

# The Southport Sun

Southport Springs Monthly Newsletter  
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April 2024

## APRIL

### HOA Events

**Listen & Dance To The Music Of  
"Billy D. Williams"**  
Saturday, April 13th  
7:00pm - 10:00pm

**Pot Luck**  
**Followed By Quarter BINGO**  
Tuesday, April 16th  
5:30pm

**Listen & Dance To The Music Of  
"Good Stuff"**  
Saturday, April 27th  
7:00pm - 10:00pm

**Note: Event Tickets Available For Purchase  
(as posted) See Page 9**

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### Other Events

#### Karaoke

Friday, April 5th 6:00pm - 9:00pm

**Bob & The Boys**  
**& Guest Entertainers**  
**Present Their 3rd Annual Show**  
Friday, April 19th 6:00-9:00pm  
Free Admission

**Listen & Dance To  
"Miller & Mark"**  
3rd Thursday, April 18th 5:00pm - 8:00pm  
Compliments of The Parkway Tavern

See details on pages 3, 8 & 13

## WHO MURDERED HAROLD?

Was it one of these three suspects?



Or one of these three?



Or....Was there more than one perp?

Friday, March 8th - It was another "Sold Out" performance as folks gathered at our local Casino here in Southport to solve yet another murder mystery. A great big "SHOUT OUT" to Charlene Maxwell/Judy Winslow Productions and their staff for hosting another action packed, fun-filled evening. And thanks to Sun Communities and The Parkway Tavern for all their help and generous donation. Net proceeds for the evening (approximately \$1,300.00) were donated to our Southport Springs Sunshine Committee whose members under the leadership of Karol McGinn helped to make the evening the huge success that it was by participating in the production as well as setting up, serving and breaking down. Another great example of how working together brings home a win every time. And of course, a great big thanks to the cast members who as always, did a phenomenal job. So, who murdered Ole Harold? Was it Preston, Mitsy or Wild Bill? Or was it Debra Down, Jess or Lisa Ride? **See page 5**

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Sincere and deepest sympathies are extended to Roger's family and friends. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.

"There will be a day with no more tears, no more pain and no more fear. There will be a day when the burdens of this place will be no more."

Jeremy Camp



**Bookmarks  
of Inspiration**

**Poetic Prayers**  
*of Inspiration*  
by Fran Landry



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From His heaven above  
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understanding  
But trust God and pray —  
Pray for discernment  
God's Wisdom so true ...  
And if you're ever still in  
doubt  
Then ask "What WOULD  
Jesus do?"

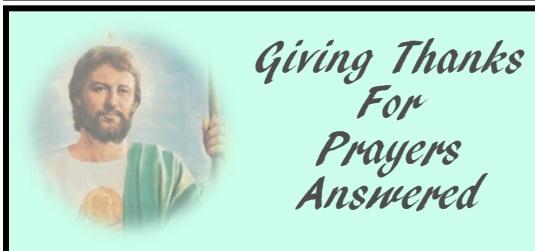
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"Trust in the Lord with all  
your heart and lean not on  
your own understanding"

— Proverbs 3:5

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**Let us pray for all  
of our friends here  
in Southport who  
are battling any  
health and/or  
personal  
issues.  
Let's also keep  
all caregivers  
in our thoughts and  
prayers as well.**



Joyce Smuder's name was mis-spelled in her memorial on page 2 in last month's newsletter.

Our sincere apologies to  
Joyce's family and friends.

Joe Grigevich  
Editor

**Thank  
You!**

Wow...what a great community I live in! I definitely felt the love of the community by them keeping me in their thoughts and prayers during my recent back surgeries. The gift card and visit by Darlene Lambert on behalf of the Sunshine Committee brightened my day. I have a long road to recovery; however, I'm absolutely motivated and determined to come back stronger than before the surgery. Thanks again for the cards, visits and meals.

Cindy Judy

## IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE



Dear Southport Residents,  
Just a note to let you know that my Notarial Commission expires on April 24th. In view of our decision to sell our home and move back to Cape Cod where I grew up, I've decided not to process another four year Notarial renewal here in Florida.

It's been my pleasure volunteering to assist residents here in Southport with notarial services and preparation of documents for more than twenty years. Thinking about the many emergency trips to hospitals, nursing homes and rehab centers to help folks with necessary documents as well as being able to help right here in Southport, it's been a pleasure. I've been a Notary for sixty-two years, ever since I was eighteen years old working for an attorney on Cape Cod, then in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and then on to MacDill Air Force Base Central Command and finally here in Southport. I've met so many really nice folks here. I'll miss that and I'll miss Southport; it is a truly lovely community.

I spoke to Rita Swain, who was formerly a Notary in Kentucky suggesting she look into becoming a Florida Notary. Rita followed through and now has her commission. However, Rita is so swamped with work that she has decided that she will only be available to assist residents with the preparation and notarization of Homestead documents. I'm so pleased that she'll be here to assist our residents in that regard. Southport will need another Notary who's generally available to assist with the myriad of documents for which our residents require notarizations. Is there someone in the community who would like to become a Notary? If so, please feel free to contact me if you would like me to assist in that process. I can be reached at **215-275-2167**.

