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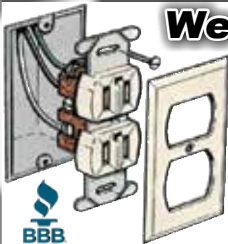
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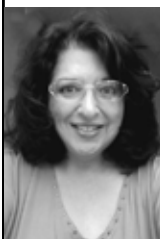
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Important Phone Numbers

Briar Creek emergency information – 727-726-7651

Life-threatening emergency - **911**

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BOARD BUSINESS AND UPDATES

INFRASTRUCTURE, ROADS & GROUNDS

Al Hartin

There have been several instances in the past where owners have left for a trip and come back to find that there was a water leak in their home. The water had done extensive damage to their floors; sometimes to their walls causing thousands of dollars of damage.

Planning on going away? If so, listed below are a few things you can do to protect your home.

- **Shut your water off.** This will prevent major damage in the event you have a small water leak (most likely from one of your toilets). The main water shut-off valve should be at the back of your home. If you don't know where it is contact a Board Member for assistance.
- **Leave your air conditioner on** as this prevents mold in your home. You can set your thermostat to 82 or 84.
- **Turn off your hot water heater** by turning off the circuit breaker in your electrical panel.
- **Make sure all outside furniture is put away.** This is to prevent it from blowing around in case of a hurricane or tropical storm.
- Ensure all **windows are closed.**
- **Cover your toilets with plastic wrap** – this prevents water from evaporating.
- **Cover all your sink drains.** This will prevent bugs from coming in while you are gone.
- If you are leaving for an **extended period** of time you may want to **empty and turn off your refrigerator.**

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- You should consider having a family member or neighbor look after your home while you are away. Or contact **727-582-6177** to schedule vacation checks by Sheriff's department.

Annual Inspections

Lyn Lijewski

Happy Fall Briar Creek!! We have had a few teaser days of lower humidity and hope more on the way so we can get out and tend to our yards and homes.

Only a few more streets to inspect and we'll be finished for 2021. Yeah!! If anyone has issues with their inspection, we need to hear from you so we may assist in getting our community back in great shape.

When finished with your items listed on your inspection sheet be sure to sign and date and return even if it's a future date so I can reinspect upon completion. There have been many complaints about unsightly and neglected homes in here and I want to remain a 5star park; let's work together to accomplish this. Thanks for all your dedication and hard work.

LAWNS

Director, Gene Arend

727- 725-5844. Mow dates for **November** bi-weekly.

The month of August was not kind to our lawns due to the constant rain.

While it was good for the growth of our grass it was not good for the heavy equipment used to mow our lawns. We attempted to mark off the areas where the ground was saturated but to get 100% coverage of all suspected areas was not possible and telltale marks from the wheels of the mowing machine were visible. While we believe most of those areas will recover in weeks if any linger on with permanent damage, we will attempt to resolve those issues.

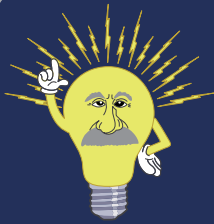
October will see the lawns cut 3 times in that month and November will be reduce to every other week.

December, we will have a schedule; I will attempted to schedule it early in December so lawn Christmas ornamentation will not be affected. As we move into the coming months, I am working with the lawn crew to resolve issues you have reported to me. I may not have provided all of you with 100% satisfaction but we are working in that direction. Contacting me is the best solution. I understand when you call you are not frustrated with me (I hope) but the situation and together my goal is to better manage the service and get them to the Ivory Soap level of 99.44 percent good.



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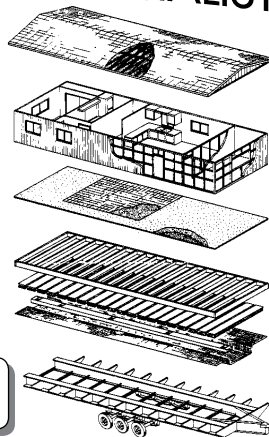
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Pat Rivera

Until further notice, weekly service dates are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Remember that between the hours of 1 – 4 is ‘adults only’ swim.

