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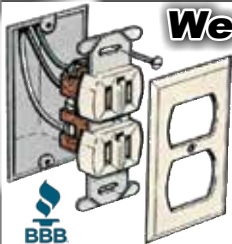
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The e-mail address for any office matters is: [briarcreekoft@gmail.com](mailto:briarcreekoft@gmail.com)

## Important Phone Numbers

**Urgent Care House Calls:** 888-908-0553 (or) 813-537-3043 Dispatch Health  
Life-threatening emergency - **911**

May be used for wellness check calls 727-582-6200

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**

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## **REMINDER:**

*Al Hartin, Director, Infrastructure*

## **Roads & Grounds – 727-454-1821**

For all issues involving the Roads & Grounds, this includes water and sewer lines, please call this number. This is a cell phone in the possession of the person who is on call for these such issues. This may or may not always be a member of the Board of Directors. This is a cell phone and will ensure your call is received by someone on call. While there is a primary person assigned this responsibility, that person may not always be on site to handle such issues, therefore we have the cell phone with someone who is on site and ready to handle these types of issues. Sending an e-mail or calling someone else will not ensure your issue is handled promptly.



## **Parking on the Grass –**

Don't! No parking on the grass – anytime.

When you park on the street during the day, all cars park on the same side.

All cars must be moved to the driveway or guest parking overnight.

We are not being bullies or pains in the grass. These rules have been established because:





1. Water and utility lines are shallowly buried under ground. The weight of a vehicle could easily damage or destroy lines.
2. Our streets are narrow. Fire trucks and large delivery trucks need to be able to pass through unobstructed.

## Inspections & Architectural Requests

*Kim Ramalho, Vice President*



**I**nspctions - Inspection Teams will be going out in March. Let's all do our part to keep Briar Creek looking beautiful. Thank you

Architectural Requests - Any Architectural Requests can be dropped off at the Clubhouse Director's Office or placed in my Rock Box @ 39 Deer Trail Court.

## Lawns and Trees

*Mike Moore 813-629-8216*



**I**n March mowing will happen three times.

## Lease/Purchase/Occupancy

**C**onnie Holmes, Secretary, Board of Directors in charge of Lease/Purchase/Occupancy at 423-297-5627 or email to [conniepotterholmes@gmail.com](mailto:conniepotterholmes@gmail.com)

## BAZAAR –

*Gene Arend*



**A**s we all know things age as time passes. So has the name we adopted so many years ago and we called it a “Bazaar” or as the late Mr. David Doran would intentionally and jokingly refer to it as the “Annual Brassiere”. The name with the under 40 crowd has lost its meaning or comprehension. I have heard recently a few people in the class of under 40 say “What’s A Bazaar”. Therefore, we are starting a contest to rename the Bazaar for next year. Please send you suggestions for the new

name to [briarcreekkoff@gmail.com](mailto:briarcreekkoff@gmail.com).

An esteemed panel of less witted judges will be created and the grand prize winner will receive 12 tickets for Free coffee and donuts at the weekly Wednesday Coffee Social. You must be a member in good standing (or sitting) to enter the contest. That means if you didn't buy your Social Club Membership card you can't win.

## The POOL

Pat Rivera



If it's not one thing it's another. It's another thing. Spare the details. When everything is ready, you will know!

Big round of thanks to Gene Arend and Al Hartin for their frequent visits to the construction site. When there is any thing to report, Gene Arend posts for residents to read.

Huge debt of gratitude to Phase 2 for sharing their pool with us. Remember there is no life guard on duty at the pool.

If you have young visitors, the resident or owner must accompany kids to the pool. Pool times are the same. **Check times for Adults only.**

## Be On the Look Out (BOLO) for Dog Walkers

Pat Rivera



Briar Creek sometimes feels more like a quaint lake-side village or resort.

The foliage and topography which surround us is welcoming, homey, and unlike most other 55+ modular home communities.

The disadvantage to the beauty we appreciate is sometimes, a clear view around the corner is obstructed. Especially at dawn and dusk or the darkness of a moonless night. The walkers may carry a flash light, wear reflective clothing or put reflective tape on their dog's leash. Sometimes, it is still hard to see them around a bend in the road or beside big bushes.

Recently, on one of those nights, a dog-walking resident felt threatened by a driver's 'night blindness.'

Take a minute to remember the speed limit is 15mph or 20mph depending where you are. Pay close attention as you drive around a bend in the road or a corner. If there is not a stop sign, be certain to slow your roll; look both ways and straight ahead. Especially if you are driving through designated dog areas, be alert, courteous and cautious. The very last thing we want is to injure a resident or their dog out for a walk.

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# In Memorium

Mary Houpt, Bereavement



Former resident, Joe Byers, passed away February 03, 2023 in Lexington, Kentucky. Joe and his wife, Sharon, formerly lived at 34 Willow Creek Court for a short period of time.

