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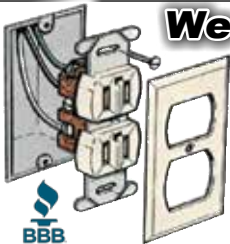
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Important Phone Numbers

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

Life-threatening emergency - **911**

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

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

If You Suspect a Scam - 877-908-3360 M-F, 8-8 ET

BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Bob Barr



What better way to make a difference in your neighborhood than by participating in your local association or community board? Your involvement offers a platform for your voice to be heard and contributes to shaping the community's rules and guidelines. Moreover, it demonstrates your commitment to the well-being of the neighborhood.

Communication tools like "The Briar Creek Experience" can be a boon for community building if used appropriately — to share relevant updates, announce neighborhood events, or recommend local services. Be mindful, though, to avoid stirring up unnecessary worries. Use it as a tool to enhance connectivity and mutual assistance within the community.

If you have elderly neighbors living alone, a simple check-in can make a big difference. We all love to feel like we belong and are part of a caring community. So why not take a few minutes out of your day to check in on your elderly neighbors?

We all love a good party or get-together. But let's face it, excessive noise can lead to unpleasant conflicts. Sound carries, especially in close quarters. So it's important to keep a check on your noise levels.

Keeping your property neat and tidy is a visual gift to the entire neighborhood — like saying you care about a shared living environment. And who doesn't love a well-manicured lawn? If you have plants or trees that encroach on neighbors' properties, collaborating with them on the care and maintenance can help avoid potential disputes or damage. It's always better to work together

and find a solution that fits everyone. When watering your lawn check with your neighbor to see if they would like their lawn watered and if ok be sure not to sprinkle any water on their house.

Much of this information came from <https://todayshomeowner.com/>.

REMINDER

Gene Arend



The installation of the FOB (keyless security lock system) was installed to provide access to the Clubhouse and Pool area by those residents who have requested a FOB. The FOB's are issued to all registered residents in Phase I of the Briar Creek Community. This system is designed to provide secure access and limit access for our residents. There are crash bars installed on each of the doors of the clubhouse. The main entrance bars, facing Briar Creek Boulevard can be placed in an open position when major entertainment or social events are planned. This allows entry while the event is taking place and can be monitored by the event coordinators. After the event the doors should be returned to the locked position. Should someone forget to perform that action and you see the door is not secured, please use the "Hex Wrench" hanging in the door jam to release and secure the door. Small gatherings of residents, please for your safety do not leave the doors opened. Any stranger can access the clubhouse for less than proper use of the clubhouse and unfortunately your security cannot be safeguarded. It is not unusual for non-residents to enter looking for a "Sales Office" which is common in many mobile home communities.

The three gates to the Pool & Spa area also have the FOB system installed. For emergency and secure exit there are silver aluminum plates that are active 24/7 to provide an exit from the area. The FOB entry is active only during Pool & Spa hours to this area. We are aware that these emergency exits may be triggered from outside the fenced area. There is currently efforts in motion to provide a secure cover to prevent access from outside the fenced area, yet provide someone inside the Pool & Spa area to exit without the use of a FOB.

The clubhouse, kitchen and storage areas should be considered an extension of your home. For that reason, we need to remind you if you use the facility, please return it to the condition when you arrived. The kitchen if used should be cleaned up after your use. The supplies and equipment in the storage room should be returned to its original location. The shelves are clearly marked in the storage closet with tags to identify what is stored on the shelves. If you purchase paper product or supplies for an event, please keep them or dispose of them. Do not add them to the supplies we store in the storage closet. Equipment if used should be returned to where they were located initially. If you use the trash cans please empty them, especially if they contain perishable material. Please ensure the lids are securely placed on the cans to prevent animal intrusion. Replace the trash can liners, these are located in the janitorial closet

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by the water fountain in the hallway. The fenced area behind the shuffleboard shed is where all the trash cans are located. The refrigerator has some perishable condiments. Please wipe them off and return to their original place. Some supplies are in the refrigerator and stored for use by various groups. Please do not use those supplies. Paper goods and supplies are maintained in the storage room and janitorial closet. If you use those supplies and see they are getting low please contact Gene Arend so they can be replaced. There is also a supply request form hanging on the cabinet above the kitchen sink. This is available for you to make note of supplies needed, which include cleaning supplies or other items. Please allow at least 5 business days for replacement.

POOL AND SPA

Pat Rivera



In a 55+ community, it may seem strange to be mentioning the industry standards regarding children in the spa/hot tub. Here is the deal. The temperature in the spa is regulated for adults at 104 degrees. The American Academy of Pediatrics, and other organizations, are very firm about kids under 12 in hot tubs. Our temperature is too hot for children. Children are unable to immerse their young bodies and not become overheated, in the same temperature as adults. It is unsafe, unless we lower the temperature to under 100 degrees, for kids. Not going to do that. Briar Creek Residents rely on the therapeutic aspects of the spa. By the time this is published, the jets should be working. The temperature is 104.

Please understand, I am not attempting to tell anyone “how to raise their kids or grand kids.” Adult supervision of children is required at the pool and spa. In addition to the Pediatric experts, Florida law also prohibits anyone under the age of 12 in 104 degrees spa water. If the Department of Health inspector made a random visit and saw a kid in the spa – we could be shut down. No one wants that to happen.

