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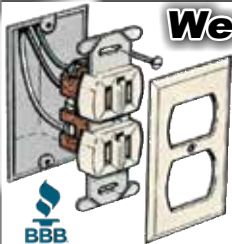
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The e-mail address for any office matters is: briarcreekoﬀ@gmail.com

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Life-threatening emergency - **911**

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Sheriff’s Office **non-emergency -727-582-6200** (use for issues at the BC pool)

Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas 1-800-963-5337

Lift Assist 9-1-1 ask for non-emergency EMS when you are a loved one falls and cannot get up

BOARD BUSINESS AND UPDATES

Annual Inspections

Lynn Lijewski, Director

I'd like to remind our residents to please take a walk around your property before rainy season begins. Look at your gutters. If you see growth in them - it is time to have them cleaned. Rain water needs to flow to avoid leaks. Prevention saves headaches and expenses.



If you have questions or would like to volunteer as an inspector for next time, feel free to contact me by phone 727-486-7074.

Lawn Care Service

Gene Arend

727- 725-5844. Mow dates for **July will be weekly** on Tuesdays.

We need to you partner with us to mitigate damage to your property.



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**A Complete Listing of Resident Services
can be found on the page before your calendar**

UPDATE: Clubhouse & Pool Key FOB

Gene Arend

The installation of the keyless security system has been completed and fully activated. The FOB will be needed to enter the clubhouse and pool gates. The keys for the clubhouse will now only be useful if you use the laundry building on Sugar Bear.

If you have not yet received a FOB. Please see the clubhouse director at Coffee Social Wednesday weekly between 8:30 to 9:30, Or on Friday at the Clubhouse from 4 PM to 6 PM. You can also send a request to briarcreekoff@gmail.com and instruction for retrieving the FOB from my Rock Box will be sent to you. Send a stamped self addressed envelope with your Briar Creek address and name on a note to Briar Creek Office, 100 Briar Creek Blvd, Safety Harbor, FL 34695. Please note mail outside the United States will require more postage for the return to you so please check with your postal authorities on the proper postage for the return mail. Weight is not an issue as the FOB is less than one ounce. If you are away the FOB's will always be available on your return to Briar Creek.

POOL Director

Pat Rivera

The weekly cleaning days have returned to Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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



Until then. Phase 2 has more than graciously made arrangement to “keep their gates open” for us from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. Their childrens’ hours are (under 18) :11a.m.- 2p.m. and 5 – 8 p.m. Children under 15 must be accompanied by a **resident** adult.

Mea Culpa!

Pat Rivera, editor

In the June issue, I inadvertently overlooked some resident birthdays. My humble apologies. Belated acknowledgements extended to the following folks:

Maria De Ree June; 23 Shirley Parisi June 23; Shirley Payne June 23; Carol Centamore June 24; Kathy Haskins June 24; Sharyl LeMessurier June 24; Brenda Maybee June 25; Carol Heath June 25; Paula Alves June 26; Joanne Flint June 27; Karen Jaeger June 27



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| Wilbur C Wrede | July 2 | Beverly Wilson | July 16 |
| Kenneth Beaudoin | July 5 | Marsha Reynolds | July 16 |
| Drue Lee | July 6 | Mary Jordan | July 16 |
| Margo Keyes | July 6 | Sandy Brown | July 17 |
| Gregory Taylor | July 7 | Dale Tubaugh | July 19 |
| Harry McKinzie | July 7 | Larry Doane | July 20 |
| Joe Natale | July 7 | Shirley Miller | July 21 |
| Terry Kennett | July 9 | Dennis Ranieri | July 23 |
| Daniel Smit h | July 10 | Joseph Gladish | July 23 |
| Doreen Gingras | July 10 | Jim Berg | July 25 |
| Les Willie | July 10 | Ivan Curtis | July 26 |
| Linda Edington | July 10 | Mark Belanger | July 27 |
| Max Thomas | July 11 | Maurice Lemieux | July 28 |
| Paul Piatt | July 11 | Stephanie Lambert | July 28 |
| Lucille Ryan | July 12 | Ray Weston | July 29 |
| Kenneth Schlager | July 13 | Sue Martin | July 29 |
| Roy O'N ill | July 13 | Jacqueline (Jackie) Currier | July 30 |



ANNIVERSARIES

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|------------------------|--------------|
| Dick & Ida Haines | July 5 1997 |
| Tom & Kathy Lofgren | July 9 1983 |
| Roy & Pam O'Neill | July 12 1980 |
| Nancy & Lee Lahr | July 20 2008 |
| Stan & Barbara Hepler | July 22 1961 |
| P.D. & Laura Leftwich | July 24 |
| Sal & Carol Centamore | July 25 1964 |
| Allen & Barbara Fuller | July 30 1960 |





UPDATES Around the Creek (Phase I & II)

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Frank Gaffney & Anthony Carregal



Lots going on in July!

