

# Southfork News

“FOR THE RESIDENTS, BY THE RESIDENTS”

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Have a great month!

May 2020

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## A Mother's Love

Whose is the heart that burst with pride each time she sees your face. Whose are the eyes that dart about, to check your world is safe. Whose are the arms that wrap you up and hold you tight and close. Whose is the love that's always there whenever you need it most.

Whose is the smile that lights the room when you smiling too, Whose shoulder is the place to be, when only a cuddle will do. Whose chest is warm and comforting when you're a weary soul Whose motivation only has your happiness as her goal.

Whose are the tears that cry for you as you grow old and free, Whose is the heart that aches so much, in the space where you should be. Whose is the head that knows that you must find your path alone, Whose is the voice who welcomes you each time you go back home.

Who could have so many facets that make her oh so great, Who has you on her mind each day, and today we celebrate. Whose hands hold and guide you, in a way unlike another,  
All these are part and parcel of the joys of being a mother.





### Newsletter Information

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### Facebook

Southfork community page (you know you are from southfork when)

Southfork Deceased residents (Southfork FL "gone but not forgotten")



Must join on facebook to be able to view or add info.

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### ASSOCIATION OFFICERS:

President	Harry Gerrish	2020-2022
Vice President	Ron White	2019-2021
Secretary	Pam Way	2020-2022
Treasurer	Roger Layne	2019-2021

### Directors:

Tom Flanagan	2020-2022
Donna Elder	2020-2022
Sue Kerschner	2019-2021
Bob Lynch	2019-2021
Bob Dougherty	2019-2021

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### Emergency CONTACT NUMBERS IN PASCO COUNTY (911)

Pasco Cty Sheriff 352-521-5131

Dade City Police 352-521-1493



Hurricane Updates 800-427-8340

Sheriff non-emerg 727-847-8102

Southfork office 352-523-0022

Fax 352-523-0611

After Hours 352-206-4080



#### Sick/Prayer List.

Larry Ruffner      Jean Matala      Karen Franklin      Nora Tomaino  
Debbie Shureb      Donna Canada      Pam McCafferty Wotton      Orion Hall  
Linda Kelly

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#### **Get Well Wishes To All!**

#### In Memoriam

Bruce Wharton

Resident passed away

World

All who passed because of COVID-19



Our condolences to the family and friends!

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#### New Residents

Diana Marsden

38739 Brahman Dr

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**Welcome to our Community of Southfork!**

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#### Wedding    Anniversaries

May 1    John & Pat Scheller

May 1    Ed & Kelly King

May 2    Rodney & Linda Brown

May 3    Dave & Sharon Guyette

May 4    Gary & Linda Rose

May 6    Harry & Barb Gerrish

May 7    Pat & Phyllis Fisher

May 10    Rickey & Nancy West

May 23    William & Marilynne Cregg

May 30    Don & Carol Reno

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#### **Riddle of the Month**



**What runs around the whole yard without moving?**



### May Birthdays

Mary Lou Conaty

Charles Franklin

Paul Ball

Mike Sierakowski

Linda Brown

William Cregg

John Jones

Ron White

Paul Lemley

Berry Garner Sr

Linda Leaney

Gary Rose

Judy Geyer

James Morandi

Gloria Bilski

Kay Tuttle

Karen Dolan

Berry Garner Jr

Pat Reeder

Nancy Orr

Chuck Hartley

Loretta Fay

Karl Gersonde

Craig Whitbeck

Joann Lilly

Linda Welch

Bob Mize

Susan Pries

Lois Schell

Each month in the newsletter there will be a listing of people celebrating birthdays. I will also list Facebook members in our Southfork Facebook page so please forward to me at [pkaygrossi@aim.com](mailto:pkaygrossi@aim.com) the month/day of any birthday.





### Neighbor Watch Alert

Just a word to the wise.....Do you have a “watch code” with your neighbors in case of an emergency? This is especially for those that live alone and a sort of a “watch out for one another”.

A suggestion would be for each neighbor to look out in case any of you need help and this goes for all residents. *If you have a certain window that has a blind you close at dark and open in the morning when you awake.....well let your neighbor know that if it is not opened by a certain time in the morning to immediately call you to make sure everything is okay.* Make a plan as to whom your neighbor should call if this should happen. Should they be able to enter your home or should 911 be called? It has been noted that many who live alone do not wear a “life alert” so that emergency can be called immediately if help is needed.

