each September I would need to learn my new students names. The student's names I would learn first were the students that had issues or the really helpful students. Here at the Meadows it kind of works the same way. Here I learn lot numbers that have issues and names of the really nice people. I look forward to learning all of your names as you continue to make good choices.

Regards and stay safe friends, Bill Jeffries, Board of Directors, President

### Did you Know:

Broward offers a website with resources you can access regarding health care, social services, financial information and so much more. All calls are staffed by trained counselors. Knowing where to go to access help and services is so important and can be overwhelming with all the information on the internet. Broward streamlines that process in one site, 211-broward.org. Some of the services they can assist with are Disaster-Related Services, Health care, Financial Assistance, Military and Veterans Affairs, Mental Health Services and Senior Touchline available to seniors 60 years and above. Have a look at their website at 211-broward.org. Click onto the ABOUT US tab for more information.

One of the helpful resources the offer is Senior Touchline. This service offers the senior (60 years old and above) to register for a Touchline Counselor to give them a call once per day to check in on them. Sometimes, this is the only person a senior might speak to in a day. It is not only a wellness check but a valuable resource in times of personal crisis. How does Senior Touchline work?

You fill out an application online at the website or call to speak to a person for assistance. Once the senior is registered, each day within a predetermined time period, a 2-1-1 Counselor calls the registered senior to make sure they are safe and well. If the 2-1-1 Counselor is unsuccessful in reaching a senior after several attempts, the designated emergency contacts will be called and asked to check on the senior's well-being. If no one is reached after several attempts, the Police will be called to do a wellness check. Also, in times of natural disaster prior to hurricane season, the Touchline Counselor will work with the senor participant to develop a plan of action in the likelihood of a storm. After the storm, the Counselor will resume the daily reassurance calls to make sure the senior is safe.

You may access 2-1-1 information via the computer at 211 broward.org OR by calling 954-537-0211 OR text your zip code to 898211.

2-1-1 is available in other areas also. Share this important information with others outside our community. It could make a difference!

## **Meadows Information Questions & Answers**

Have a question about our community?

Email your questions to themeadowsquestions@gmail.com

- Q. I see the shuffle Board area over by the Pool. We have the equipment to play or do we need to bring our own?
- A. There is a store room by the courts that is available with your Pool Key and the community equipment is in there. We have ordered new Polls that should be in soon. Enjoy!
- Q. What is going on with the Bocce Ball courts?
- A. Our Maintenance team has been working on the courts as time permits. We believe they will be ready by the end of the month. The supplies are located by the Billiard room and you will need your pool key. In the past we have had a league and even tournaments check with the office for contact information,
- Q. Please help me. I want to have a cement patio and walkway installed at my home. Do I need a permit from the city? Some people say yes, some say no. Some contractors say yes, some say No. Please Help.

A. It is our understanding the the simple answer is YES! There are conflicting writings from the city and the county. Our community Requires an Architectural Form for all work outside the home. Your Contractor should know for sure, but here is what we found:

"Do I need a permit to remove a tree?

Yes, you will be required to pull a permit when removing a tree, including dead trees.

4.Do I need to obtain a permit to pour a concrete slab, patio, or driveway?

Yes, a site plan will be required with a description of what is being done. Depending on the scope of work, additional structural detail may also be required.

5.Do I need to obtain a permit to replace my windows, doors, and garage doors?

Yes, Window-Door permits are required for the replacement of all exterior doors and windows. Applications, Forms & Permits / Deerfield Beach FL

Permits are required for, but not limited to, buildings/structures, renovations, service systems, gas, plumbing, mechanical/air conditioning. Electrical, roofing, fences, tree removals, awnings, windows doors, signs, antennas, poles, pools, fuel tanks, surfaces (concrete driveways, patio areas, walkways. etc.)

## Getting to know Saveno (Jim) J. Sileno, by Sharon Messina

On the last day of the recent cold snap, I sat down with Jim at the Clubhouse for a closer look at another Meadow's resident fascinating life. Jim just celebrated his 96th birthday on February 15!

