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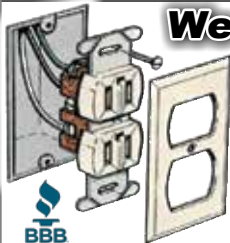
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## Important Phone Numbers

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

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

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## Email Messages

Gene Arend



If you are not receiving email messages from the Association website titled from Progressive Management then we do not have your email address. If you want to receive occasional notifications and information from the Board of Directors, such as Agenda, Minutes, Water Shut off and other important notifications, send you email address, name and Briar Creek Address to [briarcreekoﬀ@gmail.com](mailto:briarcreekoﬀ@gmail.com). The association does not send or place information onto social media as those mass media sources are not limited to just owners in Briar Creek Phase I. I understand Marsha Bowlby maintains the same information service for Phase II as well.

Not getting information periodically from the Briar Creek Travel Club. Your travel coordinators in both Phase I and Phase II will send out update on travel trips and travel information. If you are not on our email list, send your Name/s, Address, Phone and email address to [briarcreektravel@gmail.com](mailto:briarcreektravel@gmail.com) The travel club membership is open to all residents of Briar Creek, their Family and Friends. We also place updates on the website [www.upcsportshub.com](http://www.upcsportshub.com). Just click on the travel page.

# Clubhouse Pool SPA

Gene Arend




There have been some major upgrades to the clubhouse and Pool/Spa. The electrical wiring and circuit panel have all been replaced. The 40+ year old electric was in great need of renovations. After seeing some warning signs, it seemed only wise for safety and insurance reasons to complete a major overhaul of the electric system. A special outlet with 220-volt service was installed on the North wall of the stage in the alcove area on the North side. We have also purchased an extension that will plug into that outlet with a system configured at the end to provide 110 volt service. This will provide higher amp service should there be a need along the front of the stage. See the clubhouse director if you need the extension for such a service.

A camera system has been installed both outside the clubhouse and inside. A separate camera is also installed at 116 Beechwood (BC Mart). This will provide a high-resolution camera surveillance of the common elements should there be a need for insurance or legal reasons.

Four new commercial grade hand-held microphones have been installed. The volume can be adjusted if necessary, however these new microphones have eliminated the static and interference. They also will sense voice without having to alter the manner in which the microphone is held. Be aware there are only 9 frequencies available by Federal Law without a license and we are using 4 of them. Therefore, if an outside microphone is used inside or near the clubhouse while our sound system is on, our system will pick up those signals and broadcast on our sound speakers. Entertainment Committee be aware when hiring entertainers.

Three Pool heaters have been installed to replace the original two Geothermal heaters. This newer state of the art heaters will meet the needs of the pool to maintain an even temperature of 84 degrees year-round. The heat units have a titanium core which, based on current engineering, has a lifetime warranty against wear. The previous system was struggling to meet these needs and often times resulted in the old heaters not being able to handle the load or fail. It eliminates the use of ground water from the aquifer used by the old heaters. A new heater was also installed for the SPA. As a reminder, there is an age restriction imposed by the Florida Health Department we have posted at the pool. As a public facility we must adhere to this age limitation or be subject to Health Department closure and possible revoking of our SPA license.

As many are aware there were some extreme delays between the permitting entities (City of Safety Harbor & Pinellas County) as well as some disastrous oversights by Duke Energy which delayed the complete for several months. Hopefully the discomfort and agony from that experience will fade in time. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to our neighbors and the board in Phase II for having the privilege to use their pool during this extended downtime. Also a Thank You to Ron Browne who came to our aide and made many calls and emails to so many agencies and political officials to help move along this process. His intervention was greatly



appreciated and his electrical background helped us decipher between fantasy (the correct PG-13 word plus I don't wish to offend any Bull's) and truth. Patience is a virtue and you have all been very virtuous. I don't look good in Tar & Feathers so Thank You for your tolerance.

The clubhouse, Pool and SPA have now entered into the 21st century and meet all 2023 codes.

## REMINDERS

*Al Hartin, Director, Infrastructure*

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### FOBS

Last year the Board replaced the keys to the Clubhouse and Pool Area with FOBS that increase the safety of all residents of Briar Creek. Remember to bring your FOB with you when you are going to the Clubhouse or Pool. Do not assume that someone will be there and open the door or gate – this defeats the purpose of issuing FOBS for security.

