

MEADOWS OF CRYSTAL LAKE ACTION NEWS

May 2022

Memorial Day Observance at the Meadows

Our annual Memorial Day Observance Ceremony will be held on Monday, May 30th at 11am at our Veterans Memorial Flagpole.

All residents of the Meadows are invited to attend and honor all those men and women who gave their ultimate sacrifice in the service of our country. All Meadows Veterans are invited to wear their branch of service caps or insignias and gather around the flagpole to be recognized for your service.

The Social and Travel Club will host light refreshments after the service. This is a rain or shine event and we are looking forward to a great show of support.

Since May contains two of the three U.S. national holidays that recognize members of its military, it seems like a great opportunity to remind everyone that each day is distinctly different.

Armed Forces Day, observed on the third Saturday of May, celebrates and honors all those **currently serving** as members of the Country's Armed Forces. It's the perfect time to congratulate any uniformed military member and thank them for their service.

Memorial Day, until 1971, was observed on May 30th. Now it is celebrated on the last Monday of May. It was originally proclaimed as **Decoration Day** immediately following the Civil War, and was a holiday "for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country." Following World War I, the focus of the holiday was expanded to remember and honor **all** members of the military who **died serving** their Country in any conflict.



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Do You Love to play Canasta?

Well, here is your chance! A group of Canasta players is trying to get a Canasta Group started at the Meadows. If you are interested, please contact Tom Milo @561-251-0086.

NOTICE

The Office has been receiving unsigned letters, notes and emails. We will not respond to unsigned allegations. No Action will be taken.

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

Carlos Rampello

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 themedadowsofcrystallake.com/

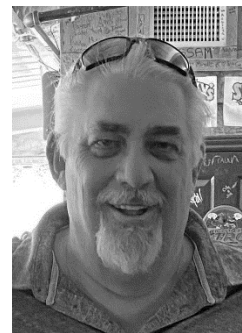
Please register at the bottom of the home page "Register for Class" to get the zoom invitation.

Request to be added to the Zoom invitation and weekly topic email announcement by Emailing jnovickas@yahoo.com or go to the "Contact Us" website page.

On My Mind from The President

Hello residents New and Old. The beautiful weather brings out our residents for the Pool, Shuffle board, Pickle Ball, and Tennis courts. Also Bike riding, Walking, and Jogging are good opportunities to wave and offer a friendly hello.

It is that time of the year for the office to update our files. Please make sure your **Phone numbers and Email addresses** are correct. Use the form below. This year we also need your updated Service/ Emotional Support dog paperwork. This is also a suitable time to mention reminding your guests that we pick up after our dogs here at the Meadows and the dogs must ALWAYS be on a leash.



I want you all to know we have contacted the major delivery services in our community to remind them that we have a **15 MPH** speed limit in the Meadows. You should also remind your guests and caregivers to slow down when in our community.

Although there will not be a summer newsletter for a couple of months all the latest news will be on the website. There are several functions in the works for the summer so check the website often. For those of you that are leaving for the summer here is a helpful thing from our mayor. **If you leave items in your freezer do this trick. Freeze a paper cup of water! Now just before you leave put a quarter on the top of the ice frozen cup in your freezer. When you return next fall check the cup. If the quarter is still on the top your freezer worked all summer. But if the quarter is in the bottom of the cup your freezer was off for too long and you must throw everything in the freezer away.**

I am reminded as I drive through our community that many of our residents have embellished their curb side appeal. Most look great. But please remember not to put anything on the Community property that will impede our lawn cutting service. You, of course, are free to exhibit freely in your 5-foot area around your homesite where there is available space. Always remember **not** to trim trees on Community property. **Write** a work order and our team will review and take care of any issues. **Never plant fruit trees or fruit bearing plants or vegetables.** Also, the use of potted plants needs to be conservatively done and well maintained.

We enjoyed a great Ice Cream Social on Sunday. If you missed it, you missed a very nice meet and greet. Over 100 residents enjoyed free ice cream and even better conversation. A Big Meadows thank you to the Social and Welcome Committees, and to the many volunteers and Board Members who gave out the ice cream and managed the booths for a great afternoon.

Always Lock Your Car!

Have a Safe 2022!

Bill Morris, President

ATTENTION MEADOW RESIDENTS:

If you changed your email address within the last year, please let the office know as we are updating our files. Please email us at **themedadows2300@gmail.com**, drop off at the office or in the overnight box so Mary Anne can make the changes. As always, thank you.

