



Southport Springs Monthly Newsletter

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February 2022

## FEBRUARY

### Events

**Friday & Saturday, February 4th & 5th**  
**8am -2pm (Friday For Residents Only)**  
**Southport's Annual Yard Sale**

**Saturday, February 5th 7-10pm**  
**Listen & Dance To The Music Of**  
**"Jerry & The Blonde"**

**Friday, February 11th 7-10pm**  
**Valentine's Dance**  
**With "Good Stuff"**

**Tuesday, February 15th 5:30pm**  
**Pot Luck**  
**Followed By Nickle BINGO**

**Thursday, February 17th 5-8pm**  
**"Dance Party Duo"**  
**Compliments of Sun Communities**  
**& The Parkway Tavern**

**Saturday, February 26th 7-10pm**  
**Listen & Dance To The Music Of**  
**"Double Density"**

**Friday, February 25th 6-9pm**  
**Karaoke With Christine & Willie**  
**Compliments of Sun Communities**

**Monday, February 28th 5:00pm**  
**KEEP YOUR SOCKS ON**  
**Dinner For A Cause**

See Pages 5 & 6 For Details

## SILVER NEEDLES PAY TRIBUTE

Sunday, January 23rd - Southport's Silver Needle Group once again brought us an amazing splash of color, true beauty and absolute perfection as they displayed their handmade quilts for all of us to see and enjoy. The Main Clubhouse was a true work of art as you wandered in, around and through the isles of dozens and dozens of some of the most beautiful works of art handcrafted by these gifted and talented ladies.

The group also took the opportunity to pay tribute to a dear friend and fellow quilter who is no longer with us; Patty Rich. On display and under the spotlight on



the stage were twenty-nine quilts designed and hand crafted and sewn by Patty herself. Each and every one of them is a treasure for sure. Those who knew and loved Patty will tell you that her legacy as an amazing quilter will forever be remembered as will her

kindness, gentleness and goodness; and of course, who can forget her love of dance.

Here are a few other amazing and beautiful examples of what was on display for all to see and enjoy. Thank you ladies for a truly wonderful and heart-warming experience.



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Mary Nichol  
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*Deepest sympathies to Mary's daughter Sue Fox and her husband Mike and their family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

*"Gentle woman, quiet light.  
Morning star so strong and bright.  
Gentle mother, peaceful dove.  
Teach us wisdom. Teach us love."*

Michael O'Brien

Mark Prescott  
35320 Jomar Avenue  
1954 - 2022

*Our sincere condolences to Mark's wife Susan and their family and friends. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*"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 hands."*

Michael Joncas

*thank you*

I'd like to thank everyone for their kindness and help during my recovery. I'm still using a walker, but hopeful I'll be walking on my own soon. And thank you everyone for the delicious meals. A special "thank you" to Carol Gagne for all her help and support and taking care of my grocery shopping and for bringing me books to read from our library. And "thank you" to Jack Earlywine for getting my newspaper for me and for bringing my trash can to and from the street every week. Southport is such a wonderful and caring community.

Joyce Smuder

I would like to thank the following ladies for bringing me soup and food after my recent bout with COVID. Joan Nous, Lydia Gray, Linda Pietrowski and Dee and Marti Vest. Also, a big "thank you" to Sue Jones who took down my house decorations and lights and did shopping for me; and to Bernie Pietrowski for lifting the Christmas decoration storage tubs for me. This is a great and caring community to live in and thank you again.

Love,

Lee Edwards



*Thank You*

*The family of Emma Pfeifer would like to express our heartfelt thanks for the cards, visits, flowers, food, condolences and most of all, for your prayers.*

*Our sincere thanks to the Sunshine Committee for the gift certificate and the beautiful flowers delivered by Dawn. A special "Thank You" to the Bereavement Committee and all the ladies that donated their time and those here in the community that provided the delicious food for Mom's "Going Home" reception.*

*Our family feels so privileged to have so many supportive friends here in our community and your expression of sympathy and love will always be remembered.*

Sincerely,  
Marsha Grever and Betty Choi

Thank you to the Sunshine Committee for the get well card and the gift card. They were very much appreciated.



Sincerely,  
Kim Vogrin

*Thank you...*

*To all our friends and Southport neighbors; I would like to thank you for your support, for the flowers, the cards and for your prayers at this difficult time. A special "thank you" to Esther Clark for going above and beyond and helping us through the tough times; to Joe and Nancy Lancillotti for preparing such delicious food for us; to Jan and Don Wheeler for the best homemade bread and meals and to Marilyn Viner for all her prayers. We are so appreciative and thankful to everyone for your thoughtfulness and kindness.*

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Guilmette & Family

Thank you everyone for all the well wishes and cards during Bill's hospital stay. A special thanks to Don and Kay Caulkins for the Pizza. Bill is home and doing well. Thanks also to all of you who sent me birthday cards (I ended up with 91!). We're living in a great place!



Marge Miller

*Thank You!*

We would like to give a "GREAT BIG THANK YOU" to Carla Evans, Denise Reittinger, Jill Lones, Marge Thorn and Sandy Gagnon. These ladies made 31 beautiful quilts from Barbara's remaining stash of quilt fabric. The quilts were then donated to the Pregnancy Center and were given out at the Christmas party at the center.

Bob Crum & Family

*Thank you!*

I'd like to say "Thank You" to all our friends and neighbors here in Southport for being so kind and supportive, and for helping me with Jim both at home and at various functions like Coffee, Pot Luck, Nickle Bingo etc.. Please know how deeply grateful and appreciative I am. Thank you again.