### CLUBHOUSE/POOL AREA

After use of the Clubhouse or Pool Area remember to do the following:

- Relock any doors you dogged in the open position
- Turn off lights
- Turn off any fans you used – also fans on back deck by the pool
- Return any items you used from the kitchen and, if needed, empty the trash

## The Pool

*Pat Rivera, Director*

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**T**he moment has finally arrived!

The pool is up and running with computer-controlled temperature at (or near) 84 degrees, year-round. This is the ideal temperature recommended to be comfortable and not so warm to allow bacterial growth, algae and other unwanted life forms.

Sometimes, swimmers are heard remarking that our pool reminds them of a tropical resort in paradise. One of those features which creates that image is the trees. At times, rain and wind will deposit foliage in the pool. There are usually three nets resting around the perimeter of the pool. Almost every morning, you can see bugs floating (dead and alive) on the surface of the water. The nets are available for anyone to use to skim the bugs, leaves or any other floating items from the water. It is an easy task; instant gratification is the reward.

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It is a thrill to welcome several Phase 2 ladies into the mermaid aqua aerobics group. Morning meet-up time may change during the summer months; we follow the sun on the water rule.

### GUIDELINES FOR SPA

Briar Creek is a 55+ community where focus on safety and comfort of residents is priority while also adhering to respected guidelines.

- Spa temperature ranges from 102 – 104 degrees (maximum temp per CDC recommendation and CPSC \*

- This is well above the safe temperature range for **kids under the age of 14/Small children:** Physiologically, children are incapable of producing enough sweat to cool their bodies down. *Some sources recommend that children under **five years old** should not be allowed in water over 95° Fahrenheit, and keeping kids out of a hot tub is a good idea in general. \**

- Shower first
- Do not swallow spa or pool water
- Most reputable sites concur that adults avoid alcohol prior to entering hot tub
- No more than 15 – 30 minutes at 102 degrees
- Do not enter with open wounds or skin rash
- Do not enter if you have diarrhea

## Inspections & Architectural Requests

*Kim Ramalho, Vice President*



**I**nspctions - Inspections have been done. I am still waiting for a few homeowners to get back to me with their Yellow sheets with the date of completion or the expected date of completion. PLEASE return them ASAP. Thanks.

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. Please remember to submit and get approval before you start your project. Thanks.

## Lawns and Trees

*Mike Moore, 813-629-8216*



**T**he lawns will be mowed EVERY Tuesday in June, weather permitting.

# June Anniversaries

Kim Ramalho



First Names	Last Names	Month	Day	Year
Ken & Louise	Henson	June	8	1963
Sal & Judy	Miceli	June	9	1973
Richard & Kate	McCombs	June	10	
Jerry & Jean	Richter	June	15	1957
Dennis & Karen	Ranieri	June	19	1976
Ken & Les	Blake	June	26	1996



# June Birthdays

Kim Ramalho



First	Last	Day	First	Last	Day
John	Andrechak	1	Albert	Malek	19
Gerry	Harvey	2	Brian	Thompson	20
JoAnn	Barr	3	Christopher	Garill	20
Joan	Bienvenue	5	Richard	Haines	20
Glenn	Jensen	6	Jerry	Richter	22
Colleen	La Barge	7	Joe	Guizzerotti	22
Heather	Rathke	7	Sue-Ann	Lecompte	22
Lela	Highsmith	7	Edward	Gleeson	23
Dale	Hawkins	8	Maria	De Ree	23
Debbie	Gaetan	8	Shirley	Parisi	23
Ira	Burns Jr	8	Shirley	Payne	23
Ruth	Johnson	9	Carol	Centamore	24
Kathy	Luetterschmidt	10	Kathy	Haskins	24
Gerry	Lee	12	Louis	Kedovary	24
Sal	Miceli	12	Sharyl	LeMessurier	24
Uli	Freiermuht	12	Brenda	Maybee	25
Constance	Dubois	14	Carol	Heath	25
Pauline	Hoad	14	Paula	Alves	26
Pam	O'Neill	15	Joanne	Flint	27
Rianna	Taylor	16	Karen	Jaeger	27
Thomas	Lofgren	16			
Charles	Knutsen	17			
Judy	Miceli	17			



# DIAL DIRECTORY - The Yellow Book

Al Hartin, Donna Hartin & Pat Arend

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

## UPDATES FOR June 2023

See below for Additions/Changes to your Dial Directory.

