



Southport Springs Monthly Newsletter

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December 2022

## DECEMBER

### Events

***Listen and Dance To The Music Of  
"George Durham"***

**Saturday, December 10th  
7:00pm - 10:00pm**

***HOA Members Only  
Dinner Dance***

**Saturday, December 17th  
5:30pm - 10:00pm**

***Christmas Home Tour***

**Sunday, December 18th 5:45pm**

***Luminaries &  
Golf Cart Parade***

**Tuesday, December 20th 6:00pm**

***Community  
Christmas Dinner***

**Wednesday, December 21st  
(3 Seatings)  
2:00pm, 4:00pm & 6:00pm**

***Christmas Brunch***

**Christmas Morning, December 25th  
10:00am**

***New Year's Eve Party***

**Saturday, December 31st  
8:30pm - Midnight**

***Music By "Nunes At Night"***

**See Details On Pages 6 & 7**

*May this festive season  
sparkle and shine.  
May your Christmas be  
filled with the true  
miracles and meaning of  
this merry time and  
may the closeness of family  
and friends and the comfort  
of home renew your  
festive spirit.*

*See Holiday Greetings From Your  
Southport Friends And Neighbors  
Pages 35 through 38*

*Let it snow*



**Murder She Rhymed**

**SEE PAGE 13**



Bob Arnold  
35246 Jomar Avenue  
1936 - 2022

Our deepest sympathies to Bobbie and her and Bob's family and friends. Know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

"And He will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun and hold you in the palm of His hand"

Michael Joncas



I would like to thank the Sunshine Committee for the gift card. Had my knee replacement September 13th and I'm so glad to be able to return to Southport Springs for the winter. So many friends and caring people in this community. We look forward to returning every year and hope there are many more to come.

Gilda Anderson



Charles Dickens wrote  
"A Christmas Carol"  
In six weeks.



Dear Southport Friends,

We'd like to thank you so very much for your prayers, calls, visits, good wishes and help during this trying time. Linda Phelps delivered a Gift Card from the Sunshine Committee as well as a personal card and offered to help in any way. John Fearick offered Patrick's service to mow our lawn and we thank you both. Linda and Jerry Reschke have delivered some meals to us along with their prayers and well wishes. Steve and Libby Harris brought a coconut cream pie to Spurgeon (yes, he shared with me). We are so grateful to each and every one of you in this community. God bless you all!



Spurgeon & Lou Tucker



## AN OLD IRISH BLESSING

THE LIGHT OF THE CHRISTMAS STAR TO YOU

THE WARMTH OF HOME AND HEARTH TO YOU

THE CHEER AND GOOD WILL OF FRIENDS TO YOU

THE HOPE OF A CHILDLIKE HEART TO YOU

THE JOY OF A THOUSAND ANGELS TO YOU

THE LOVE OF THE SON AND GOD'S PEACE TO YOU.

## Bookmarks of Inspiration



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## THE CHRISTMAS STORY

You've heard it said, "Christmas is for kids"

And most likely this is true  
But you could be 100 years old  
And Christmas would still be for YOU

Because you are a child of God  
Your age will NEVER change  
The fatherly love He has for you  
Is mysterious, but really not strange

For you truly are His creation  
Just ponder that thought for a while ...

How does it feel to be God's heir  
Certainly it should make you smile  
Because of the birth of God's sinless Son

We celebrate and give Him glory  
But remember this day is for everyone

It's all part of the Christmas Story

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Have a Merry, Holy Christmas!

"EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES  
THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST IS  
BORN OF GOD, AND EVERYONE  
WHO LOVES THE FATHER  
LOVES HIS CHILD AS WELL."

- 1 John 5:1

## WE THANK YOU AND THEY THANK YOU



It was yet another amazingly successful SPS community food drive. Members of Southport's Servant Hearts were able to deliver two vehicles filled with food to each of the following local food pantries: First Methodist Church, First Presbyterian, St. Joseph's and Chancey Road Church. On behalf of myself and all of the members of Servant Hearts, I would like to thank you all. What a caring and giving community we have.

Cindy Judy

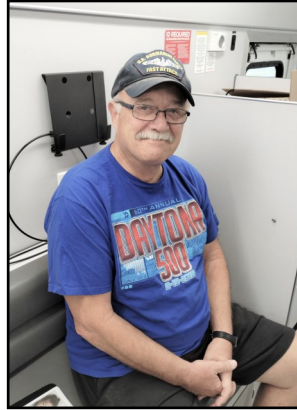


Let us pray for all of  
our friends here in  
Southport who may be  
battling any health  
and/or personal  
issues.  
Let's also keep  
all caregivers  
in our thoughts and  
prayers as well.





## GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE



They give from the heart; and because of them and folks like them, hundreds and thousands of lives are saved each and every day. And all it took was about an hour of their time and it didn't cost a dime. In fact, they each received a OneBlood \$20 gift card and a few other gifts as a small token for caring to do what they do.

**Thank You To The Following Folks Who Stepped Forward  
Last Month To Donate *Life-Saving Blood*.  
YOU GUYS ROCK!**

Tom Fey  
Dave Blair  
Eileen Blair  
Patrick Winchester  
Mel Collins  
Harry Newton  
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Joyce Steinmiller  
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Lauren Waterman  
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Bonnie Gilmore  
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Tom Brownell  
Dawn Brownell  
Beverly Prince  
Jim Matamoros  
Cindy Judy  
'Charlie' Grigevich

Kara Krohn  
Sue Fox  
Bett Stiefel  
Ann Wallis  
John Losey  
Al Walters  
Larry Britton  
Dianna Bredeau  
Martin Hammond

Winners of the gift cards donated by our HOA (\$25) and Sun Communities (\$25) were Judy Winslow and 'Charlie' Grigevich respectively. **OneBlood** would like to thank our HOA, Sun Communities, The Parkway and our residents for their continued and ongoing support.