Condolences to Sharon Byers, 893 Sugarbush Trail, Lexington, Kentucky 40509

# March Anniversaries

Kim Ramalho



First Names	Last Names	Month	Day	Year
Albie & Diane	Malek	March	4	1967
Kenneth & Jean	Carlson	March	10	
Harry & Sharon	McKinzie	March	17	
Robert & Shirley	Miller	March	24	1977

# March Birthdays

Kim Ramalho



Carmen	Galarza	March	1		
Allen	Fuller	March	3	Joe	Casola March 16
Audrey	Pringle	March	4	Robert	Crincoli March 16
Bill	Kaempfer	March	4	William	Levering March 16
Louise	Belanger	March	4	Doreen	Scott March 17
Marge	Trevathan	March	4	Jane	Hardacre March 18
Jeff	Savage	March	5	Kathryn	Palsyn March 18
Emmett	Powell	March	6	Kenneth	Musumeci March 18
Mary	Houpt	March	7	Rodney	Schifla March 18
Cindy	Benoit	March	3	Ken	Typinski March 19
Gerald	Bletsch	March	8	Connie Potter-	Holmes March 20
Terri	Lauber	March	8	Annette	Lemieux March 21
Nancy	Zitoli	March	9	Betty	Hudd March 21
Tony	Alves	March	9	Frank	Picone March 21
Robyn	Prentiss	March	10	Tom	Horvath March 21
Dawn	Messina	March	12	Lynn	Lijewski March 26
Patricia	Stewart	March	13	Lynn	Sheppard March 26
Mary	Bourque	March	14	Gary	Hoad March 27



## Briar Creek Luncheon

Joan Bienvenue



**S**ign up on the sheet posted on clubhouse bulletin board. Everyone is welcome. Look for details when you sign up.

## DIAL DIRECTORY - The Yellow Book

Al Hartin, Donna Hartin & Pat Arend



**P**lease contact Al, Donna or Pat with any additions or changes for the Yellow Phone Book.

## Briar Creek Bridge

Bill Kaempfer

**B**riar Creek Bridge now meets every Tuesday from 1-4 in the Phase I Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome—Phase I, Phase II and non-BC bridge players. Just give me, Bill Kaempfer, a text, call (303-717-5063), or email (Kaempfer@Colorado.edu) if you are interested in playing. Here are our Recent winners:

January 10	Helen Coar	4640
January 17	Ken Fox	3990
January 24	Susan Suby	3960
January 31	Frank Picone	3910
February 7	Brien Stickney	4560



## Sunday Breakfast at the Creek

Pam and Roy O'Neal



**Y**um! Sunday breakfast returns on **MARCH at 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.** in Phase 1 clubhouse. Everyone welcome.

The menu includes: Pancakes, sausage and toast, fresh fruit and of course, coffee, tea and juice. Please bring your own plates and flatware. (Donation) \$5

Pam and Roy will deliver tickets if you are unable to make it to Wednesday morning coffee, call (727-242-6006, [royoneil2004@yahoo.com](mailto:royoneil2004@yahoo.com) to request delivery of Sunday breakfast tickets.



## BINGO

*Your Phase One Bingo Team*

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**T**he Menu has been expanded (one choice each week) to the food rotation on Tuesday Bingo Night!

## MAHJONG

*Geri Wardell*

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**W**e play MahJong twice a week! Join us on Sunday and Thursday at 12:30 in Phase Clubhouse.  
Geri Wardell 585-455-0280 to reserve a spot.

## POKENO

*Flo Bombadier*

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**J**oin us on Sunday afternoon at 1:00 in Phase 1 clubhouse.

## EUCHRE

*Margo Keyes*

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**E**very Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in Phase 1 clubhouse.

## Briar Creek Bird Walk

*Bill Kaempfer*

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**F**ind out more about the natural setting of Briar Creek on our monthly bird walks on the first Friday of each month. Please join me on Friday, March 3rd January 6th at 8:00 a.m. for a 60 to 90 minute walk up and down our streets and



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out to the canal. We meet at the Phase 1 Clubhouse, wear sturdy walking shoes, and bring binoculars, if you have them.

For February we tried something different and traveled by golf cart. It was a great success, and we will be trying it again, maybe in April, but will be back on foot in March. We observed 37 species including Blue-headed Vireo, Common Ground Dove and the Phase II marsh's resident Clapper Rail. **Bill Kaempfer 303-717-5063**

## NAME BADGES

*Al Hartin*



**W**ant to get to know your neighbors and other residents of Briar Creek. Come to Coffee Hour on Wednesdays from 8:30AM to 10:00AM and wear your Name Badge. Don't have one: See me each Wednesday at Coffee Hour and I will order you one. Cost is \$9.00 prepaid. You could win the \$5.00 drawing but more importantly you will meet and get to know a lot of your fellow "Briar Creekers". Hope to see you at Coffee Hour!