Patsy Fabricius

**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.**





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## MASKED FOR MURDER MURDER MYSTERY DINNER PARTY

*Mardi Gras Masks  
Optional*

**Audition Dates  
Will Be  
Posted**

**L'ESSAIE  
LE BON TEMPS ROULER!**

**PLACE: MAIN CLUBHOUSE  
DATE: TUESDAY, MARCH 1ST  
TIME: 5:00PM**

**\$20.00 PP**

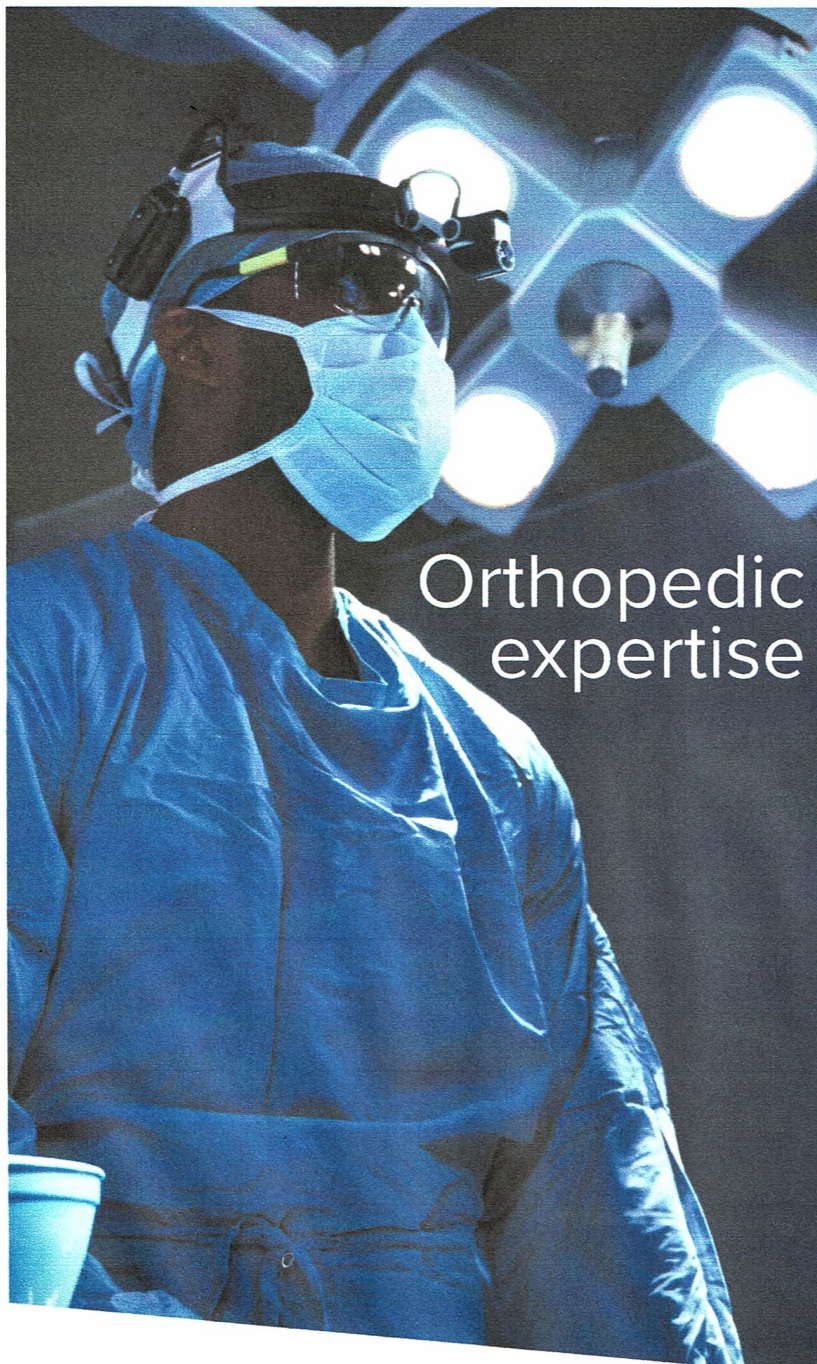
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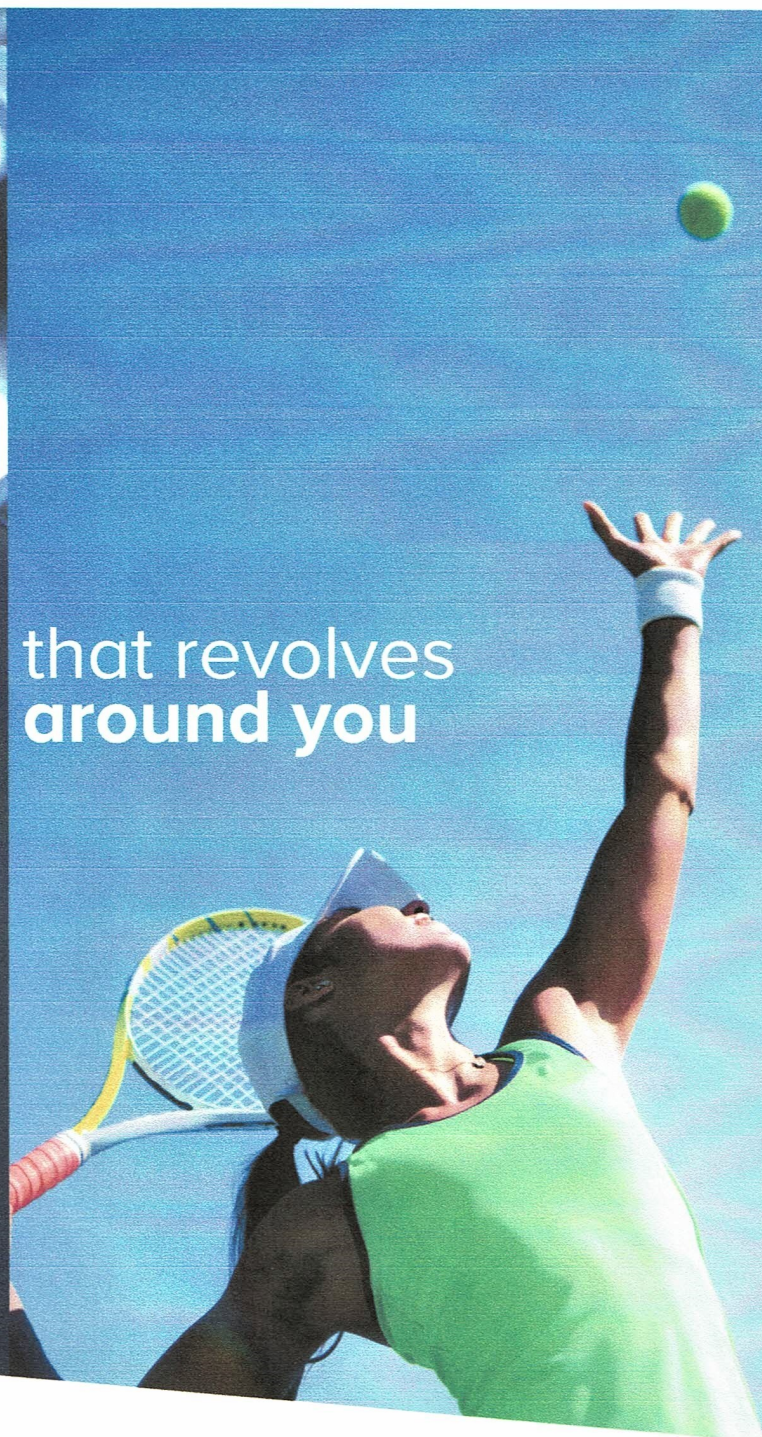
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## ♥ COMING THIS MONTH ♥