COMMUNITY PUZZLE

We started a COMMUNITY PUZZLE in the Phase 1 Clubhouse. If you have some free time and want to work on it, come to the Clubhouse!

MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES. Every Monday, at 6pm, we will be watching a movie in the Phase I Clubhouse. You can vote each week on which movie we watch. There will be trivia about our featured movie before the film and a short discussion afterwards. And there will be popcorn! No charge. Donations accepted.

TUESDAY GAME NIGHT. Every Tuesday at 6pm, we play a game in the Clubhouse. This is not people sitting at separate tables, playing their own games. NO! We play every game as teams, pitting our skills against one another... and LAUGHING! We have already played JEOPARDY! and FAMILY FEUD. In the coming weeks, we will be playing WHEEL OF FORTUNE, MATCH GAME and THE PRICE IS RIGHT! Come on down!

MONDAY, JULY 4 AT 4PM

BBQ

Join us for our 4th of July BBQ. We will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs. You bring a side dish to share. There will be music and games. \$5.00 per person. PHASE I CLUBHOUSE.

SATURDAY, JULY 16 AT 6PM

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

We love Christmas so much we will be celebrating again! Wear your Christmas finest and bring your Christmas cookies or cake to share. We will provide light hors d'oeuvres. There will be music and games. \$5.00 per person. PHASE I CLUBHOUSE.

If you would like to be included on our emailing list, please drop a note to briarcreeksocial@gmail.com.

ALL TICKETS are on sale at Phase I & II coffee hours, or call FRANK GAFFNEY at 203-606-8953 or email: briarcreeksocial@gmail.com.

Look for pertinent details in each upcoming monthly publication.



DIAL DIRECTORY - THE YELLOW BOOK

Al Hartin, Donna Hartin & Pat Arend

Check your entry to make sure it is correct. Make the changes below to your copy of the directory. Remember you can access the Directory on line by going to dialdirectories.com and get a code.

See below for Additions/Changes to your Dial Directory.

Please add the following new Owners:

Edward & Anette Burris
30 Dogwood Court
E: 847-638-7662
A: 847-313-9469



Ryan & Jo Weston
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Lynn Lijewski – 727-486-7074
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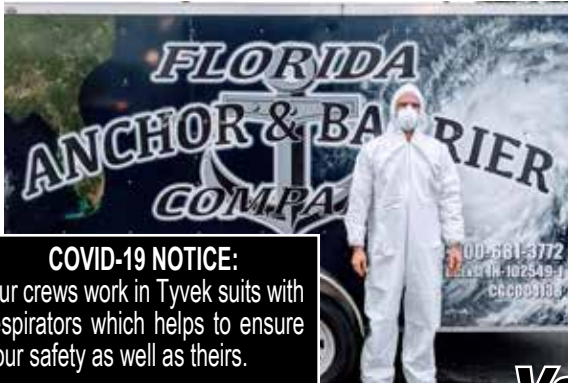


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Gene Arend



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Other Summer, cool activities are being researched for June, July and August. As well as some day or overnight trips in the Fall. Watch your e-mail and the clubhouse bulletin board for more details. *Your Travel Club Team: Gene Arend, JoAnn Barr, Toni Beaton, Donna Hartin, Carol Keller-Michalis, Peggy Raynor and Carol Rodrigues*

BC MART

Ray Jablonski Dave Holmes and Terry LaCasse

Stop and shop at the BC Mart Wednesday after coffee and Saturday 10 – 12a.m. Remember that one of the best things about ‘shopping local’ is that the bargain prices you pay go directly to the Social Club Activities fund.

Another thing to keep in mind, we have some tools available for loan. We ask that you sign them out and remember to return them when you complete the job.

BIRD WALK - PHASES I & II

Bill Kaempfer



We will take June and July off from Briar Creek Bird walks on the first Friday of the month. Look for an announcement concerning starting up again in August.