Sincerely,  
**Ruth McGovern**  
35426 Jomar Avenue



# LET FREEDOM SING!

## "Bob & The Boys" & Guest Entertainers

Present Their 3rd Annual Show  
Friday, April 19th 6:00pm - 9:00pm

### Free Admission

Donations gratefully accepted to support  
various Veteran's Charities  
and our Memorial Wall

### A "Share The Wealth" Will Close The Evening

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## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Friday March 8th was the Murder Mystery Dinner. The Sunshine Committee members played an important part in making this event a success. The Sunshine Bakery ladies served dinner to all and cleaned up. Other members decorated quite creatively. The Committee had actors - the poker dealer, celebrities and even potential murderers all participate. Their efforts are much appreciated. This was a fundraiser for the Sunshine Committee and we are grateful to Charlene Maxwell and Judy Winslow who were the driving forces for this event.

Thank you to all of our celebrities, to everyone who bought tickets, the prayer before eating, those who helped clean up after and to everyone who participated in the play. And a Great Big "Thanks" to Karen and her crew for the delicious dinner. It made for a super fun evening!! This is what happens when a community comes together!



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# Debra DOWN & Lisa Ride Did It!



A special thanks to cast members Dave Dundas (*Ellis Preston*), Carol Dziki (*Mitsy Monroe*), Jon Lovell (*Wild Bill Billions*), Vickie Rush (*Debra Down*), Jim Teixeira (*Jess Pawnit*), Kim Griffin (*Lisa Ride*), Teresa Hall (*Police Chief Teresa Taser*) and Greg Bernier (*Chief Investigator Milton Mirage*) for a really fun evening. In case you weren't there, it was Debra Down the Casino's Black Jack Dealer and her friend and accomplice Lisa Ride, owner and operator of the local private Limo service that did the dirty deed. See y'all at the next **MURDER MYSTERY DINNER**....

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COMING **THIS** MONTH



## KARAOKE

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6-9PM

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**FREE ADMISSION**

DONATIONS GLADLY ACCEPTED TO HELP DEFRAY COSTS

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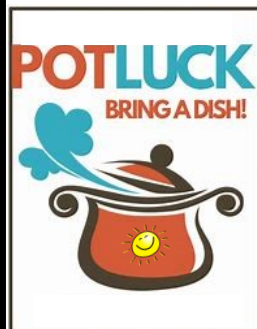
### Listen & Dance To The Music Of "Billy D. Williams"

Saturday, April 13th  
7-10pm

HOA Members \$7.00 Non Members \$9.00

**Tickets Now On Sale (see page 10)**

Table Reservations Available (first come/first served)  
Limit 8 tickets per person



### POTLUCK Dinner

Tuesday, April 16th

5:30pm

Followed By  
Quarter BINGO



Bring a favorite dish for 10 to 12 to share  
and bring your own tableware & flatware

Iced Tea & Lemonade will be provided

sign-up sheet will be posted on the main bulletin board



### Listen & Dance To The Music Of "Good Stuff"

Saturday April 27th  
7-10pm

HOA Members \$7.00 Non Members \$9.00

**Tickets Now On Sale (see page 10)**

Table Reservations Available (first come/first served)

COMING NEXT MONTH

## Derby Day 2024

Saturday May 4th

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**Tickets Go On Sale Wednesday, April 17th**

Table Reservations Available (first come/first served)  
Limit 8 tickets per person



### Listen & Dance To The Music Of

### "Little Big Band"

Saturday, May 11th  
7-10pm

HOA Members \$7.00 Non Members \$9.00

**Tickets Go On Sale Wednesday, April 24th**

Table Reservations Available (first come/first served)  
Limit 8 tickets per person



### Listen & Dance To The Music Of

### Charles Williams

Saturday, May 25th  
7-10pm

HOA Members \$7.00  
Non Members \$9.00

**Tickets Go On Sale Wednesday, May 8th**

Table Reservations Available (first come/first served)  
Limit 8 tickets per person





## TICKET SALES SCHEDULE FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tickets For All HOA Events And  
All Non-HOA Events On Sale Wednesday Mornings  
Before and After Coffee In The Main Clubhouse**

**(Table Reservations Available (First Come/First Served) For All Events Unless Noted As Open Seating)  
(Limit 8 Tickets Per Person)**

**Disclaimer:** All event and social activity information included herein is consistent with information that was provided to our editorial staff as of this printing. *Thank you.*

### Event

### Ticket Purchase Dates



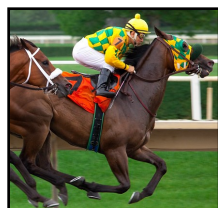
***"Billy D. Williams"***  
**Saturday, April 13th**

**Wednesday Mornings  
April 3rd and 10th  
(at the door the evening of)  
**If not sold out****  
(call Sue Redshaw at 217-653-2991 to inquire)



***"Good Stuff"***  
**Saturday, April 27th**

**Wednesday Mornings  
April 10th, 17th & 24th  
(at the door the evening of)  
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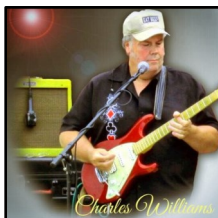
***"Derby Day 2024"***  
**Saturday, May 4th**