The pool area is an oasis in the paradise of Briar Creek. We are vigilant about maintaining the cleanliness, water temperature and atmosphere of the pool so everyone can enjoy swimming or sunning. All residents have access to the pool and clubhouse with their FOB. Guests, who gain entry with a resident’s FOB, are expected to comply with all Pool and Spa Rules which are posted.

SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Gene Arend

Social membership cards for fiscal year March 1, 2024 - February 28, 2025, are now available. Cost of membership will be \$1.00 (One Dollar). Membership will entitle members to all Entertainment events at membership pricing, free access to annual social

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club sponsored events. Membership cards will be available from Kim Ramalho or Gene Arend at the weekly social club coffee socials on Wednesday until March 31st 2024. After that date, membership will be \$5.00 (Five Dollars) and available free to new residents of Briar Creek. If you are unable to attend the coffee social contact Kim or Gene.

REMINDERS

Al Hartin

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



BRIDGE BEHIND POOL

Walk your bike or scooter or any other item across the Bridge. There are signs on both ends reminding you of this!

NAME BADGES

Al Hartin

Want 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!



LAWN AND TREES

Mike Moore, 813-629-8216

The lawns will be mowed twice in February.



COUGH AND SNEEZE SEASON

Pat Rivera

Many viruses are in the air during Flu and Cold Season. A lot of us seem to ‘catch’ whatever is going around. It matters not what makes us sneeze or cough; cold, flu, allergies or sinus congestion, we don’t always have time to grab a tissue or handkerchief to try to catch whatever flies from our mouth and or nose. For years we covered our mouth with our hand. If we manage to trap anything expelled then what? Probably not everyone immediately rushes to wash that hand or apply hand sanitizer from their pocket or purse before touching anything.



Now those germs come into contact with: doorknobs, cards, Mahjong tiles, Rummy Kub tiles, or Dominoes, poker chips, etc. Imagine what may be happening.

INSPECTIONS & ARCHITECTURAL REPORTS

Kim Ramalho, Vice President, (508) 423-1691

Inspections - I am looking for volunteers to help with inspections. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out. INSPECTIONS are starting this month. Now is the time to spruce up your properties (e.g. house exterior washing, weed removal, gutters cleaned out, house trim painted, etc.) THANKS.

Architectural Requests - ALL ARCHITECTURAL REQUESTS MUST BE APPROVED BEFORE any work can be done. I am happy to work with any residents who submit a request to ensure it complies with regulations. Any Architectural Requests can be dropped off at the Clubhouse Director’s Office or placed in my Rock Box @ 39 Deer Trail Court.



IN MEMORIAM

Mary Houpt, Bereavement

Robert McGarva, son of Peggy Beckerman, 86 Chestnut Drive, passed away on Sunday, December 10, 2023. A viewing was held Friday, December 29th at Holloway Funeral Home in Oldsmar. Sympathy to: Peggy Beckerman (mother), 86 Chestnut Drive.



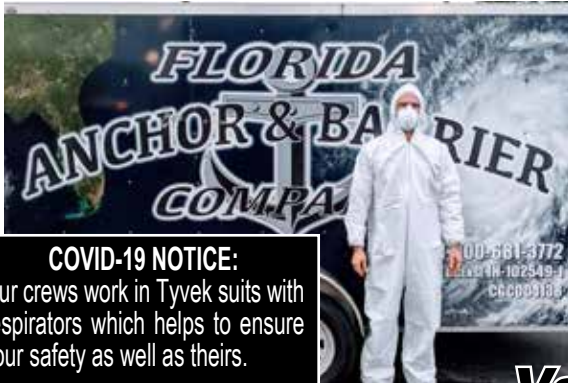
Long-time resident, Tom Doyle, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 19th at his daughter’s home in Connecticut. No services have been planned at this time. Condolences may be sent to Tom’s wife, Dorothy, at 79 Redwood Drive.

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Kim Ramalho



First Name	Last Name	Month	Day	Year
Emmett & Carol	Powell	February	4	
Rod & Sharon	Schiffla	February	5	1966
Tracy & Louis	Kedovary	February	7	
Mike & Cindy	Benoit	February	14	2018
Matt & Lori	Boisselle	February	15	
Phil & Mary	Houpt	February	15	
Al & Flo	Bombardier	February	21	1955
Gene & Pat	Arend	February	27	1965

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Kim Ramalho

First Name	Last Name	Month	Day	First Name	Last Name	Month	Day
Carol Jean	De Nino	February	1	Fabiola	Hough	February	17
Carolyn	Madlung	February	3	Sue	Farrell	February	17
Sherri	Marshal	February	3	Thomas	Davidson	February	17
Evelyn	Costigan	February	4	Evangeline	Haines	February	19
Judith	Lucas	February	5	Kathy	Wawrzyniak	February	19
Violet	Shaughnessy	February	5	Mark	Pflugh	February	19
David	Flint	February	7	Susan	Reitmeyer	February	21
Helen	Coar	February	7	Donna	Cutright	February	22
Kathy	Monahan	February	7	Kim	Ramalho	February	22
Donna Jean	Williams	February	8	Sharon	McKinzie	February	22
Jeff	Clark	February	8	Terry	La Casse	February	25
Lee	Paternoster	February	9	Joe	Hudd	February	26
Sandra	McLaughlin	February	9	John	Pfister	February	26
Stan	Hepler	February	9	Beth	Stelhin	February	27
Fred	Michaelis	February	10	Bonnie	Pfister	February	27
Georgia	Douglas	February	11	Philip	Kirchoffer	February	27
Elaine	Harsh	February	12	Marge	Orsolits	February	28
Eleonora	Genova	February	13	Sherry	Miller	February	28
Pat	Bourdon	February	13				
Ray	Simpson	February	14				
Robbin	Adair	February	14				
Janet	Jenkins	February	15				
Vivian	Rodriguez	February	16				



