

Mobile Manor Monthly

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Office: Bonnie Gilliland

MM Board Pres: Bob Martin

Tues – Garbage

150 Lantern Lane

Social Club Pres: Bonnie Gilliland

Wed – Recycles & Greens

N Ft Myers, FL 33917

Hayden and Assoc: 489-4890 (Emergencies, too) Aluminum cans at office shed

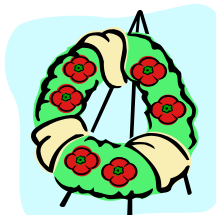
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PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE FUN OF IT!

Condolences

To the family and friends of:

Ruth Tharpe



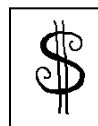
Business



Mobile Manor Social Club Meeting November 5th at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome. (From then on, there will be one meeting per month on the 1st Tuesday of the month.)

Mobile Manor Community Meeting November 7th at 2:30 p.m. An important vote on the by-law regarding elections will take place. Please try to attend.

The maintenance fee for 2013 is \$28.13 per month. The fee for 2014 will be \$28.00 per month.



*Since last Spring, every one living in Mobile Manor has been able to participate in all activities except voting. As of Nov. 15th participation will again be limited to those who pay maintenance fees. If anyone can't pay due to financial hardship please contact **Kathy Holder** who will attempt to find a remedy. Thanks to everyone for their cooperation.*

Fall Back !!



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour when Daylight Saving Time ends on November 3rd at 2:00 a.m.

Veterans Day

Nov. 11, 2013

Thank you to all who have served!! Originally called

*Armistice Day to celebrate and remember the end of WW I, Veterans Day was designated by Pres. Eisenhower in 1954 to honor all veterans. **Frank Woodruff***

***Buckles** was the last surviving American veteran of WW I. He died at age 110 in*

*2011. **John Henry Foster "Jack" Babcock** was the last surviving Canadian veteran of WW I. He died at age 109 in 2010. The*

*last surviving vet of any nationality was an English woman, **Florence Beatrice***

***Green**, who was a member of the Women's Royal Air Force. She died Feb. 4, 2012, two weeks shy of her 111th birthday. During most of our lifetimes, the last Civil*

War, American Indian Wars, Spanish American War, and WW I veterans have passed away. There are approximately

1.5 million WW II vets still living with a median age of about 92. If you know a

vet, thank them. If you encounter a vet you don't know, thank them. God bless them all.



Welcome

The MMSC board originally planned a New Residents' Welcome Reception for Nov. 3rd, but reconsidered after they realized that many people, both old and new, wouldn't be here yet. They rescheduled for Sunday, Dec. 8th at 2 p.m. They plan to hold a 2nd event in Jan. or Feb. The following is a list of new owners. **Kathleen Ballantine, Danny Barnes, Brian Bors, Ken & Beverly Boylan, Dan Branson, James & Vicky Burney, Evert & Ethel Carter, Carmen Chelariu, Marylou Clark, Richard Clem, Jr., Larry Conyers, Thomas DeAngelis, Michael Dooley, Hank Free, Mona Fungloy, Barry Holquist, Jacquelyn Kenoyer, Cessa Lecca, Kristina Mahoney, Donna Manford, Charles Mashburn, Jr., Melva Mathias, Greg McAdam, Khan McClure, Marie McGillicuddy, James Rowell, Richard Sanford, Anthony Secco, and Ray & Melody Tosch.** (Please contact me about corrections or omissions.)



Year-round residents have reported increased incidents of strangers loitering and traversing our streets this summer. Please be alert and don't be afraid to report inappropriate activity.

Speeding - Another season went by with no major incident regarding speeding; however, that may be just dumb luck. Let's don't press it. Please slow down and be safe.



November Events

S=Signup, P=Pay at door
T=Tickets, F=Free

28th - Thanksgiving Potluck 5 pm \$5 **S,P**
30th - Fall Dance 8-10:30 pm \$5 **S,P**
Music by Mike Russell.

Bingo continues at 7:00 pm on Monday nights with **Rick Gillispie** calling the numbers. Note: There is no Bingo on Monday, Nov. 11th. Check the calendar for Shuffleboard, Horseshoes, Hand & Foot, Pool, Cards, Quilting, etc.

Nov. 29th and 30th will be devoted to decorating the Community Center, inside and out. Please report at 9 am both days.

"The Way We Were"



"Where were you when JFK was shot?" It's hard to believe, but we have to go back 50 years to answer that question. Nevertheless, I'd guess that most people my age can remember. I was in a college office on the campus of Ohio State registering for winter quarter 1964 classes when a breathless young man rushed in and announced what had just happened in Dallas. A bunch of us ran outside, flagged down a white Chevy Corvair, and listened to what was unfolding on the car's radio. That little car, its driver, and 20 or so of us stayed right there in the middle of the street until the horrific news that the president was dead was announced. We then split up carrying a shared memory for a lifetime.

Event Updates

Hamsteak & Meatloaf Dinner - Oct. 12
Thirty-two people had good eats and a wonderful time at this unique dinner hosted by the Gillilands. Welcome to the eight newcomers who attended. Thank you Bonnie and Bob.

Spooky Dog Day - Oct. 26
The "Spooky" part was that 31 people ate 32 meals. Was there a ghostly presence responsible? "Boohahaha!!" Thanks to Helen and Rick Gillispie.



To Agnes Long and Elaine Morris for all the gardening they've done around the front entrance to the West side. It looks great, ladies. To Darrell Grogan and John Young and all their helpers for the Halloween Parade. They really out did themselves this year. To Nancy McGrath and Melody Fightmaster for hosting Coffee & Donuts in Oct.

Volunteers

We need someone to host the Thanksgiving Potluck and Coffee & Donuts this month. There will be many other chances to help. For instance, Jean Lemke has spent a lot of time the last few years organizing the library in the Community Center. Now she's ready to hang up her index cards and move on to something else. She would be available to help for awhile. If you're interested in these or other opportunities, please contact Bonnie Gilliland.



"It's a Funny Life"

The last time I featured my brother-in-law, Butch Sims, in this column he had declared that, "My numb is tongue.", and was stuck in our neighbor's front yard after a couple martinis. This summer he had another memorable experience being stuck somewhere. Butch, his wife Kathy, and his mother Katie were in the midst of a meal at their local O'Charley's restaurant when Butch excused himself to use the restroom. He carefully walked up a ramp, opened the restroom door, and right into an open stall. Shortly after he was comfortably seated, he noticed a metal box which looked to be some sort of receptacle on the wall to his left. As he was contemplating what it was, he heard the restroom door open which was abruptly followed by a woman's voice saying, "Judy, are you still in here? Are you all right?" If that wasn't enough, another woman's voice from the stall next door confirmed that yes, she was still in here, and, yes, she was OK. (I would give a lot of money to have seen the look on his face right then.) After he caught his breath, he tried to make himself as small as possible by hunkering down and pulling his legs and feet as far under him as he could. All the while, the reason he was in there in the first place kept "moving" right along. About the time he finished, the door opened and more women came trooping in and out. He's not sure how long he was trapped, but eventually he was able to extricate himself and get to the door. When he opened it he had to experience one more indignity as he found himself face-to-face with a scowling woman. He charged past her into the safety of the men's room to wash his hands. Sympathy was sparse when he returned to his table.

(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 543-5708, 740-972-9445, or timburch22@gmail.com.)