Name

email address

Phone #

Lot#

Getting to Know John Murphy

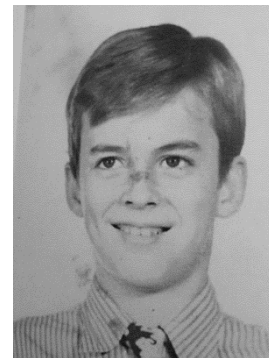
By Bill Jeffries

John Murphy is a man with no but. You know what I mean. People say something about a man or woman that is complementary and then say "but". "He's real smart "but" and then something not so complementary. Well, with everyone I spoke to in the Meadows that has met John, they say the nice thing and none of them ever continued on with the "but". This is the story of John Murphy, the man without a but, after his name.

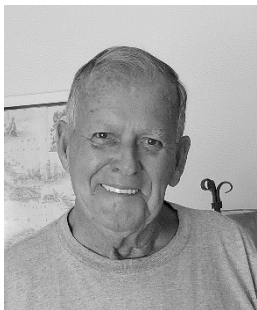
John was born on February 16, 1940 in Flushing, New York. He had two older brothers and an older sister and later would have a younger brother. His father was a Letter Carrier and along with his mother they also owned a Stationary Store in Bayside, New York where the family lived. John went to Saint Luke's Catholic School in Whitestone, N.Y. and always was more interested in baseball than school work. He remembers loving the Brooklyn Dodgers until they left for Los Angeles and then falling in love all over again with the New York Mets.

Carole, John's first wife, and John were in the same kindergarten class and they also had the same street address, just on different streets. Carole lived just around the corner from John and he never really noticed her until the seventh grade. Starting in the seventh grade John noticed the pretty girl from just around the corner. They became friends, boyfriend and girlfriend, and got married. They were married for 54 years. They had four girls and one son. Carole passed away in 2010 from emphysema and COPD. John remains very close with all of his children. Weekly phone calls with each are the norm to help John stay informed on what is going on in the lives of his 11 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

As a teen John remembered always having a job. He recalled in 1956 he had 12 jobs in one year. Most were in retail. He would get hired and as the workload diminished the last guy hired was the first let go. So, he had to hustle and find a new job. With great references and a good attitude, he kept finding work. John's professional career was also in retail. One of his early ventures was with Dugan's House to House Bread and Cakes, which lasted two years. That was followed by four years with the Frito-Lay Company, and that was followed by another 4 years with the Treat Potato Chip Company.



These jobs all lead John to work for Clare Rose Distributor, the Anheuser-Busch Distributor in Long Island, New York. This employment lasted 31 years, 14 years as a driver/salesman and 17 years as management. This company was a good fit for John who was always up for a challenge. One year the company's sales contest prize was \$1,500 and a trip to Europe. John's eldest daughter and her husband were stationed in Germany with the Air Force and she was due to have John and



Carole's first grandchild later that year. You guessed it. John won the prize and about a week after their first grandchild (a girl) was born the proud grandparents were there to hold the newest member of the family. John met Audrey at the Elks Club in Pompano Beach. Each had gone with friends and during introductions they found that each lived at Century Village. They became friends and sometime later John told Audrey that he made a great omelet and she should stop by some morning and he would make her one. She did. John and Audrey have been married for eight years.

When asked how they came to live in the Meadows, John told how he and Audrey came over to visit Joan and Bernie Engert, friends of his and Carole's from Long Island, New York. Audrey fell in love with the community, and they have lived here for the last 10 years.

Social & Travel Club

Good day all, your Social and Travel Club has been busy! In April we hosted a Meet & Greet Ice Cream Social. Attendance was about 100 people. It was a successful opportunity for many of our residents to meet their neighbors and meet representatives of the various clubs



On May 15th we are hosting another event with live music and dinner, provided by Pollo Tropical. The event is scheduled for 5:00 pm -9:00 pm to try and get everyone home early and hopefully exhausted from dancing their booty off. Ticket sales will be limited of 110 attendees and nearly half of that has already been sold. This will be a very entertaining evening as the band is fun and active on stage. Don't miss this fun opportunity, fill out the form in the last newsletter or come by the office. You can still reserve a table of eight if you have a group of friends who want to sit together. The Cost is \$25.00 each for members \$27.00 for Non-members.

We're planning to do something special for the Fourth of July. Stay tuned. As always, let me close by saying Thank You for your continued support.

Note. Keep in mind that the dues are **\$5.00 per person** not per household and they help offset the cost of events. Thank you for your continued support. Hope to see more new faces at the next event.

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!



Bridge at the Meadows

Attention: If at one time you played Duplicate Bridge and would like to get back in touch with Bridge, we have something for you. We meet weekly at the clubhouse 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.