BREAKFAST IS SERVED

Roy and Pam O'Neill



Breakfast will be served at the Phase 1 clubhouse on Sunday, February 4th from 8:00-10:00am. Menu: Biscuits and Gravy, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Fresh Fruit, Coffee, Tea and Juice; BYO plate and flatware; Donation: \$5.00

BINGO

Your Phase One Bingo Team

Phase One Bingo every Tuesday, doors open at 5:00pm, games start at 6:00pm. As our prep time to set up is significantly shorter than previous years, we do ask that you not enter the clubhouse until 5:00pm.

Hot dogs will be served every Tuesday from 5:00 to 5:45, and Jeff will do his best to provide a meal each Tuesday, as well. You need not play bingo to purchase food, but we do ask that you non-players wait until 5:30 so that players can get a meal and get seated. Keep an eye on the Briar Creek Facebook groups for more info, or contact Jeff Clark via phone or text at 585-613-6218.

Prize monies are growing each week and if you haven't played bingo in a few years, please give us another try. You know we're having FUN when a game has to stop because we're all laughing so hard!

BRIAR CREEK BIRD WALK

Bill Kaempfer



Find out more about the natural setting of Briar Creek on our monthly bird walks. Over the years 114 species of birds have been observed in Briar Creek! On January 5th, three of us saw 27 species including great views of a stately Piliated Woodpecker.

February's bird walk will be on the first Friday of the month—February 2nd. Join us at 8:00 a.m. for a 60-to-90-minute walk up and down our streets and out to the canal. We meet at the Phase 1 Clubhouse, wear sturdy walking shoes, and bring binoculars, if you have them.

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BRIAR CREEK BRIDGE

Bill Kaempfer

Briar Creek Bridge meets every Tuesday from 12:45-4:00 in the Phase I Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome—Phase I, Phase II and non-BC bridge players—and you certainly don't have to be an expert to join in. Just give me, Bill Kaempfer, a text, call (303-717-5063), or email (Kaempfer@Colorado.edu), if you are interested in joining us and playing.

Here are recent winners:

December 12	Ken Fox	3470
December 19	Bill Kaempfer	4510
December 23	Evelyn Costigan	3720
January 2	Evelyn Costigan	2980



POKENO

Flo Bombadier

Join us on Sunday afternoons at 1:00pm in Phase 1 clubhouse.



EUCHRE

Margo Keyes

Every Thursday at 6:30pm in Phase 1 clubhouse. Bring 50¢ and nickels for Euchres. Questions, contact Margo at 518-528-3227.



BRIAR CREEK BOOK CLUB (Phase I & II)

Jane McKenzie

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 February book is *The Paris Daughter* by Kristin Harmel, and the March book is *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. Please contact me if you are interested in joining or have questions.

Jane McKenzie

651-353-2602 jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

LINE DANCING

Helen Coar



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

BOWLERS 25 OR MORE PINS OVER AVERAGE

Gene Arend

December 8th

Bob Barr – 40
Carol Beatty – 32
Gene Arend – 31, 29
Glenn Jensen – 39
Kenny Homme – 29
Mike Benoit – 50
Mike Moore – 38
Ray Jablonski – 29
Tom Lacey – 44

December 15th

Carol Beatty – 31
Bob Barr – 62
Kenny Homme – 30
Kim Ramalho – 30, 36
Mary Kay Brown – 44, 42
Mike Benoit – 48
Pete Fedelem – 35



January 5th

Alice Williams – 34
Arnold Williams - 41
Gene Arend – 26
Glenn Jensen – 29
Ray Jablonski – 31, 49

December 8th

Glenn Jensen - 202

December 15th

Bob Barr – 222

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Frank Gaffney and Anthony Carregal



HEY KIDS!

Here is the Entertainment Schedule for the rest of the year for Phase One and Phase Two events...

MONDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES at 6:00PM

Every Monday, our new host, Mike Benoit will be showing a movie.

And there will be snacks and popcorn!

A FREE EVENT. Donation accepted.

PHASE ONE CLUBHOUSE.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 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. **YOU MUST SIGN UP IN ADVANCE TO PARTICIPATE.** (Sorry, we cannot accommodate walk-ins.) You may sign up at coffee, or contact Frank (info below).

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PHASE ONE CLUBHOUSE.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 – 7:00PM

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION with Steve Walker

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PHASE TWO CLUBHOUSE.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 at 7:00PM

APPRECIATION NIGHT DINNER

Social Club members only!

A FREE EVENT.

PHASE ONE CLUBHOUSE.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15 – 12noon

PHILIPPE PARK PICNIC

Bring a dish to share and enjoy hot dogs and hamburgers with your neighbors.

A PHASE TWO EVENT.

SUNDAY, MARCH 17 at 4:00PM

ST. PATRICK’S DAY with D.J. Les N. More

4:00pm: Parade from The BC Mart to the Clubhouse

(Time may vary based on availability of Fire Department.)

