The Voice of MeadowCroft

March 2018

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President's Message

By Board President, Trudy Lukus

Results of the organizational meeting
Feb. 6th, 2018
Your New Executive Board Members
President – Trudy Lukus
Vice President – Jay Frederick.
Secretary – Teresa Alford
Treasurer – Ronald Gibson
Additional Board Members: Vaun McAhren, Roy Shelton and Ned Vegnone
Teresa Alford will be the Board liaison for the MeadowCrofter's Social Club.

- Five Board members met with our insurance agent this week to approve changes to our insurance policies which will result in savings on our premium for the year while getting better protection.

-Beginning March 1st our new Spectrum contract goes into effect. The important changes will be 2 HD boxes for every unit and the addition of internet service to our cable service. This will result in lower cable costs for most residents. To set up your service please call them at **1-855-222-0102 AFTER March 1st**. They may not have correct information available before this date, as they are setting up to accommodate our new services. The office will not be scheduling or handling any of the services, residents must call Spectrum themselves.

-I would like to thank Jerry Unland, his daughter and our wonderful crew for their help in the planting of our new bushes to help beautify MeadowCroft!

The next board meeting will be held on March 27th, 2018 at 7:30 PM

MANAGER'S REPORT

By Paula Sypher, Manager

Total annual rentals in MeadowCroft are 33 or 10% As of February 1st, 2018 we have four (4) units with liens, with a total of $14,822.70.

-Fire extinguisher inspection will start March 14th
March 14th Drop off
March 15th Inspection
March 16th Pick up.
- Paintings of buildings will start **April 2nd, 2018**. A notice will be sent to each unit owner.
The following buildings will be painted 5, 15, 20, 24, 25, 30, 36.
- The following building will be pressure washed 8, 12, 29, 34. A notice will be sent out to all owners.

-Don't forget to check your smoke detectors and turn your clocks forward on March 11th! Then fill out the "Smoke Alarms" form attached to this month's Voice and return it to the office!

A big thank you to our Garden Club! As your manager, I want you to know that I appreciate everything you do for MeadowCroft. The berms are beautiful! Thank You!

MEADOWCROFTER'S REPORT

A message from the president of the MeadowCrofters – Kathleen Ferranti

We will have CPR training course by Frances Miller, RN on:
March 1st at 10:00AM, March 2nd at 2:00PM and on March 3rd at 2:00PM

Mar. 8th at 11:30AM – We will have Kristen DesErmia PHD, of Ascent Audiology speak to us about hearing problems. A lite lunch will be provided by Kristen.

Mar. 9th at 11:00AM - In the clubhouse we will be holding the MeadowCrofter Officers agenda meeting. This is an open meeting, and everyone is welcome.

MeadowCrofter's Cont…

Mar. 10th at 9:30AM - Coffee & donuts at 9:30 am and MeadowCrofter's meeting at 10:00 am.

Mar. 17th at 5:00PM – MeadowCrofter's St. Patrick's Day Dinner (See Box).

Garden Club

Monday, March 5th at 10:30

The garden club gets together every Thursday at 9:00AM for some light gardening, for no more than an hour. Please see calendar for locations. If you would like to volunteer your time, please call Audrey Verchot 941-792-9516.

Meadowcroft Singles March Outings

By Elizabeth Spahn

Times listed are for meeting in the parking lot of the MeadowCroft clubhouse for carpool.

- 2/25 Sunday, 12 pm. **Venice Italian Festival**. Food, swing and oldies music.
- 3/1 Thursday, 5:30 pm. **Sarasota Circus** "Ovation". 32 circus acts under the Big Top. $20. RSVP by Thursday, February 22nd to Liz Spahn. Elizabeth.spahn@gmail.com (preferred) or 617-957-8383.
- 3/5 Monday, 2 pm. **Pool Party**. Dinner after TBD.
- 3/11 Sunday, 10 am. **Horse Races at Tampa Downs**. $3 admission.
- 3/21 Wednesday, 5:45 pm. **Karaoke** at American Legion. Dinner & drinks available. 2000 75th St. W, Bradenton
- 3/22 Thursday, 5 pm. **Planning Meeting** at the Clubhouse.
- 3/26 2-4 pm. **Open House at Barbara Giggey's**. Bring hors d'oeuvres and wine, beer or soft drinks to share. Building #21 1310 56th St. W.
- 4/8 Sunday, 3 pm. **Music from the 1950s**. Bay Chorale. Neel Auditorium, 5840 26th St W, Bradenton. $15 at the door.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Catered by Broadway Catering

Menu

Corned Beef & Cabbage with Vegetables
Potatoes
Salad
Bread & Butter
Dessert

Saturday, March 17th, 2018

Cocktails: 5:00 – 6:00p.m. (BYOB)
Dinner: 6:00 PM

Cost: $11.00

Entertainment Will be Provided

Hosted by:
Kathleen Ferranti – 941-896-7295
Peggy Lake - Polachko

Sign up in the clubhouse
****Tableware Provided****

Don't Forget

Your new Maintenance Fees start **March 1st, 2018**. The new fees are listed on the back of this Voice. Please call the office for more information. 941-792-9151.

