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NEWSLETTER FOR
RESIDENTS OF THE
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MPII NEWS

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Office Hours

Daily 8am—8:45pm

Fitness Center

M-F 7am—8:45pm
S/S 8am—8:45pm

Pool

Daily 9am—30 minutes
before dusk

Playground

Daily 9am—30 minutes
before dusk

Courts

Daily 8am—8:45pm



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Sometimes nature's beauty is smaller than deer, alligators, or even Sand Hill Cranes. This stunning shot of a monarch butterfly was taken in Tullamore. In 2022 monarchs joined the IUCN red list of endangered species. We must save these iconic pollinators.

Photo courtesy of Justina Perkins.

MPII Mailboxes

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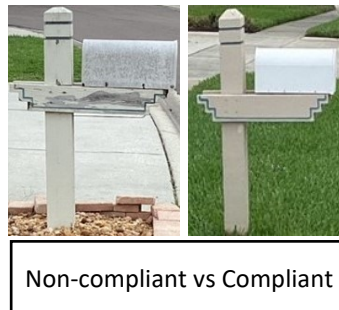
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The CDD Board of Supervisors holds public meetings twice each month. These are held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Clubhouse.

All MPII residents are welcomed and encouraged to attend. This is your CDD and attending meetings is the best way to stay informed and share your input.

The MPII CDD Board has approved PVC mailbox posts going forward! There is already one vendor approved for producing and installing the new PVC posts with hopefully a few others coming soon. Mailbox and post uniformity and appearance falls under the deed restrictions and will be more closely enforced in the near future. The PVC posts should make it easier for residents as they increase durability and longevity while minimizing maintenance and cleaning efforts.



The new PVC posts are easy to clean using 2-4 ounces of bleach mixed with 1 tablespoon of dish soap and 1 gallon of warm water. Just dip a rag and brush off dirt and grime quickly and easily.

Additionally, the Board approved vinyl numerals on the posts, but the font for the numerals should be Arial Bold and should always be black. This is part of the package from the vendor. For more details, stop by the Clubhouse or call during business hours. If you wish to convert to a PVC post, contact Ron

Gomez at 813-431-1901.

Notably, while the previous incarnation of approved wooden posts requires the MPII logo, no logo will be a part of the vinyl posts. So, if you get one of the new vinyl posts, no need to panic that the logo is “missing”!

If you are not ready to replace your post, but maybe it needs cleaning and/or touch up paint, the Clubhouse sells small quantities of both necessary colors of paint for \$3 each (\$6 for one of each color). The same replacement paint will work on either the new

PVC posts or previously approved wooden posts. If your existing post needs more repair than you can do yourself, our prior wood post vendors can help: Mark Glassman, 813-382-6807, mailboxesbymark@tampabayr.rr.com, Daneen Hallahan, 813-675-5078, daneen15@hotmail.com, or Harris Romaner, 813-991-6069, romanergraphics@gmail.com. Now is an ideal time to evaluate your mailbox and post, as the ARC/DRC Coordinator will be policing mailboxes in the coming weeks. If everyone’s mailbox posts look great, that will radically improve the overall appearance of the entire community!

New Look Fitness Center!

After a brief two-day closure about a month ago, the MPII Fitness Center has had a makeover! Brand new flooring was installed



of the new equipment was installed right after the new flooring was done.

Take a look at these pictures of the revamped

everywhere but the entry hall, and lots of new equipment was ordered and installed to replace some of the older gear.

fitness center! If you're trying to get in shape, this resource is better than it's ever been. If you haven't already got a fitness center add-on with your MPII ID, stop by the Clubhouse and we can get you set up in minutes. There's a one-time \$10 fee that's good as long as you remain an MPII resident! You'll also be given a short waiver to fill out and there is a minimum age of 18 for a standard fitness center membership. However, residents 15-17 can complete the waiver and be permitted to use the fitness center accompanied by a parent or guardian who also has fitness center privileges.