The Meadows Welcome Wagon

The Meadows would like to Welcome our newest Home Owners:

Lot# 354 Rosario Morales & Juan Amaya Gomez from Pompano Beach, Florida



WELCOME
to the
neighborhood

Veteran's Club

The Veteran's club met Wednesday April 20th at 2:00 PM. Eight (8) members were in attendance. Memorial Day celebration on Monday' May 30th, 11 AM - Noon was discussed. New American flags were donated by Joe & Madeline Greenway. Broward county has Touchline Program which involves a daily reassurance call by 211 Broward. We recommend anyone living alone to participate in this program. Our next meeting is May 18th at 2:00 PM. For more information call Tom Broad 954-637-4971.

Rear Parking Lot: Purpose and Procedures

The purpose of the rear parking lot is to provide "Short Term" parking spaces for residents and visitors. "Short Term" should be limited to **one or two days** without the car being moved from the lot.

"Long Term" parking arrangements are provided for in the front parking lot, and set up through the Office.

RULES:

-Park only in marked spaces

-**NO RV'S Trailers or Commercial Vehicles**

-Must Back into spaces (**Backing into spaces makes it easier to check Note on Dashboard**)

PROCEDURES:

-Resident opens rear lot gate with Pool Key

-**The lock must be relocked before the key can be removed**

-Resident or guest backs car into open space.

-Resident and/or guest **leaves a Note on dashboard of car, with Lot #, & date.**

-Resident and/or guest leave, **locking parking lot gate**

Pickle Ball

Pickle Ball is a popular group activity here at the Meadows. Approximately 20 neighbors and friends come out to participate and have fun on a regular basis. Several people are leaving for the season. We enjoyed a fun BBQ. We will miss them. (A few were missing)-By: Robin Markarian



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May 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
Robert	Smith	1	Sara C	Asensio	11
Susana	Holguinde Diaz	1	Ann	Costa	12
Abraham	Hassoun	2	Norbert	Wojciechowski	16
Theresa	Murchie	3	Donald	Smyth	17
Cecil	Moraja	4	Maria Eugenia	Santos	19
Nadia	Melchiorre	4	Thomas	Milo	19
Cynthia	Campbell	5	Barbara	Dillon	19
Jeanne	McCaffery	5	Julio	Sandi	20
Helen	Cannone	6	Larry	Materia	21
George	Chammah	6	Maria	Valido	21
Peg	Malley	8	Samuel	Tinoco	22
Stanley	Sieradzan	8	Andrea	Coates	22
Elliott	Lopez	8	Deborah G	DiSalvo	23
Miguel	Valido	8	Lynn	Gray	26
Gail	Broad	9	Britta	Brandt	26
Joanne	Mashraky	10	Louisanna	Forgues	27
Jose	Rivera	11	Soon Hee	Song	28
Jeanne	Venner	11	Jerome	Biondolillo	29
Agnieszka	Ernandes	11	Vera	Stanislawsky	30
Julie	Richards	11	Lucie	Parent	31

Anniversaries







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

Walter & Sheila	Margeson	1
Kevin & Jeanne	McCaffery	2
Albert & Debbie	Lomicka	4
Orlando & Clarisa	Santos-Hernandez	8
Claude & Colette	Bernier	11
Layne & Dora	Clark	13
Bruce & Becky	Laden	13
James & Jenny	Kay	15
Bill & Alice	Bery	20
Gerald & Theresa	Murchie	22



May 2022

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  National Hole in My Bucket Day	2 Mahjong 1:00PM	3 Bingo 7:00PM	4 May the fourth be with you Zoom Tech Club 4:00PM	5  Cinco de Mayo Bridge 12:30PM Mahjong 6:30PM	6 Rob's guitar jamm 1:00PM	7
8  Happy Mother's Day	9 HOA Meeting 7:00PM Mahjong 1:00PM	10 211 Phone call daily, Seminar 1PM clubhouse No Bingo	11 Zoom Tech Club 4:00PM	12 Bridge 12:30PM Mahjong 6:30PM	13 Rob's guitar jamm 1:00PM	14
15 Dinner & Dance 5:00 -9:00PM	16 Social & Travel Meeting 7:00PM Mahjong 1:00PM	17 No Bingo	18 Veteran's Club 2PM Clubhouse Zoom Tech Club 4:00PM	19 Bridge 12:30PM Mahjong 6:30PM	20 Rob's guitar jamm 1:00PM	21  World Fiddle Day
22	23 Non Voting Board Meeting 7:00PM Mahjong 1:00PM	24 Brother's Day Bingo 7:00PM	25 Zoom Tech Club 4:00PM	26 Bridge 12:30PM Mahjong 6:30PM	27 Rob's guitar jamm 1:00PM	28
29  Indianapolis 500	30 Office Closed for Memorial Day Ceremony 11AM	31 Smile Day  Bingo 7:00PM	1	2	3	4
5	6	Notes Memorial Day Ceremony at the Meadows Flag Pole @11:00AM rain or shine				

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