**Our Next Blood Drive Will Be Held On  
Wednesday, March 8th**

**SEE YOU ON THE BIG RED BUS**



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## VETERANS DAY - A DAY TO REMEMBER



Southport Veterans representing all five branches of the military joined by friends and neighbors gathered at our Memorial Wall to remember and honor those who have served and those who are currently serving our Nation defending our freedoms and liberties. Honoring this year's ceremony was Korean War and Desert Storm Veteran Dick Snyder who reflected on his 20+ years of service. The ceremony was followed by a pancake breakfast. The Veterans committee would like to thank everyone who helped organize the event and a special thanks to Sun Communities for sponsoring the breakfast.



## OUR MEMORIAL WALL



Southport's Veterans Memorial Wall is a wonderful tribute to the men and women

who have served our Nation and whose names appear on one of the many bricks that go into making up this beautiful memorial. When you have a moment, you might want to take the time to visit the wall privately and contemplate the personal sacrifice so many of them made; some of whom gave the ultimate sacrifice. Sitting silently among them in thought and prayer is a moving experience. If you're interested in adding a name to the wall, see the application below.

## Caterpillars To Butterflies Fund Raiser

### Loaded Baked Potato Dinner

Monday, January 9th

4:45pm Take Out 5:45pm Seated

\$10.00pp

**Sponsored By Southport Servant Hearts**



#### Menu:

Loaded Baked Potato, Soup, Cuban Bread, Tossed Green Salad, Ice Tea or Lemonade and Desert

#### Tickets On Sale

Wednesday December 21st & 28th  
9:30am in the Coffee Café

#### Limited To

(80 Take Out Tickets & 120 Dine-In Tickets)  
(First Come/First Served)

**"One Of A Kind" Painting Raffle**  
6 tickets for \$5.00

Food donated by Sun Communities - Cuban Bread donated by Mike Mira from Fresh Country Café

'Caterpillars To Butterflies' here in Dade City is a 501(c) non-profit reaching out to At Risk children.



## ATTENTION ALL VETERANS AND PATRIOTS

*Mary Adele Cluck, President*



Applications to join Southport's Veterans Association are available for all Armed Services Veterans and Patriots (folks who have family members who have served in the military) in the lobby of the Little Clubhouse lobby. Also - anyone wishing to purchase a brick for our Memorial Wall to honor a Veteran may do so by completing and submitting the form below along with \$35.00 per brick. Bricks will be ordered when we have a minimum of 5 orders. (Applications can be dropped in the HOA mailbox located in the Little Clubhouse Lobby)

### Southport Springs Veterans Memorial Wall Brick Application

Bricks Are Tan With Black Lettering - 3 Lines Maximum With No More Than 18 Letters Per Line

Cost: **\$35.00** ea.

Checks Made Payable To: *Southport Springs Veterans*

Line 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Line 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Line 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Ordered By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Brick Ordered And Paid: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel # \_\_\_\_\_

**(The Following Is For Veterans Committee Use Only)**

Southport Springs Veterans Rep Receiving Order \_\_\_\_\_

Brick Ordered By \_\_\_\_\_

SSV Order To Mfg. \_\_\_\_\_ Brick Received From Mfg. \_\_\_\_\_

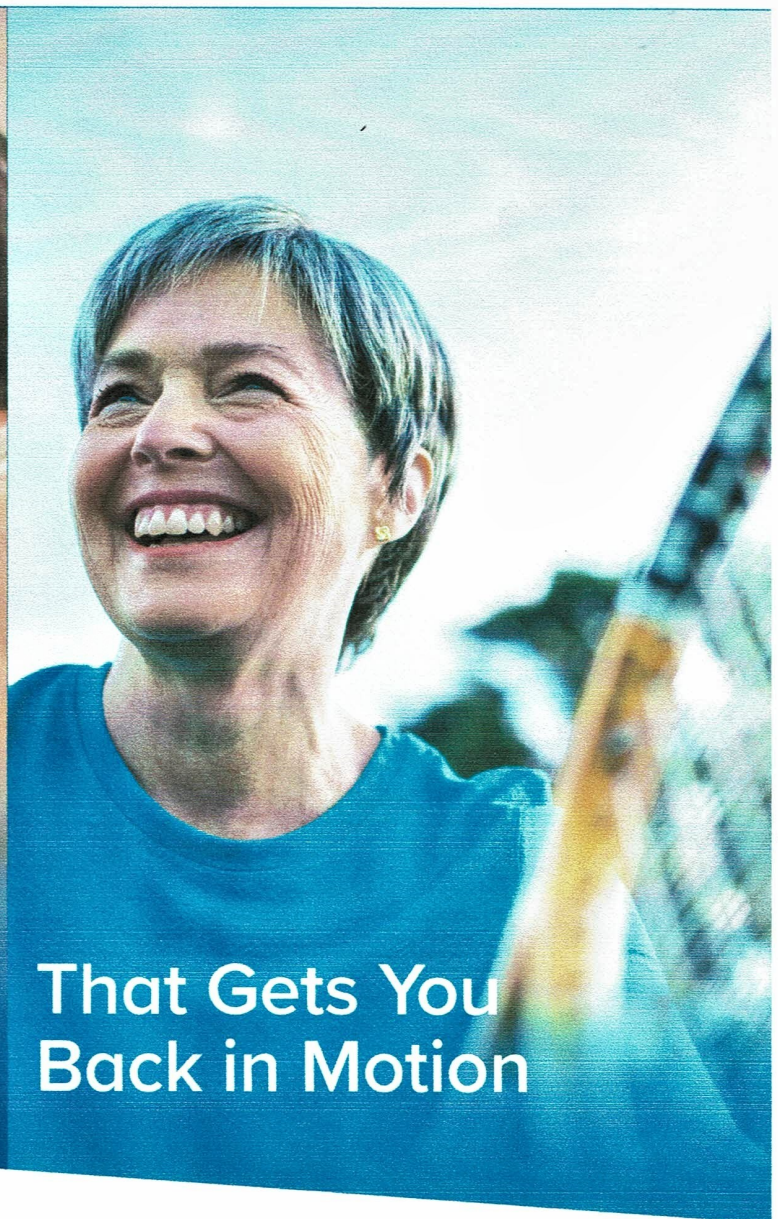
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## COMING THIS MONTH