### Southport's Annual Yard Sale

**Friday & Saturday**  
**February 4th and 5th 8am-2pm**

**Friday, February 4th For Residents Only**

**LISTEN & DANCE TO  
THE MUSIC OF**



### "JERRY & THE BLONDE"

**Saturday, February 5th**  
**7-10pm**  
**(Main Clubhouse Ballroom)**

**\$5.00pp**

**Vets Association Fundraiser**

**Tickets Now On Sale**

### Listen & Dance To The Music Of *Double Density*

**Saturday, February 26th**  
**7-10pm**  
**Main Clubhouse Ballroom**

**HOA Members \$5.00pp**  
**Non Members \$7.00pp**



**Ticket Go On Sale Wednesday 2/9/2022**

## KEEP YOUR SOCKS ON



### Dinner For A Cause

**MAIN CLUBHOUSE**

**Monday, February 28th 5:00pm**  
**(second seating at 6:30pm if needed)**

**Hot Potato Bar With All The Fixins Tossed Salad,**  
**Iced Tea, Lemonade & Dessert**

**Donation: \$5.00pp**  
**(non-refundable)**

**Casual Attire - Red, White & Blue Theme**

**Proceeds To Benefit**  
**The Baldomero Lopez Veterans Home Activity**  
**Fund In Lakeland**

**Tickets Available Wednesday February 9th and**  
**Wednesday, February 16th Before and After Coffee**  
**Sponsored By Sun Communities In Partnership With Servant Hearts**

### Valentine's Dance

**Friday, February 11th 7-10pm**  
**(Main Clubhouse Ballroom)**

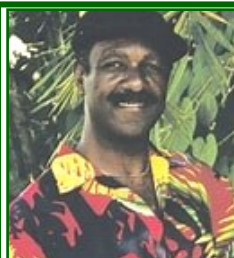
**Music By**  
**"Good Stuff"**

**HOA Members \$7.00pp**  
**Non Members \$9.00pp**

**Tickets Now On Sale**



## COMING NEXT MONTH



**LISTEN & DANCE TO  
THE MUSIC OF**  
**"GEORGE DURHAM"**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 12TH**  
**7-10PM**

**HOA MEMBERS \$7.00pp**  
**NON MEMBERS \$9.00pp**

**TICKETS GO ON SALE WEDNESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 23RD**

### Potluck Dinner



**Followed By**  
**Nickle BINGO**



**Tuesday**  
**February 15th 5:30pm**

**Please Bring Your**  
**Favorite Pot Luck Dish To Share For 12**  
**And bring your own tableware & flatware**  
**Iced Tea & Lemonade will be provided**  
**See Sign-up Sheet On Main Bulletin Board**  
**Also - The Restaurant will be Closed, so BYOB**

### VETERANS KARAOKE DANCE

**With**

**"Bob & the Boys"**

**Thursday March 31st 7-10pm**  
**Donations Only**



**Event tickets can be purchased in the Main**  
**Clubhouse (Coffee Café)**  
**on Wednesdays from 8am to 10:30am**





## PARKWAY TAVERN THIS MONTH'S DAILY SPECIALS

**TACO TUESDAY** - 3 TACOS (HARD OR SOFT SHELL) CHICKEN OR BEEF SERVED WITH CHIPS AND SALSA. OR ORDER NACHOS AND WE'LL SERVE YOU LOADED NACHOS INSTEAD OF TACOS. ALSO AVAILABLE (TUESDAYS ONLY): A FIESTA FLATBREAD WITH A SRIRACHA MAYO BASE, YOUR CHOICE OF TACO CHICKEN OR BEEF, A 3 CHEESE BLEND MELTED, CRUSHED CHIPS AND DRIZZLED W/NACHO CHEESE.

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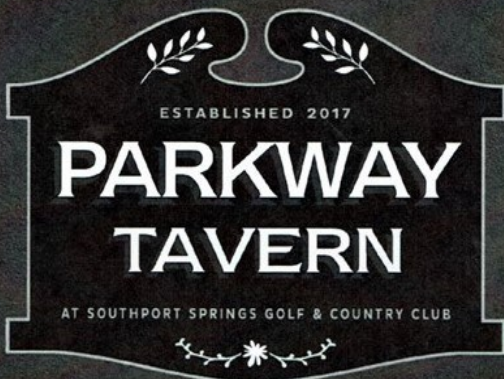
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- Innovative Ways to Cover Assisted-Living and Nursing Home Stays
- Shocking Healthcare Statistics for Retirees

*Coming To:*

## **Southport Springs**

**(Dinner Provided by Parkway Tavern at No Charge)**

**Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022      5:30pm – 7:30pm**

**All Attendees Will Receive a Complimentary Ticket to the  
George Durham Show on March 12th**

**Event and Meal Are Both Free but Must Register to Attend  
Sign Up Sheet Located in the Clubhouse**



## SERVANT HEARTS

Several Southport residents recently formed a new group called **"Servant Hearts"** whose mission is to reach out to various non-profit groups and organizations located here in Pasco, Hillsborough and Orange Counties in need of financial help and support. Charter members of this newly established outreach group include Fran Fusco, Sam & Cindy Judy, Doug & Diane Baulch, Jim Teixeira & Karol McGinn, Chris Gale, Laura File, Marti Vest and Linda Phelps.



The group's first project will be to host a fund-raiser in conjunction with Sun Communities on Monday, February 28th at 5:00pm in the Main Clubhouse called **"Keep Your Socks On"** (see page 5 for all the details) to benefit the Baldomero Lopez Veterans Home located in nearby Land O Lakes. Also in the works is a fund-raising event in October to benefit the Gary Sinise Foundation; specifically to assist in the build of an adaptive home for a disabled Veteran here in Tampa.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help out can contact Fran Fusco at **813-602-4019** or you can Email her at **francesfusco123@gmail.com**



## WOMEN'S CLUB PLANS TRUNK FOOD DRIVE



At our last meeting, the Southport Women's Club members decided to host a food drive this coming April for various food banks located here in Zephyrhills. The actual collection day will be Wednesday, April 6th. As was done previously, donations can be placed in any one of the open car trunks parked in front of the Main Clubhouse. If you will be out of town and want to donate, please contact me at **813-783-9761**. Also - the Women's Club has been advised that the food banks will gladly accept grocery store gift cards as well. More information to come in the March newsletter. Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.