**Wednesday Mornings  
April 17th, 24th & May 1st**



***"Little Big Band"***  
**Saturday, May 11th**

**Wednesday Mornings  
April 24th, May 1st & May 8th  
(at the door the evening of)  
**If not sold out****  
(call Sue Redshaw at 217-653-2991 to inquire)



***"Charles Williams"***  
**Saturday, May 25th**

**Wednesday Mornings  
May 8th, 15th & 22nd  
(at the door the evening of)  
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## ANOTHER AWESOME CRAFT FAIR AND BAKE SALE

Saturday, March 23rd - Seems like the Southport Craft Fair and Bake Sale organizers hit it out of the park every time! The weather was absolutely perfect (Springtime is the best!) and the crafty folks and bakers were definitely on their A-Game. Thanks to everyone; especially members of the Southport Springs Crafters and Women's Club for another great event. *Photography by Kara Krohn*



  
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## HOA NEWS

Tidings!!! The HOA board would like to express our deepest thank you to everyone that has stepped up to the plate to help with safety and security in our community. The communication between residents has been wonderful. As you know the Pasco County Sheriff's Office has been doing routine patrols in our community on a nightly basis. Many of you have taken the time and expense to put up security cameras at your home. We have a great SPS security Facebook page.

Because of the wonderful community involvement, the Board would like to establish a Security Committee. The purpose of this committee is to continue to gather resident/member input on the continued safety and security of our park. The committee will meet monthly to discuss continued steps that we can take to protect ourselves and our property. The committee will then provide suggestions to the board to take to our park management. If you are interested, please put your name down on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the main clubhouse. Our goal is to have seven members on the committee. If you have any questions, please reach out to Teresa Hall or Mike Strawn. Again, the HOA Board thanks each and every one of you!



**Barbara Holdridge**  
President



**Teresa Hall**  
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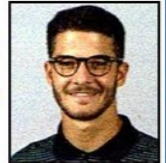
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# Events & Activities

# April 2024



MC - Main Clubhouse  
LC - Little Clubhouse  
PR - Poker Room  
TC - Tennis Court

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 8am Tennis - TC 8:15am Yoga - MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 6pm Dominoes - MC 6:30pm Shuffleboard	<b>2</b> 9am Intermediate Line Dancing - MC 10am Advanced Line Dancing - MC 11am Baby Stepper Line Dancing - MC 1pm Horseshoes 3pm Corn Hole (behind the LC) 7pm Euchre - LC	 <b>3</b> 8:30am Coffee & Donuts (meeting at 9am) - MC 9am Heavenly Harvest Produce Stand - LC Parking Lot 9:30am Power Walking 2pm Mahjong - LC 1:30pm GriefShare - PR 4pm Pickleball 6:30pm <b>BINGO</b>	<b>4</b> 8am Tennis - TC 9am Intermediate Line Dancing - MC 10am Advanced Line Dancing - MC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm Horseshoes	<b>5</b> 9am Bible Study - LC 9:30am Power Walking - MC Noon Hand & Foot lunch followed by cards - LC 6pm <b>Karaoke</b> - MC 7pm Farkle - LC	<b>6</b> 8am Tennis - TC
<b>7</b> 1pm Cricut Classes - MC  4pm Pickleball	<b>8</b> 8am Tennis - TC 8:15am Yoga - MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 1pm Genealogy - PR 6pm Dominoes - MC 6:30pm Shuffleboard	<b>9</b> 9am Intermediate Line Dancing - MC 10am Advanced Line Dancing - MC 11am Baby Stepper Line Dancing - MC 1pm Horseshoes 3pm Corn Hole (behind the LC) 7pm <b>HOA Meeting</b> - MC 7pm Euchre - LC	 <b>10</b> 8:30am Coffee & Donuts (meeting at 9am) - MC 9am Heavenly Harvest Produce Stand - LC Parking Lot 9:30am Power Walking 2pm Mahjong - LC 1:30pm GriefShare - PR 4pm Pickleball 6:30pm <b>BINGO</b>	<b>11</b> 8am Tennis - TC 9am Intermediate Line Dancing - MC 10am Advanced Line Dancing - MC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm Horseshoes	<b>12</b> 9am Bible Study - LC 9:30am Power Walking - MC Noon Hand & Foot lunch followed by cards - LC 7pm Farkle - LC	<b>13</b> 8am Tennis - TC 7-10pm - MC <i>Billy D. Williams</i> 
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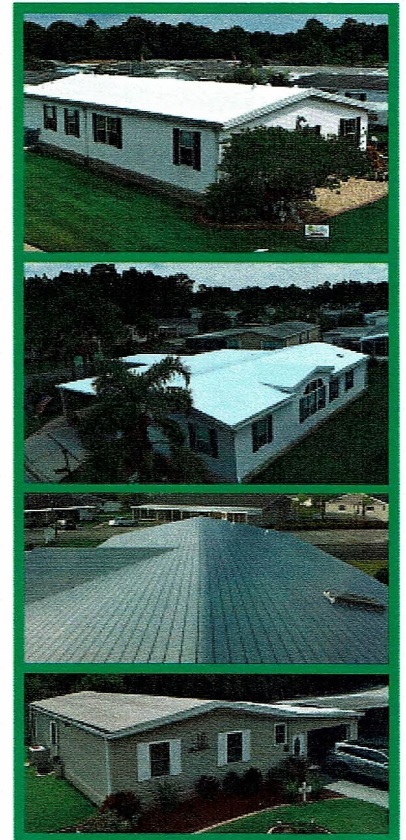
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Tim Carman