Bill Kaempfer 303-717-5063

SHUFFLEBOARD

Gene Arend



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

BINGO will return in the Fall.
During the summer, join us for GAME NIGHT on Tuesday evenings at 6:00

BOWLERS

Gene Arend

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Ladies Golf at Briar Creek (Phase I & II)

We will resume playing in the Fall. Have a pleasant summer!
Jane McKenzie 651-353-2602 (cell) jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com



BRIDGE Phases I & II

Bill Kaempfer

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Have a safe summer, everyone. We may resume play in the Fall.

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Looking forward to a lovely summer. See you all in the Fall!

BRIAR CREEK BOOK CLUB –

Phases I & II Jane McKenzie



Enjoy discussing books from various genres that are chosen by the members. The next meeting will be Nov. 8 when we will discuss *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles. We plan to meet in the Phase II Clubhouse at 3:00 p.m.

Please contact me if you are interested in joining or have questions.

Jane McKenzie 651-353-2602 (Cell) jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com





HURRICANE SEASON 2022

Pat Rivera



We did not need to shovel snow again this winter! OK, some fauna suffered from frost – but that grew back. Have you noticed that one of our two seasons, ‘wet’ is almost the same as hurricane season? True. As usual, June 1 – Nov 30 is when Floridians need to prepare. You can check with various sources regarding the predications for the season. www.npr.org www.reuters.com www.cnn.com www.accuweather.com www.nhc.noaa.gov

All of the experts agree upon a few things:

Prepare an evacuation plan. The county opens shelters in numerous locations. Or you may decide to drive to a distant safe area. Because we live in manufactured homes, we are encouraged to evacuate. If you decide to ride out the storm, you are on your own if emergency services are needed. You may call – but they may not be able to respond.

Have a go-kit ready. Suggestions include spare keys, cash (ATM may not work), two weeks supply of medications, phone chargers, hygiene items, insurance papers/info, batteries and flashlight, radio and rain gear. Any thing else of importance that you do not want to lose.

Check your checklist. Pinellas County, the American Red Cross, Ready.gov are great sources

Special needs? Emergency management provides a special needs registry. Contact them at the beginning of hurricane season at specialneeds.pinellascounty.org or call 727-464-3800 to receive a form in the mail. If you have a service animal, be certain to share that info. Not all of the shelters are prepared to accept animals.

When you shop for groceries, look for the Pinellas County complete hurricane preparedness bulletin, many stores have them available. All of the shelters are listed. Some do take animals. Consider picking up a couple extra non-perishable items, water, hand sanitizer, meal bars, canned meat and vegetables, etc. You may need to bring your own food to a shelter.

Keep in mind that it may take days or weeks to restore power to the area. Consider keeping the gas tank in your car full during hurricane season. If you evacuate the area, always good to start out with a full tank. If you stay, always good to have a full tank incase the pumps run out or have no power.

But be prepared. Just in case.

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UH, UM, THAT Thing, You Know...

Pat Rivera

From time to time, we have all wondered...

Thanks to Betty Jones, we can choose to joke about being members of the CRAFT Club (Can't Remember A F***ing Thing)!

Or, we can try to find out. Is it normal? Is it something to be concerned about?

Recently, I learned about a clinical trial organization. Their goal is to research the safety and effectiveness of investigational medications. Suncoast Clinical Research partners with the world's leaders in pharmaceutical companies and local physicians to conduct clinical trials.

I am sharing this information for a few reasons. As I kid growing up where and how I did, lofty career aspirations took a back seat to basic survival skills. Truth be told, I wanted to become a doctor.

My world view expanded when I moved away and discovered a wealth of opportunities. Over the years, I was employed by two different medical schools and a pharmaceutical research company. I did not become a doctor; but still wanted to play a part in learning about cures for various conditions or diseases. I participated in more than a few clinical trials along the way. Most were uneventful or I didn't qualify. One changed my life. If you are curious, ask me about it.

If your curiosity has piqued, you may want to schedule a screening to be an Alzheimer's Prevention-Medical Hero. If you do, contact a recruitment manager at Suncoast Clinical Research, Inc. 727-849-4131 Visit us online at www.suncoastclinicalresearch.com

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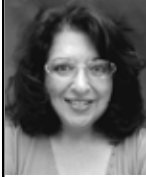
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That every Independence Day, the Liberty Bell rings 13 times?

That the official name of the Statute of Liberty is “Liberty Enlightening the World”?

That Americans consume an average of 150 million hot dogs on July 4th?

That the first official July 4th celebration was in 1777 in Boston and with fireworks?

That sadly, most American flags are made in China?