*Carol Dziki*

**Vets/Patriots  
Committee Meeting  
Tuesday February 8th  
1:00pm  
In The Coffee Café  
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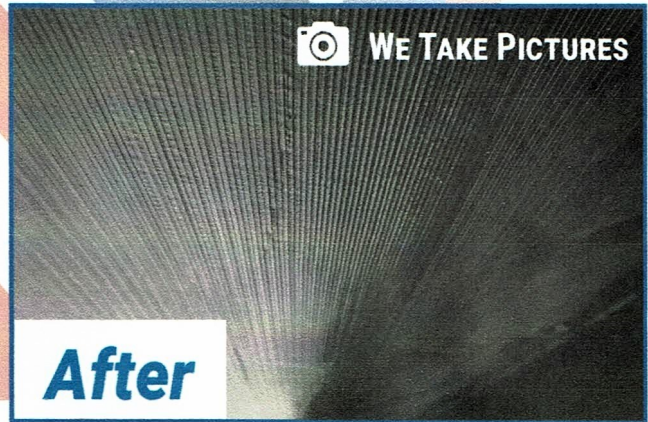
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## HOA NEWS *Patrick Winchester, President*

Here we are heading into February and the election is over and new board members have been elected. The 2022-2023 Board members are myself, President; Marti Vest, VP; Jane Bracken, Treasurer; Desdie Eberman, Secretary; Lee Edwards, Social Committee, Ruthann Brown, Entertainment/Community Events, and Sue Fox, Welcome/Membership Chair. I look forward to working with these ladies.



This board, unfortunately, started off with an issue that was immediately dealt with. Bob Gallion had been elected to the board but had to resign because his spouse was employed by Sun. This was not Bob's fault. I will take the blame because I failed to remember that rule in the bylaws. Per the bylaws, the next candidate not elected was offered an appointment to the board and the offer was rejected; the second person was also offered an appointment and rejected the offer as did the third person on the list. The next person was Sue Fox, and she accepted the appointment. I am sure there are varied opinions about this issue, but we followed the bylaws.

On a positive note, the dance was a successful, fun night with Sounds of Yesterday. If you have suggestions for other musical acts for a dance, please write it down and put it in the HOA mailbox in the Little Clubhouse. Thank you all for attending the Annual Meeting. We currently have 268 members. We look forward to a positive year.

**Patrick**

## THANKS SEAN



Giving a major "Shout Out" to Sean Rankin, our community manager who arranged to have Sun Communities provide our Homeowners Association with a brand new, industrial grade, double sided grill. And what a "beauty it is!"

Thank you Sean.

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# Activities

# February 2022



MC - MAIN CLUBHOUSE  
LC - LITTLE CLUBHOUSE  
CC - COFFEE CAFE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> 9am Pickleball - TC 9am Line Dancing (Intermediate) - MC 2pm Mahjong - LC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC 1pm Horseshoes 1pm Hand & Foot - LC 7pm Euchre - LC	<b>2</b> 8:30am Coffee & Donuts - (meeting at 9am) MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 10am Beginners Bridge - CC 6:30pm <b>BINGO</b> - MC 	<b>3</b> 8am Tennis - TC 9am Line Dancing (Intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm Horseshoes 6:30pm Pickleball - TC	<b>4</b> 8am - 2pm <b>YARD SALE</b> (residents only) 9am Pickleball - TC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 10:30am HOA Social Committee Meeting - MC Noon Hand & Foot lunch followed by cards in the Little Clubhouse 7pm - Farkle - LC National Homemade Soup Day 	<b>5</b> 8am Tennis - TC 8am - 2pm <b>YARD SALE</b> 7pm - MC <i>Listen &amp; Dance To The Music Of "Jerry &amp; The Blonde"</i>
<b>6</b> 9am Pickleball - TC 6:30pm Pickleball - TC	<b>7</b> 8am Tennis - TC 8:15am Yoga - MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 6:15pm Dominoes 6:30pm Shuffleboard National Wear Red Day 	<b>8</b> 9am Pickleball - TC 9am Line Dancing (Intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC 1pm Vets Committee Meeting - CC 1pm Horseshoes 1pm Hand & Foot - LC 7pm HOA Meeting - MC 7pm Euchre - LC National Golden Retriever Day 	<b>9</b> 8:30am Coffee & Donuts - (meeting at 9am) MC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 10am Beginners Bridge - CC 2pm Mahjong - LC 6:30pm <b>BINGO</b> - MC	<b>10</b> 8am Tennis - TC 9am Line Dancing (Intermediate) - MC 10am Line Dancing (Advanced) - MC 11am Line Dancing (Baby Steppers) - MC 11am HOA Entertainment Committee Meeting - CC Noon Bridge - LC 1pm Horseshoes 6:30pm Pickleball - TC National Umbrella Day 	<b>11</b> 9am Pickleball - TC 9:30am Power Walking - MC 1pm Hand & Foot - LC 7pm - Farkle - LC 7pm - <b>Valentine's Dance</b> - MC <i>Listen &amp; Dance To The Music Of "Good Stuff"</i> National Get Out Your Guitar Day 	<b>12</b> 8am Tennis - TC
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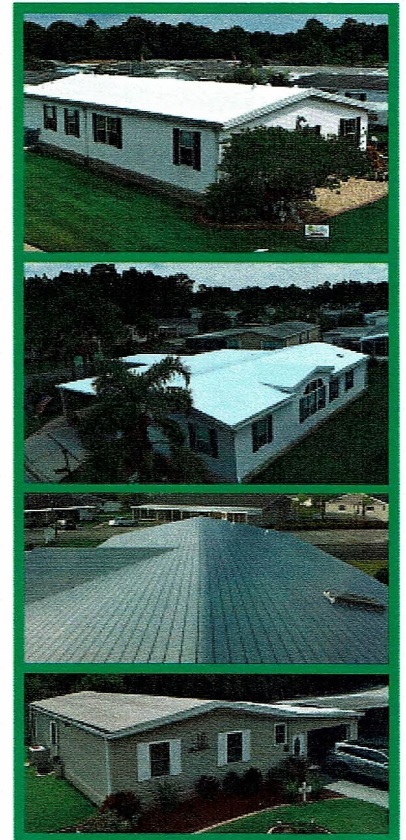
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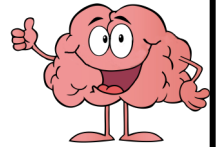
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2. Is the capital of Kentucky pronounced Lou-ville or Luee-ville?
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See answers on  
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## MAHJONG



Attention all residents who are interested  
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## Beginner Bridge Classes

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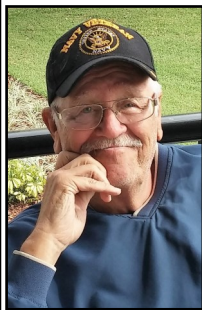
All are welcome whether you're  
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## STOP TREATING SOIL LIKE DIRT



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

We need to stop treating soil like dirt! Pheobe Weston, a biodiversity journalist for The Guardian, a British daily newspaper writes, "Hidden under our feet is a miniature landscape made up of tunnels, caves and decaying matter. Soil is where 25% of the species on our planet are believed to live; and in this dark, quiet and damp world, death feeds lives. Rotting leaves, fruits,

plants and organisms are folded into the soil and burped out as something new.