After an extended period of time, the spa is up and running again! Thank you for your patience and understanding. ‘The part was on back-order.’

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS 2021

Betty Chatigny



November 3	Joe Dawson	November 17	Barbara Pesic
November 3	Frank Voutsinos	November 17	Carol Powell
November 4	Larry Lunsford	November 18	Patricia Dion
November 4	Linda Miller	November 19	Gene Arend
November 5	Gilles Lecompte	November 20	Mary Casola
November 5	Thomas Miller	November 21	Betty Rossello
November 9	David Belton	November 22	Bobby Styles
November 9	Mike Benoit	November 23	Linda Fitton
November 9	Deborah Landon	November 24	Rita Balesteri
November 11	Terrance Spence	November 24	Kenny Henson
November 12	David Cutright	November 25	Karol Kagelmann
November 12	Don Johnson	November 26	Mary Ann Green
November 12	Dale Martin	November 26	Tina Encalado
November 12	Eileen Smith	November 27	Maryann Horvath
November 14	Effie Reed	November 27	Shirley Gallo
November 16	Denise Bienvenue	November 30	Everett Wardell

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

November 5	Joe & Mary Casola
November 7	Dennis & Lee Ann Paternoster
November 8	Thomas & Dale Hawkins
November 11	David & Donna Cutright
November 28	Norbert & Marge Orsolitis



BEREAVEMENT

Mary Houpt

Former longtime resident, Claire Hull, passed away Saturday, September 25, 2021 at St. Mark Village in Palm Harbor. No other information is available.



photo: B.Chatigny

UPDATES Around the Creek (Phase I & II)

LOOK OUT! SHE HAS REACHED 100!

We have all seen her and probably moved out of her way. Ronnie Goudie is possibly the fastest QueenAger with wheels. Down Cedar Elm Hill she could really qualify as speeding.

Come join the Centennial Celebration (100 years; 10 decades) of Ronnie Goudie's life, November 6, 2021 1-4 P.M. in the Phase I Clubhouse.

R.S.V.P. by October 30th . Jane 231-557-5689; Kathy 586-596-5087;

or Liz 203-434-2464

OR on sign-up sheet on Clubhouse Bulletin. Food will be served.



JOAN'S MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Joan Bienvenue

Our Briar Creek Luncheon will be held on Manday, November 15 at Tarpon Turtle at 1p.m. During the next few months, be on the look out for sign-up sheet for upcoming luncheons.

I am branching out this year; not always on the water; sometimes close to home. However, I am looking at restaurants that hopefully we locals have not frequented.

Pleas sign up, if interested; state if you need a ride or can be a driver.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to call me @ 727-902-8166. Bon Appetite!

See you there!



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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Frank Gaffney & Anthony Carregal

There's still time to get out your Halloween costume and join us for **HALLOWEEN OKTO-BOO-FEST** on Sunday, **October 31**.

We will begin at 5:30pm with a costume parade and contest. There will be music and games. Dinner

is brats or dogs with red cabbage, German potato salad and soft pretzels. And there will be dessert. All for **\$7 for Briar Creek residents and \$10 for guests**. Please text Pat Rivera (305-546-2714) for tickets by Wednesday, 10/27. Or she is usually at coffee hour on Wednesdays.

November begins with **KRAZY KARDS on Sunday, November 7 at 6pm**; every first Sunday until May 5, 2022. There are cash prizes and dessert at the break. \$3 for residents; \$5 for guests (NO REFUNDS). Please contact Elaine Harsh to sign up (727-669-0174). **YOU MUST SIGN UP BEFORE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 TO PARTICIPATE.** (Sorry, we cannot accommodate walk-ins.)



Please also join us for **DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING POTLUCK and HOLIDAY DECORATING PARTY on Friday, November 26 at 5:30pm**. Bring your leftovers or any covered side dish. The entertainment committee will be making turkey shepherd's pie with our leftovers... and providing dessert! There will be a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse. Please sign up so we know how many to prepare for. We will be decorating the clubhouse and tree for the holidays. There will be music, a sing-along and dancing. **\$3 for residents (to cover costs) and \$5 for guests. Tickets will go on sale after November 1.**

DECEMBER REMINDERS: Krazy Kards is Sunday, December 5 at 6pm. The Winter Dance with Johnny Charro will be Saturday, December 18 at 7pm.

