

Southfork News

“FOR THE RESIDENTS, BY THE RESIDENTS”

Have a great month!

February

2021

*People come and people go in and out of your life , So when one shines bright among the rest,
and is there when needed, you're truly blessed. That is how I see you, all the friends of mine,*





Newsletter Information

Note, any information to be placed in the newsletter, must be submitted between the 1st and 15th of every month. Please contact the editor (Phyllis Grossi) at 567-6105, pkaygrossi@aim.com or drop off the information at 11150 Mesquite Dr. All newsletters can be viewed in color on the web site @ www.floridacommunities.com (click on Southfork at bottom of page.)

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.

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS:

President	Harry Gerrish	2020-2022
Vice President	Ron White	2019-2021
Secretary	Pam Way	2020-2022
Treasurer	Tom Flanagan	2019-2021

Directors:

None	2020-2022
Donna Elder	2020-2022
Sue Kerschner	2019-2021
Bob Lynch	2019-2021
Bob Dougherty	2019-2021



Emergency CONTACT NUMBERS IN PASCO COUNTY (911)

Pasco Cty Sheriff 352-518-5000

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.

Rick Hood Harold Resh

Get Well Wishes To All!

In Memoriam

Allene Blevins	Resident passed away
Jean Matala	Resident passed away
Tom Robinson	Son passed away
Frank Mays	Resident passed away
Marge Otto	Resident passed away



Our condolences to the family and friends!

New Residents



Quma Joy (QJ) Lindemood 11103 Maverick Dr

Welcome to our Community of Southfork!

Wedding Anniversaries

2/1 Hollis & Linda Adams	2/2 Mark & Paulette Kaler
2/4 Ed & Jeanne Bittman	2/8 Paul & Joyce Myers
2/10 Sammy & Patty Fustaino	2/14 Bill & Rae Walker
2/20 Charles & Pat Reeder	2/22 Al & donna Canada

Riddle of the Month

What did the bee say to the flower?





February Birthdays

Linda Nutter

Ron Hatch

Pat Guyette

Jim McAdams

Harold Resh

Rodney Brown

Kerri Hummel

Jeanne Bittman

Howard Dickinson

Deb Shureb

Tom Geyer

Ted Welch

Marie Esche

MJ Cline

Megan Kelly

Paul Burke

Nancy Pelton

Mike Gallagher

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 the month/day of any birthday.



CORONAVIRUS SAFETY



Follow these easy steps to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.



Disinfect surfaces around
your home and work.



Wash your hands for at
least 20 seconds.



Sneeze or cough?
Cover your mouth.

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS

- **Wash your hands often** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- **Avoid close contact** with people who are sick. Some people without symptoms may be able to spread the virus.
- Stay home as much as possible and avoid non-essential travel.
- Practice social distancing by keeping at least 6 feet — about two arm lengths — away from others if you must go out in public.
- Stay connected with loved ones through video and phone calls, texts and social media.
- **Cover your mouth and nose** with a cloth face cover when around others and when you must go out in public, such as to a grocery store. The cloth face cover is meant to protect other people in case you are infected.
- However, do NOT place cloth face coverings on young children under age 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance.
- In addition, do NOT use a facemask meant for a health care worker.
- Continue to keep about 6 feet between yourself and others. The cloth face cover is not a substitute for social distancing.

Visit [redcross.org/coronavirus](https://www.redcross.org/coronavirus) for more information on COVID-19 safety. For the latest information, please visit the CDC website at [cdc.gov/covid19](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19).



From Harry's desk

I was disappointed in the number of people that attended our meeting at the pavilion for ideas. However the ones who came had a lot of good ideas and were willing to step up and are willing to help accomplish their ideas.

Just a reminder that there is a revival of the quilting club. Then a new crafters club has been started and both are being led by Angie Wing.

The crafters are meeting Tuesday at 9am, The quilters are meeting every Wednesday except the first one of the month (women's club) at 9am

Both are meeting at the clubhouse

Temporarily suspended are two other activities. Yoga by Gloria Bilski and meditation by Jeanne Bittman. if you are interested in these activities contact them

Remember the shuffleboard courts are open to everyone all day. You should have a key to get into the equipment. The horseshoes and bocce courts are also always there for you use at any time.