While several pieces are on backorder, we might be subject to the occasional brief closure in the future to replace pieces of equipment as they arrive, but that is usually only a few hours during one day here and there. The bulk



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Clubhouse offers
MPII residents
Notary Services at
no cost.

We have a certified
Notary on staff,
please call ahead
for availability.

Monthly MPII Trivia

Trivia – What is the oldest restaurant in Florida?

Answer on page 6.

MPII Food Truck Nights

With the growing popularity of food trucks in America, many communities have started having “food truck nights” at or near their Clubhouses or main areas. MPI and MPIII started doing this in our area some time ago.

One of MPII’s own residents, and member of the Residents’ Council, wished that MPII could host them as well. Ashley Thompson took it upon herself to ensure that MPII

wouldn’t be left out of the fun! She began organizing and hosting MPII Food Truck Nights



every Thursday shortly after the beginning of the year. Most Thursdays there are one or more amazing vendors in the Clubhouse parking lot for

everyone to enjoy!

Hungry residents can simply show up to the parking lot

Thursdays between 4-7 pm but if you want to scout out the vendors ahead of time, follow the [Food Truck Facebook page](#) (Meadow Pointe II Food Trucks and Events)!

This is yet another benefit to living in MPII, and residents from outside MPII are of course welcome!

It’s a great way to skip cooking one day a week, support local businesses, and enjoy a meal with some of your neighbors!



May is Jewish American Heritage Month

Stan Lee. Inspired by reading *The Scarlet Pimpernel* in his youth, Lee (born Stanley Martin Lieber) began his career by keeping the inkwells filled at Timely Comics. But his talents were recognized, and he rose quickly through the ranks to writer. He even continued to write content and mail it to New York while he served in the Army in WWII from 1942-1945. Before the company transitioned to the now familiar Marvel Comics moniker, Lee was established as a writer and superhero creator. Lee spent the second half of his life as the personification of Marvel Comics until his passing in 2018.

To learn more about Jewish American Heritage Month, go to <https://www.jewishheritagemonth.gov/>

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May Holidays



5th – Cinco de Mayo. Often mistakenly assumed to be Mexican Independence Day, this holiday actually commemorates the unlikely victory of Mexico over France at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. In the battle, approximately 4,000 poorly equipped Mexicans defeated the French Army – 8,000 well equipped soldiers, who had scarcely lost a single battle in nearly 50 years. Today in the U.S., the holiday is not only celebrated by those with Mexican heritage, but also many Americans celebrate the wonderful culture of our southern neighbors. Feliz Cinco de Mayo!



14th – Mother's Day. Created and founded by Anna Jarvis to honor her own mother, a noted peace activist who treated wounded soldiers on *both* sides of the Civil War, Mother's Day is now celebrated the world over. To all the mothers, stepmothers, grandmothers, mothers-in-law, and mother figures throughout MPII – Happy Mother's Day!



18th – Ascension Day. The Feast of the Ascension celebrates the ascension of Jesus into Heaven after Easter. For those that celebrate: Have a blessed feast and happy Ascension Day!

20th – Armed Forces Day. Today we honor all Americans serving in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and the Coast Guard. Thank you all very much for your service! MPII salutes

you. Happy Armed Forces Day!



29th – Memorial Day. Not to be confused with Veterans Day or Armed Forces Day, Memorial Day is the day we commemorate and appreciate the well over 1 million men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice and have died in service to our country. Have a wonderful long weekend but take a break from the cookouts and shopping to reflect on the sacrifices that all of our fallen service members have made. We thank them for their service and their sacrifice.



May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month



Michio Kaku. Kaku is an American born in San Jose, CA. His grandfather immigrated to the U.S. to work on the cleanup operation after the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. Kaku's parents were both interned during WWII. He received a BS from Harvard and his PhD from UC Berkeley. He has been a premier scholar and popularizer of physics his entire career as well as an advocate against the misuse of science. He also advocates for peace and the environment. He has published numerous books and appears frequently on TV.