UPCOMING ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS

Frank Gaffney

Save the Dates

December 18 – Christmas Dinner Dance . 7:00 Saturday.

December 31 - New Year's Eve Desserts & Games. 9:00 Friday.

Go out for a nice dinner then come back for dessert, fun and the Ball Drop.

2022

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day Dinner. 4:30 Thursday.

April 19 - Annual Picnic. Saturday

May 7 - Kentucky Derby & BC Horse race. 6:00; Post Time 6:57. Our races 7:30 ish

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Helen Coar



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DuFour, Lorretta
82 Cyprus Dr.
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LINE DANCING

Helen Coar



Join the line! Come and enjoy the music and exercise. Wednesday, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. If you are a beginner, arrive at 6:00 for a quick lesson. Hope to see you then.

TRAVEL – BCI & II TRAVEL CLUB

Gene Arend



We have planned a Travel Club meeting for **November 3rd** to be held at 7:00 PM in our Briar Creek **Phase II clubhouse 175 Clubview Drive**. All of our Travel Club members are invited and welcomed to

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BC MART

Ray Jablonski



Remember to stop by the BC Mart Wednesday after coffee and Saturday 9 – 11 a.m. There is always something you didn’t know you need until you see it at the Mart!

BIRD WALK - PHASES I & II

Bill Kaempfer

Come and join our monthly bird walks around the BC neighborhood. The walk for November will be on Friday, November 12th (because I will be out of town on the 5th). Meet at the Phase 1 Clubhouse at 8:00 a.m. for a 60 to 90 minute walk. Wear sturdy walking shoes and bring binoculars, if you have them. In October five of us participated and we found 25 species including Green Heron, Limpkin, Tricolored Heron, and Palm Warbler.



Bill Kaempfer

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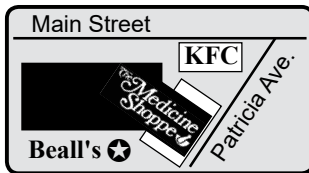
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Gene Arend

The Pinellas Big Ten Shuffleboard league will be waiting on the border closure situation to be resolved. Many of our bowlers reside in Canada and cannot as of this date make that journey to Florida.

We will start shuffling within Briar Creek at Noon on our courts. We hope to encourage other members of the league to come and play with us until the border situation is resolved. We travel to 9 other mobile home communities in the Upper Pinellas areas (North of Gulf to Bay and South of Tarpon Springs). The season has 20 matches with half played in Briar Creek with the visiting teams and the other half we travel to their community and shuffle on their courts. Anyone of our team captains or myself will be happy to provide you with the beginner lessons. The strategy of the game you will learn as you play.

The Briar Creek League is open to all residents of Briar Creek (Phase I and Phase II). If you are interested contact Bob Barr or Martin Shapiro, our two team captains, or myself.

MEN'S POKER TABLE

Gene Arend

This activity takes place every Thursday, 5:30 p.m.



BINGO

Kim Ramalho & Jeff Clark

Welcome Tuesday is BINGO! Welcome back snow birds! All New games and payouts.
Doors open at 5:30. Play begins at 6:00.



EUCHRE

Margo Keyes

At this time, the return of Thursday Euchre is suspended until further notice. If you have questions, or would like to 'host' this activity you may contact me at 518-528-3227.



BOWLERS

Gene Arend



Our Bowling season began on Friday October 15th at Maple Lanes Countryside. 12:30 – 3:00 PM. We still have several openings for bowlers. Please contact Gene Arend if you are interested or need to know more information. Our bowling league, while competitive, is more about social and fun. We have bowlers ranging from beginners to bowlers with several years' experience. So all levels of bowlers are well represented in our league. e-mail: gnarend@gmail.com or phone 727-725-5844

Phases I & II

Bill Kaempfer



Returning resident bridge players, give Bill Kaempfer a call (303-717-5063) if you want to play here in Briar Creek. We try to play Bridge every week on Monday from 1-4 in the Phase I Clubhouse, as long as we have at least 4 players for a table. As the Park fills up I hope we will have weekly games and more tables. September 13 winner: Brien Stickney 4390.