Time for dogs and burgers is getting closer, as is warmer weather.

As other activities become available we will let you know and may ask for help to get them going. Please let the board know what your wants, wishes, and ideas are so we can look into them.

Remember to stay safe and respect each others opinions.

Harry Gerrish, President of HOA



STAY INFORMED

There are many ways of keeping informed here at Southfork Community and it's easy to keep informed with all of them. Here are a few to mention:

1. There is a Southfork Phone Directory that is updated constantly with changes, additions or deletions. It contains some useful information, a listing of residents by alpha listing and by street listings with phone numbers and each member of the household can be listed individually if each has their own phone. The phone directory is free to all residents and delivered each December and the cover page list the phone numbers of managers along with their email address. *Only Southfork residents see this directory!*
2. The Southfork News is distributed to each home each month of the year. It contains all the recent announcements and news about all the activities and the community. Please use it for reference throughout the month. The deadline for submitting articles is the 15th of the month and no later and any questions contact Phyllis Grossi at 352-567-6105. I need time to get all the pages together the last couple days before the 15th to make sure I have an even amount of pages which are needed. If you are having problems getting one delivered each month to your home, contact June Sandberg at 763-257-2023.
3. If you are on Facebook, search for "*you know you are from Southfork when*" and LIKE US to become a member. This is a private group and only Southfork can view or post or read any postings. Do not encourage any family members or friends outside of Southfork to try and join the group because they will be declined. This is where any community info between newsletters is posted. It is not to be used like regular facebook with jokes and cartoons and for Southfork info only and anything else will be removed. . *Please read the rules before posting.*
4. The Southfork managers (Tim & Megan) occasionally will send out news regarding the community that must get out and this info is sent out for them by Phyllis Grossi via email and also posted in our Facebook group. That is the only means of getting out info to the entire community as needed besides the newsletter and why emails are needed.
5. In addition, there are Bulletin Boards located on the corner of Prairie/Wilds Rd and on the corner of Ewing Dr along with the bulletin board at the clubhouse.
6. Contacts for HOA is President, Harry Gerrish at 352-458-0055, for the Womens Club, contact Bobbe Gilpin at 269-470-5509. For any questions from any above info you can contact me, Phyllis Grossi at pkaygrossi@aim.com

There is no reason to be uninformed at Southfork!





Southfork Women's Club

Change is in the air! The Women's Club elected officers for 2021.

President - Bobbe Gilpin, Vice President – Nancy Steding, Secretary – Susan Garrett, and Dot Cady graciously continues to be Treasurer.

Our current officers would like to give a huge THANK YOU to our past officers. They did an amazing job during a very difficult year. We would also like to thank them for assisting us in a smooth transition. Kudos to Marcia Comer, Jackie Morgano, June Sandberg and Dot Cady.

We hope as the year progresses that we will be able to engage in more activities. That said, our priority is to keep our community safe.

There is a constant need for volunteers. If all of us do just a little bit, we keep a few from having to do it all! Please contact one of the officers for your desire to help within the Women's Club. As a Charity Organization, it is a great way to serve and help others.

Our kickoff meeting will be Wednesday, February 3rd at 10:00am at the Pavilion, weather permitting. We will put out a notice for an alternate site if needed. Come and meet your neighbors for fun and charity. There will be a 50/50 drawing and Cookies will be served. Bring your own drink and your mask.

Please observe social distancing.

Watch the bulletin boards in the Pavilion and Club House for update and news. See you soon!

Bobbe Gilpin

President

Happy
Valentine's
Day



Christmas Golf cart parade December 2020

This little guy was way too cute chatting with Santa. He wanted to know where his regular sleigh was. Santa told him since there is no snow in Florida, that Santa had to use a golf cart sleigh!!!! This is what is so wonderful with children at Christmas time and the questions they ask.