Fire Extinguisher Inspections

Wednesday, March 15th, 2018

Drop off extinguishers on March 14th, 2018.
Pick Up extinguishers on March 16th, 2018.

Don't forget to check your smoke detectors and fill out and return the form to the office!

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

Please bring non-perishable and canned foods to the clubhouse and place in the boxes by the front door. These items will be donated to the St. Joseph Food Pantry to help feed less fortunate individuals and families. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity!

Safety While Walking

Many of our residents walk MeadowCroft on a daily basis. So here is a little reminder of walking safety procedures!

1. **Walk on the left side of the road (towards traffic).**
2. **Wear reflectors, lights and light or bright clothing.**
3. **Always carry your identification, when walking.**

Lost Mail

If your mail is stolen or missing from your mailbox, please report it to the post office at 1-877-876-2455.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS MARCH 11TH!!!

SET CLOCKS FORWARD 1 HOUR AT 2:00 AM!

Sunshine News

By Shirley Mould

IF YOU HAVE ANY NEWS CALL SHIRLEY AT 792-7652.

Get Well

Mike McKinney
Marlen Gerken
Patricia Stafford
Lou Ann Duffy
Skip Irving
Mary Grant
Pat LaBarr

Sympathy

Barbara Giggey for the loss of her companion Eduardo Cuellar
Family of Darlene Cook

Anniversary

Congratulations!

Skip & Bard Irving 70 years!
Audrey & Fred Verchot 67 years!

Q: What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover?

A: A rash of good luck.

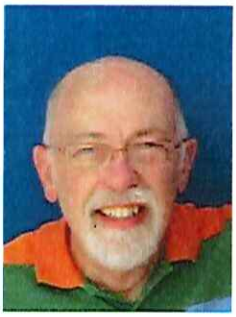
Q: Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?

A: Because they're always a little short.

NON – EMERGENCY POLICE NUMBER
932-9300 at menu, hit #1

For EMERGENCIES
dial 911

Treasurer's Report for March 2018



By Ron Gibson

As we begin a new fiscal year I have been looking at the progress over the past twelve months and want to review some of the things that have been accomplished.

Negotiated with the banks that hold our six reserve CDs to obtain higher interest rates.

Moved funds to new banks that offered higher rates.

Opened a brokerage account which gives us access to banks around the country.

Closed an account that paid .1%, or roughly $200 per month

Opened a new account paying 1.1%, increasing our return to more than $2000 per month

Reduced deposits where necessary to keep our funds within the FDIC protected limits.

Purchased a new $110,000 CD for reserve funds.

Retained a professional investment advisor.

All of these actions have increased our income while maintaining FDIC protection for all our deposits.

By next month, I will have the final figures for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Currently, a surplus is projected which will mean additional funds added to the MeadowCroft Reserves to take care of future maintenance issues.

MARCH 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Carport Cleaning Garden Club – 17th Ave. Entrance 10:00 CPR Training Clubhouse 5:30 M/C Singles – Sarasota Circus 7:30 Bingo	2 Carport Cleaning 2:00 CPR Training Clubhouse	3 11:30 Lunch Out Anna Maria Oyster Bar 2:00 CPR Training Clubhouse
4	5 10:30 Garden Club Meeting 1:00 Men's Poker 2:00 M/C Singles – Pool Party 7:00 Bridge	6 7:00 Game Night	7	8 Garden Club – 58th/15th 11:30 Ascent Audiology Luncheon Clubhouse 7:30 Bingo	9 11:00 Meadow-Crofters Officers Meeting	10 9:30 Meadow-Crofters Meeting, Coffee & Donuts.
11 10:00 M/C Singles – Horse Races Day Light Savings Time Begins! Spring Forward 7:00 Bridge	12 1:00 Men's Poker	13 7:00 Game Night	14 Drop Off Fire Extinguishers	15 Fire Extinguisher Inspection Garden Club – Main Entrance 59th 7:30 Bingo	16 Pick Up Fire Extinguishers	17 5:00 MeadowCrofter's St. Patrick's Day Dinner! St. Patrick's Day!
18 7:00 Bridge	19 1:00 Men's Poker	20 7:00 Game Night	21 5:45 M/C Singles Karaoke American Legion	22 Garden Club – 58th/12th 5:00 M/C Singles Planning Meeting 7:30 Bingo	23	24 11:30 Lunch Out Anna Maria Oyster Bar
25 7:00 Bridge	26 1:00 Men's Poker 2:00 M/C Singles Open House	27 7:30 Board Meeting	28	29 Garden Club – 17th Ave. Entrance 7:30 Bingo	30 Good Friday	31