## Bowlers 25 or more Pins over Average

*Gene Arend*

### January 13th

- Glenn Jensen – 30 , 59
- Steve Fontaine – 25
- Kenny Homme -56
- Patty Fontaine – 28
- Carol Beatty – 42

### January 20th

- Gene Arend – 28
- Lee West – 40
- Glenn Jensen – 50
- Skip Taylor – 52
- Patty Fontaine – 27
- Alice Williams – 45
- Joe Simpson – 74, 64
- Arnold Williams – 49
- Carol Beatty – 36

### January 27th

- Linda Fitton– 25
- Cindy Benoit – 26
- Mike Benoit – 33, 42
- Carol Beatty – 77

### February 3rd

- Bob Barr – 38
- Allan Berge – 26
- Tom Lacoy – 29
- Kenny Homme – 49
- Mike Benoit – 27
- Arnold Williams – 33



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February 10th

Lee West – 49  
Bob Barr – 28  
Glenn Jensen – 32  
Tom Lacey – 28  
Ken Homme – 36

Mike Moore – 41  
Alice Williams – 27  
Joe Simpson – 28  
Arnold Williams – 61  
Jim Beatty - 31

**Bowlers Men 200+ - Ladies 175+**

January 13th

Glenn Jensen – 219  
Kenny Homme – 214

February 3rd

Bob Barr – 203  
Kenny Homme – 209

January 20th

Glenn Jensen – 213  
Lee West – 211  
Joe Simpson – 203  
Arnold Williams – 203

February 10th

Lee West – 219  
Mike Moore – 203  
Arnold Williams - 217

January 27th

Carol Beatty – 197

**ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE**

*Frank Gaffney & Anthony Carregal*



**P**HASE I CLUBHOUSE.  
HEY KIDS!

There's always stuff going on at the Clubhouse. We'd love it if you came down and were a part of it!

**COMMUNITY PUZZLE**

We started another COMMUNITY PUZZLE! If you have some free time and want to work on it, come on down!

PHASE I 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!



A FREE EVENT. Donations accepted.  
PHASE I CLUBHOUSE.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 4 AT 6:00PM**  
**APPRECIATION NIGHT**

Join us as we thank all of the people who volunteer to make our gatherings happen!  
There will be music and dancing. Light faire and snacks will be provided.

Bring a dessert to share.

BYOB.

FREE to Phase I Social Club Members; \$5 to all others

PHASE I CLUBHOUSE

**SUNDAY, MARCH 5 AT 6:00PM**

**kRaZy KaRdS!**

If you have never played, we can teach you in 10 minutes. There are cash prizes and dessert at the break. \$3 for Briar Creek residents and their guests (NO REFUNDS). YOU MUST SIGN UP BEFORE SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH TO PARTICIPATE. (Sorry, we cannot accommodate walk-ins.)

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PHASE I CLUBHOUSE.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17 AT 4:30PM

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER & DANCE with D.J. Les 'N' More**

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PHASE I CLUBHOUSE.



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203-606-8953 or  
email: [briarcreeksocial@gmail.com](mailto:briarcreeksocial@gmail.com)

## SENIOR PROM

**B**riar Creek Phase 1 Hosted a Senior Prom on Saturday, February 11. When the votes were tallied, Terry Henry and Joe Guizzerotti were announced as the Queen and King for the night. The Prom was well attended by residents of both Phase 1 and Phase 2.



Before Johnny Charro began to play music and sing for the dancers, the afternoon was filled with glamour. Nails, hair, and make-up tables were abuzz with beautiful ladies becoming absolutely gorgeous for the event. Jeanine Vale ‘models’ the complete beauty package.

A professional photographer was snapping photos under a floral archway. Everyone appeared to be having a great time. It was the first senior prom held in Briar Creek...probably not the last.

## LINE DANCING

*Helen Coar*



**J**oin 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.

## Briar Creek Book Club (Phase I & II)

*Jane McKenzie 651-353-2602 jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com*



**E**njoy discussing books from various genres that are chosen by the members. The next meeting will be March 14, when we will discuss *The Life We Bury* by Allen Eskens, and the book for the April 11th meeting will be *The Last Year of the War* by Susan Meissner. 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.



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# Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – MARCH 2023

(Pete Loranger - Editor Phone 421-2321)  
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## Board of Directors:

### Bob Raynor – President

I am frequently asked what the most challenging thing is that I have experienced as a board member. With four generational age groups ranging from the 50s to the 90s, we all have different expectations and desires about how we will live our lives over our remaining years. Our wishes, to a great extent, are based on how we grew up and remembering how things were years ago through rose colored glasses versus how we see things today. For example, 40, 50, 60 years ago, was life simpler, safer and easier than today? When I was younger, did I worry about road rage like today? We had a rotary dial phone with a party line, were enamored with a black and white test screen on a 12" TV. Today, it's four TV remotes - I don't have Netflix, I have Amazon Prime, what is live streaming and paying for 600 channels but only watching six and social media? I can't figure it all out - heck I can't even figure out that darn new smart thermostat that was installed with my new AC system - what my new AC system costs more than my first house and my car insurance for one year costs more than my first new car? In the 1960s, a loaf of bread was 20 cents, a gallon of gas 23 cents, and now eggs a buck a piece? What is bird flu? What about crime? People are getting away with murder, identity theft (what's that, I know who I am), stealing Amazon delivered gifts from my front porch - oh, forgot Amazon didn't get delivered to my house years ago (because it didn't exist) but the milk man made his weekly delivery of three bottles of whole and one bottle of chocolate milk and they were never stolen. Dominos or pickle ball. Computers? And the music, don't even go there. Federal, state and local laws, condo documents, bylaws, deed restrictions - I want structure but I don't want anyone telling me what I can or can't do. My neighbor did this - why? So our docs say it's ok but I don't like it, can we change the docs? The list goes on. One truth we find in society today, right or wrong, is that when one group of people gains a new right, another group tends to lose that right. And when we get that right, we like it and when we lose that right, we don't like it. When did things change or, conceptually, did they ever really? Darn social media and the internet. So as we look back on those years, we often wish "why can't life now be like it was back then." The problem is, we know we can't go back and our wishes are not going to change the realities we face today. We are aging and things can only go in one direction. Down deep we know that but that doesn't change how we feel. Oh, and speaking of change? Most of us don't deal with change well anyways, except now, I can use a remote instead of getting