BAZAAR

Patty Fontaine

Please remember to drop off any of your no longer wanted, but perfectly good jewelry, hand bags, belts, travel bags, scarves, etc. for the jewelry counter for BC annual Bazaar. Steve and I are on the road to adventure for extended periods of time but Mary Houpt and Helen Coar are available to gratefully accept your donations.



Annual Bazaar

Gene Arend

The Bazaar date has been selected for December 3rd and 4th this year. It is our opinion the Bazaar this year will be limited to our Briar Creek residents. We are not comfortable inviting the outside world into our clubhouse quite yet.

This year there will not be a Raffle table for two reason. One, the department head was not available and there were no volunteers to take on the task. Also it may not be fair to our contributor if we cannot make their product and gift offerings available to the full market they might expect.

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The large sign inviting the outside will not be posted at the entrance. The other departments Jewelry, Bakery, Linens, Clothing, Liquor Raffle, 50/50, and Lunch will all be included this year. We hope to see you all come out for our Bazaar and help support our Social Club with whom the proceeds will support many future amenities to our community. Any question please contact the Bazaar at bcmart116@gmail.com.

BRIAR CREEK BOOK CLUB – Phases I & II

Jane McKenzie



Please contact me if you are interested or have questions

Are you interested in joining a book club? Enjoy reading a variety of genres, and have fun discussing books with friends. We presently have openings. The next meeting will be Oct. 12, and the book we will discuss is *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides. We plan to meet in the Phase II Clubhouse at 3:00 p.m.

Please contact me if you are interested or have questions **651-353-2602** cell.
jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – SEPTEMBER 2021

(Pete Loranger - Editor Phone 421-2321)

(E-Mail: Pete316@Knology.net)

Board of Directors:

ANNUAL CONDO MEETING

Joan Davis – Treasurer/Director

Progressive Management will be mailing your information for the meeting. Owners need to submit their General Limited Proxy. Your completed and signed proxy will give us a quorum for the meeting. Unsigned Proxies will NOT be counted. We need everyone to vote their proxy and return it as soon as possible. I would appreciate receiving the proxies by Thanksgiving so that we can be sure we have enough votes to pass our new and updated Docs.

Ways to submit your Proxy:

Drop in mail slot @ Directors Office in the clubhouse.

Give to Joan Davis anytime or drop off @ 131 Forest Lane, side door has a basket.



Mail to Progressive Management (Separate envelopes – 1 for Proxy and 1 for Ballot)

Your Ballots are held unopened until the meeting is opened, on December 6th at 7PM. Do not vote for more than three on your Ballot, also read the resume on each person running for office on your Condo Board.

Please vote your PROXY EARLY. I will have blank Proxies if you make a mistake. Be sure to put your UNIT No. at the top of Proxy and sign and date. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me @ 727-726-4829 or 727-201-9351/ Joan Davis

From the Vice President - Secretary/Alterations

Jean Schmidt

We will be done with the first phase of our “Clubhouse Project”. The planters will be repaired, resealed, painted, & replanted! On to phases 2 & 3... Decisions have to be made for our contractors to work up numbers for their proposals – Since we are approaching the holiday season, I expect work will be delayed so we can enjoy social events in our clubhouse.

I am urging all owners to accept the updates and improvements to our Condo Documents at our Annual Meeting in December. The Committee has worked tirelessly improving the language, punctuation, size and format. Our legal department has made sure we are in compliance with new Florida State Condo laws. No new rules have been added. Learn more by attending the last of our presentation meetings on November 9th.

