



**February 2023**

**Action News**



**Happy Valentine's &  
Happy President's Day**



Thank you to all who attended The Meadows of Crystal Lakes Annual Meeting on January 9<sup>th</sup>. The total residents represented were 237 homeowners, of which 119 proxies were received, and 118 owners voted in person. The results were:

Jimmy Giasullo	218
Robin Markarian	141
Paul Davies	108
Ron Masloff	51
Jackie Wright	123

The Meadows of Crystal Lake Homeowners would like to thank Barbara Higgins as Election Chairlady for the third year and Gerianne Calcagno as Co-Chair for her third year. Thanks also to Board member Bill Jeffries for overseeing the election. Barbara and Gerianne would also like to thank their committee:

Neil Stodomingo	Jacqueline Smith	Pat Milo	Debra Simon
Grace Buritt	Kimberly Zeidner	Jim Wells	Ralph Milo
Pat Schneider	Steven Schneider		

The Board met on Monday, January 16 and decided on the officers' positions, see page two for more information.

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**You will get a violation letter.**

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

**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

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**FREE Technology Club via Zoom**

**OPEN to All Tuesday 3:00 pm Eastern**

Tech club goes on via Zoom. In the interest of health and safety, we have not resumed 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

[themedowsofcrystallake.com/](http://themedowsofcrystallake.com/)

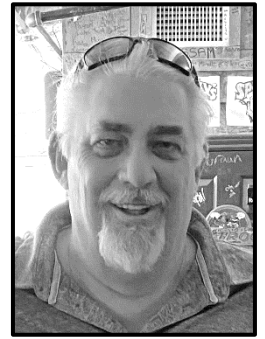
Please register at the bottom of the home page "Register for Class" to get the zoom invitation.

**Request to be added** to the Zoom invitation and weekly topic email announcement by Emailing [jnovickas@yahoo.com](mailto:jnovickas@yahoo.com) or go to the "Contact Us" website page.

## On My Mind from The President

Hello Residents Near and Far,

It is my pleasure to welcome New Board Members James Giasullo and Jackie Wright to the board. Elected to her first full term is Robin Markarian. I am confident that they all will make a great addition to our board. Your board will now set their sights on a replacement for the open seat. Interviews will begin next week. Please call the office to set up an appointment for an interview. We are also preparing to work on some very sensitive issues this year. The Blue Book, trees, painting, and our amenities. With that being said, I would be remiss if I did not thank Paul Davies for his many years of service to this community. Thank you Paul, from the Community, and the Board!



With that in mind the new board assignments are in place and all committees and projects are looking for help. Come be part of this outstanding community. Call the office and they will help you find just the right fit. From social groups to decision making committees. There is always room for one more person interested in keeping our community strong.

It is another new year so that means my reminders to us all to:

Always fill out an architectural form for any work done to the outside of your home.

Do not cut, trim, remove or replace trees without office approval.

Your lamp post light **MUST** be on every night.

Our Speed limit in the Meadows is 15 MPH.

No Parking on the street overnight.

Always pick up after your pet.

Always **LOCK** your Car.

I am very excited for this year. Full of events and projects to improve our retirement or semi-retirement! Life is Great at The Meadows of Crystal Lake.

Bill M

Board President

## Getting to know Gary and Linda Treichler

By Bill Jeffries

February is the month for loving couples, and no other couple better exemplifies this than Gary and Linda Treichler. They have been married nearly 62 years and are proud parents of three adult children.

Gary was born in Niagara Falls, New York and has a younger sister and two older brothers. Linda was born a few miles away in Lockport, New York with two older brothers and a younger sister. As a child Linda remembers her father owning a gas station and garage. She also recalled helping around the house and picking apples every summer.

When Gary was growing up, he remembered, “working on the farm.” He also remembered each summer with his grandfather taking him, “about four hours away to the family cottage in Canada to fish.” He continued, “The water was so clean, and you knew it was clean, because the loons won't come unless the water is clean.” Gary remembers the cottage not having running water, electricity, indoor plumbing, or a phone. The only way to get there was by boat or hike in if the water was too rough. Gary and Linda still own the family cottage on the lake in Canada. Now it has electricity, indoor plumbing, and access by road as well as by boat.