There are many here in Southfork who do not interact with neighbors and if it looks like no one is moving around and their car is still in the driveway, it could mean trouble. So as a word to the wise.....start an emergency action code to avoid any problems that can be avoided.



Thanks, Phyllis

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By now everyone is tired of hearing about the Coronavirus and waiting to get back to normal life again. I sure hope everyone is doing well and eager to get back in the swing of things again.

Because of the virus so many events here in the community have been cancelled or placed on hold. Please read the signs, your emails and the facebook group for any and all updates of either the clubhouse opening or a new event.

As I write this it sounds like it may be longer than May 1<sup>st</sup> and heard it could go into the summer months. We don't want to hear that but be cautious and don't be in a rush when everything opens up again. Pray for a quick recovery!



## From Harry's desk

Hi to all of Southfork residents and how do I start this article because it has certainly been a different beginning to our summer season.

I am so pleased that as of now, and as far as I know, no one in our community has been diagnosed with the COVID-19 virus, and am sure we are all praying that it stays that way.

Would like to give a big shout out of thanks to Angie Wing, members of the quilting club, and all the others who are stepping up to provide our community with free virus masks, and to Phyllis G. for getting the names together.

Not sure when this newsletter will reach all of you, but again, I am praying that this mess will be behind us by then. From what I have seen while walking through the park, those who have "gathered" are doing so according to the guidelines that health services have recommended. At least Southfork is abiding by the rules and regulations for this county.

No reason to try and predict anything because those that already involved can't come up with one answer (yet)

So **STAY SAFE** and enjoy all the new things you are learning to do because of this mess

Harry Gerrish

PS Please take note that no events have been scheduled for May.







### **Face Mask Project**

**THUMBS UP** to all those who pitched in to help sew and make free FaceMasks for the Southfork residents. Our Home Owners Association president thought that all residents should be given something because of being homebound. Not able to interact and especially with all the events/activities cancelled they needed something to help them cope and one less thing they had to worry about purchasing. What a great community we live in and how do we say **THANK YOU?**

First of all thank you Harry Gerrish for approving this undertaking and your help in all the deliveries of the Face Masks. This was quite a project and with the Co-Ordination of Angie Wing and all of her helpers there were over 115 Face Masks plus, made by these dedicated volunteers who were ready to help in any way they could in getting the Masks made. These Masks were made with donations of materials from our great residents of Southfork and everyone was so supportive. There was no way I could get all the names of the sewers who made the Masks by the time this article was put together and they were what makes this park so great.

Thank you to all who donated material for the Masks and a big thank you to all who offered any cash donations which were not needed or accepted. It was the thought that counted and what more can I say about "Southfork".



# SOME THING NEW

How many of you read about something new in the recycling area in the last newsletter?

**Please read below what all can be included besides cans**

**Norm Conaty (our Can Man) has talked to Tim the manager about other types of metal from the maintainance people and from all residents that can be placed in a box down by the “Big Alum Can Box”.**

**This would include any Metal scraps and even (APPLIANCES) and the “Can Man” will take them to market.**

**Yes, you read right, he will take appliances!**

**If anyone needs help in bringing these appliances down to the back area or any questions on anything you are not sure he will take, call Norm Conaty @ 813-830-8842**

**This is a big plus for all the residents and helpful ways to get rid of appliances that cannot be placed out with regular trash. Kudo's to Norm for this fantastic idea.**





**GRANDMA'S HANDS:     A must read thru to the end please!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**



Grandma, some ninety plus years, sat feebly on the patio bench.. She didn't move, just sat with her head down staring at her hands. When I sat down beside her she didn't acknowledge my presence and the longer I sat I wondered if she was OK.

Finally, not really wanting to disturb her but wanting to check on her at the same time, I asked her if she was OK. She raised her head and looked at me and smiled. 'Yes, I'm fine, thank you for asking,' she said in a clear voice strong. 'I didn't mean to disturb you, grandma, but you were just sitting here staring at your hands and I wanted to make sure you were OK,' I explained to her.

'Have you ever looked at your hands,' she asked. 'I mean really looked at your hands?'

I slowly opened my hands and stared down at them. I turned them over, palms up and then palms down. No, I guess I had never really looked at my hands as I tried to figure out the point she was making. Grandma smiled and related this story:

'Stop and think for a moment about the hands you have, how they have served you well throughout your years. These hands, though wrinkled shriveled and weak have been the tools I have used all my life to reach out and grab and embrace life. 'They braced and caught my fall when as a toddler I crashed upon the floor.