In the month of November --- on the 7th remember to set your clocks back; on the 9th join us at the Clubhouse at 7pm to learn about proposed changes to our doc’s – a big improvement over the unruly set we have now!; remember our Veterans on the 11th; on Tuesday the 16th at our monthly board meeting we will have a meet the candidates session just before we adjourn – so all of you planning to run, have a small campaign speech ready!!!; Have a Happy Thanksgiving on the 25th; and Happy Hanukkah on the 28th!!

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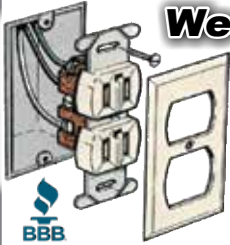
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Spending Money Wisely

Barbara Bergling



The Social Club committee “Spending Money Wisely” requests input from the community as to what you would like to spend money on, for the betterment of our clubhouse. If you have a suggestion, you would need to know the cost and who is going to do the work, before submitting it, in writing, to the committee for consideration. If the committee thinks it’s something we can do, it then goes to the condo board for their approval. After that, at a social club business meeting, you would make a motion to spend x dollars for x project, the members would then vote yea or nay.

To submit an idea, send email to Barbara Bergling, hepgramma43@gmail.com

Or put it in my rock box at 93 Briarwood Place or give it to me at a Saturday morning coffee.

Barbara Bergling

Social club president elect

The Briar Creek II Documents Revision

Jody Larson, Document Committee Chair



In 1994, fourteen years after BC II’s founding, the residents approved a combined and updated set of documents. This is the existing set we are now working with.

Over the years numerous amendments have been passed and notices mailed to owners. These were intended to be kept with the documents—but not all owners have kept them. The results is that incomplete information is always being passed around.

In 2021, twenty-seven years since 1994, it’s time to merge the documents once again to start fresh.

A Committee of your neighbors worked for months to come up with a revised set of documents—not to change any rules, but to make things more readable and to fold in the

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amendments. The revised versions have been accepted by Progressive Management, their Legal Department, and our Board of Directors.

In addition to the updated wording, the Documents will be printed on 8-1/2 x 11 paper (not legal sized), and all owners will get a new set!

On the ballot this year, you'll be asked to vote on the updated Declaration of Condominium and the Bylaws. We, the Committee, urge you to vote Yes for these documents as presented. Do not "kick it to the curb" because you don't like one of the items or a word change. As mentioned, our current rules still stand, so a No vote just means you want keep those yellowed, legal-sized, typewritten pages with loose pages tucked in.

Further amendments to the updated documents can be made as usual, but first owners need to approve the docs.

Please vote YES on the ballot to accept these documents.

SNEAKERS FOR KIDS



We are collecting new sneakers for the children at the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch in Safety Harbor. If you would like to be a part of this there are three ways in which you can donate. This is open to Phase I & 2 as the donation will be sent as Briar Creek Community.

1. Cash donations of any size will be collected at Saturday Morning Coffee the months of Oct. and Nov. or call and we will pick up your donation.
2. You can purchase a pair of sneakers at Walmart. Call Marge or Sharon for size and gender. (Prices range between \$15-\$20)
3. Donate the amount for a pair of shoes and we will purchase them for you.

Our donation will also include socks. Any questions, sizes and gender information Call Marge Grohskopf 727-249-3893 or Sharon Straub 770-843-1982
Phase2 Clubhouse has a poster showing our progress. THANKS

Ladies' Luncheon

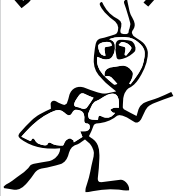
Carol Smitley



The Ladies Luncheon will be held November 17th at Outpost 611 Eatery, 2454 McMullen Booth Rd., Ste. #103, Safety Harbor. This is a fairly new restaurant. It was also a suggestion from one of our ladies. I am hoping that our snowbirds will join us. Phase I and Phase II ladies and guests are always welcome. I am suggesting that we try to car pool as much as possible due to limited parking. The signup sheet is in the hallway, Phase II. Reservations will be turned in the Monday before the luncheon. If for some reason you have to cancel, please give ME a call. Remember it is at 1:00.