### Please add the following new Owners:

Scot and Tammy Wood  
83 Cedar Elm  
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## Briar Creek Bridge

Bill Kaempfer



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Here are recent winners:

April 11	Frank Picone - 4050
April 18	Frank Picone - 5750
April 28	Liz - 3840
May 4	Roberta Shuler - 4230

February 14	Ken Fox - 4500
February 21	Barbara Pesic - 3330
February 28	Frank Picone - 4960
March 7	Ken Fox - 4830
March 14	Cam Day - 5380
March 21	Shirley Gallo - 3440
March 28	Cam Day - 4460
April 4	Bill Kaempfer - 4370

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Geri Wardell

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## EUCHRE

Margo Keyes

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**E**uchre will not meet until November.

## Briar Creek Bird Walk

Bill Kaempfer

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**T**he last BC Bird Walk was on Friday, May 5th. Four of us ventured down to Safety Harbor's North City Park where we saw a Red-shouldered Hawk defending its nest and two migrating Blackpoll Warblers on their way to the Canadian Arctic (talk about snowbirds!). Just as we got in the car to travel home, the resident male Eastern Screech Owl called softly to its mate hidden in the nest hole. We didn't see either bird.

Walks will start up again at the end of the summer.

## Entertainment Committee

Frank Gaffney and Anthony Carregal

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HEY KIDS!

June is busting out all over!

## MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

**E**very 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!

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Enjoy discussing books chosen by the members. Our book club meets in the Phase II Clubhouse at 3:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, however, we do not meet May-October. The November book is *Two Old Women* by Velma Wallis.

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

Jane McKenzie

651-353-2602

jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

## Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – MAY 2023

(Pete Loranger - Editor Phone 421-2321)

(E-Mail: ploranger006@gmail.com)

## Board of Directors:

### Bob Raynor – President

The purpose of this article is to remind residents that we have chosen to live in a community that is governed through our Incorporation Articles, Bylaws and Restrictions. For the most part, they are easy to follow, at other times, perhaps not so much. Regardless, the Documents are what they are and each of us should be familiar with how they work and affect how we live in BCII.

It's important to remember we are chartered under Florida Statute Chapter 718 as a "Condominium Community". Many people think of a condominium as a traditional tower like building. Increasingly, more mobile home parks are adopting this chartered approach. What this means is that many of the rules we must follow were not developed by Briar Creek. They were developed by federal, state or local legislators and enacted into law. Being a Condominium Community means BC is not legally comprised of single family homes nor are we chartered as a Home Owner's Association (HOA)". That is a different animal with a different set of state statutes and regulations. Often Condo and HOA laws and restrictions do not overlap and can be quite different.

It is also important for long-time and newer owners to remember that our Association, like other condo associations, must comply not just with our own legal documents, but that those documents must comply first with numerous legal requirements as well. As owners, we

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agree at the time of purchase to abide by and live within the boundaries of those documents. While some of the issues a Board must deal with may seem petty or unreasonable, they are often enforced to ensure compliance with outside regulatory requirements. When problems occur, such as non-compliance with an Alterations Forms request or failure to address Home Inspection deficiencies, they are noted and owners are informed and expected to correct them. Actions to address issues are taken, often behind the scenes, to protect the privacy and confidentiality of our friends and neighbors. One should not assume that just because they don't know what is happening to address an issue that the Board is not taking action. It's quite the opposite but unfortunately, sometimes corrective action takes longer than anticipated or anyone wants due to legal requirements outside a board's control.

Enforcing rules and restrictions can be very beneficial to our community. The many advantages of rule enforcement include protecting and enhancing home values, preserving the aesthetics of the area, community pride of ownership in BCII, maintaining common area property and that of its owners, and a reputation of compliance with federal, state, local requirements and the community's governing documents.

Living in a condominium community is not for everyone, and may not be for those that have come from areas where there were no zoning or property restrictions and now question, "what are all these rules?". Conversely, if one wants to own in a community like Briar Creek, seeking out and becoming familiar with its Documents, Bylaw and Restrictions prior to buying is critically important. That is one reason why prospective buyers are interviewed by Board Members in advance of the purchase to ensure they are aware of what is involved in living in BCII and what is expected once the closing occurs.