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up every time to turn the TV on/off, adjust the volume or change channels. Of course, there are a few other advancements like no telephone party lines and microwave ovens. For every board, the challenge frequently faced is the not so easy job of trying to balance how individual residents would like things to be with the reality of how things are. Board members are residents and volunteers like you who often don't agree with the laws, rules, restrictions and financial realities they ultimately must address. Board members cannot have the individual need to BE right but collectively must have the honorable and value based need to DO right. Like you, when we moved to BCII, we agreed to abide by those documents and as board members we must do our best to enforce them and lead by example. Taking that a step further, boards past, present, and future have the responsibility to do what is required of them and while they may not like or agree with that task, they must play the game with the hand they are dealt. Managing resident expectations against realities in an ever-changing legal and social environment is what volunteer boards get paid the big bucks for. Please don't make the mistake to think that I am whining or complaining. No one forces any individual to run for the board - no one forces any resident to live here. If we don't like it, we don't have to run for the board and every resident has the freedom to move somewhere else if they don't like it here. But the bottom line is, no board is perfect but every member loves it here and only wants what's best for our residents for that period of time they serve. Service to our community is not just what board members do, it is who board members are as individuals and that service, in and of itself, is our reward. So like you, let's enjoy the memories of times past and rather than fight the things we may not be able to control, help each other create new memories that down the road, we will cherish. Let's be able to look back at our time at BCII saying "those were some of the greatest years of my life and I did my part to help make our community a better place to live.

### **Sam Oliverio – Director**

Hard to believe, but it's already March. Not only is our Winter season beginning to wane, but some of our neighbors are already planning their exodus North. By the time you receive this Month's Media, we will be just days away from our Bazaar. Pete and his Staff of volunteers have again worked very hard on this, the most profitable event our Community has. Even with a few set backs, I'm sure this event will be a huge success. Thanks to all who give their time to make this happen. Also, by the time you read this month's Media, we will have had our new Security system installed, and up and running. This project was designed to help protect our residents and Community, and hopefully prevent unwanted actions by those that would do us harm. Looking forward to Spring here in the Creek, and more opportunities to make our Community the best around.

### **Phil Chabot – Director - Lawns, Ponds and RV Lot**

This month I would like to talk about the RV Lot especially for those of you who are utilizing it. The RV Lot is an amenity that is available to owners of Phase II on a first come

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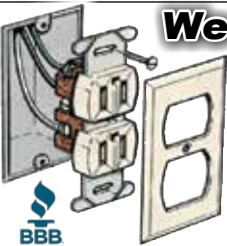
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<p>7</p> <p>9AM 5PM &amp; Balance 30AM</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Earlybird Breakfast 830AM EVE'S Cardio &amp; Strength Class 9AM Pinochle 6PM Spring Picnic</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Strength &amp; Balance Class 1030AM Dominoes 1PM Genealogy Group meeting 7pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Cardio &amp; Strength Class 9AM Chair Yoga Class 10AM</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8AM Coffee Hour 9AM Social Club News</p>
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basis and currently the lot is full. I do have a “waiting list” for those owners who are interested if and when an opening becomes available. The RV Lot is meant for storage of an owner’s RV, Camper, Boat & Trailer and Utility Trailer. Any unit that occupies a space in the RV Lot must be registered and the registration must be kept valid with a copy of the current registration delivered to the board office or current director in charge of the RV Lot. Now keep in mind that the land which designates the RV Lot is “common” space and cannot be altered in anyway, shape or form by an owner. It is also the responsibility of the owner to “maintain” his / her assigned space where the mowing company does not mow. It is also the responsibility of the owner to maintain insurance on their unit in case of fire, theft, vandalism or any other acts of God. If you have any questions concerning the RV lot feel free to contact myself or any director. I do hope this information is useful and informative to all of you and have a great month!

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*Dr. Marty Finkelstein*

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**I**n my forties my body was in total breakdown. I was having neck pain and numbness down my right arm, and a bronchial condition that was affecting my breathing and sinuses. When I coughed it makes things worse, and was already on my second doze of antibiotics.

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older than the people 30 years my senior. My brother and his family were visiting as well. An MRI I had taken showed tiny spurs in my neck which could be pressing and pinching nerves. Simply, I was a mess. I was receiving chiropractic care and acupuncture. Which were only helping minimally at the time.

When I went back to Atlanta I received a call from my niece who shared something that peaked my attention. She happen to see her personal psychic who asked about her vacation in Florida. When she mentioned all the people she saw, he paused when mentioning me. He said something deep and troubling is going on with him. She never mentioned anything About Me.