To learn more about Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month, go to <https://www.asianpacificheritage.gov/>



FHP Trooper Contracted

The MPII CDD Board has negotiated with the Florida Highway Patrol to have a Trooper work overtime shifts exclusively here in MPII! This is a program that certainly has costs associated with it, but with the rash of accidents, speeding, and dangerous driving, this expense is well worth it as it will likely save lives. Shifts

worked by the FHP Trooper will rotate and began in early April. The Trooper's primary focus will be patrolling for and ticketing speeders, ensuring crosswalk safety, and parking violations. In late March Pasco County installed numerous pedestrian crossing signs in an effort to increase safety, but within days distracted, aggressive, and/or illegal driving destroyed nearly

all of them. This led the County to abandon that idea as a maintenance disaster.

Hopefully a Trooper will be more effective at ensuring we all drive safely. After all, it IS our community. We should all want the community to be safe. Please obey speed limits and all driving laws everywhere, but perhaps especially within your own residential community. Let's stay safe out there MPII!

Pool Resurfacing Complete

If you follow MPII on Facebook you surely already know this, but the pool resurfacing project is complete and the pool (and splash pad) have officially re-opened!

This is a project that was much needed due to the age of our pool, but the CDD Board encountered numerous delays and scheduling issues. While ideally it would have

been done during even slower months to avoid as much disruption as possible, the Board did their best to get it done. Fortunately, the contractor did not suffer any weather delays or any other setbacks during the work, and they were able to complete all work quicker than we expected.

When you visit the pool next, you may not be able to see

what's different, but rest assured that a pool the size of ours that gets as much use as this pool does was in dire need of this resurfacing. This will help ensure that our community pool is durable, leak-free, and safe for years to come.

Now that it's May and temps are high for the duration of summer, come out and enjoy the pool!

Trivia Answer (from page 3): The Columbia Restaurant!

Located very near us in Ybor city, the Columbia has been open since 1905! Descendants of the original owner still run the restaurant, which has expanded to occupy a full city block. For more info, check their [website](#). Or better still, just make a reservation and enjoy! They even have Flamenco dancers!

Residents' Council Corner

Last month's big RC event – the Bunny Hop – was a smashing success! Many families were able to get some great photos with the Easter Bunny. The families also enjoyed appetizers, and the kids got candy, stuffed eggs, and they got to decorate their own at the egg decorating station!

Unfortunately, the planned



Spring Fling has had to be canceled, but the Residents' Council is still working on

other ideas for later this year.

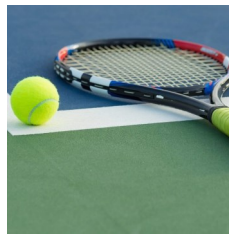
The RC is always looking for more help and volunteers. They meet monthly on the 2nd Wednesday (next meeting is 5/10) at 6:30 pm in the Clubhouse. Come to the May meeting or reach out to Ashley Thompson at ashleymthompson@kw.com or 352-801-0202 if you'd like to be a part of it!

Parking Enforcement Position

Meadow Pointe II is looking to hire! We're looking for someone to be a part-time (20-30 hours/week, evenings and weekends required) Parking Enforcement/DRVC Assistant. The person hired for this role will assist the ARC/DRC Coordinator and will focus on parking issues that violate deed restrictions. This role would mean working right close to home and ensuring the safety and appearance of your community! Interested candidates should apply in person at the Clubhouse and can also obtain detailed job descriptions there as well.

MPII Clubs

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



TENNIS LESSONS MJS Tennis offers lessons for ages 3—adult. Call 813-492-9591 for more info.

YARN CLUB meets every Thursday night from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. Open to all adults who knit or crochet – all skill levels welcome.





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MPII News needs your photos!

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Also, remember that the Clubhouse has an opt-in email list for receiving the newsletter as a PDF each month! To opt-in, just email newsletter@mpicdd.org and tell us what email address or addresses you'd like us to include. As of now, the Clubhouse only uses this list for the newsletter, but we may include other time-sensitive announcements in the future.