Good soil structure provides many nooks and crannies that house organisms which in turn, create an environment that suits them directly altering and improving the structure of the soil. Like a collection of tiny chemists, they keep soils healthy and productive by passing nutrients between them either by collaborating or killing each other. Complicated food webs move nutrients around the system thereby generating healthy soils."



It's a fact that soil is at the heart of our existence, and yet we know very little about it. Beyond the knowledge that much of our world's geography has soil that makes it difficult for many plants to survive, we should also be aware that mankind has damaged the fertile skin we call soil by intensive farming, pollution, deforestation, development and global heating. One third of our planet's land has already been damaged through farming alone. The future of soil is in our hands. It will take time, money, better science and a higher level of urgency to turn things around.

Earthworms are the unsung hero of soil diversity. As they burrow and feed underground, they break down organic matter which is then passed on to smaller organisms. The worm holes create pathways for the water and air to pass through the soil layers. Darwin had a very



expressed appreciation for our friend the earthworm. He said that : "it may be doubted if there are any other organisms that has played such an important role in the world as these lowly organized creatures have." There are earthworms in Florida. The two most common are Aemylus Cortein and Gracilis. As you move further North in Florida, these worms become more prevalent. There have been more than a million other soil organisms, but many remain unidentified.

An interesting point of view regarding the health of our soil is offered up by F. Crotty who said that in her opinion, soils can be referred to as "the poor man's rain forest" due to an abundance and diversity of life within the soil. Most of these organisms are the ones driving decomposition and nutrient cycling within the soil.

Soil is the top layer of the earth's crust and is composed of solids, gasses, water and minerals. Topsoil is where 95% of our planet's food is grown and like the rainforest, is extremely fragile. It takes a hundred years to build 13/64th's of an inch of topsoil and seconds to destroy it. Yes. Humans treat soil like dirt losing it a hundred times faster than we can rebuild it. Soil holds twice as much carbon as the atmosphere. When it degrades, much of the carbon is released into the air. Why this is important may be difficult to imagine; but this carbon release into the atmosphere is a contributor to global warming.

So here's my point of view. If policy makers do not understand soil for its importance as a major component to a rich and diverse world, we shall quickly see ourselves in a situation where the price of our food will systematically increase and availability decrease. The depletion of our soil's organic matter will make the food system less adaptable to climate change. Bottom line, our soil is like our pollinators for some of the same reasons. Both situations affect our ability to produce food and in my opinion and in the opinion of others, are being minimized.

**Remember. My gardening seminar is on Thursday, February 24th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Main Clubhouse. I look forward to seeing you there.**

**Bob Gallion**

Central Florida Garden Associate



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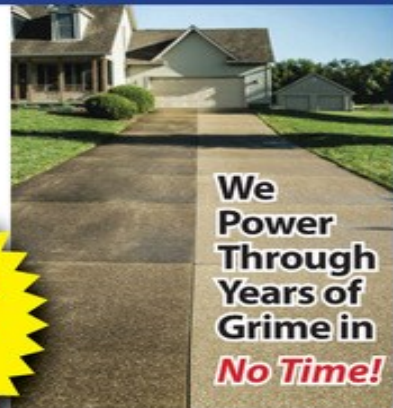
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## VETERANS & PATRIOTS COMMITTEE NEWS UPDATE

The Southport Springs Veterans & Patriots Committee wish you all a great 2022. Covid has been tough on most of us and perhaps worse on some of our veterans more than many others. They need help! Our initial event this year will be a dance featuring Jerry and the Blonde on February 5 from 7pm to 10pm (see details on page 5). Several games of chance will be there waiting to challenge each of you. Donations will be earmarked for use to maintain and expand our beautiful Veterans Memorial Wall.



ing to challenge each of you. Donations will be earmarked for use to maintain and expand our beautiful Veterans Memorial Wall.

Future events will help us partner with The Gary Sinise Founda-

tion of Central Florida, Baldomero Lopez a state run veterans nursing home in Land O' Lakes, and others as needs arise and funding becomes available.

The Southport Springs Veterans & Patriots Committee is a growing group from the Southport community. We're always looking for additional veterans and patrons to join our team and help out. We hope to see many of you at our events planned throughout the coming year. See you at the dance in February.

Sincerely, *Mary Adele Cluck*

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- **LITTLE CLUBHOUSE:** Daily 7am to 10pm
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# MANAGER'S MINUTE



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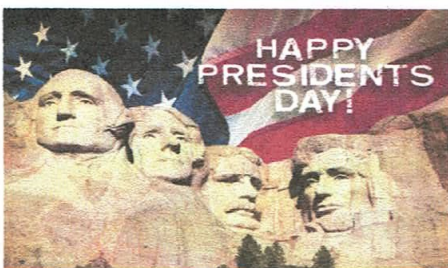
Living in a community like Southport Springs is more than just a home, it is a lifestyle. A lifestyle that we choose so that we can enjoy all the amenities, relationships formed and the constant scheduling of activities to enjoy. It is important that everyone have the same opportunity of peaceful enjoyment in their own way. We here at Southport Springs want to help everyone enjoy their community but within the guidelines of the Rules and Regulations and the Prospectus. When a situation arises within the community, how you deal with it is the key. The proper procedure to assure that the situation is handled is as follows. Come to the office and obtain a Resident Communication Form. Fill it out, sign it and date it, then return it back to the office. Upon receiving this form, management will look into the reported situation and address it accordingly. This enables us to be able to have a proper paper trail and the ability to follow up on issues. Under Florida Statute, the names of parties reporting are not disclosed when addressing concerns. Please know that while we are here to assist, we must have all concerns in written form. Should you have any questions, reach out to us here at the office.