So, please, take time to become familiar with their contents, follow the rules and help us work together to continue making BCII a premier community in which to live.

### **Director – Sam Oliverio**

**Y**ou can almost hear a pin drop, as quiet as it is in the Park! I want to thank everyone for helping to keep our pool/spa area tidy and enjoyable for all the Residents who remain here for the Summer.

On a different note, we are still facing our issues with wasting water in the Community. It is very important that we stay conscious of our water usage, in an effort to keep our water costs down. Please do not run water for hours, or let sprinklers run more than necessary. This is for all of our benefit. Keeping costs down is appreciated by all.





## **Bonnie Briggs, Condo Board Secretary**

### **S**ummer Alterations

During Jim Tashjian's summer absence, I will be taking over for alterations once again. Please make sure you include all the information on your request and submit it BEFORE you start the alterations. The request form should be placed in my rock box as I don't always go to the condo office in the clubhouse.

Please be aware that approvals may take a little longer since we don't have as many condo board members available during the summer. I will also be gone the first two weeks in June.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. My number is in the phone directory. Thank you for keeping our community beautiful.

## **Social Club President**

*Pam Edwards*

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Carol Smitley will be covering for me as I return up north until November

**BAZAAR TEAM ORG CHART** – Shed schedule posted in clubhouse

### **MAUREEN WLODARCZYK - Chairperson**

1. Leadership Team – Pete L./Pete S./Wayne/Pam
2. Area Table Hosts
3. Shed- Volunteers/Pricing
4. Baskets
5. Financials with Pete

### **PETE LORANGER**

1. Ongoing sales \$ deposits
2. Day of: Change/Raffle money
3. \$\$ Post Analysis
4. Table arrangement w /Pete S

### **WAYNE WLODARCZYK**

1. Outdoor tables
2. Day of: Signs/Traffic
3. Truck - pick ups
4. Shed – Clean/Repair/Donations

### **PAM EDWARDS**

1. Advertising
2. Day of Sales
3. Internal Communication
4. Volunteer Lunch w/Carol

### **PETE SHEPARD**

1. Raffle
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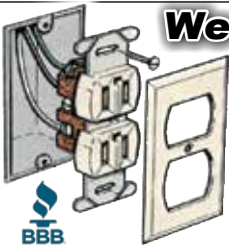
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Carol Smitley



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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

## Briar Creek II Social Club

Carol Smitley



If there is a sickness in your household, feel free to call me at 644-4842 and I will pass it on to the residents at our coffee hour on Saturday. I will also check back and see how you are feeling. We never want to forget our residents who are ill.

Sunshine Chairperson



# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

# Everyday Exercise

Dr. Marty Finkelstein



**E**xercise is like building a house. It all depends upon where you begin. For some it starts with a blue print and having a vision of the outcome. For some there is already a strong foundation to build upon. For some the house is there but it's remodeling time, and getting excited again. We all have a different starting point, but the key is to have everyday strategies for stretching and strengthening exercises, and making it simple. Remember also physical work is Not Exercise, nor is playing sports. Those are activities we do out of necessity or enjoyment. But the purity of Exercise is with the purpose to be able To Do those things for a long time.

## STRATEGIES

1. Comfort Zone stretching. Each morning and evening gently take the time to consciously stretch various parts of your body. Think of a dog or cat waking up. They stretch to get the nerves and blood functioning. Do not overdo or do anything that is painful but find stretches that are comfortable.
2. Conscious Breathing. Remind yourself to breath deeply through your nose and out your mouth. Apply the breathing technique to your stretches as well as activities you do through the day.
3. Magic Jump Rope. This is not for everyone but for those who can pretend they have a jump rope and jumping rope twice a day for 30 seconds. Great news, no tripping over the invisible rope.
4. Stretchy Bands. These are inexpensive bands purchased at Target or Walmart. These bands can be used to stretch as well as strengthen all the muscles in our body. I take stretchy bands wherever I go, as well as use them when I am watching television. So easy and so simple and so effective.
5. Chi Gong. Like Tai Chi but simpler. Slow motion movements of the body with conscious breathing to enhance balance coordinating the nervous system. If you play tennis, pickle, or golf reenact those motions of that sport in slow motion. Powerful!
6. Modified push-ups and situps. You can gently stand and push against a wall back and forth. If you are sitting simply bend back and forth. Simple.
7. If you like to Dance have fun dancing to music at home. Especially fun while in the kitchen cooking.