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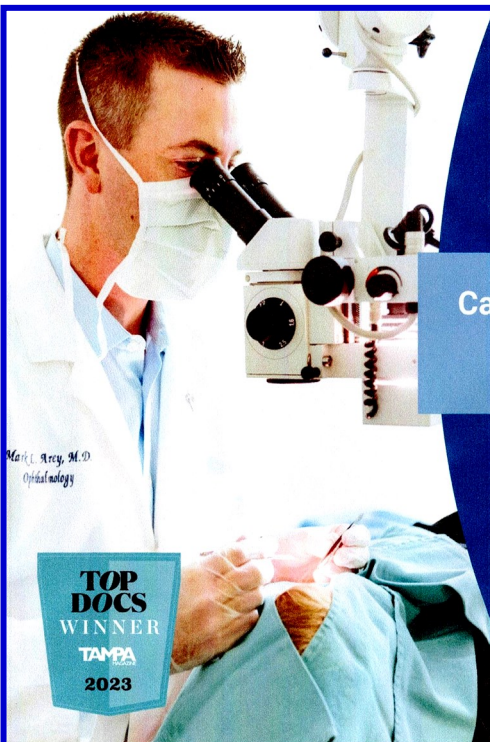


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- Avoid fried foods. Go for broiled or grilled instead.
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- Pick physical activities that you enjoy and can do on your own or with a friend or relative.
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Another story line of interest. The first known use of "OMG" was in a letter from Sir Winston Churchill filled with genuine "OMG" moments from withstanding the disastrous Gallipoli campaign, during the first World War to leading Britain through WWII. He held a front row seat to many historical defining moments, including the little-known origin of the term

"OMG."

The first known use of the acronym dates to a letter written by Churchill in 1917, while he served as First Lord of Admiralty in the British Navy. The letter was written by John Fisher who often quarreled with Churchill. In 1917 Fisher wrote, "I hear a new order of knighthood is on the table. O.M.G. (Oh My God) shower it on the Admiralty!" Sadly, for the linguistically hip Fisher, neither Churchill, The Navy, nor the British population adopted this, his clever quip.

It wasn't until the arrival of the internet age, some 70 years later that the "OMG" acronym really exploded in popularity. In 2011 "OMG" was added to Oxford/English Dictionary. The End.

Next is a reminder about the upcoming Third Annual Bob and the Boys + Friends Show, whose primary purpose is

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raising monies for the various veterans' charities we support. The show is free! DONATIONS ARE NEEDED! Our troops still have their boots on the ground in hostile areas. Please keep the evening of April 19, 2024, open for this event (see page 3). Our hope is that you'll

enjoy a great night of music, magic, and dance. We suggest you arrive early, get a cocktail, relax, and get ready to enjoy the show. Doors open at 5:15. Suggested arrival time is 5:15pm through 5:45pm. Curtain call is at 5:50pm. We ask that you please be seated before 6:00pm and for your consideration, the considerations of the entertainers, guests, and our veterans, we ask that you please keep the conversation levels at a minimum and at a low level. Please know that we greatly appreciate it and we thank you. This event is a great opportunity for new residents to learn more about their new community and its residents.

We look forward to spending time with you during the evening.

**Bob Gallion**

& The Southport Springs Veteran's Committee



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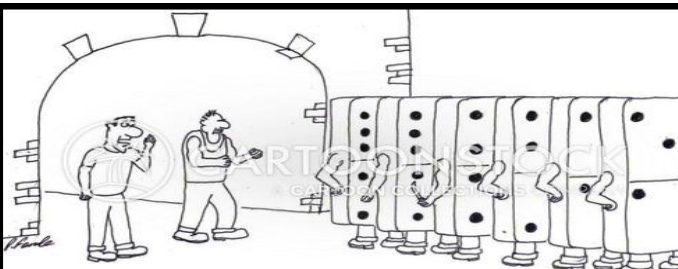
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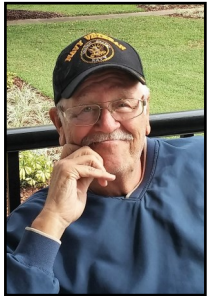
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## EGG SHELLS & TOMATO PLANTS

**Bob Gallion** [rcgallion@gmail.com](mailto:rcgallion@gmail.com)



It is hard to beat the positive effect egg shells can have in helping you grow productive tomato plants. Key is to use the right number of crushed shells in the right way. Not only can eggshells help protect the tomato from disease, but they also energize and fertilize each plant while helping to protect the plant from some damaging pests.