They put food in my mouth and clothes on my back. As a child, my mother taught me to fold them in prayer. They tied my shoes and pulled on my boots. They held my husband and wiped my tears when he went off to war. 'They have been dirty, scraped and raw, swollen and bent. They were uneasy and clumsy when I tried to hold my newborn son. Decorated with my wedding band they showed the world that I was married and loved someone special. They wrote my letters to him and trembled and shook when I buried my parents and spouse.

'They have held my children and grandchildren, consoled neighbors, and shook in fists of anger when I didn't understand. They have covered my face, combed my hair, and washed and cleansed the rest of my body. They have been sticky and wet, bent and broken, dried and raw. And to this day when not much of anything else of me works real well these hands hold me up, lay me down, and again continue to fold in prayer.

'These hands are the mark of where I've been and the ruggedness of life. But more importantly it will be these hands that God will reach out and take when he leads me home. And with my hands He will lift me to His side and there I will use these hands to touch the face of God. I will never look at my hands the same again. But I remember God reached out and took my grandma's hands and led her home. When my hands are hurt or sore or when I stroke the face of my children and husband I think of grandma. I know she has been stroked and caressed and held by the hands of God.

**Happy Mother's Day to all and especially the Grandmother's!**



## Southfork Women's Club

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Well, we all found out that the best laid plans are always subject to change. But one thing remains constant and that is the generosity of the Southfork community. Even in this difficult time, the Women's Club was able to donate to those less fortunate with your help.

When the Charity Soup/Chili Supper had to be cancelled because of Covid-19, many of you said to donate your ticket refund to charity. After many conversations and asking the membership their thoughts, it was decided to take the ticket refunds and add the monies we would have spent on the Easter luncheon and donate this amount to Day Star Hope Center. Jackie Morgano and Marcia Alexander presented a check for \$600 to a very grateful Day Star. They stated this was a real blessing in view of the current situation.

Diana Unger also collected a total of 14 Easter baskets, 12 food bags, and \$40 in donations from our membership as well. These also went to Day Star Hope Center for distribution to their clients.

The officers would like to thank each and everyone who helped with these efforts to help those less fortunate.

Unfortunately, we also have to cancel our May meeting and the planned baby shower. We will do the baby shower hopefully in the fall when more of our membership is here and things are back to "normal".

Please stay well and safe. We will return to meetings and activities as soon as we are able. Again, thank you for your generosity!

Submitted by – Marcia Alexander, President

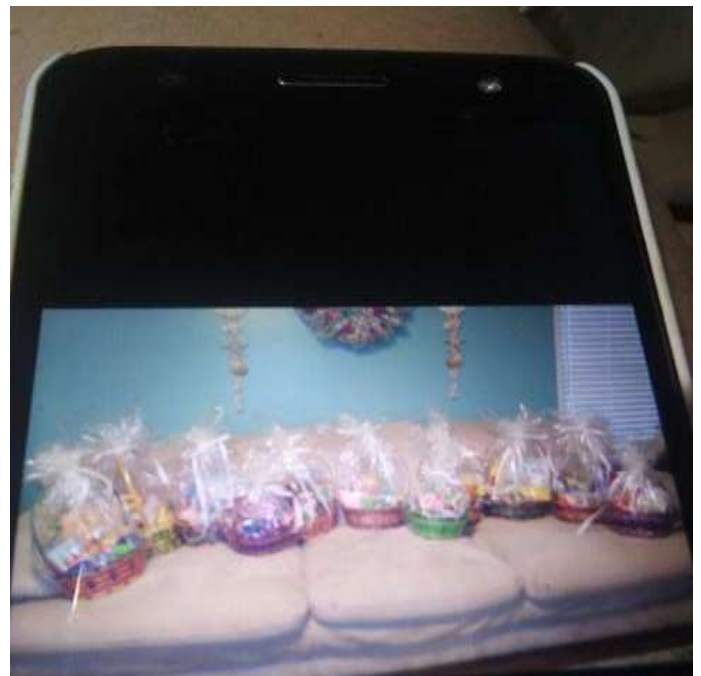
Jackie Morgano, Secretary





Donations made from the Women's Club to Day Star.

Check from the dinner/donations from our scheduled Soup/Chili dinner of ticket money given by the residents which totaled \$600.00 along with the Easter Basket donations. They were presented to Day Star and accepted with such gratitude and they could not thank the Women's Club enough in these troubled times and how much this was needed.