Well, I had some experiences with psychics in the past but nothing remarkable. So I decided to call this fellow up. We spent two hours on the phone. He shared with me the problem wasn't so much physical as it was emotional. He was really good at listening and was able to detect how well I was intellectualizing my problem. Truth be said there was a great inner emotional conflict that was causing tremendous fear and pain and on some level avoiding the Truth I did not want to see. And I did not want to realize it and see it because I knew the feelings of failure and the journey of emotional and financial hardship to follow. Yet healing can only occur when we are willing to peel back the layers and be a witness to our own lives. Once I allowed myself to feel what was going on without pretending otherwise the chiropractic and acupuncture treatments began to stabilize the problem.

What I have learned through the years is to be open. Messages often come through various means to assist us on our road of recovery.

This whole story is a book called, *Divorce: An Uncommon Love Story*

Dr. Marty Finkelstein lives in Briarcreek with his wife Julie Austin.

## **Social Club President**

*Pam Edwards*



- The Social Club Entertainment Committee threw a great Western Round Up focusing on great food, music, fire pits, dance and incredible decorations. And the weather finally cooperated!
- The Social Club Welcoming Committee organized an exceptional event for our new residents. The Art of Welcoming New Residents featured art created by our residents, lovely wine, hors d'oeuvre and dessert table, and beautiful roses. It was a great opportunity to get to know our new residents!
- At our Paint and Sip party our stellar instructors guided us as we painted flowers on flower vases and wine glasses. Everyone painted, some of us sipped and some of us did both!
- One thing we do very well in the Social Club is enjoy our food! In January we introduced a yummy home cooked dinner before bingo, we were also treated with an egg extravaganza on a Sunday morning and mingled while we dined at Mingle. It's all good!!

I'm looking forward to MARCH! Hope you are, too!



## Spending Money Wisely

Carol Smitley



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 Carol Smitley, [csmitley1@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:csmitley1@tampabay.rr.com)

Or put it in my rock box at 144 Briar Creek Blvd. or give it to me at a Saturday morning coffee.

Carol Smitley

Social Club President Elect

## Food Pantry

Joan Davis/Arnold/Sonny

Just a reminder to everyone. We collect for the Food Pantry each month. 3rd Wednesday of the month. In front of our clubhouse with our truck. Hope to see you there. Joan, Sonny & Arnold



## BINGO

AL & Diane Merando

A warm welcome back to our snowbirds! It’s so great to see everyone after a busy summer and the energy is contagious as everyone catches up before the games begin.

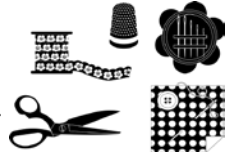


Our new games have been received well as have the new door prizes! Who doesn’t love a free bingo pack? Please join us even if you haven’t tried playing in awhile or have never played ; there’s always someone who is willing to walk you through all you need to do.

Bingo cards are sold from 5-5:45 pm with games starting promptly at 6. We look forward to seeing you on Mondays

## Sit & Stitch

Sandy Fassett



Since the bazaar is over, we will get back to our normal routine of making shawls for the cancer patients plus just completing projects started earlier. New members are also entering our group and learning to crochet and knit. Come to the clubhouse on Mondays from 1-3

## Entertainment

Bettye Gilreath



Saturday, February 25th at 5:30pm to 9pm

Rocking and Singing with Mickey Lorden

Mickey has played at numerous bars around town and is great at involving his audience. Be prepared for a fun evening! Appetizers will be provided so bring your beverage of choice and a snack. We will have light bar fare of chicken wings, meatballs, and mac & cheese beginning at 5:30 pm.. Tickets of \$8 per person are available until Feb. 18th .

Wednesday March 8th at 12pm-3pm

BCII Spring Picnic at Philippe Park

Meet at Shelter 7. We will have hamburgers and hot dogs. Tickets will be \$2.00 each. Watch for a sign-up sheet and let us know what side dish you want to bring.

You may want to bring along your chairs for enjoying a relaxing afternoon in the park. Deadline for tickets is March 1 st .

Saturday, April 1 st at 5:30

Fool the Fools Scavenger Hunt

We have decided not to include cars in the scavenger hunt but golf carts, bikes, scooters, feet are all welcome. Meet at 5:30 at the BCII clubhouse for instructions and return to the clubhouse when your adventure is finished for prizes and ice cream. YUMMY! Tickets will be \$2.00 each.

## TRAVEL CLUB

Peggy Raynor



There is still time to sign up for the two shows planned for the Early Bird Dinner Theater in Clearwater on the following dates:

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June 25 at 4 PM - Same Time, Next Year

The cost for each play is \$50 per person which includes Dinner, Show and Gratuity. Bar service is available at your discretion and the cost and gratuity is extra. Payment will guarantee your seat. Payment is fully refundable until 30 days prior to the event. After that date, you will be issued a gift certificate for another date of your choice.

## Exercise Class

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**M**onday, Wednesday and Friday – Cardio and Strength at 9 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday – Strength and Balance at 10:30 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.



## Genealogy Group

*Jean Schmidt*

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**T**he next Genealogy Group meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Mar. 9th at 7pm. From 7pm to 7:30pm. All are welcome to join us or just listen in!



## CHECK OUT OUR GENEALOGY CLUB

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a time traveler going back through time to meet a famous person, observe a key moment in history or simply know about your ancestors and who they were and where they came from? What would we like to leave our children and grandchildren and other family members - a million dollars or perhaps the more valuable treasure of a living legacy?