4:30pm: Cocktails

5:30pm: Corned Beef Dinner

Dancing until 9:30pm

\$20pp

PHASE ONE CLUBHOUSE.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23 – 7:00PM

BRIAR CREEK TALENT SHOW

BYOB and BYOS.

Dessert provided.

PHASE TWO CLUBHOUSE.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 at 1:00PM

THE ANNUAL PICNIC with Rockin’ Rob

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PHASE ONE CLUBHOUSE.

SATURDAY, MAY 4 – TIME TBD

KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

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Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – February - 2024

(Pete Loranger - Editor Phone 421-2321)

(E-Mail: ploranger006@gmail.com)

Board of Directors:

Sam Oliverio – President

Happy New Year and best wishes for a safe, healthy and happy 2024.

A New Year means new beginnings, and the continuation of projects begun in our Community. We look forward to completing those tasks started, while moving forward to ensure that the 20 year plan stays intact.

To minimize the transition of the assignments of Director's who have been working these last two years in their areas, the assignments for 2024 are:

Sam Oliverio - President, Pool area/Shuffleboard/Bocce

Bob Raynor- Vice President, Clubhouse, exercise room, roads

Joan Davis- fobs, sales, rentals

Christine Hetherington- Office Organization

Jim Tashjian- Alterations

Phil Chabot- Lawns, trimming, Lakes, Rv area garage, truck

Skip Taylor- Home Inspections

We appreciate all who have volunteered their services, and continue to do so, because that's what makes Briar Creek the place we all want to live.

Looking forward to a wonderful 2024.



Bob Raynor – Vice President

It's hard to believe that 2023 is in the past and we are already into February. Where is the time going and what's in store for 2024?

January was a busy month with planning and going forth with important clubhouse initiatives. First, after receiving valuable resident feedback on our possible bathroom designs, the overwhelming majority believe we should move forward with separate Mens' and Womens' bathrooms designed for handicap access. We will also work to include a family access component via locking doors and signage. We hope to begin renovation work later this spring.

Second, our main entry front doors and pool exit double doors as well as the entry door to the exercise room have deteriorated to the point where they can no longer be repaired. The existing doors are original to the construction of the buildings and have far surpassed their life expectancy. They have become a structural liability that needs to be addressed. Contractors have been contacted and we are in the process of getting replacement costs.

Our exercise room now has excellent equipment including a new treadmill and recumbent stationary bicycle for resident use. There now is an excellent selection of exercise equipment available for use and we are also hoping someone will donate a flat screen, smart tv to be installed to make your exercise experience more enjoyable. After the bazaar, we hope to refresh and brighten the room with paint and replace the worn out carpet.



Monies to cover these costs will come from our reserve budget and will not impact our monthly maintenance fee. We will keep you updated as we move forward.

Philip Chabot – Director Phase - Garage, Lawns, Ponds and RV Lot

As of this bugle, the RV Parking Area has been reconfigured and I truly appreciate those that moved spot to help make the reconfiguration a success. Also as of this Bugle, the RV Parking Area is full and cannot accommodate any more units. If you have a unit in the RV Parking Area, please make sure that it is registered and that I have a copy of a valid registration. This needs to be completed every time that you register your unit. To date 95% of those parked in the parking area have complied and submitted a copy of their registration. Remember, both boats and trailers must be registered, and I must have a valid copy for each unit. As always, we highly recommend that you have insurance on your unit as we are not responsible for anything that may occur while parked in the RV Lot. Your cooperation continues to be greatly appreciated.

This is a reminder for all those who have a space in the RV Parking Area. You are responsible for maintaining the area of your space where the lawn company does not maintain. Please keep it trimmed and free of trash and foreign objects. Again, your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Lastly, all of you who have a space in the RV Parking Area will be receiving a copy of the new, updated Application Agreement for you to review and sign. This will be attached to the original Application Agreement that you filled out when you originally got your space in the RV Parking Area. The updated Application Agreement will be delivered to your “ROCK BOX” in the next few weeks. I asked that you return the original Application Agreement to my “ROCK BOX” located at 48 Birch Creek Drive or to the main office in the clubhouse. If you require a copy of the signed Application Agreement, please let me know and a copy will be delivered to your “ROCK BOX”.

If you have any questions concerning the RV Parking Area or your responsibility for its use, you can refer to “RESTRICTION #7” or I would be more than happy to answer your question(s).

Jim Tashjian – Director

Hi Neighbors,
As the days get a little longer and the weather gets a little warmer you might be ready to start that project you’ve been thinking about. If you are considering a “Do It Yourself” project please make safety your first priority. Know your limitations. If you’ve just had a knee replacement please don’t climb a ladder and for goodness sake stay off of the roof if you suffer from vertigo. Use caution when lifting and be especially careful when using power tools. Don’t forget to protect your eyes and ears when necessary and call (811) before you dig.

Keep in mind that all outside alterations require board approval before work begins. Alteration request forms can be found just outside of the office door in the library area of the clubhouse. Completed forms can be left in the office door mail slot or in my “rock box” at 193 Clubview Drive.

Thank you.

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Skip Taylor – Director

Home Inspections

As you know, our Condominium Articles of Incorporation as well as our Bylaws and Restrictions require that we all maintain the exterior of our home and land in “good, clean, healthy and attractive condition at all time” In mid-January, we will begin the annual home inspection process to review each home for needed outside maintenance. After those inspections are completed, homeowners will receive an evaluation of the condition of their home and if there are problem areas, given time to take corrective action.