Make Everyday exercise fun and in 30 days you will notice you feel younger, more energy, and inspired to do more. Blessings.

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If you signed up but aren't getting the emails, check your trash/spam box first to see if they have gone there. The emails are going out and almost everyone is getting these emails so there may be a problem in your account. If you are unable to find the emails, please email us at thebc2connection@gmail.com and we will see if we can help.

We had a few residents that were not getting the emails, so they set up a Gmail account for the sole purpose of having all thebc2connection emails forwarded to their main email address. This has worked for many; it may work for you. Be sure to give us your new email address if you decide to do it. (This probably works with other email servers, but Gmail is what we tried.)

It is important that everyone is able to receive these emails because this is our way of reaching out to our community for fun events, but also important "need to know" information, such as the recent water shut off. Let's work together on this project to be sure everyone is receiving important information.

## Food Pantry

*Joan Davis/Arnold/Sonny*

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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



## Sit & Stitch

*Sandy Fassett*

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Are you finding that the heat of summer is creeping in our lives once again? Come down to the clubhouse on Mondays at 1:00 to see what the gals are making and to join in the fun. We are making shawls for the cancer patients, working on individual projects and just socializing about life in this wonderful community. Bring any new idea that you think we would like to tackle. Hope to see you soon.



# Entertainment

Bettye Gilreath



## What's Happening in Briar Creek?

Monday, May 29 8:30 am

### Memorial Day Breakfast – Phase II Clubhouse

Let's start our day with a pancake breakfast with sausage, fruit ,and juice and pause to remember those who have sacrificed for our country.

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Sunday, June 4 at 7:00pm

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### He’s The Best – Poker Run

Briar Creek guys can enjoy a POKER RUN! Traveling to 5 houses, enjoying a beverage and good-natured conversation, picking up a playing card at each house and returning to the clubhouse for pizza by cart, bike or walking. Hopefully you will have the winning poker hand!

Phase II Clubhouse

Tickets: \$6:00 pp

Tuesday, July 4 at 5:pm

### July 4th Celebration

An all-American cook-out. Please bring a dessert to share.

Phase I Clubhouse

Tickets: \$5:00 pp

## In Memory of:

*Kim Phillips – 5/4/2023*



## BOWLING

Arnold Williams

If any new residents would like to participate in our Bowling League next season, just give me a call or text me at 771-3347







## Exercise Class (No classes May 25th until June 12th)

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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

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*Jean Schmidt*

**T**he Briar Creek Genealogy Group will still be meeting over the summer. Come enjoy our presentations, our company, & the cool air!

See you there - on 2nd Thursday of each month at Clubhouse 2 at 7pm!



## Ladies' Luncheon

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*Darlene Beyer*

**W**ell, another enjoyable time was had at our May Ladies Luncheon at the Olive Garden. Our next luncheon will be held on June 21, at OZONA BLUE @ 1:00 pm. located off of Alt. 19 just north of Curlew Road after the bike overpass. We will be eating outside on their covered patio.



As usual our sign-up sheet will be located on the bulletin board in the Phase II clubhouse. If for some reason you are unable to get to the clubhouse, you can call me at 727- 403-9957 or e-mail me at [Darlene4n @ aol.com](mailto:Darlene4n@aol.com).

If you have lady visitors on this date, you are welcomed to bring them along , but please call me so I'm able to change the number attending.

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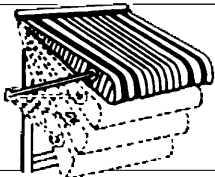
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## BUNCO

Marge Grohskopf



Bunco is scheduled on the 4th Thursday of the month. All are welcome. Our next evening will be June 22nd 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



REMINDER...

Mark your calendar, Phase I and Phase II, Mingle is almost upon us. June 15, to be exact. Time to get together for a great pot luck dinner, along with lots of laughs, and just good old fashion friendship. A nice way to spend an evening. Dinner starts at 5:00 pm and ends when we are done.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Rose, Pete and Billie

## Bereavement

Barbara Bergling

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.