## Fabulous February

While February is known to be full of paper hearts and chocolate, it has a few things going for it, despite being the shortest month on the calendar. February gets to the heart of the holidays that educate and makes us giggle at the quirky ones, too. February isn't just about love; it's more well-rounded than you think. First off, let's cover a little history of the second month in the year. February joined the calendar with January around 700 B.C. During the ancient Roman festival Lupercalia, celebrants used thongs made from goatskin in purification rituals, which took place during the month, earning it the name *februarius*. February wasn't always second. When Numa Pompilius first added February to the calendar in 700 BC, he placed it at the end of the calendar. That's right, February was the last month on the calendar. The adjustment aligned the calendar with the lunar cycle. However, Roman superstition avoided even numbers so the calendar resulted in every month having 29 days except one – February. Numa Pompilius placed this unlucky short month at the end of the year. And there, February remained for nearly 200 years when January and February moved to the beginning of the year.

## Inspections & Notices

We will be performing 4 sided home inspections throughout the month. During this process, you may receive a notice of items to address at your home site. Please make sure that you address any items within the time provided so that you do not get a follow up action notice. I also wanted to take this time to note that we will be issuing violations for speeding and ignoring traffic laws and signage within the community. This includes all motor vehicles, including golf carts. If you are observed running stop signs, driving on the wrong side of the road, exceeding the speed limit, leaving your vehicle hanging out in the road while parked in the driveway, etc., you will be issued a rule violation. For the safety of everyone, we ask that you please be considerate and follow posted traffic signage and laws of the road. Should you ever have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the office.



- February Black History Month
- February 1 — National Baked Alaska Day
- February 2 — Groundhog Day
- February 4 — Bubble Gum Day
- February 6 — National Frozen Yogurt Day
- February 7 — National Send a Card to a Friend Day
- February 8 — National Boy Scouts Day
- February 9 — National Pizza Day
- February 13 — Super Bowl Sunday
- February 14 — Valentine's Day
- February 15 — Susan B Anthony Day
- February 18 — National Drink Wine Day
- February 20 — National Love Your Pet
- February 21 — Presidents Day

*Quote of the Month:*

**“Life is ten percent what happens to you and ninety percent how you respond to it.”**

*~Charles Swindoll*

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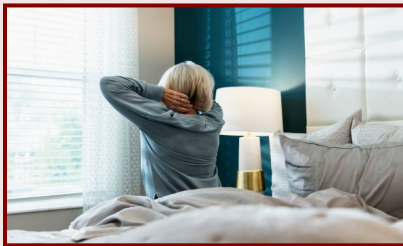
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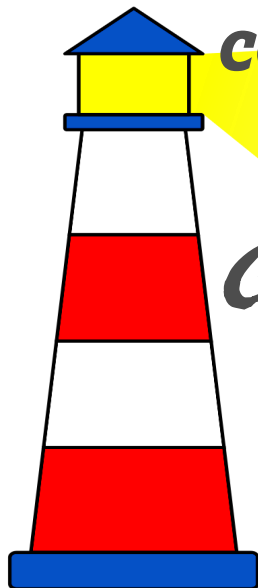
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1 (5oz.) can of boned chicken  
1 (8oz.) can peas, drained  
2 Tbl. Finely chopped onion  
1/2 tsp. basil  
Dash of pepper  
1 cup of biscuit mix  
1/2 cup milk



#### Instructions:

In skillet, blend soup and 1/2 cup of milk; add chicken, peas, onion, basil and pepper. Heat to boiling stirring frequently. Pour into a 1 quart casserole. Combine biscuit mix with a 1/2 cup of milk as directed on the package and drop by spoonful's on to hot chicken mixture. Bake in a very hot 450 degree oven for 10-15 minutes or until biscuits are lightly browned.

Makes 4 servings

A hearty cool weather meal...



## COCKTAIL HOUR

*Dick Knoles,  
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### Valentine's Day Cocktails For Him & Her



#### Flirtini For Her

#### Ingredients:

Chocolate Syrup (I use chocolate fudge)  
1 1/2 oz. White Chocolate Liqueur  
1 1/2 oz. Chocolate Vodka

2 1/2 oz. Half & Half (or cream for a richer drink)

#### Instructions:

First dip the rim in the chocolate and Valentine sprinkles. Drizzle syrup in the glass and refrigerate. Then pour the White Chocolate Liqueur, Chocolate Vodka and Half & Half into your shaker with a cup of ice and shake well until chilled. Pour into the chilled glass and garnish with a strawberry heart and Hershey's Hugs.

#### Tunnel Negroni For Him

#### Ingredients:

1 oz. Gin or Vodka  
1 oz. Dry Vermouth  
2/3 oz. Campari or Aperol  
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#### Instructions:

Stir with ice in a mixing glass and strain into a cocktail glass. Garnish with a lemon twist.

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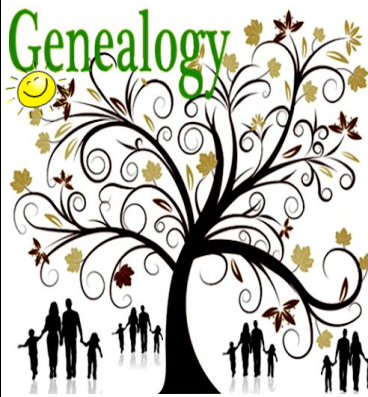


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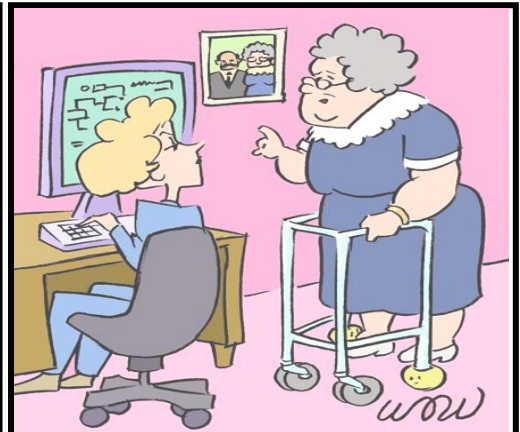


**All Residents Welcome**

### The Southport Genealogical Society

will meet Monday, February 14th 2022 at 1pm in the Main Clubhouse Coffee Cafe. This month's topic will be **"Helping Members With Research Problems"**. We have internet service, so bring your questions so we can help find your ancestors. For more information, you can text me at **813-713-3547** or you can e-mail me at: **mtrent43@yahoo.com**

**Marty Trent**



**Uncle Bertrand didn't have a computer in 1880. So how will you find him on-line?**



## Morning Bible Study

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**Rita Walters**

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# Golf Club

*Jerry Pritchard, President*



Greetings ~

The monthly Golf Association Meeting was held on the 11th of January with good attendance.