## **SOUTHFORK HOA ACTIVITY COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Hello to all,

Hope this finds you all **WELL** and **COPING** with this unusual time in our lives. At this time we are in a dilemma with this Coronovirus and its making it hard to plan anything.

We are still not able to do any planning for May so will just have to take it as it comes. Now if this changes for us we will post it via Facebook and a mass E-mail. So just keep tuning in to all the updates that are passed along.

I still have several tickets that have **NOT** been brought back to me for the St Patrick's Day Corn Beef and Cabbage Dinner for refunds.

Please call me (June Sandberg) at 763-257-2023. Stop by with tickets and I will refund your money....This can be done without touching and I have sprayed the money with Lysol Disinfectant

**WELL WISHES TO YOU ALL AND CONTINUE TO STAY SAFE AND HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON.**

Your HOA Activities Committee.

June Sandberg, Chairperson



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# Brighten Someone's Day

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, our local senior citizens that live in nursing homes and assisted living facilities are unable to have friends or family visit them. Their group activities have also been limited or canceled. In order to help "keep them company" we ask that you write letters, draw pictures or send a funny joke to lift their spirits. Below is a list of the nursing facilities and assisted living facilities in our local area. Thank you for taking a moment of your day to brighten another's.

Please address them: **C/O Activities Department**

**American House**  
38130 Pretty Pond Rd.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33540

**Heartland of Zephyrhills**  
38220 Henry Rd.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33542

**Rosecastle of Zephyrhills**  
37411 Eiland Blvd.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33542

**AdventHealth Care  
Center North**  
7350 Dairy Rd.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33540

**AdventHealth Care  
Center South**  
38250 A Ave.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33542

**Westbrooke Manor**  
6701 Dairy Rd.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33542

**Pond's Edge ALF**  
7952 Pond's Edge Ln.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33540

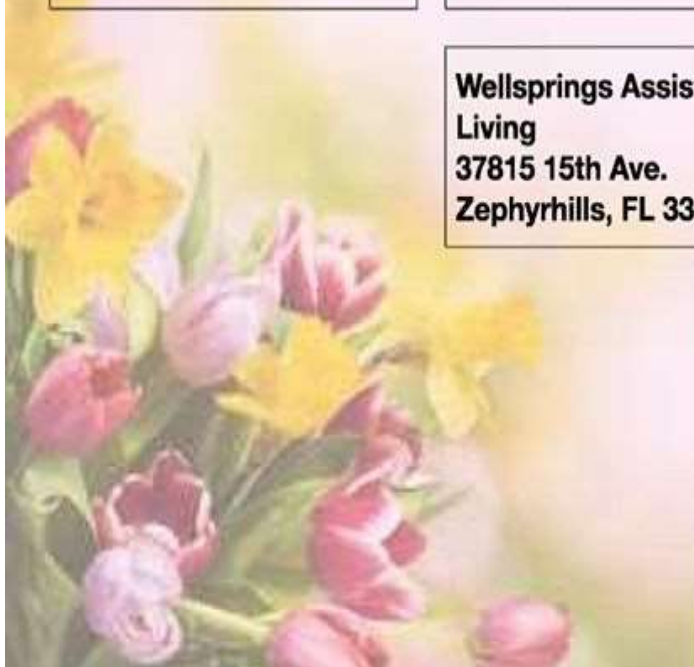
**Pretty Pond Manor**  
38911 Pretty Pond Rd.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33540

**Royal Oak Nursing  
Center**  
37300 Royal Oak Ln.  
Dade City, FL 33525

**Wellsprings Assisted  
Living**  
37815 15th Ave.  
Zephyrhills, FL 33542

**The Edwinola**  
14235 Edwinola Way  
Dade City, FL 33523

**Heritage Park**  
37135 Coleman Ave.  
Dade City, FL 33525



**MISSION HOME CARE**  
Our Mission is Your Health † At Home





### SOUTHFORK TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

This is just a reminder to everyone here in the park about the deadline for changes, deletions, or additions for our Phone Directory.

The deadline for all or any changes must be submitted by November 1st. All new resident's, please submit your name, address, phone number, state you are from, email address to Phyllis Grossi for an update for the directory. You can submit via email to [pkaygrossi@aim.com](mailto:pkaygrossi@aim.com) or drop off at 11150 Mesquite Dr.