As incredible as using egg shells can be there are misconceptions about their true effectiveness. The simple truth is that if

you use eggshells in the right way, you will grow better tomatoes. Eggshells contain three major nutrients that tomato plants really need: calcium, magnesium, and phosphorus. With enough of each, your plants should do well. Without these three nutrients trouble looms. It is a simple process but not as easy as throwing some broken-up shells from this morning's breakfast in a planting hole. Before we discuss how to use the shells correctly let's spend some time on the value of these three nutrients.

Calcium is by far the biggest player when it comes to a tomato plant's health and production. It is responsible for creating thick healthy cell walls in the stems and branches.



When there is plenty of calcium in the soil the plant can develop its blossoms into healthy fruit. If not, the blossom end of the fruit rots as it grows, and the fruit is ruined. This is called Blossom End Rot. The great news is that the eggshell contains about 95% calcium.

Not to be lost in the nutrient value of eggshells is the amount of available magnesium and phosphorus they provide to the plant. Magnesium is vital in powering the process of

"photosynthesis." Without it the plant can't convert the sun's energy into the food power it needs to grow.

Phosphorus meanwhile is responsible for powering blooms. Without enough phosphorus the plant can't produce the mass of blooms needed to satisfy the plant's production potential.

Eggshells contain an amazing amount of a tomato's required nutrients. Getting those out of the shell and into the soil requires a little extra effort. One of the best ways to unleash the power of the egg shell into the plant holes allowing the nutrients to release, is to first grind the shells down into a fine powder. Shells take a long time to break down. By using a coffee grinder or a mortar and pestle to pulverize them, you will make it easier and faster to get the shell's nutrients into the soil.

The next most frequent question asked is, "How much eggshell do I place into the plant hole?" Two to three tablespoons per plant is best. You can also add in spent coffee grounds, worm castings, and/or compost to help. Add 2 tablespoons of each onto, but not in the soil around all plants but not into the hole. Mandatory no, helpful yes! But don't stop there. Once your plants are in the ground you can also sprinkle a few, (2), tablespoons of pulverized shell on top of the soil around each plant. Over the following weeks and months, the nutrients will leach into the soil to continue helping power the plant through its life cycle.

Perhaps, and best of all, is adding crushed shell to the surface in the planting area which will enable your soil to continue to hold the nutrients in the area ready until the



next planting season. This process works when planting in the ground, raised beds, and containers.

You must use a properly draining container. I like to use 5-gallon plastic pails. You need to create holes to allow drainage. The soil should be replaced yearly. Why? Easy to answer. Water given to a plant in a container runs from the soil's surface to the outside through drainage holes. With each watering a certain amount of soil is washed away from the root and root hairs. As more soil is lost, there is also a loss of nutrients and water will be held closer to the root structure. When the plant shows signs of stress, we usually water more. The extra watering removes more soil and nutrients causing the plant to deteriorate faster. Root rot will occur and rapidly kill the plant. The more we try to help the more we negatively affect the plant.

Remember tomatoes do not set fruit after blooming when the average air temperature exceeds 85°F. The people who developed the plant's label don't live in Florida. They call for full sun. Down here that may be too much sun. Water evaporates from the soil more quickly. We water more, and the plant shows signs of stress, and the death spiral begins. It is hard to fix at that point. In our area more than 6 to 8 hours of sun is often damaging. Move the plant to an area that gets only 8 hours of sun max but not less than 6 hours minimum. Tomatoes do best in Zephyrhills when started right after the last frost in the spring or early October, well before the first frost occurs.

Good luck.

**Bob Gallion**

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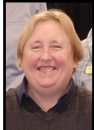
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## SOUTHPORT'S POT LUCK RECIPE OF THE MONTH HELEN GREENE'S German Potato Salad

### Ingredients:

12 potatoes  
1 onion finely chopped  
1/2 lb. bacon  
1 1/2 to 2 cups water  
4 Tbls. vinegar  
4 Tbls. sugar  
4 Tbls. flour  
2 tsp. salt  
1 tsp. pepper  
Parsley or Paprika for garnish



### Instructions:

Cook potatoes with peeling on. When cold, peel and slice. Sprinkle onions over potatoes and set aside. Cut up bacon and fry until light brown. Mix remaining ingredients together; add bacon. Cool and stir until sauce has thickened. Add potatoes and top with parsley or paprika. Serve warm.



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## Espresso Martini



### Ingredients:

1 1/2 Oz. Vanilla Vodka  
1 Oz. Espresso (fresh or instant)  
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### To make a Chocolate Espresso Martini add:

3/4 Oz. Chocolate Liqueur  
or Crème De Cocoa  
3/4 Oz. Cream  
Chocolate syrup for glass rim and coffee beans for garnish

### Instructions:

1. Pour some chocolate syrup on a plate and dip a chilled coupe glass upside down in the chocolate to coat the rim of the glass.
2. Combine all ingredients in a cocktail shaker with no ice. Add the Espresso last to cool and then fill with a cup of ice and shake again until will chilled.
3. Shake vigorously for ten seconds. Pour into glass and garnish with Espresso or Coffee Beans.

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6. NO FLOTATION DEVICES ALLOWED EXCEPT POOL NOODLES.
7. DO NOT SWALLOW THE POOL WATER.
8. GUESTS UNDER 18 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

# NO DIVING

## POOL MAXIMUM DEPTH: 6'



# Golf Association



*Dave Dundas, President*



Hello All ~  
Happy April!