Recently, in anticipation of this annual inspection, every home was quickly evaluated from the road to determine what trends we are seeing that will need to be addressed. Many homeowners have worked hard to ensure their homes are meeting their maintenance requirements. For those that are not, below is a list of the primary areas we saw that you can start to work on now. Check the list and if you find it pertains to you, why not start to tidy up now before the formal inspections begin. Wouldn't it be great to get a nice home evaluation?

1. Homes, including carports, mailbox and planter bricks that are dirty and moldy need pressure washing - schedule a cleaning soon. (Note: Be mindful of recently issued Water Use Restrictions.)
2. Gutter gardens are not good - remove weeds and other growth
3. Mailboxes need worn and torn numbers replaced

Thank you in advance and help us to help you.

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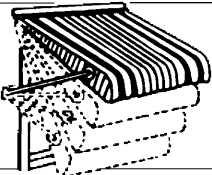
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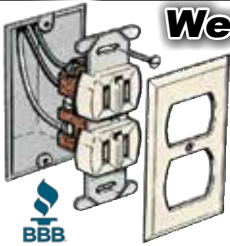
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6 Strength & Balance Class 10:30AM Practice 4pm	7 Earlybird Breakfast 830AM EVE'S Cardio & Strength Class 9AM Pinochle – 6:00PM Cribbage – 6:30PM	8 Strength & Balance Class 10:30AM Golf Tournament Genealogy Group meeting 7pm	9 Cardio & Strength Class 9AM Chair Yoga Class 10AM	10 8AM Coffee Hour 8:45AM Social Club News MARDI GRAS
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We have set up four teams of partners each with one female and male. Each team has been assigned an area of Phase II that will be reaching out to residents offering a free water leakage test. The test is totally optional and there is no requirement for residents to participate in this program if they chose not to. The program works like this The testing will be performed outside your home only.

We will need to turn off your outside main “water shut off valve” for 10-15 minutes to perform the test.

A written Inspection Sheet will be left in your rock box informing you of the results of the test.

Because this test detects leaks within the home, it is the homeowner’s responsibility to take corrective action to repair the leak.

This water/sewer conservation program, again, while voluntary, should benefit us all and, hopefully, cut down on our water/sewer costs. If one person’s leak can cost everyone in our community money, think what ten home leaks could cost.

Help us to help you save your money. Thank you for your help and cooperation with this conservation program.

If you have questions, feel free to contact me, Bill Russo by calling me at (406)980-0838.

BOARD MEETINGS

The 3rd Tuesday of every month from October till May at 7:00 pm is blocked for Board of Director’s meeting.

Social Club President

Carol Smitley

The bazaar is sneaking up on us. I know, we just put our Christmas decorations away. But, since the bazaar is the last weekend in February, we need all hands on deck. Let this be a successful bazaar for all of us, but especially Maureen and Wayne, who agreed to take on this big project.



BAZAAR BAKERY:

Please consider making bakery items for the Bazaar! The sign up sheet to list what you plan to bring will be posted in the Phase II clubhouse by February 1st.

Bakery items can be dropped off at the Phase II clubhouse on Friday, February 23rd from 9 AM to 11 AM.

Please do not cut your baked goods as they will be cut, bagged and priced by the Bakery Committee. 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.).

Please put your name on your dish if you need it returned.

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

Thanks for your donation.

The Bazaar Bakery Committee

Bazaar Update:

Maureen

- Date: Friday 2/23 5pm to 7pm and Saturday 2/24 8am- 1pm
- Once again, we are looking for liquor and/or cash donations for the liquor baskets that we raffle off at the Bazaar. Please drop liquor, wine* or cash at Maureen and Waynes at 64 Cottagewood Drive. They will be making up the baskets. - "Certificate Letter" process:
 - o let the businesses know that they will reach a large number of potential new customers by being a sponsor of our event by donating a certificate or product.
 - o In the past, we have secured certificates from restaurants, salons, golf courses, grocery stores, groomers, retail stores, etc. on Securing certificates: It's usually better to call first to see if the manager is in before you make the trip to the location as they usually make the decision. We've created a letter for you to take to the business. They are located on the front table in the Clubhouse.
- We are also in need of Jewelry donations

BAZAAR

MAUREEN

Set up date Thursday feb.22nd. All volunteers are requested at the clubhouse, items for the bazaar will be brought from the exercise room and the shed, volunteers will unpack and set up their assigned area .coffee and donuts will be available.

Friday Feb.23rd. 8am. We will finish our area and make sure everything is priced. Clubhouse

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Only workers will be allowed in Thursday and Friday. Please use the side entrance off the parking lot. On Friday all workers should arrive by 4:30 for your badges and money envelopes. We will open promptly at 5pm. and close at 7:00, so we can prepare for Saturday.

Saturday Feb. 24th.. Please arrive by 7;30 for coffee and pick up your change fund. We open for business at 8:am and close at 1:00

All workers are asked to help pack up excess items and clean up the clubhouse. The Salvation Army will pick up left over items except for Jewelry. Truck will arrive at 2:00, we will have a dumpster on Thursday it is only for cleanup NOT FOR PERSONAL USE.

The bc2Connection- PHASE II (Formerly known as The Phone Tree)

Marsha Bowlby & Carol Rodrigues

email address: thebc2connection@gmail.com



Thebc2connection is the Phase II email system.