Gary and Linda's brothers had been friends for some time, so Linda and Gary knew each other. On Linda's 18th birthday Gary and Linda went on their first date. Three months later they were married and as they say in the movies, “The rest is history.” This March it will be 62 years of history. Woven into that history are three adult children, a daughter Tammy, and sons Todd and Terry. Between them they have blessed Gary and Linda with five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

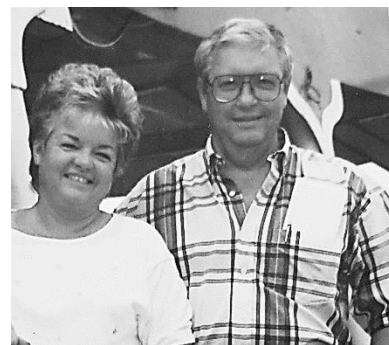
At the center of this happy family is “The Farm” a 227-acre greenhouse and nursery farm in Sanborn, New York. It is in western New York, east of Buffalo and has been in Gary's family since 1854. Gary has worked on the farm his entire life. Now, it is a greenhouse and nursery, but in years past they raised potatoes, asparagus, cabbage, corn, celery, and even raised 100 head of grain fed beef cattle.

For 35 years Linda was a hairdresser. They added a beauty parlor to the back of the main house so she could work from home, because in addition to being a hairdresser she kept the books for the farm business. Now their daughter, Tammy runs the beauty parlor and Todd's son takes care of the bookkeeping for the greenhouse business. Son, Terry runs the greenhouse while son Todd, retired from UPS, works there as well. The business employs six people full time and 23 as seasonal employees. The season runs from February first until the last day of October each year, a full nine months.

Linda and Gary moved to the Meadows in 1999. For several years prior to that they had been coming down to the Meadows during the football season playoffs with four other couples. Gary remembered, “There were 17 Buffalo area families living in the Meadows.” On one of the trips, “a friend bought three houses in one day. The next day he bought four more to sell to other friends.” said Gary.

That prompted Gary and Linda to start looking for a place of their own to buy. A lawyer that lived here was interested in selling and wanted to leave all the furnishings except, a baby grand piano, a desk, and his clothing. That was perfect for Linda and Gary who were interested in being “snowbirds” and not wanting to furnish a house right away. So, Gary wrote him a check and that sealed the deal.

When asked for words to live by, Gary offered: “Keep working. If you stop, you rust, if you rust, you're done.”



## New Year's Party

We had a very successful New Year's Eve Party on Dec 31, 2022! Meadow's homeowners and friends enjoyed a great evening and over 80 people participated in the fun. We enjoyed dancing with non-stop music provided by the wonderful DJ, Eddie B and Company who kept us hopping. A delicious buffet was provided all night long with great food and the photo booth also added to the fun. Champagne at each table helped us ring in the New Year!



There was also a bagel brunch on Sunday, January 22nd that was attended by over 60 of our Meadow's residents. A 50/50 raffle was held, winners were Rosalie Ray and Terry Taddeo along with 2 great games of musical bingo, whose winners were Marta Hanlon and Robin Markarian. Bagels, fruit, and mimosas were served, and everyone had a great time!

Neither of these events could happen without a great team of volunteers! I would like to thank the many volunteers from those who help set up to those who graciously stay afterwards to help with the cleanup! It could not be done with you!



**2023 Social & Travel Club Committee**



## **Social & Travel Club**

Hello and Happy New Year from your Social and Travel Club!

Join the Social & Travel Club and enjoy some fun events. Dues are \$5.00 per person for the year. It's never too late to join. Bring your money and membership form to the office. This is what we have planned thus far:



Saturday, February 4, 2023 – Valentines Party with entertainment by Roy Michaels.

Saturday, March 11, 2023 – St. Patty's Party with entertainment by Eddie B & Company.

Saturday, April 8, 2023 – 50's Dance – entertainment not yet scheduled.

Sunday, April 30, 2023 – 2nd Annual Ice Cream Social

Look for the flyers in your newsletter each month. We look forward to seeing you!

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## **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!