### *Listen & Dance To The Music Of George Durham*

*Saturday, December 10th 7-10pm*  
*HOA Members \$7.00 Non Members \$9.00*

**TICKETS NOW ON SALE**

## Community Christmas Dinner

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21ST**

**3 SEATINGS**  
**2:00PM, 4:00PM & 6:00PM**

**\$5.00PP**  
**(REFUNDABLE AT THE DOOR)**

**TICKETS ON SALE**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH & 13TH**



### **HOA MEMBERS ONLY HOLIDAY DINNER DANCE**

*With Mike Quartucci*  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17TH 5:30PM - 10:00PM**  
**\$5.00PP (REFUNDABLE AT THE DOOR)**



### **Christmas Home Tour**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH 5:45PM**  
**TOUR BEGINS AT 6PM FROM  
THE MAIN CLUBHOUSE**

**\$2.00PP**  
**(PAYABLE AT THE START OF THE TOUR)**

**REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING THE TOUR  
AT THE MAIN CLUBHOUSE**

**SEE SIGN-UP SHEET ON MAIN BULLETIN BOARD**



### **Luminaries & Golf Cart Parade**

**Tuesday, December 20th  
6:00pm**

**Main Clubhouse Parking Lot  
Line Up Behind Patrick**

**REFRESHMENTS AND CAROLING BEHIND  
THE MAIN CLUBHOUSE FOLLOWING THE  
PARADE**



### CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

*Join your friends and neighbors  
Christmas morning at 10:00 in  
the ballroom.*

*Bring a dish to share*

*Tableware and coffee/tea will be  
provided*

*Sign-up sheet on the big club  
bulletin board by  
December 20*

### **New Year's Eve Party**

**Saturday, December 31st  
8:30pm - 12:30am**

### **Music By Nunes At Night**

**Party Favors, Snacks  
& Champagne**

*(Please - No Outside Snacks)*

**\$30.00pp**

**TICKETS ON SALE TUESDAY  
12/6&13/2022**



**Event Tickets can be purchased in the  
Coffee Café on Posted Tuesdays  
from 10:00am to Noon.**

**SEE PAGE 7  
FOR UPCOMING JANUARY EVENTS**



COMING NEXT MONTH

**KARAOKE**  
 FRIDAY, JANUARY 13TH 6-9PM  
 (MAIN CLUBHOUSE)  
 EVERYONE IS WELCOME  
 TO JOIN IN THE FUN!  
**FREE ADMISSION**  
 DONATIONS GLADLY ACCEPTED  
 TO HELP DEFRAY COSTS  
 EVENING INCLUDES A \$HARE THE WEALTH RAFFLE

**Dance Party Duo**  
 Saturday  
 January 14th  
 7-10pm  
**HOA MEMERS \$7.00pp**  
**NON MEMBERS \$9.00pp**  
 TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD

**The Not So Newlywed Game**  
 Sunday, January 15th 2:00pm  
 Main Clubhouse  
 Fun and Prizes  
 BYOB & BYOSnacks

**Soup & Chili Pot Luck**  
 Followed By **Nickel BINGO**  
 Tuesday Jan. 17th 5:30pm  
 Please Bring a Pot of Your Favorite Soup or Chili 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

**Southport Springs Variety Show**  
 THURSDAY, JANUARY 26TH  
 6:00PM  
 MAIN CLUBHOUSE

**A MAGICAL NIGHT OF ENTERTAINMENT**  
 The HOA and our SPS Entertainment Committee, under the leadership of Ruthann Brown is planning a community wide variety show on Thursday, January 26, 2023, at 6 PM, in the Big Clubhouse. We're looking for you to share your talents whether it be acting, juggling, music, impersonations, art, yo-yo tricks, original poetry, comedy, or dance...the sky is the limit! Volunteers will also be needed to draw and paint a backdrop, to work as stage hands, to help with advertising, to assist with the dress rehearsal, to provide technical assistance, to make creative props, and to join our Southport Singers. There's a sign up sheet on the HOA bulletin board in the Big Clubhouse, or you can contact Ruthann or Event Coordinator Sharon Grant for further details. We hope you'll consider joining us in this very special event!

