

Meadow Pointe II Clubhouse

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Office Hours: Daily 8am-10pm

Fitness Center: (M-F) 5am-9:45pm;
(S-S) 8am-9:45pm

Pool Hours: Daily; 10am - 30 minutes before
Dusk

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Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. All are welcome!

MPII Resident Council

The resident council is a group of volunteers that work to make our community a better place to live.

Representatives are needed for the following villages:, Colehaven, Covina Key, Glenham, Vermillion and Wellington.

Walgreens

FLU SHOT CLINIC AT MPII CLUBHOUSE

The Meadow Pointe II Residents Council has scheduled a flu and pneumonia shot clinic at the Meadow Pointe II clubhouse on Saturday, September 7th, 2013 from 1 pm-3 pm with Walgreens. Pharmacists and qualified technicians from Walgreens will be providing flu and/or pneumonia shots at a discounted rate. Walgreens staff will be on site to take all major medical and Medicare insurance information. To speed up the process, forms will be available at the Meadow Pointe II clubhouse for you to fill out before the clinic date. Please stop by and pick one up.

Glen Aleo MPII Resident

RESIDENT COUNCIL

UPDATE AUGUST 2013

The Resident Council thanks Dennis Costa of MP I for contributing ideas to our July meeting.

- We will soon be selling lanyards for your identification cards. The cost is \$4.
- Mark your calendars for the Immunization Clinic that will be held on September 7th, 2013 from 1 to 3 pm. Walgreens' pharmacist will provide flu shots, pneumonia shots and blood pressure checks. We will also have a bloodmobile available. This clinic is open to all Meadow Pointe residents.
- We are planning a Halloween Costume Party and parade for Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 5-7 pm.
- If you are having mailbox issues, you can call "Mailboxes by Mark" at 382-6807. He can clean and paint your mailbox for as low as \$35. He

can completely replace – including paint and installation – the whole thing for only \$200. (In most cases, depending on landscaping.)

- As you can see, our newly organized Resident Council is striving to make our community a great place to live. To continue, we need your help. Please become active. The Council is open to all residents, owners as well as renters.
- Our meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. Bring your creative ideas to our next one on 14 August 2013, at 7 PM. Representatives are needed for the following villages: Colehaven, Covina Cove, Glenham, Sedgewick, Vermillion and Wellington. Contact Diana Cline at 813-994-8555 for more information.

Diana Cline,
Resident Council Facilitator



Pool Hours

By Earle McDonald
MPII Newsletter
Coordinator

This is an update and clarification on our MPII pool hours. Our pool is open daily, weather permitting, from 10am until 30 minutes before dusk. Closing of the pool, due to weather or approaching dusk, is at the life-guard's discretion. When no lifeguard is present, the MPII office and maintenance staff will determine pool closings. Obviously we want the pool to be open as much as possible, but safety is our first priority and per Florida Regulation 64E-9.008(8), the pool must be closed by 30 minutes before sunset. Thank you for your understanding and please enjoy the pool – especially this summer!

MEADOW POINTE II INFO

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By **Earle McDonald** MPII Newsletter Coordinator

Keeping Us Safe

As many of you are already aware, in May and June numerous area business were burglarized – including two within Meadow Pointe – the CVS and John Long Middle School. Three suspects have recently been arrested. It is believed all three suspects were at the time living together here in Meadow Pointe.

Apparently, they didn't count on the dedication of our Sheriff Deputies. When the detectives investigating the robberies showed some photos to Rick Meagher, one of MPII's two deputies, Rick immediately knew who they were. Rick, as one of our deputies, takes his role in our community very seriously. He knows our neighborhood and the residents very well, and he was key in the apprehension of these three suspects.

When you see Deputy Rick or Deputy Ben in our neighborhood,

introduce yourself. They are here to help, and to keep us safe. ❖

Lightning Struck

Tampa. The word tampa means “sticks of fire” in the language of the Calusa – a Native American tribe that once lived here in the bay area. For hundreds of years we humans have been acutely aware of the frequency of lightning in this area. However, last month, the Clubhouse staff became a little more intimately aware of the power of mother nature.

On Tuesday, July 2nd, a typical afternoon storm was brewing in our area. MPII staff member Otis Wathington noticed a young lady sitting and resting at the table just outside the clubhouse doors. He went out to encourage her to come inside because the sky looked like it was getting dangerous. Just as they turned to enter the Clubhouse, with a crash of thunder a bolt of lightning hit right at the Clubhouse



flagpole. Otis and the young resident made it safely inside.

The Clubhouse itself did not fare so well. The energy from the strike, after blasting a small hole in the ground at the foot of the flagpole, surged through the Clubhouse, damaging numerous pieces of equipment, including phone lines, at least 3 PCs, the brand new TV in the lobby, and much more. The staff acted quickly to make the best of things, with Mary DiPeri using

her cell phone to contact various vendors to get services restored as quickly as possible.

Some things were fixed very quickly, some took days. But ultimately everything was taken care of. And we were reminded of an important lesson: be smart in extreme weather. We're in the midst of hurricane season, so let's all be prepared and be smart so we can stay safe. ❖

MPII CLUBS

BOOK CLUB Contact Joan Abrams at 813-907-8329 or email: ah2wcn97@aol.com.

