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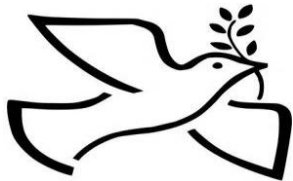
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Aluminum cans at office shed

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PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE FUN OF IT!



Condolences

To the family and friends of **Robert Miller**



Mobile Manor 101

(Thanks to Kathy Holder for this article.)

Mobile Manor subdivision consists of two very distinct corporations. Mobile Manor, Inc. (MMI) and Mobile Manor Water Inc. (MMW). The elected board of MMI is also the governing body of MMW. MMI has by-laws under which it operates. Members have an opportunity to take part in Community Meetings. An annual meeting must be held in February. The Board must seek approval of the membership on contracts over \$2,000. Mobile Manor is a 55 and older community and, as such, must register with the State of Florida and keep a census regarding the ages of the residents. MMW's regulations come from both the Public Service Commission and the Lee County Health Department and they are numerous. MMW is not governed by any of MMI's by-laws. MMW is only obligated to report once a year, nevertheless, a financial and activity report is given at each Community Meeting. Each corporation maintains its own bank accounts; however, they do interact in the following ways: (1.) MMW has a formal agreement with MMI to share office space. (2.) MMW and MMI contract with the same accounting firm. (3.) MMW and MMI share the cost of the Office Manager's salary.

Business



Social Club Meeting - Mar. 1st at 2 pm in the clubhouse.

Community Meeting - Mar. 3rd at 2:30 pm in the clubhouse.

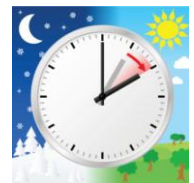
Board of Directors' Meeting - Mar. 22nd at 2 pm in the clubhouse.

The maintenance fee for 2016 is \$28.00 per month (\$336 per year). If you are one of the approximately 200 owners who pay maintenance fees, thank you. If you are one of the approximately 100 owners who do not pay maintenance fees, please consider doing so. If you would like to pay maintenance fees, but just can't afford to pay all of it, please contact Bonnie at the office. She may be able to work something out. Either way your conversation will be strictly confidential.



The "Mobile Manor Survey on Deed Restrictions" which was recently distributed to the community resulted in 81 responses including 3 emails. This was somewhat disappointing since 275 surveys were sent out. The results were as follows: 26 responders were interested in Option 1, 25 in Option 2, and 30 in Option 3. Because of the limited response, the Board decided to keep the committee intact, but to table the issue for now. That allows the committee to meet occasionally and to resume the process easily. Butch Sims, his committee, and the Board of Directors thanks everyone who participated.

Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 am Sunday, March 13th. Please don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead.



Please welcome the following new residents to the Mobile Manor community:

David Pfautz and Philip Vanous



Rumor-The Board is falsely claiming that the community granted permission to implement the security project at the February Community Meeting.

Status-False. According to the meeting minutes, Kathy Holder said that, "approval of the 2016 budget will authorize continued major improvements to the roads and the implementation of a Park security system". Not only that, but following her comments and before the vote, there was considerable discussion about the security plan. Granted, on the advice of the vendor representative (Ryan Troxell of Tyco Integrated Security), few details about the nature of the system were given, but the nature of the discussion certainly indicated that this wasn't just another update as was given at the previous two community meetings. Tim Burchfield and Kathy Holder have been working on the security project. If there was confusion, they are sorry, but there was no intent on their part to deceive. The community's trust and support is essential for the success of all Board actions and it is especially crucial regarding community security. It is hoped that this clears up any misunderstanding.



To Paula DeFrancesco and Tim Dean for their cleanup work at Triangle Park. **To** Aggie Long, her son Matt, and grandkids for their work at Friendship Park. **To** Mic & Myrna Gray, Dee Saupp and Mary Ritter for the sausage and biscuit breakfast and coffee & donuts in Feb. **To** Ron Kirk, Jane Bidwell, Darrell Watson, Dick Verrill, Greg McAdam, Denise Gregoire, and Bob & Bonnie Gilliland for the Canadian/New England breakfast. **To** the Holders for another fun night of music, dancing and karaoke. **To** the Board for the Valentine's Day spaghetti dinner.

Raffle for 43" Vizio HD TV

You can still get tickets for a chance to win the Vizio D43-C1 43" 1080p LED TV. MMSC Board members have them for 1/\$5 or 3/\$10. The drawing will be at the March 3rd Community Meeting. No need to be present to win.



March

S=Signup, **P**=Pay at door, **D**=Donation

T=Tickets, **F**=Free, **CC**=Community Center

- Feb. 27th - Final donations for the Rummage Sale
- Feb. 29th - Shuffleboard-**CC** 1 pm
- 1st - Last day to sign up for Spring Luncheon-12N
- 1st - MMSC Meeting-**CC** 2 pm
- 3rd - Community Meeting-**CC** 230 pm
- 3rd - Rummage Sale Set-up-**CC** 4 pm
- 4th - Rummage Sale Set-up-**CC** 8 am
- 5th - Rummage Sale **CC** 8 am-2 pm w/ Coffee & Donuts, Bake Sale, Sloppy Joes
- 8th - Spring Luncheon-Cactus Jack's 12N \$16 **T**
- 13th - Ice Cream Social-**CC** 2 pm **F**
- 16th - Social Tea-**CC** 1 pm **F**
- 19th - Kathy & Tom Holder's Fun, Music, Dancing, & Karaoke-**CC** 730-1030 pm **S,D**
- 22nd - Board Meeting-**CC** 2 pm
- 27th - Happy Easter!! Easter Sunday Fried Chicken Dinner-**CC** 1 pm **S,D**
- 30th - Newsletter Distribution