That nearly 70 million cases of beer are sold on July 4th weekend each year?

That Ben Franklin wanted the Turkey to be our National Bird?

That 56 founding fathers signed the Declaration of Independence?

That July 4th first became a National Holiday in 1938?

That July 4th is also Independence Day in the Philippines?

That Thomas Jefferson and John Adams both died on July 4th, 50 years after 1776?

Have a wonderful July 4th Celebration and continue to be safe throughout the summer.



Sam Oliverio – Vice President

The repairs to the pool entrance gate have been completed, and it is functioning as it should once again. The gate is designed to close automatically, due to the self-closing hinges that have been installed. Please don't allow the gate to slam shut, as it may damage the mechanism. As a reminder, the timer for the Spa must be turned past 10 to get in to the proper cycle, and must not be turned past 15 to operate properly. If you notice anything out of the ordinary at the pool, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of the other Board Members as soon as possible. Our goal is to maintain these amenities in good working order, for the enjoyment of all of our residents and appreciate any help that you can give us in achieving this goal.



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"OMG" usage can be traced back to 1917?

Giant squids have the largest eyes of any animal on Earth?

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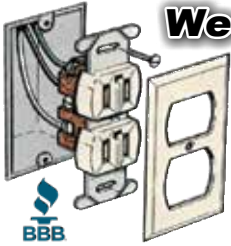
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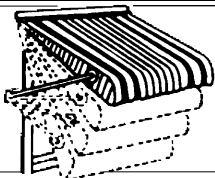


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The forms for any alterations are in the bin outside the condo office door in the clubhouse.

If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Bonnie Briggs at (262) 496-7594

Emotional Support Animal Reminder

Briar Creek II has a process where emotional support animals are allowed in the non-pet section, only after approval by the Board. The support animal must conform to the same restrictions as the Pet Section of the community.



We will need paperwork from a medical professional that states the following:

- Verifies that you have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities
- Describes your need for a reasonable accommodation to keep a support animal in your home
- Shows the relationship between your disability and the need for the support animal

An Emotional Support Animal certificate does not meet the above requirements.

After the accommodation is approved, the resident must provide a photo of the animal, proof of current immunizations and proper licensing by Pinellas County and again at each renewal/revaccination.

Please remember, the animal should be leashed and under your control at all times and not be allowed on private property of your neighbors. The animal should be walked in the Pet Section of Briar Creek II. Common areas in the non-pet section are not to be used to walk your dogs. Remember to clean up after your pet and dispose of it properly. The animal should not create a nuisance or unreasonably disturb the peaceful enjoyment of the community.

If for some reason, you no longer have your support animal and wish to have another one, you must repeat the approval process from the Condo Board.

Please remember approval for an Emotional Support Animal needs to be completed prior to obtaining your animal.

Bonnie Briggs
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262-496-7594

Social Club

Barbara Bergling



Even though it is summer, there are many fun activities still going on in our clubhouse. Every Monday from 1:00 to 3:00 PM there's Sit and Stitch; you don't have to stitch you can just sit and visit. Wednesdays is ladies card game of Hand and Foot. If you don't know the game the ladies are happy to teach you. Thursday everyone is invited to play dominoes at 1:00 PM. Exercise classes are held Monday at 9:00 AM cardio and strength, Tuesday 10:30 AM strength and balance, Wednesday 9:00 AM cardio and strength, Thursday 10:30 strength and balance, Friday 9:00 AM cardio and strength and at 10:00 AM chair yoga. Of course, Saturday morning from 8:00 to 8:45 is coffee and donuts and information about what is happening in Briar Creek II. Every Wednesday morning at 8:30 a group goes to Eve's for breakfast. New people are always welcome. Every third Wednesday of the month there's a ladies luncheon at different restaurants around the area. Sign-up sheet is in the clubhouse or you can contact Carol Smitley to put your name down. Every third Thursday there's a mingle. This is a pot luck but if you can't or don't want to cook, store bought is always good. The food is good and so is the company. Bring food at 4:30 and eat about 5:00. Don't forget BYOB. On the fourth Thursday of every month is Bunco at 6:30 sign-up sheet is in the clubhouse. You can contact Marge Grohskopf to put your name on the list. Easy game and if you don't know it, teaching you is not a problem. All these activities plus whatever the entertainment committee comes up with, go on all summer. We would love to see you participate.

Barbara Bergling, Social Club President

Exercise Class

Monday, Wednesday and Friday – Cardio and Strength at 9 a.m.
Tuesday and Thursday – Strength and Balance at 10:15 a.m.
Friday – chair yoga at 10:00 a.m.