A laptop computer has been setup in the Pro Shop for GHIN entry. Everyone who has a GHIN account should be paid for 2022 and again please make sure you post your score after every round played. Member stickers for 2022 were also provided and should be installed on members carts.

**Golf Etiquette** – Please use the 90 Degree rule while driving from the cart path to the fairway. Also make sure that you return carts to the cart path prior to getting to the white/green stakes. Please fill your divots on the tee box and in the fairways. There is green sand near the Pro Shop. Please remember to rake the sand traps if your ball goes in and place the rake back in the trap.

The Ryder Cup will be held February 5, 2022 for the Men and February 6, 2022 for the Women. Times will be 11:00 for 11:30 Start. Sign up sheets are up in the Club House hallway. Reminder the dates for the Member Club Championships have been set for March 19-20, 2022.

Here are some updates regarding the golf course.

- Over seeding has been completed
- Tee Boxes are done
- Approach area and collars around the greens have been completed
- All sand traps have been edged and new sand has been placed in all of them as well (**please don't forget to place the rakes in the sand after raking the trap**)
- Hazard area on Holes 16 & 17 have been cleared and new red stakes have been placed along the bank.

Congratulations to Barbara Pritchard for a Hole-in-One on #8 which she had during the Saturday Morning Resident Scramble.

A reminder to all that you need to check in at the Pro Shop before you go out to play golf. The next meeting will be on February 15th at 6:00 pm in the Clubhouse since there is an event in the Club House on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks again and we look forward to a great season of golf. If there are any issues that arise, please feel free to contact myself or one of the Golf Committee members.

Keep your head down and swing easy...

**Jerry Pritchard**



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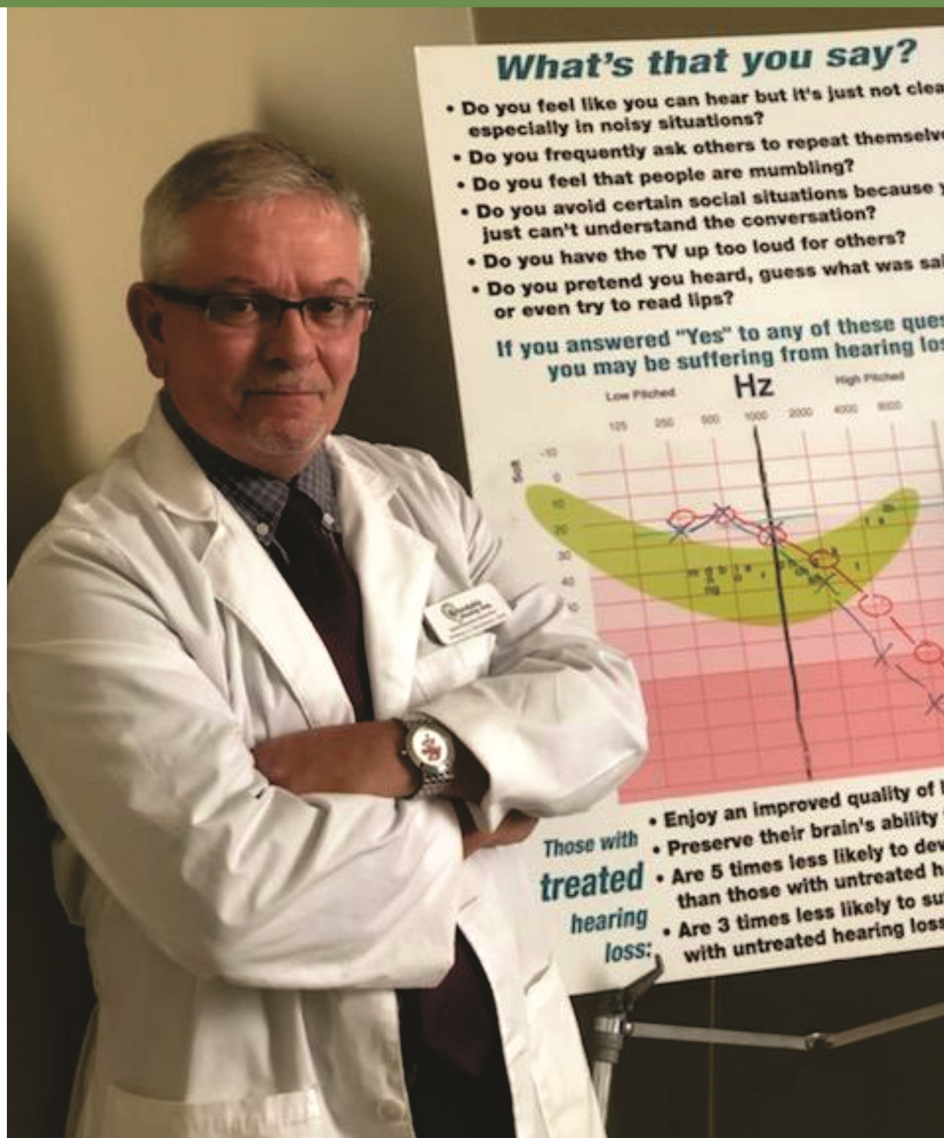
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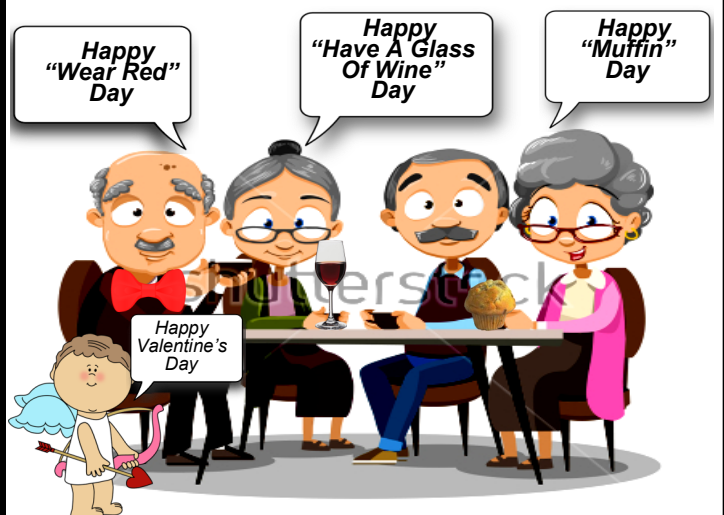
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Marez, Dorothy	Feb	1
Becker, Betty	Feb	5
Sinclair, Penny	Feb	8
Fox, Valeria	Feb	8
August, Ruth	Feb	8
Keffalas, Lillian	Feb	11
Moyer, Lisa	Feb	12
Cyr, Carol	Feb	12
Greco, Karen	Feb	13
Bowers, Lyneth	Feb	13
Blair, Eileen	Feb	14
Lanzilotti, Nancy	Feb	14
Steber, Louise	Feb	14
Marino, Lilla	Feb	15
Snow, Donna	Feb	18
Clark, Esther	Feb	19
Thuemmel, Dorothy	Feb	20
Marshall, Michele	Feb	20
Caster, Margie	Feb	20
Brombach, Lynn	Feb	21
Ostvolden, Melody	Feb	21
Whitehill, Vicky	Feb	22
Snyder, Rita	Feb	22
Sylvia, Gail	Feb	22
Letang, Diane	Feb	24
Godlewski, Elvira	Feb	24
Texter, Betty	Feb	24
Anderson, Sharon	Feb	25
Cox, Mary	Feb	25
McKee, Sue	Feb	25
Doyle, Cathy	Feb	26
Wolfanger, Jean	Feb	26
McNatt, Rose	Feb	27