Joining our BC Genealogy Club open to both Phase I and II residents and building your family tree just might be the answer. Our small group of enthusiastic and committed explorers have, for the last several months, been learning about how to build a family tree, conduct research, and share fun stories as well as helping each other to break through historical record

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keeping roadblocks. This club was started and is led by Jean Schmidt, a true ancestry history buff whose knowledge of genealogy and searching resources is simply amazing. She is a wonderful teacher, guide and resource who generously contributes her time and willingness to help club members build their legacy.

Who knew their family ancestry were actually Vikings who migrated from Scandinavia through what today is Estonia, Germany, France, Ireland and England to America. What was it like seeing the actual trip manifest and name of the boat your ancestor came to America on, the experience of going through Ellis Island and becoming a naturalized citizen. A Revolutionary War hero or a British General, tales of a buffalo hunter, a noble prince, famous inventor or a simple farmer - what might your story be? What an amazing and fun adventure of building and exploring your family history with others with a common interest.

The Club meets the second Thursday of each month in the Phase II Clubhouse and all are invited to check out this great activity. Come check us out.

## **PINOCHLE**

*Alice Williams*



01/11 Sharon Cann 569, Ralph Virkler 531, Alice Williams 487, Orpha Berken 428

01/18 Sharon Cann 514, Ralph Virkler 503

01/25 Ralph Virkler 465, Sharon Cann 415, Alice Williams 421, Dawn Benson 347

02/01 Jan Gundershaug 617, Orpha Berken 532, Alice Williams 301, Ralph Virkler 252

02/08 Ralph Virkler 475, Orpha Berken 322, Alice Williams 360, Billie Ogradowski 322

Come out and play with us in Phase II clubhouse. 6 to 8 PM on Wednesdays and the cost is \$1.00.

## **EUCHRE**

*Orpha Berken*



01/10 James Horton 53, Orpha Berken 52

01/25 Geri Wardell 48, Everett Wardell 48

02/01 Betty Little 47, Maryanne Yacobucci 40

02/07 Everett Wardell 54, Fred Minnie 49

Euchre plays on Tuesdays at 6PM - Cost is .50 and .05 for each euchre.

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# BOWLING



**H**appy St. Patrick's Day!!! As an old race tracker would say we are coming out of the last turn and heading down the homestretch. By the time you receive your "Monthly Media" there will be 6 weeks left in the Bowling Season ending on April 4th for Phase II.5 games separate the top 7 teams. Time sure goes fast when you're having fun!!! Below are the Bowlers who have Bowled +25 pins over their averages. Thank You Arnold Williams

## WEEK 12

Cindy Benoit	156	Tom Lacoy	192	Kathy Morrison	151
Phil Willix	181	Mike Moore	189	Arnold Williams	247
Steve Gebbert	179	Sue Shumyhora	152	Kathy Hale	161
Margaret Kelly	166	Dawn Freelove	152	Robin Bihorel	130
Floyd Henderson	183 & 207				

1/10/23

## WEEK 13

Alice Williams	169	Joan Davis	158	Mike Benoit	181
Gene Arend	227	Patty Fontaine	144	Tom Lacoy	174
Kathy Morrison	151	Cindy Benoit	157	Ray Jablonski	171
Glen McClure	179	Lee West	222+252	Arnold Williams	194
Vern Browe	147	Walter Shumyhora	197	Dawn Freelove	153
Bob Pardo	158	Susan Lamacchia	179	Barb Jefferson	179 & 168

1/17/23

## WEEK 14

Tom Lacoy	170	Skip Taylor	181	Arnold Williams	203 & 205
Kim Ramalho	142	Vern Browe	144	Mike Benoit	184
Ray Jablonski	189	Kathy Morrison	140	Glen Jensen	189
Irene Paddenburg	164	Sue Shumyhora	151	Steve Gebbert	182
Gary Hamm	155	Sallye Hatfield	134	Margaret Kelly	161
Walter Shumyhora	192	Julie Hicks	145 & 146		

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## WEEK 15

Ray Jablonski	170	Bob Barr	221 & 206	Lee West	247
Glen Jensen	190	Ken Homme	188 & 177	Joan Davis	161
Tom Lacoy	166	Walter Shumyhora	178 & 174	Glen McClure	172
Dave Roach	179	Floyd Henderson	213		

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## WEEK 16

Alice Williams	164	Gary Cradick	176	Cindy Benoit	160
Ken Homme	183	Joan Davis	164	Barb Jefferson	168 & 189
Julie Hicks	155	Kathy Hale	219	Susan Lamacchia	183
Mary Kralowetz	155	Floyd Henderson	195	Sallye Hatfield	134

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## Ladies' Luncheon

Darlene Beyer

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**W**ell ladies, another month has gone by and I hope you all enjoyed your lunch at the Longhorn Steakhouse. We had a total of 42 people sign up and 39 were able to attend.

According to the votes on the restaurants, one off the top ones you wished to attend is THE RED LOBSTER, located on the west side of route 19N, between Countryside Blvd and Enterprise. I have made arrangements for us to go there on March 15, 2023, at 1:00pm., our usual third Wednesday of the month. They have a nice variety of luncheon specials. There is a menu posted on the bulletin board next to the sign up list in Phase II Clubhouse. Let's hope this will be another successful luncheon of your choice.