Southfork Contest Winners for December 2020

Decorated Home Winners:

- | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Rickey & Nancy West | 11035 Ewing Dr |
| 2. Ted & Darlene Welch | 11039 Mesquite Dr |
| 3. Mike & Faye Gallagher | 11129 Maverick Dr |

Runners up: Berry & Kathleen Garner, 38730 Bronco & Charles & Pat Reeder, 11151 Ewing Dr

Christmas 2020 Golf Cart Parade Winners:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Gary Fania & Nancy Arnold Jones | 10949 Tumbleweed Dr |
| 2. Bob & Jean Richardson | 11051 Ewing Dr |
| 3. Rickey & Nancy West | 11035 Ewing Dr |

Runners up: Ted & Darlene Welch 11039 Mesquite Dr

Southfork went all out for the holidays to keep the spirit alive!

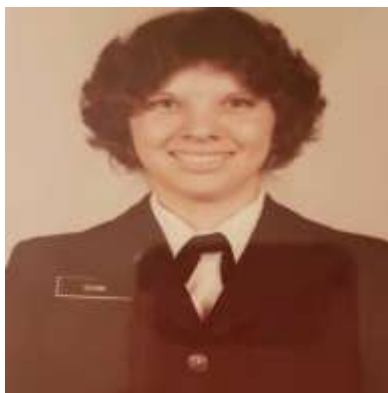




Veteran's Corner

By Penny Tardona

This month's Southfork Veterans are Jim and Dorothy Catron who reside on Mesquite.



Jim grew up in New Castle, Indiana. He joined the Army in 1963 where he was assigned to the Infantry, receiving his initial training at Ft. Gordon, Georgia. In May of 1964 he was detailed to Korea where he served till June of 1965. He spent most of his time in Korea on Guard Duty. He never really fell in love with Korean food, especially Kimchi! His next assignment was Ft. Carson, Colorado where he was assigned duty as a Drill Sgt. By January 1966 Jim was in Ft. Riley, Kansas. During this assignment he led Soldiers in Physical Training, Drills and Weapons training for those who were being sent to Viet Nam. When asked about special memories during his Service in the Army, Jim recalled ending up with a couple of tattoos he got on a dare. In addition, he told me that while on a "ride along" with the Military Police, they were called to a bar fight. Jim thought the guy next to him was pulling a knife on him, so he pushed the guy's arm away. Turns out it was a gun. Jim had been shot and didn't realize it! Thankfully it was not a serious wound! In December of 1966 Jim left the Army and returned to New Castle, Indiana.

Dorothy grew up in Binghamton, New York. She joined the Navy Reserves in 1982. Her best friend's husband was a Navy Recruiter and talked both girls into joining together. She became a Storekeeper (SK) and did her weekend Reserve drills in her hometown. She had opportunities to do two-week training in New Orleans, Orlando and Bethlehem, Maine. While in Maine, Dorothy had an opportunity to go up in a Navy plane only to discover they were going to do "touch and go's". Dorothy also discovered that she gets air sick!!! She left the Naval Reserves in 1988 with an increased sense of self confidence!!

Jim and Dorothy met in March of 2018, moved into Southfork in October of 2018, and married in November of 2018.

Benefits for Blue Water Navy Veterans

Did you know? VA provides benefits to Blue Water Navy Veterans who served as far as 12 nautical miles from the shore of the Republic of Vietnam or in the Korean Demilitarized Zone and who have health conditions associated with herbicide exposure, such as Agent Orange.

Local VA Offices: Dade City, 37255 Florida Ave, Dade City, FL 33525, **352-521-5172**

Brooksville, 621 W. Jefferson St, Brooksville, FL 34601 **352-754-4033**



Southfork Craft Club

Craft Club has been meeting for several months and we are having a great time getting together to catch up and work on projects. We will be doing a group project at least once a month that is open to anyone who would like to participate. When we have a new project, we will have a sign-up sheet with information about the craft on the bulletin board in the club house. We will charge a fee for the supplies which will be provided so you don't have to go shopping. So, keep an eye on the Southfork Facebook page or just check the bulletin board for updates.