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In Memory of

Irene Willette – 108 Natures Trail. – 8/28/2021
Larry Henry – 151 Clubview Drive – 9/16/2021



From your Clubhouse Librarians

Billie Ann, Ruth, and Bill

More Good News.
We have been given a donation of 36 DVDs. If you are a DVD person and have not recently looked at the new selection, you might be pleasantly surprised at the scope and variety of our collection.



The collection is in the main library and located in the closed cabinet.

Just a reminder to all our puzzle people. If you have just finished a puzzle **and it is missing more than 3 pieces, please do not return it.**

If you are returning a puzzle that is complete or just missing 1 or 2 pieces, please put a "sticky" on the top of the box listing if it is complete or missing a piece. The "stickies" are located in the plastic wall rack located on the wall between the puzzle section and the main section of the library.

At the present time, **we are not taking any cookbooks and textbooks.**

We are still getting request for more large print books, so we'd appreciate any large print paperback or hardcover books.

As always, your donations are greatly appreciated.

Billie Ann Berry, Ruth Miller, Bill Steiner



Bereavement

Darlene Beyer & Bonnie Briggs

As most of you may know that Barbara Bergling has stepped down from the chairperson of Bereavement and we would like to thank Barb for all the work she has done for others while in this position.

Bonnie Briggs and Darlene Beyer have volunteered to fill this position as Co-chair people. Please notify either one of us if you wish to report a death of a loved one and we will help guide you through the bereavement process here at Briar Creek II.

Bonnie Briggs - phone - 262-496-7594, or e-mail - Billandbonnie.briggs@g-mail.com

Darlene Beyer - phone - 727-403-9957, or e-mail - darlene4n@aol.com

Thank you from Bonnie and Darlene

Sit & Stitch

Sandy Fassett

We're going strong at sit and stitch. Many gals have come down to either work on projects or just to see what is going on. We continue to contribute our finished shawls to the cancer center which is much appreciated. Come down on Mondays from 1-3 pm to see what is happening. If you have any questions, call Sandy at 727-424-6045 or Darlene at 703-403-9957.



Food Pantry

Joan Davis

Thank you for your continued support. Collection is the 3rd Wednesday of every month, 9 to 11, (Nov. 17th). Our truck will be in front of clubhouse. We will be in the garage if it is raining. See you there
Joan Davis, Sonny Whitehouse and Arnold Williams.



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Camille Mattia, M.D.

Board Certified, Internal Medicine

Dr. Mattia attended Boston College as an undergraduate and completed her medical degree at the University of Florida College of Medicine and post-graduate training at the University of South Florida. Consistently recognized by the Residency Evaluation Committee as an outstanding resident committed to patient care, professionalism, and personal development, Dr. Mattia has had a strong focus on outpatient preventative care throughout her training. Dr. Mattia strives to create a welcoming practice environment for her patients, establishing long-term relationships based on trust and good communication.

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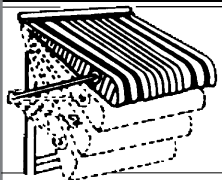
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Bunco is an easy dice game. Visit with friends, share some laughs, win some money. 6:30 Phase2 Clubhouse, \$3 game begins at 7:00. I'm being optimistic Covid may change all of this pending Clubhouse availability.

Mingle

Billie Ann Berry and Rose Marie Fjelstad



Bring a dish to share, your favorite beverage and don't forget \$1.00 or two for 50/50 drawing.

It's time to meet and greet and enjoy a good dinner. November 18th at 4:30pm
SEE YOU THERE!!!! (Repeated from Sep. 2021 by editor)

THE ABC'S OF A HEALTHY LIFE

Dr. Marty Finkelstein

ATTITUDE. Our attitude affects our health more than we realize. Though it may sound simplistic, a healthy attitude stimulates healthy cells creating a stronger immune system, whereas an unhealthy attitude can stress our body and lower our resistance to disease. Attitude, though is one of those magical things that are hard to define. There is an award winning documentary called HAPPY, that explores the attitudes of people from around the world and why some people who seem to have so little can have a wonderful appreciation of life. Maybe, there is an attitude of appreciation gene that some people are born with, but I know I have had to work on my appreciation muscle everyday. Our attitude also affects our ACTIONS. We have heard the expression actions speak louder than words. Most of us know what we should do and could do to change certain aspects of our life, yet still resist or sabotage taking the essential actions that are required. I always recommend, think like a tortoise when it comes to change. Begin taking simple action baby steps each day to reach positive outcomes. Remember the tortoise won the race!