Ruthann  
 631-741-8892  
 rbrown0698@yahoo.com  
 Sharon  
 813-760-7249  
 sblutzbell@aol.com

**Did You Know That...**  
 In the early days of his career, Sylvester Stallone was so poor that he sold his dog Butkus for \$50. After striking it rich by selling the script for Rocky, Stallone bought him back at a markup (\$3,000). Both Butkus and his interim owner made appearances in Rocky.



# Mardi Gras



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## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE BAKE SALE HUGE SUCCESS



Pictured above are members of Southport's Sunshine Committee and workers at last month's Bake Sale. Seated in the middle of the table is Nancy Whitney and to her left is Sunshine Committee Co-Chair Cindy Judy. Standing starting to your left is Marge Miller, Karol McGinn (Sunshine Committee Co-Chair), Esther Clark, Lisa Schlabowske and Michele Randall. Missing from the photo is Lee Edwards. Karol McGinn shared the following:

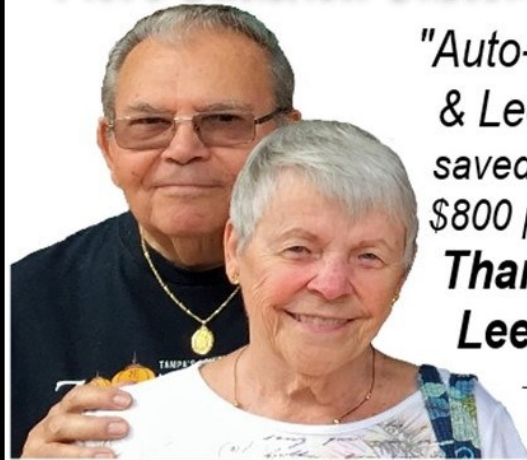
**The Bake Sale was a spectacular success! Thanks to all of you who donated lots and lots of wonderful baked goods and money. And a big "Thank You" to those who spent the day at the Little Clubhouse setting up, packaging, pricing and cleaning up. It was a big day!! I'm continually reminded that we live in an amazing community with amazing people. THANK YOU EVERYONE! By the way, we raised \$1,700.00. How great is that!**



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## Thank You Southport

Because of your wonderful and generous donations, the Bereavement Committee made \$670 on the raffle at the Craft Fair. It's because of all of you that we're able to continue to provide this service to our residents.



*Sandy Fenlock*

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## BRAIN TEASER

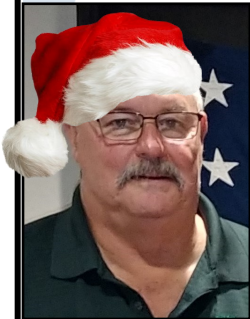


**Forest left home running. He ran a ways and then turned left, ran the same distance and turned left again, ran the same distance and turned left again. When he got home he got home there were two masked men waiting for him. Who were they?**

**answer found on another page**



## HOA NEWS *Patrick Winchester, President*



Hello Friends and Neighbors,

Hope all of you had a very enjoyable and Happy Thanksgiving. We braved the north winds and went to Indiana to see family and had a wonderful time. The Christmas Season is upon us and December is going to be a busy month with Christmas Dinners, Golf Cart Parade, Home Tours, Luminaries and of course the celebration of our Lord Jesus' birthday.

Remember that January 21 is the HOA Annual Membership meeting with elections and by-laws amendments voting.

I hope you all have a very Merry and Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Patrick**  
[patrickw@southportspringshoa.com](mailto:patrickw@southportspringshoa.com)  
813-713-5777



...So he paused. And the Grinch put his hand to his ear.  
And he did hear a sound rising over the snow.  
It started in low. Then it started to grow.  
But the sound wasn't sad!  
Why, this sound sounded merry!  
It couldn't be so! But it WAS merry! VERY!  
He stared down at Whoville! The Grinch popped his eyes!  
Then he shook! What he saw was a shocking surprise!  
Every Who down in Whoville, the tall and the small,  
Was singing! Without any presents at all!  
He HADN'T stopped Christmas from coming! IT CAME!  
Somehow or other, it came just the same!  
And the Grinch, with his grinch-feet ice-cold in the snow,  
Stood puzzling and puzzling: "How could it be so?"  
"It came without ribbons! It came without tags!"  
"It came without packages, boxes or bags!"  
And he puzzled three hours, till his puzzler was sore.



Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!  
"Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store."  
**"Maybe Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!"...**

*Dr. Seuss*



*"When you help someone in need, do not sound a trumpet so that you may be honored."*

**As Of January 1st 2023 "The Southport Sun" Will be an "On-Line" publication only meaning we will no longer be distributing hard copy throughout the community. As always, you'll be able to view the newsletter on line at [southportspringshoa.com](http://southportspringshoa.com) HOWEVER, anyone wishing to have a hard copy will be able to purchase an annual subscription (see form below).**



## *The Southport Sun*

### Newsletter Subscription Form

**Please sign Me Up For An Annual Southport Sun Subscription for the calendar year 2023 at the annual rate of \$24.00**

**Enclosed is my check # \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name: (please print) \_\_\_\_\_**

**Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Note: Mid-year subscriptions through 12/31/2023 may be purchased at the rate of \$2.00/month.**

**Please make you check payable to Southport Springs 723 HOA, place it in an envelope along with this form addressed to Joe Grigevich and drop it in the HOA mailbox located in The Little Clubhouse Lobby**