This month we made snowmen out of clay pots for only \$1 for supplies for each snowman. We had a blast making our snowmen and got our creative juices going! Here are some photos to see what we did. Please come join us!

Submitted by Angelika Wing, CMP 813-600-7322



Newsletter Delivery Alert

From Tim & Megan

After talking with Paul this week we will no longer be delivering newsletters door to door as of the March newsletter.

Most have already read it before it is even delivered, and there is a lack of volunteers willing to go door to door. It is available to everyone online and there will be a box located outside the office with paper copies.

Tim & Megan

Stay Tuned!



DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know what the cheapest but most efficient alarm system everyone has but never thinks of? What to take to bed with you---not a joke, it's actually a pretty neat idea. I bet you never thought of this before.

PUT YOUR CAR KEYS BESIDE YOUR BED AT NIGHT.....

If you hear a noise outside your home or someone is trying to get into your house, just press the panic button for your car and call 911. The alarm will be set off and the horn will continue to sound until you turn it off.

This is a signal that will alert all of your neighbors and after making sure you are okay by letting someone know why you turned it on it could be a signal to other neighbors to be on the alert. If all who heard this press their panic button on their keys and turn on all outside lights until the sheriff responds, this prowler or whomever, will be seen by someone and help the police or sheriff when they arrive. After a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see what is going on and I am sure the criminal will not like that.

This tip came from another newsletter article from another community and I thought it would be worth printing here for Southfork. So who cares if you are awakened at night.....for security reasons this should be a must and one of the most least expensive security systems and one that requires no installation.

This would be useful for any type of emergency, such as a person who lives alone and maybe having a heart attack and the keys are right there near you and all you have to do is set that off until someone comes to check on you to call 911. Also great for someone who is working outdoors and falls and carries their keys in their pocket.....set off that button until someone hears it and comes looking.

Remember, it is better to be safe than sorry and we as neighbors have to start looking out for one another and help when help it is needed.





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 or give me a call at 352-567-6105



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 5th 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

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

A & J Landscaping (Josh)

Gutter Roof Cleaning, Any Yard Work, Hauling, Pressure Washing, other odd jobs.

813-426-0443
813-696-4997

Notary Public

Lou Tardona

11206 Mustang

352-467-0140

Need a Ride

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

Contact Lois Albrecht

352-458-9244

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

Companion Care

Companion care for anyone that may need it. Cares for people coming home from a hospital stay that may need assistance , etc.

Jane Weatherbee
813-388-0160

Community Activities

Sunday:

"May I" card game @6pm

Monday:

Coffee Hour @9:00am

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

Hand & Foot card game 6pm

Euchre @6pm

Tuesday:

Curbside Trash pickup

Craft Club @9am

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

Sequence @1pm

(Fall/Winter) Ladies Shuffleboard @3pm

Wednesday:

Recycling pickup every Wednesday (cans & paper)

Quilting @9am, weekly, except the 1st Wednesday

Bridge @1pm

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

Women's Club, 1st Wednesday of each month 9am

Thursday:

Hand & Foot card game 9am

Dominoes @1pm

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

(Fall/Winter) Ladies Shuffleboard @3pm

"Alley" Board game, cardroom @6pm

Friday:

Curbside Trash pickup

(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





Feb 3rd (Wed) Women's Club 10am (Pavilion)
Feb 15th (Mon) HOA Board Meeting
Feb 22nd (Mon) HOA Members Association Meeting

"For details of all events please see the page inserts included in this newsletter".

Answer to riddle on page 3 is (Hello, honey)

E-Mail Addresses

Just a note to everyone.....I noticed when I send out mass e-mails there are *some that come back saying no such address.* There are about 10 and if anyone has e-mail address changes please let me know so I can make the change on my list for Southfork. I have sent out a couple of emails lately with the "death" of a couple of residents and got back these notices that your email could not get through. *Please read an insert about Newspaper Deliveries in this issue and the need of emails!*

Thanks, Phyllis (pkaygrossi@aim.com)