Bellamy, Vera	Feb	28
Ramos, Anne	Feb	29

### March

Bedell, Joan	March	1
Tate, Bonnie	March	2
Vest, Dee	March	3
Petersen, Gloria	March	3



**Celebrate!**

### February

Rearick, Randy	Feb	1
Oosterhoff, Wayne	Feb	2
Knierim, Gerald	Feb	3
Gilmore, Dave	Feb	4
Snowden, Gregory	Feb	5
Phillips, Mike	Feb	6
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Pollack, Eliot	Feb	7
Howell, Grover	Feb	8
Conkie, Charles	Feb	8
Dery, Rick	Feb	9
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Clark, Tom	Feb	12
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Pelc, Jim	Feb	21
Douma, Don	Feb	21
Coleman, Bill	Feb	23
Dolan, Jim	Feb	25
Brim, Lennie	Feb	27
Taylor, Wayne	Feb	28

### March

Phelps, Gerry	March	1
Phelps, Terry	March	1
Martin, Jim	March	3



- Question:** What Rock Group consists of four famous men; but none of them sing? **Answer:** Mt. Rushmore
- Question:** What's orange and sounds like a parrot? **Answer:** A carrot.
- Question:** During what month do people sleep the least? **Answer:** February - it's the shortest month



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### February

Feree, Earl & Sandra	Feb	2
Douma, Don & Ruth	Feb	5
Keffalas, George & Lillian	Feb	6
Rankin, Don & Donna	Feb	7
Baldwin, Bob & Pat	Feb	8
Vogrin, Jim & Kim	Feb	10
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Miller, Garry & Becky	Feb	17
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## EDITORIAL *Joe Grigolevich*



February has always been an interesting month for me. Up North where I come from (New England; specifically Rhode Island/Massachusetts) we called it the "log cabin fever" month. By the time February rolled around you pretty much had it with the snow, the cold, the ice, the darkness at 4:30 in the afternoon and did I mention the snow and the 15-degree temperatures? ***"If I have to shovel this damn driveway one more time, I'll shoot myself!"*** Heck, I

can remember when I was a junior in high school I'd gotten a brand new suit for the Valentine's Dance and it snowed that day; like 6 inches! Picked up my date and we got stuck in the snow on the way to the dance. Got out of the car (it was still snowing). Had to kneel in the freaking wet snow to put chains on my back tires. Got soaking wet. Ripped a hole in the left knee of my new suit and never did make it to the dance. Caught the flu and ended up in bed for a couple of days, drank a lot of OJ, ate Mom's homemade chicken soup (the best!) and swallowed a couple of aspirin every four hours. One of those nights that becomes etched in your memory forever. By the time February rolled around, all you could think about and yearn for was Springtime. The sunshine, temperatures in the mid 50's (yes, up North when the temperature hit the mid 50's it was time to put the top down and when it hit the low 60's it was time to wear shorts and head to the beach!). I still chuckle when I see Floridians (and those Northerners who've become Floridians) walking around with coats and woolen hats and gloves when the temperature suddenly **DROPS** to 55 degrees. LOL

But then like magic, things would begin to change. The days started getting longer, the snow started melting (finally) and one of the first signs of Spring that showed up were those little purple and yellow Crocus popping up through the snow. Next came the yellow Forsythia and Mr. Robin Redbreast sitting on the fence post out back singing away as winter gradually gave way to Spring. Another sign of Spring was Mom asking us to go into the woods and find her some Pussy Willows which she'd arrange in a vase along with a few branches of the yellow Forsythia. Ahhhh...finally! Winter's gone and Spring has arrived which of course meant Summer was just around the corner (well, almost).

If there's anything I miss about New England (aside from family and friends and the absolute best seafood on the planet) would be the four distinct seasons. It was like your life was compartmentalized into four distinct times of the year with four distinct ways of living and doing. There were those lazy, hazy days of summer when you headed to the beach (in my case, the Atlantic Ocean) on weekends with friends and family for a day of fun and great food (I have 42 first cousins on my mom's side alone and we all lived in Rhode Island when I was a kid). We'd shellfish and cook right on the beach. Then summer gave way to Autumn (or "Fall" as we called it). Days started getting shorter and cooler. It was harvest time. Leaves on the trees turned a bright red and yellow and orange. Of course, school started back up and then Halloween and Thanksgiving which led us into winter with snow and Christmas and everyone hoping for a "white" one. And as December turned into January, much like bears in a cave, things slowed down to a halt and we pretty much hibernated. Played lots of board games and cards. Built model airplanes and ships. Shoveling snow seemed like it would never end and damn that snowplow guy for filling up our driveway over and over again. And then came Spring with all its color and warmth and splendor. A new beginning! A time to celebrate! A time to sing (like Mr. Robin Redbreast) about the joy of things to come. I'm hoping that with all that we've endured over the last eighteen or so months that the time has come to celebrate and usher in a new beginning. Yup! It's time and I'm looking forward to it. Happy Spring everyone. P.S. I love living in Florida!



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2. Neither. The capital of Kentucky is Frankfurt.  
3. The match.



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