I am always open for suggestions concerning these luncheons. Sometimes you may have tried a new restaurant and feel it would be a good one for our ladies group. Don't be shy, let me know if you think its a good idea to attend it. We can always put it up for a vote. Remember, if you need to contact me at any time, you can always call ne at 727-403-9957 or E-mail me at [darlenen403@gmail.com](mailto:darlenen403@gmail.com).

## Phone Directory

Sheena Lee

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**H**ere are more of the changes that will be included in the next edition of the BC2 Phone Directory, aka the Yellow Book.

Kathleen Schiano is the new owner of 138 Pinewood Terrace, former home of Warren Berry.

Billie Ogradowski, 138 Forest Lane, has a new phone number 419-509-1857.

Joe and Antoinetta Donato, 96 Natures Trail, have a new phone number 705-446-4204.

Marie Schwind and her daughter Patricia Norris are the new residents at 146 Briar Creek Boulevard, the former home of Peter and Janice Foley. Marie's phone number is 474-3342 and Patricia's phone number is 386-295-3230.

The phone number for Lucinda ("Cindy") Frangiamore, 83 Cottagewood Drive is 352-256-3505.

The phone number for Walter and Sheila Jancsik, 137 Pinewood Drive is 705-878-2508.

The phone number for Christine Hetherington, 156 Pinewood Terrace is 519-4413.

Please add the cell phone number for Arnold Williams, 31 Sunrise Court, 727-771-3347.

Now for another piece of important information. Please check the entry in the yellow phone book for yourself. Is this information correct? Is your name spelled correctly? If you prefer to be known by a different Christian name or a nickname, is that shown in the Directory? Is your

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house address correct? Are the names of all the full-time “board-approved” residents in your house included in the Directory? This is the time of year to let me know about any updates and changes as I am working on the text of the next edition of the Directory which should go to print in a month or so. Sheena Lee, 163 Clubview Drive, sheenalee2133@gmail.com, 727-421-5665.

## **BUNCO**

*Marge Grohskopf*



**B**unco is scheduled on the 4th Thursday of the month. All are welcome . Our next evening will be March 23rd 6:30, Phase 2 Clubhouse , \$3. If you can roll dice , you have all the skill necessary. We welcome new players at any time. Try something new for the New Year. You can sign up at Phase 2 Clubhouse or call Marge 727-533-6603. Last minute walk-ins are welcome .

## **Mingle**

*Billie Ann Berry and Rose Marie Fjelstad*



**H**ere we are in March already. Mingle, Mingle, Mingle. Time to get together and share some laughs and good food. Time sure flies when you're having fun. So, March 16th come join us for a good time.

## **Briar Creek Book Club (Phase I & II)**

**E**njoy discussing books from various genres that are chosen by the members. The next meeting will be March 14, when we will discuss *The Life We Bury* by Allen Eskens, and the book for the April 11th meeting will be *The Last Year of the War* by Susan Meissner. 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.

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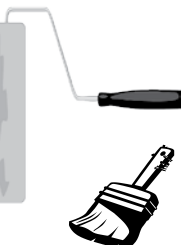
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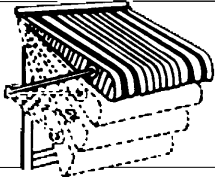
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## Bereavement

Barbara Bergling

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Please be advised I am now in charge of bereavement. When a resident passes inform me by email [hepgramma43@gmail.com](mailto:hepgramma43@gmail.com) or call 727-204-6457. I will put the information on the phone tree: no calls will be made. The flag is lowered according to the wishes of the family. If a memorial service is planned a member of the family will contact me and that information will be on the phone tree. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Humane Society & the Haven

Barbara Bergling

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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



## NAME BADGES

Marsha Bowlby

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Get to know your neighbors...Let them get to know you!... Wear your Name Badge at social events at the clubhouse and at the Saturday morning coffee hour (possible win \$\$ at Saturday Coffee for wearing your name badge) They are available with pins or magnets, and all colors of CRAYOLA. Name Badges are available and ordered through Marsha Bowlby. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Items must be paid for before being ordered.

**A Complete Listing of Resident Services  
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## BAZAAR BAKERY

Peggy Raynor



Please consider making bakery items for the Bazaar! The sign-up sheet to list what you plan to bring will be posted in the clubhouse during the first week of February.

Bakery items can be dropped off at the clubhouse on Friday, March 3rd from 9 to 11 AM.

Please do not cut your baked goods as they will be cut, bagged and priced by a group of volunteers. Also it's helpful to include a list of any ingredients that might be a problem for people with allergies (nuts, peanut butter, wheat, dairy, etc.) put your name on your dish if you need it returned.

If you have questions, call Peggy Raynor at 229-298-2230.

Thanks for your donation.

## Medicine Bottles

Art/Stella Tavenor

I am no longer collecting medicine bottles to recycle. You may put them out with your garbage. Please do not put them in your recycle bin as they are small enough to clog up the recycling machinery.