BELIEFS. If our attitude affects our health, it's our very beliefs that ultimately shape the choices we make in our life and the actions we take. We sometimes have to ask ourselves where our beliefs came from. Our parents, families, society, media, and the things that we are taught from the earliest ages. Sadly too often when it comes to our health most of us have been raised with

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a belief system that does not support becoming the healthiest person we can become. Everyday we are raised on commercials that teach us to eat junk food and take medications for every symptom we may have without ever questioning what might be causing the problem. When we are young we are taught health conditions are normal childhood problems, and as we get older led to believe it's just the normal part of aging as if aging is a disease. A big part of living a healthy life is observing our beliefs and letting go of the beliefs that do not support the life you desire, and discover new possibilities with new beliefs that empower our life.

CONSISTENT/COMMITMENT/CHANGE. You can begin to see that the ABC'S are connected. Like life one good deed leads to another. How often have we heard ourselves, "I have always been this way, it's just the way I am". Well one of our greatest gifts is the gift of the ability to change. In our life we have no idea what is possible until we make commitments, and take consistent actions to discover parts of ourselves we have never known. Here are some questions to reflect upon:

1. What changes in your physical emotional health have you made in the last 5 years?
2. What are changes you would like to make yet resisting?
3. How do you feel about yourself when you keep your commitments? How about when you break your commitments?

I believe we are here to learn and evolve and with each challenge discover the healthy lessons of life to become a better version of ourselves. Why not?

Living in Paradise, Dr. Marty

Dr. Marty is the author of several books regarding physical emotional wellness and healing. His latest book *Our Real Health Insurance A-Z* and more can be purchased on Amazon. If you have questions he can be reached at drmarty3@yahoo.com

Humane Society & the Haven

Barbara Bergling



Thanks for all your generous donations for the Humane Society and the Haven. I used to be able to donate clothes, but they no longer accept them. The exception is new socks for children and thongs in all sizes for use in the show.

The humane society and the Haven also don't accept sheets. Remember that if your linens are in good condition, we sell them at our bazaar.

The humane society request is for everything you are donating but especially towels. Also, they receive a lot of dog food and treats but very little cat food or treats. Thanks to all of you for your donations. As I have said before, Briar Creekers are extremely generous.

Thanks again everyone

Barbara Bergling

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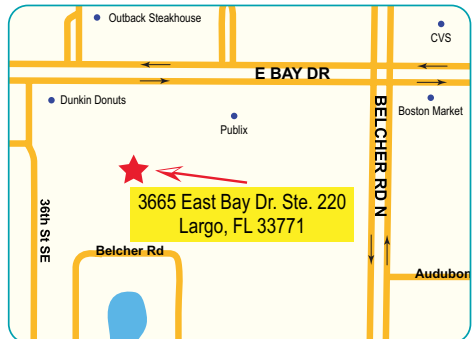
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Euchre

Orpha Berken

We started playing Euchre on October 26th. Euchre is played on Tuesday nights at 6PM



Pinochle

Alice Williams

We started Pinochle on October 20th. There will be no Pinochle played on November 3rd. There will be a Travel Club meeting that Wednesday. We will start playing again on November 10th.

We start playing at 6PM. Bring \$1.00. We finish at 8PM



Resident Listing and Phone Directory

Sheena Lee

There has been 1 sale since the last Update in the Media.

Dicran & Mirna Halajian have bought 62 Cottagewood but have not yet moved in.

And sadly, we lost Larry Henry, 151 Clubview Drive on Sept 16

As always, you can contact me anytime at 163 Clubview Drive, 727-421-5665 or sheenalee2133@gmail.com

CALLING ALL SNOWBIRDS

Sheena Lee



If you are a snowbird who has just returned to Briar Creek for the upcoming winter season, you may be missing your copy of the 2021-2022 Resident and Phone Directory, the yellow book.