These classes are open to all residents of phase I and II. She teaches “silver sneaker” classes, designed for the mature adult and there is no charge for any person with insurance that has a “silver sneakers” benefit as part of their plan. If not, the cost is a nominal \$2.00 per class. A punch card is available for \$20 for 10 classes. Come join us, you find it much easier to get up and out of your chair after just a few classes.





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Sandy Fassett

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Food Pantry

Joan Davis

Please remember to support your Food Pantry during the summer months. Our snowbirds are not here to donate but the need is still here. Our truck will be in front of the clubhouse 9-11 AM. If raining, the truck will be in the garage. This drive takes place on every 3rd Wednesday. Hope to see you there. Joan, Sonny & Arnold



Ladies' Luncheon

Carol Smitley

The Ladies Luncheon will be held July 20th at the Cheesecake Factory, 27001 U.S. 19 North, Clearwater (Countryside Mall). This will be our second time going

there. I am hoping for a good attendance. I know our snowbirds are up north, so those of us that are left behind please make an effort to attend. Phase I and Phase II ladies and guests are always welcome. Reservations will be turned in the Monday before the luncheon. If for some reason you have to cancel, please give ME call. Remember it is at 1:00.





Entertainment

Amber Oliverio

Hello All,

The Entertainment Committee would like to thank everyone who came out for the Pizza Party last month. Lots of fun, music, good pizza/salad and best of all the ice cream treats were a hit! Thank you to Karen, Phil, Peggy and Sam for picking up the pizzas, serving and clean up.

July 30th we will have "Jazz in July" from 3:00-5:00pm. We will have delicious desserts, music and group games. Cost is \$3.00 per person. So come on out and join in on the fun.

August 16th from 5:00-6:30 pm we will have another Pizza Party. 2 pieces of pizza, salad and a treat for \$5.00 per person. Music, 50/50 and Corn Hole competition for entertainment.

And of course, BYOB.

Don't forget to check the calendar for Phase 1 entertainment. They have many events planned for July and August. Everyone is welcome to both Phase 1 and 2. Together we can all have a great time this summer!

Enjoy,
Amber Oliverio



BUNCO

Marge Grohskopf

Please join us for future Bunco dates on the 4th Thursday of each month.

Bunco is an easy dice game. Visit with friends, share some laughs, and 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

Don't forget Mingle on Thursday, July 21. All our welcome. Bring a dish to share, either hot or cold. A dessert would be appreciated, hot or cold. Come and enjoy good company, lots of laughs and a wonderful meal. We start arriving about 4:30pm and eat close to 5:00pm. Looking forward to seeing your smiling faces.



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Please contact me if you are interested in joining or have questions.

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8 LESSONS FOR LIFE ON HOLE 1

Dr. Marty Finkelstein



I have loved playing sports my whole life and have observed many similarities about the game of golf and the game of life. Every sport has its own interesting analogies but for this article I shall focus on golf. I know there are many golfers in Briar Creek but even if you don't play I am certain you can appreciate the lessons of life.

#1. The Tee- Vision

Vision is everything. Without vision life has no direction. Vision gives us the focus and clarity to see where we are and where we want to go. In the game of golf we have a diagram of the hole's layout. Even if we cannot see the hole from the tee, we can understand the path to reach our desired outcome. Everything in life is possible with vision.

#2. The Fairway- Gratitude

The fairway is a nice place to be in golf. The grass is smooth and everything seems to be going well. There are times in our life where things seem good, and it is important to feel a sense of gratitude. If we take good things for granted, it becomes easy to lose our vision and get distracted by the sand traps and water challenges of the game.

#3. The Rough- Opportunity

When we are going through difficult and rough times in our life it is easy to get frustrated feeling like nothing is going our way. The rough of life is a time of reflection to begin to see opportunities when facing these obstacles. When we remember our true vision we will always discover there is something to learn even in these rough moments of life. As we learn our game improves.

#4. The Woods- Awakening

Sometimes in golf like life things go from bad to worse. And when we are in the woods we can feel lost and hopeless. We may want to give up and collapse under the hardships of life. Amazingly, it is here that an awakening can occur, and feel renewed and re-connected to our Vision. Even when we want to give up and throw the clubs in the lake, Don't. Success is never final and failure is never fatal.