If you have not signed up yet and want to be on thebc2connection, send an email to our email address along with your name, address, phone number and email address.

If you have signed up and aren't getting the emails, check your trash/spam folders first to see if they have gone there. If you don't see them, please let us know and we will see if we can help.

If you have been notified by us that your emails have HARD BOUNCED, here's what that means.

Hard Bounced Email Definition

A hard bounced email is an email message that gets rejected by a mail server. When an email bounces, it has for some reason did not reach the intended destination. A hard bounce means that the email address is permanently unavailable.

One thing that can cause a hard bounce is a full mailbox. If you have hard bounced, your email address will not work for us. To send emails to you we can do 1 of 2 things.

1. We would need a new email address to get you back on thebc2connections.
2. you can open a Gmail account (other systems may do the same thing I'm just more familiar with Gmail) and set up a forwarding system. We would have the Gmail address and you would have set it up to forward to your present email address. We have done this with a few of our residents and it seems to be working fine.

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Sheriff's Neighborhood Watch Program

Bill Russo



The Neighborhood Watch Program continues to be very active in the Phase I and Ii Communities of Briar Creek. It allows us to identify problem areas and to keep the Sheriff's Department informed of these situations. Observation is one of the key tools. The eyes and ears of the residents are the backbone of this program to keep our neighborhood safe. If you see something, say something! Call the Pinellas County Sheriffs' Department at 727-582-6200 for non-emergency situations.

Our continued successful relationship with the Florida Sheriffs' Association over the past twenty-three years and the education that they have provided to residents, help keep Briar Creek a safer place to live! If you have any questions about this program, contact Bill Russo at 406-980-0838.

5 Minutes A Day

Dr. Marty Finkelstein



Happy new year everyone. That's what we are all conditioned to say as we celebrate what we consider a new year kinda of like etch a sketch. A clean slate to chart out resolutions and new goals. But I like to think everyday is a holiday and greet each day with Happy New Day. Let's face it, as we are in our senior years the time clock is ticking faster. As a friend of mine use to say to me, If not now then when?

So on our happy new day how about we do some simple exercises within our own limits, to strengthen and increase resiliency in our muscles. I often see folks walking in our neighborhood. That is a great healthy habit. If you already do that each day begin a 5 minute stretching routine. It could be standing, lying down, and even sitting while watching T.V. I love to use my stretchy bands while watching a movie or T.V series. Like the ole saying, KISS, keep it simple S----.

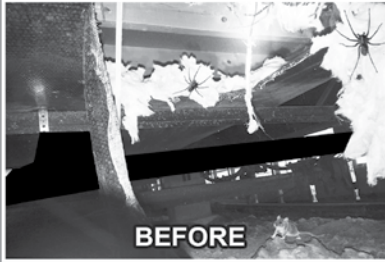
To increase blood flow and oxygen intake pretend your jumping rope without the rope. What's great is that you cannot trip. But gentle feel your arms and jump softly and lightly. Create a starting point that is comfortable for you. Maybe 5 or 10 jumps twice a day. I do 100 jumps with my magic jump rope at least twice a day. Simple. Another easy exercise, Wall Push-ups. Gently, easy start with just a few and add gradually, but always stay in the comfort zone. Do not strain or push yourself. The true power and life changing reality occurs when you are doing little bits every Happy New Day.

Also introduce healthy foods and eliminating the not so good foods. Let's not wait for a critical problem to change but a mindset of preventing a crisis from occurring. We are all so lucky to live in Briarcreek and living each day in paradise. Happy New Day to you all

Dr. Marty Finkelstein

Lives in Briarcreek with his wife Julie Austin

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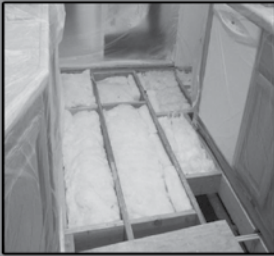
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Opera Afternoon at BC



- February Opera Afternoon
- ***La Fille du Régiment*** by Gaetano Donizetti
- Tuesday, February 20, 2024 - BC2 Clubhouse
- 2:00 PM - Opera Performance 132 minutes, sung in French, with English subtitles

This Opéra-comique in 2 acts is just plain fun!! Written by the an Italian composer, sung in French, with English subtitles, and coming to us from London's Royal Opera is one of the delights of the repertoire. With it's world famous showstopper tenor aria with the 9 high C's brilliantly executed by Juan Diego Flórez and a tour-de-force performance by coloratura soprano and comic genius Natalie Dessay, this performance of ***La Fille du Régiment*** will not fail to entertain...and just for extra measure, there's a cameo appearance by Dawn French (Absolutely Fabulous, The Vicar of Dibley). This wonderful 2007 production was a co-production of the Royal Opera House (Covent Garden, London), the Wiener Staatsoper (Vienna), and the Metropolitan Opera (New York)...and yes, I saw it at Lyric Opera, Chicago!! (132 minutes, sung in French, with English subtitles.)

Russ Lipari

****Coming Soon - The March 19th Opera Afternoon at 1:30 PM!!!!** will feature ***Elektra*** by Richard Strauss. This powerful 20th century masterpiece is the operatic equivalent to an Alfred Hitchcock thriller...guaranteed to keep you on the edge of your seat! Spellbinding story taken from the 413 BC Euripides' play set to some of Strauss' most gorgeously dramatic music.