Please fill in this form below:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ State you are from \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date's \_\_\_\_\_

Anniversary Date \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency: Name of contact, address, phone number. \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Emergency information is used in case the Park Managers are not available after hours and not shared.
2. Anniversary and Birth dates are used for the newsletter and facebook pages.
3. I use email addresses to send out any info in between newsletters especially if a resident passes away or any emergency notifications.
4. Remember we have a "Southfork Page" in FACEBOOK.
5. If more than one name with separate phone number/email address please list that also.

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As you all know we have a few Southfork groups on Facebook and would like to describe each and hope all of Southfork joins these groups. All the groups are a closed group which means no one outside of Southfork can view or post any info. Welcome all Southfork!

#### (Southfork Dade City MarketPlace)

For the selling and buying and borrowing of Household Items, Items need to buy, Loaners for (Wheel Chairs, Walkers, Canes or anything to help someone in despair), Handmade Items for sale, Household help such as (house cleaning, yard work needed etc). You can list known yard sales in the area, estate sales and these are just a few to mention. Whatever you want and don't know where to buy, sell or loan this is our own community MarketPlace post for all .

#### (You know you are from Southfork when)

This is our way of communicating between each newsletter and a chat group. It's a place where we keep everyone updated on current events here in the park. Management also uses this group along with mass emailing for any important items they want everyone to know about and some examples are water shutoffs or any closings, or anything pertaining to the park. That is the reason I ask for all email addresses and use it for "Southfork" only. When anyone passes away I also use this to inform all.

#### (Southfork, Fl growing up)

This was made for all who like to remember growing up and reliving all the old time memories. From early childhood to teens and what we liked and that includes games, food you ate, school years and so much more. Takes you mind off today's world and takes us back to our growing up years.

#### Southfork Vendor Listings

This group basically lists vendors in our local area that we can call for work around the home or some emergency we need help on. Please feel free to add any that you use and that might be helpful to all!

You can search in facebook for each of these groups and click to join and you will be added in. Again just community residents can join these groups.

Any questions send me a message at [pkaygrossi@aim.com](mailto:pkaygrossi@aim.com) or give me a call at 352-567-6105





## ATTENTION SOUTHFORK

**PLEASE READ THE ATTACHMENT ON THIS NEXT PAGE AND ALL OF SOUTHFORK MUST ABIDE BY THIS ORDER WITH NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Due to the high water usage in the community we are left with no other option than to enforce the water restriction per Pasco County Florida, Code of Ordinances.

Southwest Florida Water management District has already been in contact with the county regarding this matter. The ordinance specifies what day of the week and time you will be allowed to water your lawn (please see schedule on the next page).

Pasco County Code Enforcement will be following up. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.



Emails and Facebook postings have been sent to all of Southfork on the above and next page message. There are many in Southfork that do not use either email or use facebook and many times there is important info sent out that everyone must know.

Please have a neighbor or friend let you know when messages are being sent out and especially when they come from management like information on the next page. We do not know any other way of getting info to you between newsletters.

Please consider even just an email account so you at least get messages sent out.

## Water Restrictions Using Well & Surface Water

### Watering Days and Times

When using well or surface water, irrigation of established lawns and landscaping is authorized for one day per week per Pasco County, Florida, Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 62, Article II, Division 3.

Applicable water sources: "Any and all water on or beneath the surface of the ground, including natural or artificial watercourses, lakes, ponds or diffused surface water, and water percolating, standing or flowing beneath the surface of the ground."

If your house number ends in:	Then you may water on:	Morning Hours	OR	Evening Hours
0 or 1	Monday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
2 or 3	Tuesday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
4 or 5	Wednesday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
6 or 7	Thursday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
8 or 9	Friday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
Mixed or No Address	Friday	12:01 am - 8:00 am	OR	6:00 pm - 11:59 pm
<b>Non-Watering Days</b>	<b>Saturday and Sunday</b>	<b>NONE</b>		<b>NONE</b>

**Irrigation is prohibited between the hours of 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.** Regardless of property size and using irrigation sources of well, lake or pond, you may only irrigate before 8:00 am and after 6:00 pm on the authorized days.

**Irrigation System Testing & Repair Note:** Your irrigation system may be operated for *testing* and/or *maintenance* with an attendant on site in the area being tested – no more than once per week and one test should not exceed 10 minutes. Periodic testing is recommended to ensure proper operation. Check for leaks, breaks, over-spray, and mis-directed heads.

