



Meet Your Neighbors – Carl and Sandra Mahoney moved into their home on Oak Plain Dr. on Mar. 1, 2020, just in time for the Coronavirus shutdown on Mar. 15. They knew of FV because both had lived in Santa Clarita for more than four decades. When their two-story house in Canyon Country started looking big and foreboding, they decided to move.



- Skip (that’s Carl) was born in Washington, DC, and lived there until moving to Florida at age 14. At age 16, he took a job with a printing company, and learned the bindery end of that trade. The next year, he joined the Marines to be “part of the best”. He spent three years mainly in Camp Lejeune, N. C. After the Marines, he wanted a change of scenery, so he struck out for Los Angeles, found another printing company, and stuck with that trade until retiring in 2004. Skip enjoys football, both college and professional.
- Sandra was born in New Jersey but the family moved to So Calif when she was 12. She was a preschool teacher at Small World on Bouquet Canyon for ten years and then spent 20 plus years as an Escrow Officer. She enjoys antiques, and has been collecting anything old, useful, and interesting since the mid-60’s. She used to do it with her sister, who lived in Paradise until the disastrous fire last year. She also enjoys quilting, which she did just for fun with her Santa Clarita neighbors. She also gardens and told the following story. While walking with her daughter, she pinched a small stem from a flowering plant. The owner came out and jokingly said, “I saw that.” She took the stolen stem home, and it not only thrived but took over a good portion of her yard – the price for her ill-gotten gain, she says.
- Skip and Sandy were introduced by mutual friends in 1990, two years after skip became a widower, and were married in 1996. Together they enjoy traveling and Nascar Racing, holding season tickets for the California Speedway for several years. Another favorite is gatherings of their blended family. Each of them had three

children by a prior marriage. Skip also has three stepchildren. There are 18 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren as well.

The buzz around CBD – A reader pointed to an article in a Kaiser Permanente periodical by a psychiatrist and addiction medication specialist. It emphasizes caution because there is much that is unknown. You can find the full article online at <https://thrive.kaiserpermanente.org>. Then select “Thrive Together”, “Live Well”, and scroll down to “What You Need to Know about CBD.

Ode to Spot (a cat) by Data (a Star Trek character) –

“Felix catus” is your taxonomic nomenclature, An endothermic quadruped, carnivorous by nature. Your visual, olfactory, and auditory senses Contribute to your hunting skills and natural defenses. I find myself intrigued by your sub-vocal oscillations, A singular development of cat communications That obviates your basic hedonistic predilection For rhythmic stroking of your fur to demonstrate affection. A tail is quite essential for your acrobatic talents. You would not be so agile if you lacked its counterbalance. And when not being utilized to aid in locomotion, It often serves to illustrate the state of your emotion. Oh, Spot, the complex levels of behavior you display Connote a fairly well developed cognitive array. And though you are not sentient, Spot, and do not comprehend, I none-the-less consider you a true and valued friend.

HVAC – The end is in sight. City inspectors have been scheduled. The roof still has holes, but they will be covered soon. We’ve got a lot to look forward to, if we’re ever allowed to get back in the club rooms in the Annex Building. Clubs and groups will be able to set their own comfort parameters, and the rooms will be at the desired temperatures when we arrive. It’s all controlled by a computer managed by someone in the office.

Community Council – The CC meets this Wed., 8/5, at the Gathering Place (picnic area near Lawn Bowls. The agenda includes Rec Board Election Rules, Change to CC Bylaws for Election Rules, Colored Curbs, and Open Forum. Apparently observers will be allowed. Be sure to wear a mask and observe social distancing.

Medical Terms -

Catscan	Searching for Kitty
Colic	A sheep dog
Coma	A punctuation mark
Dilate	To live long
Enema	Not a friend
Fibula	A small lie
Labor Pain	Getting hurt at work
Medical staff	A doctor's cane
Secretion	Hiding something
Seizure	A Roman emperor
Tablet	A small table
Tumor	An additional pair
Urine	Not mine
Varicose	Nearby/close by

Obituary – Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community. The Pillsbury Doughboy, nee Poppin' Fresh, died recently of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. Born March 18, 1965, he was only 55.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies, and Captain Crunch. The grave site was covered with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Doughboy rose quickly in show business and starred in many commercials, but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was considered a very smart cookie, but wasted much of his dough on half-baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times, he still was a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and

Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If this made you smile even briefly, please rise to the occasion and pass it on to someone else who may be having a crumbly day and kneads a lift.

A contest with prizes – One editor can't do it all. *Hi Five* needs articles (and reporters to write them). We are interested in several types of articles: ♦ history of FV; ♦ interviews with residents of Assn 5, especially new ones; ♦ any activity or event of interest to all of FV or to Assn 5 in particular; ♦ short stories or anecdotes about "old people", ♦ anything else that approximates the kinds of articles you have seen here in the last 11 years. Submit your entry by email or printed on paper. Just don't call and expect to read it to us. As always, we will accept your suggestions for articles, but if we have to do the writing, you are not eligible for a prize. As for the prize, we are in a unique position to offer a book by an up-and-coming author. It is a young adult science fiction adventure story. Give it as a gift to a (great) grandchild. You may even want to read and enjoy it yourself first. I did! To see the rave reviews, go to www.amazon.com and search for "*Heartsong*" by Annie Douglass Lima. This contest will run for the next three months. Full disclosure: the author is my own granddaughter. *fj*

Skimpy Hi Five – This edition is short of news because there was not a single meeting (that we cover) that occurred since we last published. It also became necessary very late to omit an article that was planned and almost finished. We hope you enjoy the simple extras that we have this time. In the next issue, we'll report on the CC (8/5), the Rec Board (8/10), and Assn 5 (8/11). When the Agendas are posted, we'll send a *Hi Five Alert* to our email subscribers.

I Can't Go On Forever – I turn 90 next year. Who will be the next editor/publisher of *Hi Five*? Start learning the publishing business now.

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"Cats are smarter than dogs. You can't get eight cats to pull a sled through snow." – Jeff Valdez, comedian

"I like pigs. Dogs look up to us. Cats look down on us. Pigs treat us as equals." – Sir Winston Churchill (1874 - 1965)

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