The March weather has been great here at Southport Springs. April will have many of our Snowbirds returning to their northern homes. Have a great summer to all who will be leaving us over the next few months and we look forward to your return in the Fall.

We had our Match Play completed as well as the two-day Club Championship event. For those who do not already know Betty Texter won

the Ladies Club Championship and Jon Lovell won the Men's. Congratulations to both on a job well done. A list of all the winners is in this newsletter for all to see. It was a great championship with over a dozen winners in each of their divisions of both men and women. The Championship happy hour and dinner was fantastic. Thank you to Sun Communities for the Dinner and drinks. Also, thanks to Sean for the share the wealth donations as well as Earl for the towels and golf balls. Thanks to Jim Teixeira for the Bag Tags and for the Golf Rules pamphlets. Karen and her staff did a great job as always. Hats off to all of our volunteers who helped make this event a success. Finally, to Ron Greene who without his hours of work on this event would not be the success it was. Thanks Ron! As April rolls along we will see how busy the course will be. With all the new homes and apartments going in near us, we will soon see the outcome. I know the traffic sure has changed for what used to be our sleepy little town. Please remember to be kind to our outside guests out on the course. If you see any issues please notify the Golf Shack and they will send a ranger out to investigate. We will have a golf meeting in May. If anyone needs to discuss any golf related items feel free to contact me. I will get with Earl Hines on what will be going on as to the golf course over the summer and will report anything in next months newsletter. Have a great summer to all of our residents and safe travels to our Snowbirds.

Regards  
**Dave Dundas**



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**Residents & Guests**

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## 2024 CHAMPIONS



low gross of 143 and Betty Texter with a low gross of 148 emerged as this year's Golf Champions. That's two years in a row for Betty who was also this year's Senior Champion. This years Men's Senior Champion was Dave Sanfa. See page 27 for more tournament results.

Saturday, March 16th - The weather could not have been more perfect. Early morning temps were in the upper 60's with winds out of the West/Southwest at 4mph. And so the annual Southport Golf Championship weekend began with the men Teeing off at 8:00am. When it was all said and done and the annual tournament came to a close Sunday afternoon, Jon Lovell with a



# GOLF

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### 2024 Club Championship Winners

#### Men:

##### Flight "A"

Second Low Gross	Joe Finley	144
Low Net	Gerald Knierim	
	Dave Lambert	141

##### Flight "B"

Low Gross	Ron Hargrove	154
Low Net	Patrick Fearick	137
Second Low Net	Jerry Pritchard	
	Sean Rankin	141

##### Flight "C"

Low Gross	Richard Dziki	160
Low Net	Frank Sinclair	133
Second Low Net	Nick Miller	139
Overall Low Net	Rich Abbott	131

#### Ladies:

##### Flight "A"

First Low Gross	Lorene Rankin	127
First Low Net	Tammy Gelles	141
Second Low Gross	Barbara Holdridge	169
Second Low Net	Lynne Rumbaugh	142

##### Flight "B"

First Low Gross	Winnie Quartucci	176
First Low Net	Shawn Bernier	135
Second Low Gross	Judy Winslow	176
Second Low Net	Elaine Hall	139

##### Flight "C"

First Low Gross	Kathy Mosley	177
First Low Net	Lyn Hrovosky	141
Second Low Gross	Vickie Winchester	187
Second Low Net	Dianna Bredeau	142





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Monday:	7:00 am	Men Fun 18 holes Contact: Larry Britton 321-544-7718
	7:15 am	Men Quarters 18 holes Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	11:00 am	Ladies Match Play Contact: Barbara Pritchard
	11:48 am	'Rat Pack' Men 18 holes Contact Norm Vogel 716-713-7966
Tuesday:	7:15 am	Men Blue Tees 18 holes Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	12:36 pm	Men Fun 18 holes Contact Jim Jaggers 727-415-6524
Wednesday	7:00 am	Men Fun 18 holes Contact: Larry Britton 321-544-7718
	7:15 am	Men Quarters 18 holes Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	8:28 am	Lambert Ladies Fun 18 holes Contact: Darlene Lambert 413-519-4903
	12:04 pm	Mixed Seniors Fun 9 holes Contact: Helen Greene 813-362-9928
	6:00 pm	'Sundowners' Mixed Fun 9 holes Contact: Shawn Bernier 813-541-3127 Lisa Schlabowske 847-651-6829
Thursday	7:15 am	Men Quarters 18 holes Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	10:28 am	'Ladies Swingers' 18 holes Contact: Barbara Holdridge 813-701-6789
	11:00 am	Men's Match Play Contact: Tom Rich 813-780-1982
	11:48 am	Men Fun 18 holes Contact Jim Jaggers 727-415-6524
Friday	7:00 am	Men Fun 18 holes Contact: Larry Britton 321-544-7718
	10:04 am	Men 18 holes Contact: Dave Dundas 813-599-5913
	11:08 am	'Betty's Babes' Ladies 18 Contact: Betty Texter 716-574-6633
Saturday	12:30 pm	Ron's Scramble Contact: Ron Greene 813-713-0784