**Signature \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date / /**

**Your 2023 full year subscription form and payment must be received on or before Friday December 15th 2022**

**Note: Your monthly copy can be picked up in the Coffee Café on the 1st and/or 2nd business day of each month between 9:30 & 11:00am**





## Genealogy



### Mark Your Calendars

#### The Southport Genealogical Society

will meet Monday, December 12th 2022 at 1pm in the Main Clubhouse Coffee Café. This month's feature presentation will be **Research & Photo Scanning**. We have internet service, so bring your laptops and tablets with you. For more information, you can text Tim Carman at **618-978-8564**

or you can E-mail him at [timc@aol.com](mailto:timc@aol.com)



### Morning Bible Study

Southport's Morning Bible Study group meets every **Friday morning at 9am** in the

Little Clubhouse. "Studying the Bible helps us grow in faith, grow in joy and grow in wisdom". Everyone is welcome. For more information, you can call me at:

**813-778-4027**

**Rita Walters**



"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path."

**Psalm 119:105**

### Thank You

I'd like take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in with our first HOA Welcoming Committee Resource Fair held this past October. A special thanks to the leaders of our various clubs and groups as well as reps from Pasco County Library, Pasco County Transportation, Meals On Wheels, Advent Health & Wellness, Aging Health Plan Services, The VFW and Marine Corps, Blaze Chair Massage Therapist, The Ice Cream Truck, Sun Communities and our wonderful Parkway Tavern. A special thanks also to the volunteers who helped set up and clean up. Thank you everyone.

**Pam McGregor**

HOA Board Member (Welcoming/Membership)

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*Friday, December 2nd - 11am to 2pm*  
*Saturday, December 17th - 11am to 2pm*  
*Wednesday, December 21st - CLOSED*  
*Saturday, December 24th - 11am to 2pm*  
*Sunday, December 25th - CLOSED*  
*Merry Christmas*  
*Sunday, January 1st - CLOSED*  
*Happy New Year*

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# Murder She Rhymed

**Everyone Is Invited  
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Thanks to all for your help.

Ruthann Brown



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# December 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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				8am Tennis - TC 9am Line Dancing (intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm - Horseshoes	9am Bible Study - LC 9:30am Power Walking - MC Noon Hand & Foot lunch followed by cards - LC 7pm - Farkle - LC	8am Tennis - TC 7-10pm - MC <i>Listen &amp; Dance To The Music Of George Durham</i> 
4	 5	6	7	8	9	10
	8am Tennis - TC 8:15am Yoga - MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 11am HOA Entertainment Committee Meeting - CC 6pm Dominoes 6:30pm Shuffleboard	9am Line Dancing (Intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC 1pm - Hand & Foot - LC 1pm - Horseshoes 7pm Euchre - LC	8:30am Coffee & Donuts (meeting at 9am) MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 2pm Mahjong - LC 6:30pm BINGO - MC	8am Tennis - TC 9am Line Dancing (intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm - Horseshoes	9am Bible Study - LC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 1pm Hand & Foot - LC 7pm - Farkle - LC	8am Tennis - TC 5:30pm HOA MEMBERS ONLY HOLIDAY DINNER DANCE <i>Music By Mike Quartucci</i> 
11	 12	13	14	15	16	17
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10am Silver Needles Meeting & "Sew Day" - LC  5:45pm Christmas Home Tour 	8am Tennis - TC 8:15am Yoga - MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 6pm Dominoes 6:30pm Shuffleboard	9am Line Dancing (Intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC 1pm - Hand & Foot - LC 1pm - Horseshoes 6pm Luminaries & Golf Cart Parade 7pm Euchre - LC	8:30am Coffee & Donuts (meeting at 9am) MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 2pm Mahjong - LC 2pm Community Christmas Dinner 	8am Tennis - TC 9am Line Dancing (intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm - Horseshoes	9am Bible Study - LC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 1pm Hand & Foot - LC 7pm - Farkle - LC	8am Tennis - TC 7-10pm - MC
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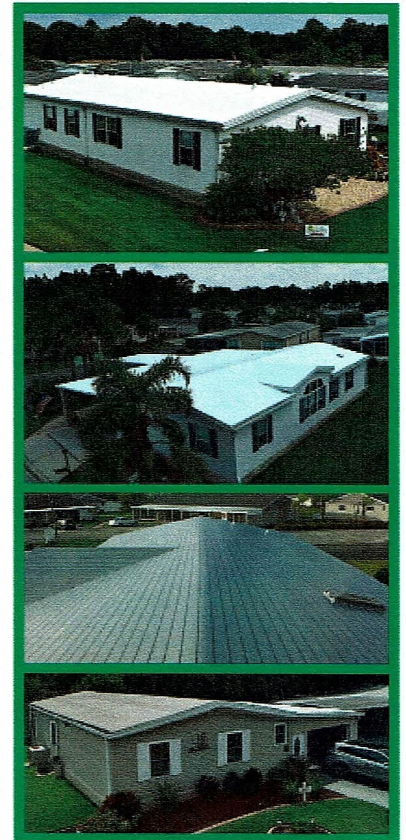
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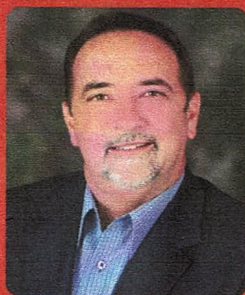
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## MISTLETOE - THE REAL STORY

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



Mistletoe is a parasite. It steals water and nutrients from trees. Technically, it is a "hemiparasite" which means it can produce some of its own resources through photosynthesis. It just needs an energetic kick from the sun to fuel the biological siege and subsequent invasion of a tree. The Mistletoe needs to break through a tree's defenses to grow and complete its life cycle. Once inside the tree most of the mistletoe's energy requirements are met by re-

sources stolen from the host tree.