**Residential Car Washing - Fountain Operations** The washing of automobiles, trucks, trailers, mobile homes, campers, boats or any other type of motor vehicle or equipment is permitted using a self-canceling nozzle or automatic shut-off device. The washing of non-business, personal vehicles shall be conducted once per week on the designated watering day for the location.

- Emergency vehicles, agricultural equipment and lawn mowers may still be washed on any day as needed.
- Outdoor aesthetic uses of water, such as decorative water fountains and features, shall be prohibited unless such fountains or features provide a necessary aeration and/or water quality benefit. The operation of decorative water fountains or features using reclaimed water is not restricted; however, a sign stating "using reclaimed water" must be posted next to the water fountain or feature.

Just a reminder that all jobs serviced in the community is the responsibility of each resident and does not in any way reflect on the Southfork management.



**Jerry's Handyman Services**

I am a master electrician offering the following services:  
Electrical, Pressure Washing, Gutter Cleaning, Minor Plumbing, washing of 5<sup>th</sup> Wheels, Cargo Trailer & Motorhomes, Also, transportation to or from Orlando/Tampa airports as well as the Tampa Train/Bus stations.

Jerry McClellan  
11040 Maverick Drive  
Cell: (352) 999-2908

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**Southfork Maint.**

I am available for many different jobs.

Pressure Washing - \$70.00  
North Side of House - \$25.00  
Gutters - \$25 to \$40.00  
Plumbing \$35.00 and up  
Paint-Ceiling fans- Outlets and so much more.

Please leave a message at 813-508-2805 and I will return your call ASAP.

Andy Davidson

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**Notary Public**

Lou Tardona

11206 Mustang

352-467-0408

**House Cleaning**  
Call "Carrie"

260-431-4927. Can use either your own cleaning supplies or hers.

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**Need a Ride**

Southfork resident will take people to Doctors or Grocery Shopping in local area only.

Contact Lois Albrecht

352-458-9244

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**Home Maintenance Service By Berry**

Home Repairs/Appliance installation

Yard Work/ Leaves raked- Bushes trimmed-Roof cleaned off-Gutters cleaned

Power washing / Home (All or Partial) - Driveways

Berry Garner  
38730 Bronco Dr.  
(352) 437-5207

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**HandyWoman Services by Gail**

Grocery shop, cook, laundry, pet care. Drive to airport.

630-415-9880



## Community Activities

### Sunday:

"May I" card game @6pm

### Monday:

Coffee Hour @8:00am

(Fall/Winter) Men's shuffleboard @1pm

Chair Stretches 11:30am

TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) @10am

Hand & Foot card game 6pm

Euchre @6pm

### Tuesday:

*Curbside Trash pickup*

*Walking Exercise 11am*

(Fall/Winter) Men's shuffleboard @1pm

Sequence @1pm

(Fall/Winter) Ladies Shuffleboard @3pm

### Wednesday:

*Recycling pickup every Wednesday (cans & paper)*

Quilting @9am

Bridge @1pm

Chair Stretches 11:30am

(Fall/Winter) Men's shuffleboard @1pm

Bingo @5:45pm (warmups), Sales stop at 5:15pm

Nov to April (Hotdogs/Hamburgs) 4 to 5:30pm pool area

### Thursday:

Hand & Foot card game 9am

Dominoes @1pm

(Fall/Winter) Men's shuffleboard @1pm

(Fall/Winter) Ladies Shuffleboard @3pm

"Alley" Board game, cardroom @6pm

MEN'S poker, clubhouse hall 6pm

### Friday:

*Curbside Trash pickup*

*Chair Stretches 11:30am*

(Fall/Winter) Men's shuffleboard @1pm

### Saturday:

Community Weigh to Go Support group @9am

Game "65" 6pm

### Office Hours

Mon thru Thursday 9am to 3:30pm

Friday 9am to 1pm





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Answer to riddle on page 3 is (A Fence )

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## **ATTENTION**

**There are no events of any kind scheduled for the month of May because of the Coronavirus.**

**Watch for any and all notification's if any, to be sent to all via Email or our Facebook group. Hope you are all members of these 2 groups.**

**If you have email and do not receive anything from me, send me a message via email at [pkaygrossi@aim](mailto:pkaygrossi@aim) and I will correct or add you in.**

**Stay safe and stay home!**

**Better to be Safe then sorry!**