Jim and his three sisters grew up during the depression years in Torrington, Connecticut. Their father was a milkman who was never out of work during those very tough years. Young Jim helped his dad in the summer and recalls his humble beginnings with pride. "Those days were a time of trust. If my mother signed an IOU at a store, her signature was as good as cash in the bank."

Jim's four years of high school included two years of trade school electronics. "Greatest thing I ever did," he exclaimed! This early specialization in the trades got Jim on the right track for life.



When he was 18, he volunteered to go into the service to 'fight for our country and defend our freedoms'. Jim went to Atlantic City, New Jersey, for basic training. Although he had never been in a plane, his roommate convinced him to take a cadet test. They both passed. That landed him in Penn State College for six months studying science, metrology, the theory of flight, and Morse code. It was at Penn State that he had traditional Air Force cadet training with ten hours in a Piper Cub Plane. Jim was on his way to a career in the Air Force!

In all, our young Jim trained in six different aircraft at six different airfields throughout the South from North Carolina, Alabama, to Mississippi. He was schooled under all kinds of hazardous flying conditions expected of air force pilots during wartime, including landing a plane with no lights and the acrobatics of flight. His first solo flight occurred after an officer on a training flight critiqued his flying so much that he had Jim land the plane. Once out of the aircraft, that same officer told him, "Now take the plane up"!



Jim graduated from Air Force Training school and received his wings in Dothan, Alabama. Jim was finally ready to fly but the war ended that same year, 1945! "I joined the Air Force to fly and defend my country, but President Truman probably saved my life."

Jim did not walk life's path alone. His wife of 62 years, Vivian, shared these adventures. The couple had a son and daughter. Their young daughter, Diane, sadly passed at the age of seven. Jim's son, James Thomas, runs his own business and father/son talk every day.

After the Air Force, Jim went on to work at IBM for 38 years as a Customer Engineer. He worked exclusively for Timex and Waterbury Savings in Connecticut. He attributes his success to his early training in high school, his years with the Air Force, and further electrical training after the Air Force.

Jim recalls the early Meadows years when Military Trail was a dirt road from 49th street to The Meadows. Vivian's uncle bought one of the new homes and Jim, Vivian, and family would visit. When the uncle died, he left the home and its contents to Vivian. For years, the family spent winters in Florida and summers in Connecticut. When Vivian passed six years ago, Jim sold the Connecticut home.

Jim loves life in The Meadows. He loves the people and at 96 years young, plays golf, drives, etc., and carries on a stimulating conversation. His message to the importance of math, science, and technology skills are ones that have found renewed emphasis in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) education in our nation's schools. From humble beginnings to Air Force Blues and family life often on the move, Jim demonstrates that you CAN manage it all with balance, determination, strength, and love. Thank you for it all! We salute you, Sir!

## Social Travel Club



Events and Activities coming soon

Due to COVID-19 the Social & Travel Club is on hold till further notice. We do look forward to getting back to normal in 2021 when it is safe again. Stay safe & wear your mask. Think about joining the BOARD of the Social & Travel Club, WE REALLY NEED YOU!!!!

## The Meadows Welcome Wagon

Attention new & not so new Meadows residents we have news. The bad news is the Welcome

Wagon is cancelling their April 19th Meet & Greet. Now for the GOOD news all Meadows residents should mark your calendar for May 16th 2021 @ 4:30 pm at the clubhouse under the awning.



We are asking that our seasoned residents come out & meet our new residents. This is an effort to let the new residents meet as many current residents as possible. Remember when you were new how easy it was to meet people because of the social club activities, bingo & the pool? Well with the Covid-19 we have fewer opportunities to mingle. So let's make this a success for our Newbies and awaken our shut-ins to the possibility of making a new friend or see an old friend. We will be serving cake, coffee, tea & water.

Mark your calendar for May 16th @ 4:30 under the awning at the clubhouse. We will social distance & wear masks. See you all there. Any questions please feel free to call, Jaymme @757-348-2085, Roseanne @954-420-9269 or Robin @774-696-8872.