BOOT CAMP MPII clubhouse is now offering fitness classes provided by Simply B. This program is designed for all ages and fitness levels. Check them out at www.simplybhealthy.com. Founder & instructor Briana Michel can be reached directly at 727-238-5310.

BROWNIE/DAISY/GIRL SCOUT TROOPS Several Troops meet at MPII. Contact your local troop for meeting dates and times.

COME DANCE WITH US Adult & Children's classes in ballet, hip-hop & kids Zumbatomic for ages 4-12. For more info, contact Cheryl Morris at 813 973-2018 or email Director@comedancewithus.biz.

DANCE CONNECTION Couples and singles welcome. Learn Foxtrot, Waltz, and East coast swing. Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 pm - 8 pm. For more info contact John Glandon at 813-929-7652.

MAH JONGG Experienced players preferred. Group meets most Fridays from 1-4:30 pm. Contact Dolly at 994-9035 for more info.

MEN'S CLUB Meets Friday nights at 6 pm for cards. For more info, call the clubhouse at 813-991-5016.

PAPER CRAFTING CLASS Come create unique specialty items, all tools & supplies provided. 2nd Tuesday each month 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Contact Tina at 586-909-3970 or TinasCraftyCorner.com.

PIANO LESSONS Individual and group piano/keyboard classes.

Join us for a great, fun way to learn the keyboard! For more info, call Anya at 813-417-3976.

PICKLEBALL CLUB Meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 pm. Anyone interested in learning the game come join us! Email Renee at: rglassman@tampabay.rr.com.

SWIM LESSONS American Red Cross swim lessons are available at the pool. Call Susan at 1-800-305-1050 to schedule.

TAMPA BAY NEWCOMERS A group for all women in MP II, whether they are new to the area or established. Meet every Wednesday to play Mah Jong from 12:30 pm - 4 pm. If Mah Jong is not for you, they also host many other activities including luncheons, outings, bowling, book club, card games and much more. For more info contact Rose 991-4040.

TENNIS LESSONS Brando Tennis Academy. Teaches private and group classes to juniors and adults. I.T.F. Certified. Former Davis Cup player from Zambia. For more info, call 813 767-7041. www.tennisbrando.com.

WOMENS CLUB Meets the last Friday of every month for board games. Contact Marilyn at 813-929-3812.

YOUMOVEGIRL.COM 30 minute Core Fusion: Abs, Core, Stretching class meets Mondays 5:45 pm - 6:15 pm. www.youmovegirl.com.

ZUMBA Adult classes on Mondays from 7:30 pm-8:30 pm & Wednesdays from 9:30 am-10:30 am. www.zumbaonwheels.com or call Maggie at 438-2620



A Sports Hero in our Midst.

By **Earle McDonald** MPII Newsletter Coordinator

It was almost two years ago the first time Scott heard about a wheelchair basketball league. His sister told him that there was going to be an exhibition for wheelchair basketball at the USF campus. Scott Kiefer, a Meadow Pointe II resident, decided to attend that exhibition and see what it was all about.

The recently formed Tampa Bay Strong Dogs put on a display of wheelchair basketball that did more than impress Scott – it inspired him. Born with Spina Bifida, Scott has spent his entire life in a wheelchair or a scooter. But he’s always loved

sports, and he’s always loved playing sports. In spite of his physical disability, Scott has participated and competed in bowling, swimming, and wheelchair racing. The Strong Dogs and the National Wheelchair Basketball Association had given him a new passion – hoops.

Unfortunately, with the NWBA, it’s not as simple as signing up or trying out for the team. While the NWBA does contain the members of the U.S. Paralympic team, the league is comprised of hundreds of amateur athletes, ranging in age from 8 to over 60. Nearly all of these athletes

have to buy their own specialty sports chair in addition to paying for almost all their expenses, including travel, during the season. Scott would not be dissuaded however. He saved for a year to buy his chair, and joined the league as a member of the Strong Dogs this past season.

The team had a terrific season and qualified for the National Championship tournament in Louisville in April. “When we got into the arena, my jaw dropped and my eyes bugged out!” Scott recalled. The Strong Dogs play their home games at Therapeutic Services All People’s Life Center, so walking into the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center was a bit of a shock – a 12 court facility with six NCAA Final Fours in its history.

The Strong Dogs were not so overwhelmed that they couldn’t compete however. They played fantastic basketball in the tournament and finished 2nd in the nation in their division for the 2012-13 season. Scott is, deservedly, quite proud of himself and his teammates. They are more than just athletes and teammates though; they

are his friends - friends with similar circumstances in life, whether the cause is disease, a birth defect, an accident, or a military injury. These friends know what each other goes through every day, and they support each other in their unending quest to pursue the same happiness in life that we all do. The next time you see Scott practicing here at the MPII Clubhouse, congratulate him on the tourney, and be inspired by him.

We would like to make articles like this a series – Resident Profiles. If you or your neighbor has a story to share, contact Earle McDonald at MPII (earlemcdonald@mpicdd.org) ❖



NWBA 2013 champions.