**Growing old is  
hard work...  
The mind says  
"yes" but, the  
body says "what  
the hell are you  
thinking"**

*The only thing I'm growing  
this spring is older and  
more irritable.*



## WHAT'S IN A WORD?

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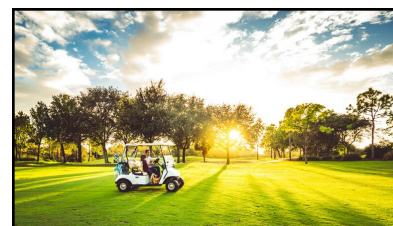
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DAFFODILS, CROCUS, PHLOX, AZLEA, PRIMROSE, HYACINTH, PANSY,  
LILY, DAISIES, SNOWDROP, IRIS, LILAC, FORSYTHIA, TULIPS,  
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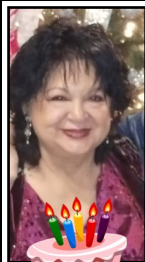
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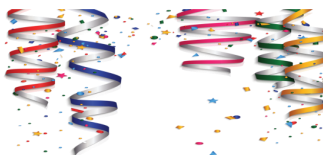
### April

Schwebach, Sarah	Apr	1
Loyer Coon, Sandy	Apr	1
Kibly, Wendy	Apr	1
Peterson, Pam	Apr	2
Barnhardt, Lelia	Apr	3
Froelich, Beverly	Apr	4
Mattson, Bonnie	Apr	4
Caudill, Shirley	Apr	7
Pruett, Cindy	Apr	8
Pollack, Karen	Apr	8
Greene, Helen	Apr	8
Bredeau, Dianna	Apr	9
Howell, Celia	Apr	11
Harris, Libby	Apr	12
Levesque, Lorraine	Apr	12
King, Carolyn	Apr	14
Gallagher, Agnes	Apr	15
Quartucci, Winnie	Apr	15
Deaton, Shelia	Apr	16
Roy, Janice	Apr	17
Crooke, Connie	Apr	17
McCoy, Tena	Apr	18
Waterman, Lauren	Apr	19
Griffin, Roberta	Apr	19
Harris, Linda	Apr	20
Budde, Gail	Apr	22
Hagerty, Diane	Apr	22
Robinson, Roxanne	Apr	22
Waters, Rita	Apr	23
Stevens, Mary	Apr	24
Tilley, Darlene	Apr	24
Earon, Nancy	Apr	25
Tmca, Debra	Apr	26

Pennella, Pat	Apr	27
Lucariello, Joyce	Apr	28
Edwards, Lee	Apr	29

### May

Dolan, Chris	May	1
Trent, Linda	May	2



## Celebrate!

### April

Falco, Dan	Apr	1
Gallagher, Tom	Apr	1
Allen, Bob	Apr	2
Dehne, Steve	Apr	2
McGovern, Jim	Apr	3
Grigevich, Joe	Apr	3
Angel, Wade	Apr	4
Mull, Greg	Apr	6
Tarbell, Ray	Apr	6
Thummel, Doug	Apr	6
Walters, Al	Apr	6
Fey, Tom	Apr	7
Mack, Bob	Apr	8
Harlan, George	Apr	9
Baulch, Doug	Apr	13
Naylor, Bob	Apr	17
Bauman, Joe	Apr	17
Gunderson, Leon	Apr	19
Jacobs, Bill	Apr	20
Montpetit, Jacques	Apr	20
Sasser, Don	Apr	21
Weston, Paul	Apr	23
Barnett, Steve	Apr	24

Mahler, Keith	Apr	23
Ertel, Steve	Apr	26
Barth, Ron	Apr	27
Anderson, Dave	Apr	28
White, Lee	Apr	28
Keffalas, George	Apr	29
Westlotorn, Paul	Apr	29
Sitton, Marvin	Apr	30

### May

Vogrin, Jim	May	1
Sanderson, Jim	May	1
Bair, Bill	May	3

**Question:** Did you hear about the submarine that sank on April Fool's Day?

**Answer:** Someone left the window open.

**Question:** What month of the year has 28 days? **Answer:** All of them.

**Question:** Why should you avoid stairs on April Fool's Day? **Answer:** Because they're always up to something.

**Note: Please contact**



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with any corrections  
or omissions.



### April

Pritchard, Jerry & Barbara	April	1
Smedberg, Dale & Laurie	April	2
Meyer, Dave & Kathy	April	7
Bartol, John & Lynda	April	12
Trent, Marty & Linda	April	16
Evans, Bill & Carla Dutcher	April	16
Sheveily, Phil & Joy	April	16
Bowers, Carey & Lyneth	April	19
Tarbell, Ray & Ronnie	April	19
McKee, Leo & Sue	April	20
Cherry, Bob & Linda	April	22
Rearick, Randy & Becky	April	26
Howell, Gover & Celia	April	26

### May

Cluck, Ed & Mary Adele	May	1
MacDonald, Ed & Jayne	May	1
Jones, Harold & Sue	May	3