The Meadows would like to Welcome our newest Home Owners;

Lot 250 Anthony & Jacalyn Wright from Coral Springs

Lot 91 OrlandoSantos & Clarisa Hernandez from Deerfield Beach

Lot 7 Mauricio & Lilian Fernandes from Deerfield Beach

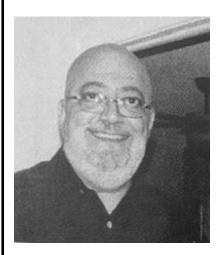
# Rob's Guitar Jamm

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 don't know it, I'll learn it, Rock on!!Requests honored. If I

don't know it, I'll learn it, Rock on!!

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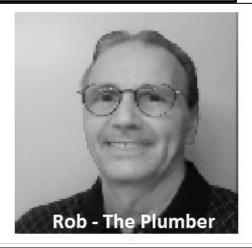
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## A special thank you:

Sharon Marciano

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our resident professional painter Adrian Beaudet, for the great job he did regarding the garage door painting project. When I first approached Adrian in December he was more than happy to accommodate our request, to perform the painting of our doors, and for a low set price.

With all the preparation and arranging and coordinating that goes into accomplishing such a project, what he charged us was truly a gift. From the pressure washing to the taping off of unpainted areas, the materials expense and the man-hours involved, this was certainly a generous endeavor. To the best of my knowledge all eighteen or so recipients who took advantage are quite satisfied with the final outcome. In most cases the doors look brand new. This can be evidenced by looking at my own door at lot#123. Having been in the service business myself for 35 plus years I can attest to the fact that this job could easily have demanded a fee of triple what Adrian charged us.

Again, Thank You Mr Beaudet. I am more than satisfied. Contributing editor, Rob Schwerdtfeger.



# **March 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
Mary	Coglitore	1	Floren	Kinney	14
Angelo	Circelli	1	Walter	Loshuk	15
Larry	Nakara	1	Han Ling	Melland	16
Nohad	Chammah	2	Jose	Rivera	16
Denise	Reyes	2	Thanh Thi	Nguyen	16
Michele	Bryan	3	Anthony	Wright	18
Bruce	Laden	3	Anthony	Guadagnino	19
Stanley	Rivard	4	Mary Frances	Miller	19
Robin	Markarian	4	Becky	Laden	19
Phillip	Melland	5	Joan	Frisco	19
Frances	Lyons	5	Anthony	Cannone	20
William	Morris	5	Leda	Lester	21
Ray	Kinney	6	Geriann	Calcagno	21
Efrain	Alfonso	6	Carol	Johnson-Coote	21
Joseph	DiCecca	6	Gary	McGeddy	22
Rosemarie	Page	6	Antionette	Licamara	23
Ezequil	Da Silva	6	Ruth	Rivard	23
Patricia	Giasullo	7	Thomas	Silveira	23
Jerry	Iovino	9	Gerrit	Walters	24
Fanny	Valencia	9	Donald	Weldy	24
Lucy	Scanzuso	12	Eva	Troise	25
Claudette	Serpico	12	Jennifer Lynn	Hosea	27
Louis	Sous	12	Susan	Lundstrom	29
Richard	Coury	13	Filomena	Rodriguez	29
Michael J	Miller	13	Lillian	Fisher	30

## **Anniversaries**

Wishing a perfect pair, A perfectly happy day.

Here's to another year of being great together!



# **March 2021**

February '21						April '21								
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	Mahjong 1:00 PM HOA Meeting	2	Zoom Tech Club 4:00 PM	4	Rob's guitar jamm	Shredding Day 8am - noon
7	8 Mahjong 1:00 PM	<b>9</b> Election Day	Zoom Tech Club 4:00 PM Lawn Care Weather Permitting	11	Rob's guitar jamm 1.00 pm	13
Daylight savings set clocks ahead 1hr	Mahjong 1:00 PM	16	Zoom Tech Club 4:00 PM	18	Rob's guitar jamm	20 First day of Spring
21	Mahjong 1:00 PM	23	Zoom Tech Club 4:00 PM Lawn Care Weather Permitting	25	Rob's guitar jamm 1.00 pm	27
Passover Palm Sunday	Mahjong 1:00 PM Vietnam War Vet's Day Honor Vets fly flag	30	31 Zoom Tech Club 4:00 PM	1	2	3
4	5	Notes				

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