Unlike Spanish moss, Mistletoe is a parasite. Most of its seeds are spread by birds. If the defecated seeds land on a branch it attaches itself to the new host tree. The parasite releases a compound called viscin which dries to form a stiff biological cement. Most of the Mistletoe's seeds will wait until the following spring before they germinate. Viscin ensures that the seed is in for the long haul.

Most plants grow towards the light, sun, and use gravity to form their growth patterns. Mistletoe does its own thing and grows away from the light and towards the tree. It also ignores gravity so that it can infect the tree in any direction.

Mistletoe responds to touch, such as a bird brushing it as it lands, etc. It then develops a special organ called a haustrium which it uses to invade the tree.

Once the parasite is inside the tree, it manipulates the host and steals all the resources that are needed to grow, flower, and produce seeds.

Few parasites enjoy the seasonal celebration that we see and hear while standing under the mistletoe during the holiday season.

Beware of claims about Mistletoe's value as an alternative medicine. Don't eat the berries! While they are enjoyed by critters, they're poisonous to us.

Mistletoe does contain compounds called lectins which are being looked at as a potential cancer treatment." Dr. Johnathan J. Dalzell.

Again, do not eat the berries. They are toxic and may cause vomiting, blurred vision, and seizures.

Mistletoe plants have learned how to work together to get the most out of a host tree like squeezing the last bit of toothpaste out of the tube.

In a co-infection, more than one Mistletoe plant infects the tree. Each plant will increase its own levels of photo-



synthesis taking a little out of the tree. They work together to keep the tree alive longer. When there is significant mistletoe on a branch, pruning that limb may be your only solution. There are chemicals to kill the mistletoe unfortunately it will also kill the tree.

Mistletoe is not a Florida parasite but much of it is in our homes during the holiday season. It's been around for a long time and has been mentioned in Greek and Roman myth. Over time these plants have developed unique and hardy systems to survive.

Enjoy the holiday season.

**Bob Gallion**  
**813-838-3668**



The Mistletoe tradition comes from Norse mythology. In the Norse culture, the Mistletoe plant was a sign of love and peace. The story goes that the goddess Figg lost her son (the god Baldur) to an arrow made of Mistletoe. After his death she vowed that Mistletoe would kiss anyone who passed beneath it so long as it was never again used as a weapon.

The kissing tradition as we know it appears to have started in 18th century England where it first became widely used as a Christmas decoration. The tradition spread quickly throughout the world. Beginning as a custom among the lower classes, it made its way to all classes, becoming a universal holiday ritual.

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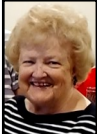
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Canola Oil (1/3 cup or more if needed)  
to fry  
Honey to drizzle on top



#### Instructions:

Heat oil medium to hot. Fry tortillas until golden brown and crispy. Drain on paper towels. Sprinkle cinnamon and sugar while warm and drizzle honey on top. Takes about 15 minutes. Make as many as you'd like! Serve with hot chocolate or coffee.

¡Enoy! Feliz Navidad

A Mexican legend tells of a girl who could only offer weeds as a gift to Jesus on Christmas Eve. When she brought the weeds into a church, they blossomed into the beautiful red plants we know as poinsettias, known as "**Flores de Noche Buena**" in Mexico (Spanish for "**Flowers of the Holy Night**").



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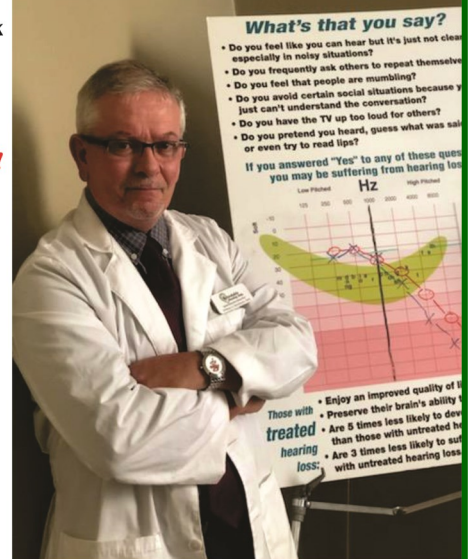
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# Golf Club

Jim Teixeira, President



The weather has changed and so have the tee times!!! The optimist sees the joy of sleeping in and teeing it up with bright sun! Let's not discuss the pessimist!!

A reminder - if you're not aware, Sun will require all members to sign a 'Membership Application and Agreement' to continue your membership status. Deadline is December 31, 2022. Please take the time to read it and understand its stipulations.

The 'Membership Application' is to be submitted directly to Earl Hines. You may request a copy of the signed 'Membership Application'.

The Golf Committee met with Sun Representatives Amy Herndon, Regional Vice President; Sean Rankin, Community Manager and Earl Hines, Pro Shop Manager to discuss our concerns with declining Southport Springs Membership on November 8th. At the Golf Association Meeting later that evening the Committee presented the information we received from our meeting with the Sun Representatives.

Current Southport Springs Membership is 41 couples and 50 individuals: down from 54 couples and 53 individuals in March 2022.