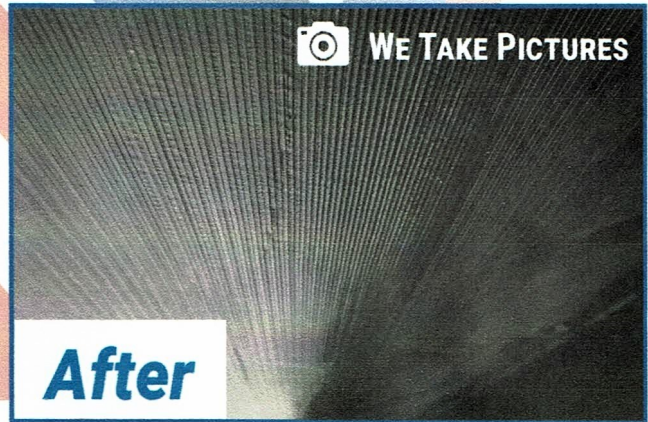
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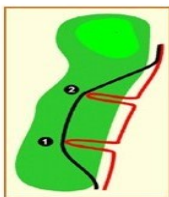
When down at the pool, please remember...

- No diving
- No running around or near the pool
- No jumping into the pool
- **PLEASE SHOWER** before stepping into the pool or spas

- When you feel the need, **PLEASE USE THE RESTROOMS** (not the pool or spa)
- Children under 16 **MUST BE ATTENDED** by an adult when down at the pool
- **NO GLASS** down by the pool. Only plastic.
- When leaving the pool area, **PLEASE** return tables and chairs to the proper place and return chairs to their upright position.
- All guests using our pool **MUST BE** accompanied by a resident

### Our Golf Course

- **PLEASE!** All golfers **MUST ALWAYS** use the 90 degree rule.
- **NO ONE** (absolutely no one) without a driver's license is allowed to drive a golf cart here in Southport Springs (most especially children under the age of 16)
- **PLEASE RESPECT** our 15MPH speed limit (at all times)



### And...



- **PLEASE! SCOOP THE POOP** when you take Fido out for a stroll. That includes **ALL** open areas and the RV Storage area as well
- **PLEASE!** Don't feed the Sand Cranes or any stray or wild animals

Please consider posting this on your refrigerator or place it on the nightstand in your guestroom.



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## EDITORIAL Joe Grigolevich, Editor



So, there's a lot to be said about stepping away from this mad, mad world for a time in order to take stock of where you are and where you're going and why. One thing's for sure...when you have surgery that puts you flat on your back for several days and then forces you to lay low for a few weeks, you basically have two choices. You can either let it drive you bat crazy or you can take a deep breath, slowly exhale, relax and enjoy what can be a rather remarkable gift; a time to think, contemplate and even meditate. You might even find yourself having a chat now and again with your maker.

But first let me take a moment to thank everyone who sent me "get well" cards, who took the time to text me and 'Charlie' to see how I was doing and who offered to help in any way they could. Southport really is an awesome place to live. And thanks to the Sunshine Committee for their get well/gift card. How so very blessed we are to have a group of volunteers who take the time to let you know that you're being thought of and prayed for. Thanks to all you Sunshine Committee members. You really are the best! And of course, how grateful and blessed I am to have 'Charlie' by my side. The line that keeps running through my head comes from our wedding vows "In sickness and in health". Everything from waking up at 5:30am to put eye drops in my eye and five more times throughout the day, to bringing me meals, to holding my hand as I walk to make sure I don't trip or walk into a wall and constantly assuring me everything is going to be okay. What a hero. And our son Jon...what an amazing chef he is! And what a helping hand taking care of all the day-to-day stuff like bringing the trash and recyclables to the curb, shopping and making sure I follow the doctor's orders. What a nag! LOL What's not to love!

So let me swing back to this thing about being forced to step back and unclutter your mind a bit. It brings about a sense of peace and tranquility that can get quickly lost when we go through each day full speed ahead trying to fit everything in. And what happens more times than not is that we sometimes find ourselves losing perspective as we become entangled in this giant web called life.

There are of course a number of things that can rob us of our sense of peace. Last month's editorial by Lori Pettit, our Assistant Editor spoke about how social media can quickly cause inner turmoil and frustration and can rob us of a sense of inner peace and happiness. Like Lori, I found that watching people weaponize social media to hurt others they disagreed with or to stir up negative emotions by posting rumors or half truths or even outright falsehoods was something I decided quite some time ago that I didn't need in my life. These days I go to FaceBook every now and again just to check on folks I care about and will say a quick hello. One thing I choose never to do is to comment on negative postings which in itself can be somewhat empowering. It reminds me that I'm the one who is in charge of my inner peace, tranquility and happiness.

So one of the gifts I've experienced these last few weeks is the gift of quiet. And in that quietness I've had the time and space to really think about my priorities, about what's important and what I need to do to keep life in balance. Eleanor Roosevelt said it well:

*"In the long run, we shape our lives, and we shape ourselves. The process never ends until we die. And the choices we make are ultimately our own responsibility."* I'll end with what Lori ended with last month. "So, here's the challenge. Go **"Cold Turkey"**. Do what you need to do today, because every day is a new beginning. Another chance to make the choice to protect your inner peace." Carpe Diem!



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