"The Way We Were"



Mar., 1936-Hoover Dam completed, 1st flight of the Hindenburg, Mickey Gilley and Antonin Scalia born. Mar., 1941-1st Capt. America comic book published, 1st FM radio station went on air, Jimmy Stewart inducted into Army, Wilson Pickett and Charlie McCoy born. Mar., 1946-Ho Chi Minh became president of N. Vietnam, 1st U.S. rocket left earth's atmosphere, Liza Minnelli born. Mar., 1951-1st NBA All-Star game, the Rosenberg's tried and convicted of espionage, Kentucky NCAA basketball champs, Kurt Russell born. Mar., 1956-1st time Dow Jones closed over 500, 1st VCR demonstrated, "My Fair Lady" on Broadway for 1st of 2715 performances, Bryan Cranston born. Mar., 1961-Pres. Kennedy established Peace Corp, Poppin' Fresh introduced by Pillsbury, Elvis performed at Pearl Harbor to fund the USS Arizona Memorial, Ray "Boom-Boom" Mancini and Pam Oliver born. Mar., 1966 - Buffalo Springfield formed, "Ballad of the Green Berets" #1 hit, Casey Stengel elected to Hall of Fame, William Frawley (Fred Mertz) died.



Stewart



“Heads Up”

Please note these times because they have been reported inconsistently: Coffee and Donuts will be at 8 am in March and the Rummage Sale Set-up starting times are 4 pm on March 3rd and 8 am on March 4th.

Ray Pencherek reports that some dangerous emails have been circulating. They appear normal, but contain nothing but the address of a website for you to open. Be careful, you should not open a website in any email unless you are absolutely sure it's legitimate.

You can still sign-up for the Spring Luncheon until noon on March 1st. The luncheon is on March 8th at noon at Cactus Jack's and costs \$16. See Bonnie Gilliland or Judy Griffith to sign-up and pay.

Last month we thanked Dick Eurit, Roger Gaskill, and Carl Thom for fixing the shuffleboard court. Now they want to revive community interest in shuffling. To that end, on Monday, Feb. 29th at 1 pm, they will be at the court to meet with anyone who is interested in playing and/or learning to play. So, if you are an experienced player, a novice player, or somewhere in between, please plan to attend.

Darrell Grogan and Nancy McGrath are planning to run their St. Patrick's Day Parade 3 nights this month, the 16th, 17th, and 18th at 8 pm.

Volunteers to do Coffee and Donuts in March are direly needed. Please contact Nancy McGrath or Dee Saupp.

Snowbirds, before you leave be sure that everything is put away and battened down. Loose items can become deadly during hurricanes.

Because Water and Inc. are separate entities (see article on Page 1) and for auditing purposes, it is important to keep their finances separate as well. So, please don't combine payments for Water and Inc. on the same check.

If you can, bring your favorite tea and tea-cup to the Social Tea at 1 pm on the 16th. Otherwise they will be provided. You are welcome to bring finger-foods to share, too.

On Easter day at 1 pm Nancy & Darrell will provide fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, and drinks. You bring a side dish and your own place setting. Donations welcomed.

On Mar. 19th from 7:30-10:30 pm the Holders provide music, dancing, and karaoke for a St. Patrick's Day Dance. Donations welcomed.



“Rummage Sale”

It's almost here! All donations need to be turned in by Feb. 27th. Also, instead of one day to setup the sale, an extra day has been added. So, Mar. 3rd at 4 pm and Mar. 4th at 8 am will be devoted to preparing for the sale on March 5th from 8 am to 2 pm. Bakers unite!! Get your sale items ready and bring them in on Mar. 4th. To donate items or to volunteer contact Nancy McGrath at 239-652-0485 or Dee Saupp at 815-291-2510.



Here's an oldie but goodie. I remember my Mom making this back in the '40s
City Chicken

1/2 lb. pork
1/2 lb. veal
1 egg, beaten
Bread crumbs (seasoned if you want)
1 c. milk

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Cut pork and veal into 1" cubes. Thread on bamboo or wooden skewers, alternating chunks of pork and veal. Dip the skewers in the egg, then the bread crumbs, to coat. Sauté until browned. Put skewers in a baking pan, and add milk. Cover in foil, and bake about 1 hour.

“It's a Funny Life”



A simile is a figure of speech comparing two unlike things. It's introduced by "like" or "as". For example, "She's as fierce as a tiger" is a simile. A metaphor is implicit and doesn't use "like" or "as". For example, "She's a tiger when she's angry" is a metaphor. But enough English lessons. My favorite simile of all time was provided by a classmate of mine named Dave Hunter when we were both in Mrs. Talbot's English class in high school. When he was called upon to give an example of a simile, he looked Mrs. Talbot right in the eyes and said, "Mrs. Talbot, your teeth are like stars, they come out at night."

(Note: The editor of *Mobile Manor Monthly* encourages feedback and input regarding the newsletter. Be it criticism or praise, corrections or new topics, please let me know. I can be reached at 740-972-9445, or timburch22@gmail.com.)