A reminder Members can make Tee Time reservations 10 days in advance by contacting the Pro Shop or 7 days in advance online at [www.southportspringsfl.com](http://www.southportspringsfl.com).

A Christmas Tournament is planned, the details of which are still to be determined.

I met with Earl Hines, Pro Shop Manager to discuss the following:

1. The course has new Flag Sticks and Flags - the Flag Sticks have a flange to lift the ball out of the hole when you lift the Flag Stick.
2. Coming are new Tee Box markers; Sun has a 'Sand Pro' machine to improve the consistency of bunkers.
3. Sun's long-range plan is to lengthen the course to 6,500 yards and to have 4 tees!

With the increase in outside play, stay respectful to self and others. If you observe a violation of the course rules, please call the Pro Shop. It is Sun's responsibility to manage the conduct of play on the course. Photos of violators sent to [Ehines@SunCommunities.com](mailto:Ehines@SunCommunities.com) is more effective than posting on Facebook or complaining about it among ourselves.

The next Golf Association Meeting: Tuesday, December 13 at 6:00 PM in the Main Clubhouse.

Match Play has begun for both Men and the Ladies.

Stay respectful to yourself and others. It is only a game. Take the time to find the joy in it...it is there!! Life is way too short to be miserable! Jim Teixeira [MJT161946@Gmail.com](mailto:MJT161946@Gmail.com).

**Merry Christmas** and **Happy Hanukkah** to All. Best Wishes for a Joyful Season!

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*"Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated; it satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect".*

Arnold Palmer



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	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Men Quarters 18 holes</b> Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Ladies 18 holes</b> Barbara Pritchard 607-857-7850
	<b>11:48am</b>	<b>'Rat Pack' Men 18 holes</b> Contact: Norm Vogel 716-713-7966
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Men Blue Tees 18 holes</b> Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	<b>12:36pm</b>	<b>Men Fun 18 holes Select Shot</b> Jim Jagger 727-415-6524
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:00am</b>	<b>Men Fun 18 holes</b> Contact: Larry Britton 321-544-7718
	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Men Quarters 18 holes</b> Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	<b>8:28am</b>	<b>Lambert Ladies Fun 18 holes</b> Contact: Darlene Lambert 413-519-4903
	<b>12:04pm</b>	<b>Mixed Seniors Fun 9 holes</b> Contact: Helen Greene 813-362-9928
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>'Sundowners' Mixed/Fun 9 holes</b> Contact: Shawn Bernier 813-541-3127 Lisa Schlabowske 847-651-6829
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:15am</b>	<b>Men Quarters 18 holes</b> Contact: Joe Finley 813-310-7256
	<b>10:28am</b>	<b>'Lady Swingers' 18 holes</b> Contact: Barbara Holdridge 813-701-6789
	<b>11:48am</b>	<b>Men Fun 18 holes Select Shot</b> Jim Jagger 727-415-5524
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:00am</b>	<b>Men Fun 18 holes</b> Contact: Larry Britton 321-544-7718
	<b>10:04am</b>	<b>'Betty's Babes' Ladies 18</b> Contact: Betty Texter 716-574-6633
	<b>11:48am</b>	<b>Men 18 holes</b> Dave Dundas 954-482-2225
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Mixed Resident Scramble 18 holes</b> Darlene Lambert 413-519-4903







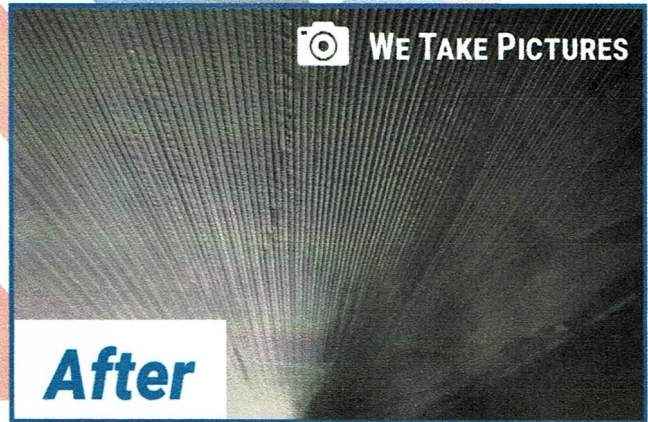
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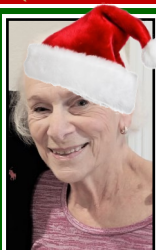


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### December

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Paduano, Maureen	Dec	1
Lambert, Darlene	Dec	2
Nous, Joan	Dec	5
Gilbride, Eileen	Dec	6
Schutt, Connie	Dec	7
Winchester, Vickie	Dec	8
Porter, Leslie	Dec	9
Silverstein, Claire	Dec	9
Evans, Carla	Dec	10
West, Colleen	Dec	10
Geyer, Kathy	Dec	12
Maurer, Beverly	Dec	13
Bringedahl, Jean	Dec	13
Miller, Becky	Dec	14
Julian, Lynn	Dec	15
Weston, Marie	Dec	15
Stiefel, Bett	Dec	15
Lebo, Val	Dec	17
Eberman, Lindsey	Dec	18
Dolan, Sunday	Dec	19
Eberman, Desdie	Dec	29
Brown, Rozanne	Dec	21
Foley, Evelyn	Dec	22
Reschke, Linda	Dec	22
Phillips, Melody	Dec	22
Meyer, Kathy	Dec	24
Gallenstein, Mary	Dec	24
Negron, Natividad	Dec	25
Hache, Mary	Dec	25
Santo, Fran	Dec	26
Ossander, Pauline	Dec	27
Cottet, Marie	Dec	27
Nichol, Mary	Dec	29