Pete gave me a list of all the people where he was not able to deliver a copy, and I have these copies in my house.

So please contact me and I will bring a copy to you (or your rock box if you are not home when I come by).

Sheena Lee, 163 Clubview Drive, 727-421-5665. Sheenalee2133@gmail.com

BC2PhoneTree

Marsha Bowlby



The Phonetree reaches around 180 homes in Briar Creek Phase 2. What originally was a way to notify the ladies who made phone calls for the Bereavement committee has turned into a communication system for Briar Creek 2. As a resident all you need is an email address to sign up for the telephone tree.

If you have not signed up yet and want to be on the phone tree, send an e-mail to BC2phonetree@gmail.com. Please include your name, address, and phone number.

Is your spouse the one getting the e-mails and you never know what is going on? I have several families where both spouses are on the e-mail chain so they both read the e-mails at their convenience. So, if this appeals to you, send me your e-mail address.

If you have any questions regarding the phonetree, please feel free to email me (BC2phonetree@gmail.com.) and I will be glad to answer your questions.

NAME BADGES

Sharon Cann

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Name Badges are available and ordered through Sharon Cann. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. .. If you are interested in a HOUSE PLATE for the front of your home, Sharon also orders these. You may contact Sharon at 727-366-7688 to order the tags. PJ is handling the name tags until Sharon's return.

Briar Creek Book Club (Phase I & II)

Are you interested in joining a book club? Enjoy reading a variety of genres and have fun discussing books with friends. We presently have openings. The next meeting will be Nov. 9 when we will discuss the Oct. book, *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides and the Nov. book, *Honolulu* by Alan Brennert. We plan to meet in the Phase II Clubhouse at 3:00 p.m.

Please contact me if you are interested or have questions.

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White Peacock Butterfly

Jody Larson

The White Peacock is a smallish butterfly, with about a 2-inch wingspan. Its wings are white with golden or orange margins and a total of six large dark spots. These resemble the “eyespot” on peacock feathers, which is what gives them their name. Males and females look alike.

The caterpillar form is about 1-1/2 inches long, black and spiny, with tiny white freckles on the body.

This butterfly is frequently seen hovering over weedy areas because they like the nectar of common flowers such as those of the aster family. I often see them on my front lawn, on which I use no pesticides.



The White Peacock is widely distributed in warmer climates in the East. I hadn't encountered them until we came to Florida. But during the summer months this butterfly may wander farther north. One sighting was reported in the Chicago area in 2015!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Pete Loranger

Birthdays

11/01	Sandra Stowe	11/19	Arnold Williams
11/02	Stella Tavenor	11/20	Orpha Berken
11/02	Chester Romatowski	11/22	Bruce Cobb
11/02	Lynne Cameron	11/23	Jeff Holden
11/05	Steve Rothe	11/23	Priscilla Weeks
11/09	Gisele Chabot	11/24	Rose Marie Fjelstad
11/14	Pat Hevalow	11/24	Roxie Herman
11/14	Michael Bibler	11/29	Gene Breheny
11/15	Bob Gundershaug	11/29	Kathy Booth
11/17	Gloria Tompkins	11/30	Marge Grohskopf
11/18	Michael Preston		



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Anniversaries

11/01/1960	Chuck & Ola May VanDette – 61 years
11/08/1975	Jerry & Christine Maxwell – 46 years
11/18/1995	Richard & Dorothy Seybolt – 26 years
11/20/1954	Robert & Lorraine Ducharme – 67 years
11/28/1965	Bob & Marsha Bowlby – 56 years



If your info is not listed, I have not received a Resident Info form from you. Also, let me know of any errors or additions etc.

Social Club Christmas Dinner

Pete, Joan and Billie Ann

At the present time, the Dinner is still scheduled for 12/11/21. Any changes will have to be announced on the PHONETREE.



Schedule is: BYOB/Snacks 5pm..Introduce new residents 530pm...Dinner 6pm.. Entertainment 7pm. (Entertainment by Johnny Charro)

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