Thanks for your past donations

Stella



## BAZAAR

Pete

### March 3rd & 4th 2023

Friday March 3rd from 500-630 PM (Residents only –Phase I & 2)

Saturday March 4th - 8 AM – 1PM

### This is our ANNUAL FUND RAISER for Your Social Club.

What can you bake or donate to our Bakery Table? Please consider some Sugar-Free items. Sign-up Sheet has been posted by Bakery Chairperson, Peggy Raynor  
Jewelry - Marian ne Yacobucci, Lois and Pete are collecting your donations.

ANY “Cheer” DONATIONS can be left with Pete or Joan. Cash donations are VERY welcome to help with the baskets.

Letters requesting donations or gift certificates are available from Pete.

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**SET - UP DAY,** Thursday March 2nd will be at 8:00am. All volunteers are requested to be there. The men will use the truck and the table dollies etc to bring the items from the shed and the exercise room to the clubhouse.



All volunteers will unpack, price and set-up their assigned areas, as well as, help other areas until the set-up is completed. This can be a lot of fun working as a team, even though we are working hard. Coffee & donuts will be available, but you may want to bring a lunch for your break.

**FRIDAY,** March 3rd we'll finish setting up and pricing as necessary.

The Club house will be **LOCKED DOWN** from Thursday PM - Saturday AM.

**ONLY WORKERS WILL BE ALLOWED IN ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY** until we open at 5PM Friday night, and must use the side entrance off the parking lot. We have much to do. **We need all residents to respect this request.**

**IMPORTANT** - All workers are asked to work Friday evening in their assigned areas. Please arrive by 4:30pm to receive your Badges and Money envelopes. We will be open to both Phases from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. Doors will be closed and locked **promptly** at 6:30, as preparations for Saturday morning are made at this time...

**SATURDAY,** March 4th all workers should arrive by 7:30am for coffee, pick up your change fund and any last minute instructions. We will open the doors for business @ 8:00am... and close @ 1:00pm.

All workers are asked to help with the packing of excess items and cleaning up the clubhouse when we close at 1:00pm – Arrangements are being made for pick-up of leftover Items. ALL items except Jewelry will be donated and picked up.

The clubhouse will not be available beginning Wednesday morning, as we will be arranging the tables, etc.

**NOTE: I am having a dumpster delivered on Thursday March 2nd ... PLEASE>>>>>>>> do not use this for personal use.....It is for clean up after the bazaar ONLY.....**

**ALSO.....to be fair to everyone..... Sales will begin Friday night when we open. NOT BEFORE!**

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# Birthdays and Anniversaries

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## Birthdays

- 3/01 Sandra Beach
- 3/04 Bennie Feliciano
- 3/04 Anne Stickney
- 3/06 Dick Little
- 3/06 Maria Boyer
- 3/10 Billie Ann Berry
- 3/11 Bill Briggs
- 3/12 George Cooney
- 3/12 Gary McKenzie
- 3/14 Barbara Mudge
- 3/14 Barbara Bickerstaffe
- 3/16 Pete Loranger
- 3/19 Al Merando
- 3/19 Joanne Lueders
- 3/21 Sharon Bahm
- 3/21 Amy Stephens
- 3/28 Cynthia Davis



## Anniversaries

- 3/18/1975 Jerry & Shelia Sparks – 48 years
- 3/18/1989 Jim & Lynda Foster – 34 years
- 3/26/1988 Gary & Pat Bieniewicz – 35 years
- 3/27/1971 Russ & Majel Jordan – 52 years
- 3/31/1997 Roger & Lynne Cameron – 26 years



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-Monthly Media Staff

## EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Carport Sale: Regency Heights 2550  
State Road 580. Friday March 3rd and  
Saturday March 4th.

Americana Cove Tag Sale in  
Clubhouse. Saturday, March 4th 8am-  
1pm. 7201 1st Street NE, St. Petersburg  
FL.

Carport Sale: March 11, 8am-noon.  
Golden Acres RO Park. 1040 Main St.,  
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Art/Craft Fair: Sat. March 25, 9am to  
1pm. Lake Highlander MHP, 1500  
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Community Carport Sale: OakCrest/  
Acorn MHP. Entrances at 9925  
Ulmerton Rd. and 435 16th St. SE.  
March 11th, 2023, 8:30am-1:30pm. No  
early sales. Light Lunch and Bake Sale  
in Pavilion next to Clubhouse. Rain  
Date: March 18th.

FLEA MARKET Friday, March 3rd,  
9am-Noon. Lake Seminole Resort  
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Clothes, books, household items,  
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## EVENTS & PROGRAMS

HELLO CANADIANS! Canadian Club  
Canadian Gulf Coast Florida, having  
survived COVID, is now regrowing to  
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with American people. Join us; for  
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Ranch Mobile Park, Park-Wide Yard  
Sale, Saturday, March 4th, 8:00am  
- 2:00pm at 6800 - 150th Ave. N.,  
Clearwater (Largo).

Palm Hill Country Club Annual Bazaar.  
Saturday, March 4th, 8am-1pm. 1800  
Seminole Blvd, Largo.

Parkwide Mobile Home Carport Sale.  
LaPlaza 6700 150th Ave N, Clearwater,  
FL. March 3rd & 4th 8am-4pm.

Blue Jay Estates: Annual Community  
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