**New Maintenance Fees Start March 1st!

**New Spectrum Contract is available after March 1st, please call Spectrum at 1-855-222-0102!

Old Main Street Farmer's Market every Saturday in October through May, from 9AM – 2PM, Old Main Street, Downtown Bradenton.

Village of the Arts – Art Walk Days: 1st Friday, 6-9:30pm and Sat. 11am – 4pm of every month. Eat, drink and walk through the lovely art village. 12th St. W. Bradenton

THESE ARE THE NEW MAINTENANCE FEES STARTING, MARCH 1st, 2018

OLD MAINT FEE	NEW MAINT FEE
$288.00	$288.00
$298.00	$298.00
$392.00	$394.00
$406.00	$407.00
$442.00	$443.00
$456.00	$457.00
$485.00	$486.00

11th AVENUE

$198.00	$179.00

Maintenance fees are due by the 10th of the month.
Late fees of $25.00 will be charged after the 10th.

Spectrum

January 29, 2018

CURRENT RESIDENT

BRADENTON, FL 35299

Dear Resident:

We are proud to inform you that Meadowcroft Condominium has signed an agreement with Spectrum to provide bundled TV and Internet service. Spectrum TV™ offers FREE HD, instant access to thousands of On Demand titles and 170+ live TV channels with the Spectrum TV App. Your new Spectrum TV and Spectrum Internet™ service will be available on **March 1, 2018.**

If you are an existing Spectrum TV Select customer, this new bundled TV agreement will replace these services and you will no longer be billed for them as of March 1, 2018. You will continue to receive a Spectrum invoice for any services that are in addition to the new bundled package. If you are not currently a Spectrum TV customer, please contact customer service at **1-855-222-0102** to opt into this package.

As a resident, you will be issued 2 Spectrum Receivers and 1 modem at no charge. To order your receiver(s) or additional equipment, please contact customer care at **1-855-222-0102** or visit your nearest Spectrum Store.

Please be advised the Spectrum Internet service provided does not support a Spectrum e-mail account, cloud storage, or Security Suite. Therefore, if you are a current Spectrum Internet customer, these Internet features will be disconnected when your Spectrum Internet service is migrated to the bundled services on March 1, 2018.

You may also want to consider adding Spectrum Voice™:

- Unlimited local and long distance calling in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and more
- No added taxes or fees like the phone company charges you
- FREE 411 calls and Voicemail

Need additional info or help? Call **1-855-222-0102** to learn more about our special offers.

Sincerely,

Spectrum Community Solutions

Install, other equipment, taxes, fees and surcharges extra; additional services are extra. General Terms: TV: Channel and HD programming availability based on level of service. Account credentials may be required to stream some TV content online. Apps are free with corresponding level of service. INTERNET: Available Internet speeds may vary by address. WiFi: Equipment, activation and installation fees apply. VOICE: Unlimited calling includes calls within the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands and more. Taxes and fees included in price. Services subject to all applicable service terms and conditions, subject to change: Services not available in all areas. Restrictions apply. All trademarks are the property of their respective owners. ©2018 Charter Communications.

Smoke Alarms

Please check **each** smoke alarm in your unit and ensure that they are working properly. Then sign the form below and return it to the office. **THIS IS MANDATORY!** All residents/tenants must sign and date the form below and return to the office at **5701 15th Avenue West, Bradenton, FL 34209**

I _____ have inspected all smoke detectors in the unit located
Print Name

at Address:_____Building #:_____ in Meadowcroft Condominiums; I attest that they are working properly.

_____ _____
Sign Name Date

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN TO OFFICE

EMERGENCY INFORMATION SHEET

fill out this portion of the form ONLY if information has changed!

Name _____ Address_____

Building #_____ Phone #_____

Emergency Contact(s)

(1)_____ Relationship_____

Phone #_____ Do They Have Key? _____

(2)_____ Relationship_____

Phone #_____ Do They Have a Key?_____