

Meadow Pointe II Clubhouse

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Office Hours: Daily 8am-10pm

Fitness Center: (M-F) 7am-9:45pm;
(S-S) 8am-9:45pm

Pool Hours: Daily 10am - 30 minutes before Dusk. Except Wed.: 12 noon - 30 minutes before Dusk.

Meadow Pointe II CDD Supervisors

Mike Cline: Chair

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

Meadow Pointe II Residents' Council

The Residents' Council is a group of volunteers that work to make our community a better place to live.

Diana Cline, Chair, eang211@verizon.net

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

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NEWS BITS

A FEW WORDS FROM THE BOARD

The CDD Board of Supervisors would like to give everyone some advance notice. Effective October 1st, the Clubhouse will be closing one hour earlier - at 9pm instead of 10pm. This will affect all seven days per week. Opening times will stay the same (8am). The new hours effective 10/01/2015 will be:

Office: 8am-9pm

Pool: 10am-30 minutes before dusk (Wed. 12 noon opening)*

Playground: 8am-dusk*

Tennis Courts: 8am-8:45pm

Fitness Center: 7am-8:45pm M-F,
8am-8:45pm S-S

Basketball: 8am-8pm*

Shuffleboard: 8am-dusk*

*Unaffected by this change

MPII SEMI-ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The semi-annual MPII Community Garage Sale is coming up! The fall event will be on Saturday, October 10th from 8am - 2pm. Remember, there will be a lot of traffic through the villages that morning and all gated villages will be open. This is a great opportunity to do some seasonal cleaning, purge the house of clutter, and make some cash along the way! Goodwill will have a truck standing by at the Clubhouse parking lot if you have any unsold items to donate.

If you're new to selling or a bit rusty, here are some garage sale tips:

- Organize and prepare - in the weeks leading up, gather your "inventory" and place it together
- Price as many items as possible - use stickers, tape, tags - something. Pricing helps!
- Haggle! Many garage sale customers haggle. Remember your goal is to purge.
- Involve the kids! - A sale is a great opportunity to get rid of their old stuff too. Let them have some of the money for their items and put them to work.
- Bundle - Retailers do it, you should too. Put things together and price them as a group. You can always split them up later if necessary.

- Clean a little - No one wants to buy dirty, dusty old things. Wipe everything down and clean things up a little before they go on display for sale.

- Have change ready - Small bills and quarters are especially helpful.

- Have a lot out! - If you don't have a lot, partner up with a neighbor or two and display together. Browsers often drive slowly through a village but only stop for "bigger" sales.

If you follow these tips and have some good stuff out, you should be able to get rid of a lot and make some nice extra money!

RESIDENTS' COUNCIL CORNER

The Residents' Council has a very busy upcoming schedule with several great events for us all! First up, they are hosting an Immunization Clinic on Saturday, September 19th here at the Clubhouse. Walgreen's will be on hand from 1 - 3pm doing a variety of immunizations. Please bring your insurance card and ID. Also, the wonderful folks from OneBlood will be here taking donations! Please donate blood if you're able! A single donation can save up to three lives!

Also, on October 24th, from 3 - 7pm (with 10/25 2 - 6pm as a rain date) the R.C. will be hosting the annual Halloween FunFest here at the Clubhouse! This is always a popular event for area families. The day will feature a terrific haunted maze in addition to the children's costume parade and contest. In each of the last two years, there have been hundreds of kids in the costume parade - it's quite the sight to see! Mark the calendar, you won't want to miss it!

SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS

7th - Labor Day - MPII wishes all our residents a Happy Labor Day - a holiday to honor the American workers, and how they contribute to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

11th - Patriot Day - MPII acknowledges Patriot Day, a national day of mourning for the events of 9/11/01. Please join in the national moment of silence at 8:46 am.

13th - Rosh Hashanah - MPII wishes all who celebrate, a very Happy Rosh Hashanah!

Shanah Tovah!

23rd – Autumnal Equinox/Fall Begins – At 4:22 am on the 23rd, Fall officially begins at the Autumnal Equinox.