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## **Veteran's Club**

The Veteran's Club meets at **3pm on the 3rd Wednesday of every month** in the Clubhouse. Sure, we swap war stories. But our main purpose is to help Veterans, their families & caregivers through contacts at the Veterans Administration, Florida Department of Veterans Affairs, Disabled American Veterans, 2 local American Legion Posts, and Marine Corps League. Come on by to swap a story, or for help with a problem. Any questions contact Jim Wells at: [jrwells5@gmail.com](mailto:jrwells5@gmail.com)

## The Meadows Welcome Wagon

Lot 245 Robert and Jacquelyn Louise Scheel from Irving, Texas  
Lot 322 Darryl and Kathleen Schoen from Deerfield Beach, Florida  
Lot 239 Ioannis (Yanni) and Theodora Maroudas from Long Island, NY  
Lot 384 Bejarano Javier and Maria Cabrera from Brentwood, NY



I am looking for a resident to be part of the Welcome Wagon. This is all done over the phone. After their welcome call, a bag is delivered to their home about various community activities and local businesses. Please call Ed MacDonald at 954-421-7440 or advise Mary Anne at HOA office.

## 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 **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

Join us for Bunco on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the cardroom. Bunco is a fun dice game that is easy to learn. We are considering playing twice a month, if you are interested in playing, contact Jackie Wright at 561-962-5450.

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# February 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
Patricia	Dionne	1	Vivian	DiDonato	15
Dana	Courtney	1	Linda	Dudley	16
Leonard	Raymond	2	Marie	Plaisir	16
Eleni	Litsas	3	Juliana	Valido	16
Terry	Taddeo	3	John	Murphy	16
Gerard	Kleiman	3	Joanne	Owen	17
Ximina	Guitierrez	4	Janet	Summers	18
Fred	Vocatura	5	Gary	Pollack	19
Lisa	Jimenez	5	LaTanya	Scott	19
John	Moitoza	6	Sylvia	Ruggiero	20
MaryAnn	Adelson	6	Nancy	Ellis	20
Feliccenne	Joseph	6	Kevin	McCaffery	20
Benoit	Mordecai	6	James	Dinoto	22
Debbie	Simon	8	Orva June	Giese	22
Rodrigo	DaSilva	10	Martin	Minch	22
Jenny	Kay	11	Neusa	Vieira	23
Norma Jean	Brueck	11	Mini	Bougayou	24
Lee R	Hoven	11	Edward	Applegate	25
Angel	Calderon	11	Claude	Morrison	25
Donald	Courtney	11	Angela	Campbell	26
John	Bryan	12	Lorenzo	Concepcion Bayola	27
Anne	Lyons	15	Kelley	Giasullo	28
S. Jim	Sileno	15	Pat	Smith	28

## Anniversaries




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

Lorenzo & Martha	Concepcion Bayola	6
William & Sally	Pautz	11
Jose & Yvonne	La Puerta	14
David & Barbara	Cucerzan	15
Myongnam & Soon Hee	Song	18
Henry & Marie	Plaisir	19
Greg & MaryAnn	Adelson	19
Adolfo Hugo & Lisa	Jimenez	19
Anthony & Hellen	Cannone	22
Joao & Adosinda	Rodrigues	23
Maurico & Lilian	Fernandes	25
Robert & Jacqueline	Smith	25



# February 2023

January '23							March '23						
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 Aqua's 11am pool	2 Happy Groundhog Day Bocce 9:30am Bridge 12:30 PM Mahjong 6:30 PM	3 Aqua's 11am pool Rob's Guitar jamm 1:00 PM	4 Valentine's Day Party 6-10 PM
5	6 Aqua's 11am pool Mahjong 1:00PM	7 Bocce 9:30am Zoom Club 3pm Bingo 7:00PM	8 Aqua's 11am pool Bunco 7:00PM	9 Bocce 9:30am Bridge 12:30 PM Mahjong 6:30 PM	10 Aqua's 11am pool Rob's Guitar jamm 1:00 PM	11 Make a Friend Day
12 Super Bowl Sunday 	13 HOA Meeting 7.00 PM Aqua's 11am pool Mahjong 1:00PM	14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i> Bocce 9:30am Zoom Club 3pm Bingo 7:00PM	15 Veterian's Club New time 3PM Social/Travel Club Meeting 7PM Aqua's 11am pool	16 Bocce 9:30am Bridge 12:30 PM Mahjong 6:30 PM	17 Aqua's 11am pool Rob's Guitar jamm 1:00 PM	18 National Drink Wine Day
19 Coast Guard Reserve Birthday	20  Office Closed Aqua's 11am pool Mahjong 1:00PM	21 Bocce 9:30am Zoom Club 3pm Bingo 7:00PM	22 Washington's Birthday  Ash Wednesday Aqua's 11am pool	23 Bocce 9:30am Bridge 12:30 PM Mahjong 6:30 PM	24 Aqua's 11am pool Rob's Guitar jamm 1:00 PM	25
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