Food Pantry

Joan Davis/Arnold Williams



Food collection will be Feb 21st from 8 to 10

Sit & Stitch

Darlene Beyer & Sandy Fassett

A Big Thank You to all the women that have contributed their time making shawls to help keep the Cancer patients warm during their treatment sessions. We can always use more help from others here in our wonderful park if you knit or crochet. If you do not do either, we will gladly accept your donations of Caron knitting worsted 12 or 14 oz. yarn or a monetary donation to have us purchase this yarn.

We also plan to have a few classes in the future which will be announced in the future.

If you have ideas for a class or would like to teach one , please feel free to call either Darlene @ 727-403-9957 or Sandy @ 727-424-6045.



Ladies' Luncheon

Darlene Beyer



I cannot believe that I have been heading up the Ladies Luncheon for a whole year now. I guess the saying “Time does fly when you are having fun” really is true. I hope you have been enjoying the different restaurants we have been attending and always feel free to suggest new ones.

This month, February 14th we will be lunching at the TARPON TURTLE located on the north end of Tarpon Lake. The last time we were there, many of you seemed to really enjoy the menu that offered the different “Meals in a Bowl”. They also have a nice variety of other meals. I hope you attend especially if you haven’t eaten there before. The view of the lake is also a beautiful sight.

The sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in Phase 11 Clubhouse. For any questions, please call Darlene at. 727-403-9957 and I will be glad to help you.

MINGLE

Rose, Pete & Billie

Reminder: February 15 will be the next Mingle potluck. Looking forward to a good turnout. A good time will be had by all. See you there at the Clubhouse ,Thursday, the 15th of February.

Entertainment

Bettye Gilreath



What’s Happening in Briar Creek II
February 10, 2024 Mardi Gras Celebration 7-10 pm
Saturday Tickets: \$ 8 pp

Let the good times roll! Expect lots of green, gold, and purple. Wear one of these colors just for fun or how about a mask and/or a Mardi Gras costume? Let your imagination be your guide. Steve Walker will provide an evening of entertainment for your enjoyment. Dessert will be provided.

March 15, 2024 Annual Phillipe Park Picnic Shelter # 7 Friday, 12- 2pm

Join us as we return to this scenic spot overlooking Tampa Bay for a relaxing lunch with your neighbors. Hamburgers and hot dogs provided. Bring a side dish or dessert.

March 23, 2024 Saturday , Talent Show 7- 9 pm

Briar Creek is full of talented people and it is about time we showed you off! It is time to get creative and think how YOU can entertain us. Come on, you can do it! You will be able to sign up for a skit or single act 3 – 5 minutes long. BYOB and BYOS.

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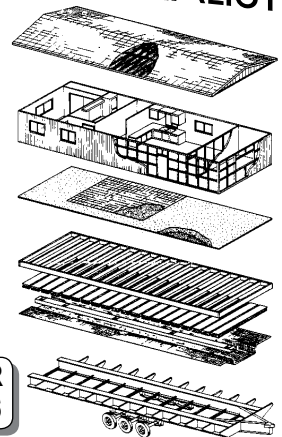
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BOWLING

Arnold Williams



Happy Valentine's Day to everyone. We are at the halfway mark of the Bowling Season. Below are the Bowlers who have Bowled +25 pins over their averages.

Week 9

Cindy Ames	136
Sharon Cann	132
Ray Jablonski	181
Mike Benoit	200
Arnold Williams	181

12/5/23

Greg Zimmer	159
Louise Terranova	111
Steve Fontaine	176 & 161
Glen Jensen	213

Week 10

Kathy Morrison	133
Mike Moore	178
Ken Homme	211

12/12/23

Glen Jensen	193
Bev Wilson	141
Mike Benoit	204

Week 11

Sharon Cann	136
Skip Taylor	147
Bob Barr	204
Bev Wilson	146

12/19/23

Alice Williams	163
Ray Jablonski	181
Gene Arend	181

Week 12

Sharon Cann	160
Louise Terranova	118 & 116
Gene Arend	182

1/9/24

John Ames	140
Skip Taylor	199
Arnold Williams	184

BUNCO

Marge Grohskopf



BUNCO FEBRUARY DATE CHANGE

Due to a date conflict with the Bazaar. February Bunco will be held on Thursday, Feb. 15th.

We welcome all to join us for an evening of fun. It's a very simple dice game. We begin at 7:00 with dessert at break time. Bring \$3 for prize money. See you there! Walk-ins Welcome

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Cribbage Game

Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm at clubhouse 2, there is a co-ed group of cribbage players who have started playing weekly for a friendly game. If you are a pro or just learning the game, all are welcome from both phase I and phase II. Call Carol Beatty for more information 727-216-3715.



Pinochle Scores

Alice Williams



12/23 Billie Ogrodowski 409, Alice Williams 405, Bob Gundershaug 256, Conrad S 184
12/27 Dawn Benson 389, Orpha Berken 331, Alice Williams 292, Billie Ogrodowski 251
01/03 Alice Williams 392, Dawn Benson 358

Exercise Class

Monday, 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.

Bingo

Al & Diane Merando

Please join us for some fun on Monday nights! If you’ve not played Bingo before there are many neighbors willing to teach you the ropes. Bingo is a wonderful way to keep your mind sharp, increase your eye/hand coordination and make new friends!

Card sales are from 5-5:45 pm with games starting at 6pm. We hope to see you soon a fun evening!