#5. The Fairway Again- Joyfulness

Things in life are good again. From here you can see your goal as you are getting closer to the hole. You feel different inside, as if something deep in your soul has changed. You feel more alive and aware. And most important you are having fun and enjoying the journey of life.

#6. The Bunker- Wisdom

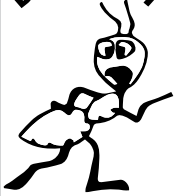
You are closer yet to obtaining your vision. You are applying new skills and understanding the game of golf and life with a new heightened state of consciousness. As you look back from where you came from you can observe all the lessons you have learned with the understanding and wisdom of focus and persistence.

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#7. The Green- Faith

Just when it seems it should be so easy as you stand so close to the hole, the challenge remains. At those moments, we may be faced with internal questions like, What if I miss? What if I fail after coming this far? In golf like life, just take another shot, never give up. We only fail if we do not try. Act in faith knowing all you know and putt it in the hole.

#8. The Hole- Completion

Once the ball lands in the hole, your vision and goal has been manifested and completed. In life there are many beginnings and all too often not as many visions truly realized. When we reach our goals take the time to feel excited and appreciate the glory of the work that was put forth to obtain those dreams. Allow ourselves to be filled with an awareness that we can accomplish anything if we have a vision applying the lessons of life. In life like golf there is always another hole and many courses to play on. Enjoy the Game!

Dr. Marty Finkelstein lives in Briar Creek with his wife Julie Austin. He is the author of several books and was a holistic chiropractor for 40 years in Atlanta Georgia.

Bleach Is Poison

Jody Larson

In the past few years, the chlorine bleach manufacturers have really been pushing their products as disinfectants. While it's true that chlorine bleach will get rid of bacteria, mold, and viruses on surfaces, the fact is that bleach will kill everything, including you, if it's misused. It's a highly poisonous chemical. It should never be mixed with other cleaning solutions and should always be diluted for use.

Chlorine bleach is also unnecessary. There are many alternatives that clean just fine without the dangers. Here are a few.

1. Hot soapy water. Remember this? It's still a great way to clean surfaces such as countertops. Rinse off and allow to air dry thoroughly.
2. Vinegar. You can use vinegar diluted in water for cleaning many surfaces (3 parts water to 1 part vinegar at most). I use it on my wood floors. You can also use it to kill weeds along driveway seams without the danger of killing everything around it or ruining the surface.
3. Lemon juice. The cleaning action of lemon juice is much like that of vinegar. Also, you can add it to laundry instead of bleach.
4. Baking soda. Adding one-half cup to your laundry will boost your detergent's cleaning power.
5. Hydrogen peroxide. You may have used this for first aid, and it can also be used, diluted 1:1, for disinfection of surfaces after they have been cleaned. It's non-toxic and odor free.

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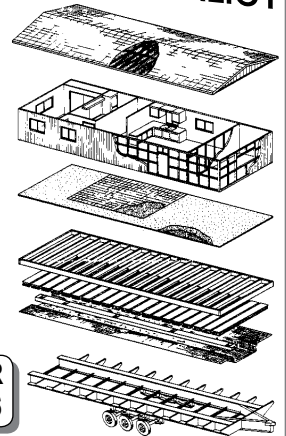
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You can find many other tips on the internet with a simple search. Some of these ideas are good, and others perhaps not so good, so use your judgment.

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

Update of the Phone Directory

Sheena Lee

There is just a small list of changes and additions to the Phone Directory for the last month.

Mike Casey is the new owner of 160 Clubview Drive (the house previously owned by Pat Hevalow).

Walter and Sheila Jancsik are the new owners of 137 Pinewood Terrace (the house previously owned by Audrey O'Connor).

The correct phone number for Tim Donavon, 197 Clubview Drive, is 727-422-0015.

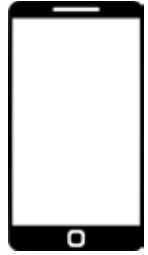
As always, please contact me for any changes and corrections. Sheena Lee, 163 Clubview Drive, 727-421-5665, sheenalee2133@clubview.com.





BC2PhoneTree

Marsha Bowlby



This has been a busy month for the PhoneTree. I have changed to Mail Chimp as my service, it's much easier to use once you learn it. (Many Thanks to my husband for all his help, AND TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. I keep learning things everyday on this system. Hopefully I have the font size mastered. I now have a total of 196 homes receiving the emails, which is great.

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NAME BADGES

Marsha Bowlby



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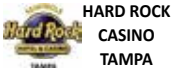
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