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



Enjoy discussing books chosen by the members. Our book club meets in the Phase II Clubhouse at 3:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, however, we do not meet May-October. The November book is *Two Old Women* by Velma Wallis. Joining or have questions.

Jane McKenzie

651-353-2602

jgmckenzie4647@gmail.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 things 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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Marsha Bowlby



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## Dial Directories (Yellow Book)

Pete Loranger



The new books are scheduled to arrive very shortly, hopefully before you get this issue of the media. Here are a few additions to add when you receive it. I am keeping a list to which homes receive a book. For the seasonal residents, I will deliver your book upon your return. At that time, if you do not receive one, text me with the address, and you will get it ASAP.

Additions:

Gregory Bolts & David Danhoff have purchased the VanDette home at 82 Hickory Branch Lane

John & Cynthia Ames have purchased Olive Shearer home at 165 Clubview Drive

Christime Hetherington has purchased Milewski home at 149 Clubview Dr was renting at 156 Pinewood)

Katherine Morrison at 95 Laurelwood..phone is 313-405-4799

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Pete Loranger

### Anniversaries

6/01/1958 John & Loretta McCormick – 65 years  
6/01/1958 William & Barbara Posnanski – 65 years  
6/01/1964 Jake & Gloria Boettger – 59 years  
6/05/1971 John & Alice Sullivan – 52 years  
6/16/1973 Jerry & Norma Neva – 50 years  
6/17/1967 Gary & Jane McKenzie – 56 years  
6/18/1968 Brian & Suzanne Mattson – 55 years  
6/21/1969 Joe & Antonietta Donato – 54 years  
6/22/1979 Philip & Gisele Chabot – 44 years  
6/27/1998 Gene & Donna Stockmaster – 25 years  
6/27/2009 Michael & Ann Bibler – 14 years  
6/29/2001 Mike & Madeline Driscoll – 22 years  
6/30/1990 Mike & Arlene Preston – 33 years



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## **Birthdays**

6/02 Linda Freiburghaus  
6/02 Leeann Makowski  
6/03 Stan Wigman  
6/04 Walter Balcer  
6/06 Mary Marquette  
6/07 William Poe  
6/08 Carol Smitley  
6/08 Roger Cameron  
6/10 Hazel Raynes  
6/11 Marsha Bowlby  
6/15 James O'Neill  
6/16 Jane McKenzie  
6/17 Julie Austin  
6/18 Lynne Clark  
6/18 Gene Stockmaster  
6/18 Ann Bibler  
6/19 Mirna Halajian  
6/20 Dorothy Seybolt  
6/20 Robert McCarthy  
6/22 Patty Norris  
6/22 Barbara Posnanski  
6/23 Bill Beyer  
6/25 Arlene Preston  
6/25 Ken Demers  
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- 15. Affirm
- 16. Assess
- 17. Grain disease
- 18. Hindu princess
- 19. You bake with it
- 20. Enduring
- 22. Liquefy
- 23. Grin
- 24. Public transit vehicles
- 25. Terminates
- 29. "Hush!"
- 31. Spotted feline
- 33. Cuddle
- 37. Ravel classic
- 38. Trader
- 39. Intestinal
- 41. Type of pony
- 42. Heat-related



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**DOWN**

- 1. Gush forth
- 2. Had on
- 3. Seaweed
- 4. Violent disturbance
- 5. Wool eaters
- 6. Toted
- 7. Services
- 8. Types of hat
- 9. Large and hurried swallow
- 10. Proclaim
- 11. Roof overhangs
- 12. Inscribed pillar
- 13. Canvas dwellings
- 21. Involve deeply
- 24. Music genre
- 25. River to the North Sea
- 26. Used in advertising signs
- 27. Buffoon
- 28. Too shocked for words
- 30. Brought on
- 32. Impressive display
- 34. Happy
- 35. Extend credit
- 36. Therefore
- 40. Place of higher learning
- 41. Way of thinking
- 43. Violent troublemaker
- 45. Famous baby deer
- 46. Labor organization
- 47. Beauty parlor
- 49. Pantywaist
- 51. Raindrop sound
- 52. Egyptian river
- 53. Wildebeests
- 54. Hardly believable
- 55. Puppy sounds



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Crossword

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