Tucker, Lou	Dec	29
Coye, Diann	Dec	30
Roland, Sandra	Dec	30

### January

Carman, Harriett	Jan	1
MacDonald, Jayne	Jan	3
Faulk, Erika	Jan	4



## Celebrate!

### December

Brown, Fred	Dec	3
Blair, Dave	Dec	3
Grever, Don	Dec	4
Walters, Ken	Dec	6
Milby, Dale	Dec	6
Rich, Tom	Dec	7
Purdy, Bob	Dec	8
Rankin, Don	Dec	8
Godlewski, Joe	Dec	9
Meyer, Dave	Dec	9
Cherry, Steve	Dec	10
Esquirol, Howard	Dec	10
Rehm, Tom	Dec	11
Winchester, Patrick	Dec	11
Lucariello, Vince	Dec	12
Lebo, Terry	Dec	12
Roy, Al	Dec	12
Lambert, Dave	Dec	19
Lynch, John	Dec	22
Texter, Jim	Dec	27
Porter, Bruce	Dec	28
Keller, Jack	Dec	28
White, Emmett	Dec	29
Theroux, Lionel	Dec	29
Conway, Greg	Dec	31
Miller, Nick	Dec	31

### January

Carman, Harriett	Jan	1
MacDonald, Jayne	Jan	3



- Question:** What did Adam say the day before Christmas? **Answer:** It's Christmas Eve!
- Question:** Who's Santa's favorite singer? **Answer:** Elf-is Presley.
- Question:** What did the stamp say to the Christmas card? **Answer:** Stick with me and we'll go places.
- Question:** How did Mary and Joseph know how much Jesus weighed when he was born? **Answer:** They had a "weigh in a manger".



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### December

Rowe, George & Joyce	Dec	5
Stramiello, Mike & Juleen	Dec	7
Figueroa, Gerry & carmen	Dec	7
Allen, Bob & Linda	Dec	13
Stiffler, Dick & nancy	Dec	13
Legault, Todd & Collette	Dec	16
Texter, Jim & Betty	Dec	17
Winchester, Patrick & Vickie	Dec	18
Klear, Pete & Karen	Dec	19
Baulch, Doug & Dianne	Dec	24
Marino, Sal & Lilla	Dec	27
Conway, Geg & Donna	Dec	27
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## EDITORIAL *Joe Grigolevich, Editor*



So, as many of you know, I recently underwent knee replacement surgery. I saw my orthopedic surgeon (Dr. Trey Alexander) in mid-November for a follow up visit and I'm currently involved in a PT program that's expected to last through December. All in all, things went really well. I had full range of motion within a week of surgery and experienced minimum pain (that was because Dr. Alexander ordered a procedure called "IOVERA"). Basically, it's a nerve blocker and its purpose is to minimize pain during

and after surgery and during the healing and PT process. Believe me when I tell you that it's GREAT!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone here in Southport who called, stopped by and who sent "get well" cards and E-mails; and a special thanks to our Sunshine Committee for the "Get Well card" and the Publix gift card. Please know that everyone's kindness and thoughtfulness was and is deeply appreciated. Southport really is an awesome place to live!

I'd also like to thank the folks at AdventHealth Hospital here in Zephyrhills. I'm not exaggerating when I say how fortunate we are to have this amazing healthcare facility at our doorsteps. In March of 2021 it was given the **Women's Choice Award**® as one of America's Best Hospitals for Orthopedics and was cited as an **Own the Bone Star Performer** by the American Orthopedic Association. And in January of this year, the Women's Choice organization cited it as one of the best hospitals in America in multiple categories.

From the moment 'Charlie' and I walked in the Outpatient Entrance at 6am in the morning (it was still dark) I felt this sense of calm. Seeing the huge white, marble statue of Christ had a lot to do with it. It helped center me and my thoughts. The message *"Everything is going to be fine"* quickly flashed before me. I closed my eyes and took a deep breath. The receptionist was so sweet and so welcoming as she directed us down the hallway to the elevator that would take us to the second floor and to the Surgery Center. The double doors opened and standing there was a nurse (Debbie) who greeted me with a smile. She extended her hand and said *"Good morning. How are you this morning"* as she ushered me into Pre-op Surgery Unit #11. As I walked into the Unit, I noticed a huge picture of a forest with a Bible passage written beneath it. *"God's Angels set up a circle of protection around those who honor him to rescue them."* Psalm 34:7. From that moment on until I was released to go home the next afternoon was nothing less than a positive and uplifting experience. Every person I interacted with; every Nurse, every Doctor, every Physician's Assistant, every Physical Therapist, the folks who delivered my meals, the folks who made up my bed, members of the administrative staff...every one of them treated me with gentle kindness. Everyone made me feel like I was their most important priority. As I left the hospital, I thanked each of them and told them they were all absolute angels; and then I remembered the biblical passage on the wall in the Pre-op Surgery Unit *"God's Angels set up a circle of protection around those who honor him to rescue them"*. God is good.

And a very special "Thank You" also to two very special people. First 'Charlie'. What an amazing caregiver she is. Gentle and loving and a tad bit stern when she needs to be. *"You need to do the exercises honey. No excuses."* Thank you 'Charlie'. Love you. And a big SHOUT OUT to Doctor Alexander. What a miracle worker! Thanks Doc for the gift of you.





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