Al & Diane Merando

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GOLF

Carol Rodrigues



Briar Creek Community Golf Tournament Country Way Golf Course Thursday, February 8th 9 a.m.

The 2024 Briar Creek Community Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, Feb. 8. Six tee times have been reserved at Country Way Golf Course, you may sign up as a 4-some, 2-some or by yourself. All ladies and men are invited to this annual event. The cost will be the cost of golf at the golf course.

A small meal will be provided at the phase II clubhouse following the event for \$10 per person, BYOB. For additional information contact Arlene Preston arlenepreston61@gmail.com or Carol Rodrigues carrod413@gmail.com. You may also sign up at either clubhouse.

Bereavement

Barbara Bergling



Please be advised I am now in charge of bereavement. When a resident passes inform me by email 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 February book is *The Paris Daughter* by Kristin Harmel, and the March book is *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. Please contact me if you are interested in joining or have questions.

Jane McKenzie
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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.

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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

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 the basic Crayola colors are available. Name Badges are available and ordered through Marsha Bowlby. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the clubhouse. Name Badges are \$8.50 and must be paid for before being ordered.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Pete Loranger



Birthdays

2/01	Rick McKim	2/19	Madeline Driscoll
2/05	Christa DeLeon	2/21	Wayne Wlodarczyk
2/08	Randilea Chadwick	2/21	Jean Schmidt
2/12	Diane Walsh	2/22	Jan Gundershaug
2/12	Tom Marciano	2/22	Jerry Sparks
2/12	Philip Willix	2/24	Sebastian El-Sarraf
2/16	Lynda Foster	2/25	Robin Feeley
2/18	Kenneth Fox	2/25	Ellie Prevost
2/18	Joan Davis	2/25	Roz Lucas
2/18	Mike Driscoll	2/25	Ron Steinacher
2/18	Millie Feliciano	2/26	Helen Clark
		2/28	Bill Steiner

Anniversaries

2/10/2017 Vernon Browe & Jim Tashjian – 7 years
2/11/1967 Jeff & Judith Holden – 57 years
2/22/1975 Peter & Janice Shepard – 49 years

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<p>OTHER</p>	<p>HUGE carport sale inside and outside the clubhouse. Browse in comfort. Clearwater Cascades, 9790 66th St. North, Pinellas Park. February 17th, 8-2pm. Furniture, décor, housewares, tools. Refreshments available.</p>	<p>Lake Seminole Resort Spring Flea Market, Bake Sale and Lunch on Saturday, March 2nd, 9:00am -1:00pm. Located at 10245 110th Ave. N., Largo Florida</p>
<p>ARTICLES FOR SALE</p>	<p>BriarCreek Community Annual Bazaar. 2/23 5-7pm. 2/24 8am-1pm. 3175 McMullen Booth Road. South of Mease Hospital.</p>	<p>Blue Jay Estates-Annual Community Rummage Sale. Friday, 3/8 and Saturday, 3/9. 8am-1pm. Bake Sale and Lunch available Saturday only. Clubhouse and deck. 2755 Curlew Road, Palm Harbor, 34684</p>
<p>EVENTS & PROGRAMS</p>	<p>Flea Market Sat. Feb. 24th, 8-12 pm. Colonial Village, 2000 East Bay Drive, Largo. Furniture, Kitchen appliances, housewares, bicycles, clothing, home-baking.</p>	<p>Craft Fair, 3-16-24. 8-1pm. Palm Hill Country Club, 8th Ave Clubhouse. Crafts, food, & Baked Goods</p>
<p>HELLO CANADIANS! Canadian Club Canadien Gulf Coast Florida, having survived COVID, is now regrowing to promote fellowship among Canadians in Pinellas County, and foster goodwill with American people. Join us; for our monthly lunch with informative speakers, weekly golf, MLB game, dinner/theater, museums, deep sea fishing. Your first lunch is FREE! For information, email: cccgcf@galt.biz.</p>	<p>Westwind Mobile Home Park 1 and 2 Annual Windfall Tag Sale. Saturday February 24th, 8-1 at 3301 ALT. 19, Dunedin</p>	<p>The Royal Canadian Legion Post 144 Pinellas County, having survived COVID, is regrowing to continue supporting local Veterans, and providing social activities for new and existing Canadian Legion Members. Join us for our monthly Membership Meetings, Remembrance Ceremonies, VSO visits, raids, invasions, MLB game, dinner/theater, museums, etc. For information, email: info@relpost144.org.</p>
<p>Gateway MHP Community Sale, Saturday, Feb. 3rd, 8am-2pm. 10100 Gandy Blvd. St. Petersburg</p>	<p>Doral Village Yard Sale Bazaar, Saturday, February 24th, 8am-1pm. 29250 US Hwy 19N, Clearwater. Furniture, clothing, linens, books, electronics, glassware, jewelry, kitchen items, baked goods, lunch and great raffles and prizes!</p>	<p>WANTED TO BUY</p>
<p>Carpot Sale, Feb. 3, 2024. East Bay Oaks and Eldorado Village. 601 Starkey Rd. 8am-2pm. NO EARLY BIRDS</p>	<p>2 Day Yard Sale Friday and Saturday March 1st and 2nd. Outdoors and in clubhouse. 8am-3pm. Bake Sale in Clubhouse and Refreshments available. LaPlaza MHP 6700 150th Ave N. Clearwater</p>	<p>Wanted to buy stamp collections. High prices for good quality. 709-682-9499</p>
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