23rd – Yom Kippur – MPII wishes all who celebrate Yom Kippur an Easy Fast. Tzom Kal. G'mar Hatimah Tovah.

24th – Eid al-Adha – MPII would like to wish all who celebrate it, a very Happy Eid al-Adha! Eid Mubarak!

GROUNDWATER POLLUTION

Throughout most of the 20th century the biggest contributor to groundwater pollution was industrial waste. By the 1970's, increased awareness, new governmental regulations, and environmental activism helped alleviate nearly all industrial contributions to groundwater pollution as well as clean up much of the damage that had already been done. Unfortunately, the fight against groundwater pollution is nowhere near over.

The biggest contributor to groundwater pollution these days is us. What each of us, usually unknowingly, allow to enter the stormdrains or seep into the ground is polluting our own water.

The stormdrain system is designed to carry clean rainwater away from homes and streets to prevent flash flooding. This clean water is then fed directly into area ponds (natural and man-made), marshes, lakes, rivers, and underground aquifers. There is no economically feasible way to treat or filter water in the stormwater system. This means that every pollutant that comes in contact with stormwater is carried back into our water supply.

When we have chemicals of any kind at home (fertilizer, pesticides, gas, oil, paint, etc.), we must dispose of them properly. Pasco County will take items like these at the East Pasco Transfer Station in Dade City. Perhaps the most important thing we can do is to ensure that our grass clippings and yard waste never get into the storm drains or dumped in ponds and conservation areas. These simple steps, if we all execute them, will help tremendously and will go a long way to ensuring that we, and future generations, can enjoy clean water and a beautiful, SAFE, environment.

For more information, the following websites are excellent:

www.pascocountyfl.net/stormwater

http://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/publications/files/FFL_Plant_Selection_Guide.pdf

<http://www.waterencyclopedia.com/Oc-Po/Pollution-of-Groundwater.html>

MPII EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

It is with great pleasure that MPII announces the Employee of the Month for July is Brenda Ortiz! Brenda has been a staff member for almost two years now. She's originally from a big family in Puerto Rico. She has 4 brothers, 7 sisters, and 26 nieces and nephews! Most of the family still lives in Puerto Rico, but Brenda and one of her sisters have moved to Florida.

Brenda lives with her daughter, and is a very dedicated single mom. When she's



not here at work, she spends almost all her time with her daughter. They love going to parks, movies, and Busch Gardens. On the rare occasions she's not spending quality time with her daughter, Brenda loves to play volleyball and read – especially anything by Pulitzer Prize winning author Gabriel Garcia Marquez.

Five days a week however, she spends her time at MPII. As one of our key Custodial Maintenance staff members, she is a big reason why the Clubhouse and facilities look as good as they do. She also steps up whenever she's needed. A contributing factor to her being named Employee of the Month was just such an instance. Everyone remembers the ridiculous amount of rainfall we received the last week of July and early August. Well, one Saturday the inclement weather took down a big tree on CDD property in Morningside and it blocked most of the road. Brenda stayed over two hours late that day helping cut the tree with a chainsaw and removing everything from the road to ensure our residents could drive safely.

Brenda is a very dedicated team member and steps up in so many ways. That is why she's the MPII Employee of the Month for July. Congratulations Brenda!

MPII CLUBS

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

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

MAH JONGG The Mah Jongg Group meets Mondays from 1 - 5 pm. The Newcomers Group also meets for Mah Jongg on Wednesdays from 12:30 - 4:30. Come by for more information.

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.

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.

PINOCHLE CLUB Meets the 2nd and 4th Friday each month from 6-9pm. Come by for more information.

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

SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB Teams forming now for shuffleboard. Mondays & Thursdays at 6:30. All skill and experience levels welcome. Contact Diana Cline at 813-994-8555.

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 Erika 949-9401.

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.

YARN CLUB Meets every Thursday night from 6-8pm. Open to all adults who knit or crochet - all skill levels welcome.

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