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Clubhouse – Pool – Home Sales/

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Rentals

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Lawns & Lakes – R V Area –

Grounds - Pond Benches

Sonny Whitehouse

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BOARD BUSINESS

PROXIES FOR ANNUAL MEETING – DECEMBER 4, 2017

Joann Barr

UPDATES FROM THE BOARD

Barb Pesic, Director

Lawn mowing for the month of December is just once and it will be on the 8th.


UPDATES FROM THE BOARD

Jeff Clark, Vice President

We'll be performing our annual home inspections for 2018 the week of January 7th-13th. Because of Hurricane Irma, we're expecting to see a lot more debris on rooftops this year. Consider this a "heads-up" (no pun intended) to address this issue; it may be easier to attend to it now than waiting until January.

Would you like to know just what the inspection teams will be looking for? Both the form we use for inspections and the procedures we follow can be found in the "Forms" tab on mybriarcreek.com. If you don't have ready access to a computer, just call me at 585-613-6218 and I'll print out copies for you.

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We found it's best to perform these inspections at a time of year when most residents are here, which also provides us with the most number of volunteers to help us with this project. We realize this isn't the most convenient time for some residents to perform the necessary work. If you're unable to complete any maintenance within the initial 30-day period, please let me know ASAP, and I'll do my best to accommodate your need for an extended time frame.

And as always- we need help with this! Please contact me at the above phone number if you'd could spare a few hours of your time. With just 28 volunteers we can quickly complete these inspections. We're about halfway there, so please consider giving us a hand.

IN MEMORIUM

A short term resident, Dr. Thomas Hofbauer passed away October 9, 2017. No local service was held.

Former long-term resident, Dolores Walters, passed away October 24, 2017. Service was held at Curlew Memorial Gardens; hosted by her daughter, Linda.

Long-time resident, Ann Kurlinski, passed away on November 4. Condolences to her son, Dave, 121 Silver Fox Drive. No services are planned at this time.



BC MART

Dave Doran/Ray Jablonski

By the time the December Media is delivered, the BC Mart will be empty! The BC Mart will remain closed for a short period of time to allow for the annual cleaning. The down time will allow for the installation of a new ceiling fan, and LED lightsto give it a bright new face lift.

The shed will be closed as well so that shelving can finally be installed.

Grand Opening will be announced later! Thank you to everyone who donates and supports the BCMart!

Vakesh Rajani, M.D.

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Dr. Rajani completed his residency at The Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Ohio. He was chosen as Chief Resident and served on the academic staff at the Cleveland Clinic prior to starting his medical practice in Florida. Dr. Rajani has been practicing medicine in North Pinellas for over 15 years.



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DIAL DIRECTORY

Helen Coar



Each month I will be posting any additions, corrections and deletions to the 2017-2018 Edition of the Dial Directory. It is up to you to make the change in your Directory. Contact Helen Coar if you have information for the new Dial Directory (726-3923).

New number Terry and Alan Bjorne 727-455-8582.

WEDNESDAY MEETINGS

Dave Doran

Oct 18	Pat Rivera \$5	
Oct 25	Georgia Douglas	
Nov 1	Vivian Rodriguez \$5	Pat Dion 50/50
Nov 8	JoAnn Barr \$5	Pauline Hoad 50/50

YOUR PHOTO DIRECTORY IS HERE!

Betty Chatigny

If you had your photo taken and have not received your photo directory yet, contact me, bettychatigny@hotmail.com or give me a call at 727-216-3871.

BRIAR CREEK (PHASE 1) EMAIL DIRECTORY LIST

Betty Chatigny

The system is up and it's running smoothly! Join over one hundred residents on the list. Contact me, either by phone, 727-216-3871, or email, bettychatigny@hotmail.com to include your email address to the recipient list. Get in the info loop.

December 2017 Birthdays

December 1	Pat Arend	December 16	Mary Miller
December 1	Jeannine Vale	December 17	Jean-Paul Dion
December 3	Diane Arguin	December 18	Terry Gregory
December 3	Blaine Hanna	December 19	Phil Fiacable
December 4	Jim Muir	December 20	Don Beaton
December 5	Lloyd Johnson	December 20	Bill Bloom
December 6	Toni Beaton	December 20	Barbara Thomas
December 7	Judy Faught	December 23	Val Duszynski
December 7	Barbara LeClair Lee	December 23	Carol Keller-Michaelis
December 9	Gladys McClanahan	December 24	Ralph Vitiello
December 9	Bob Miller	December 25	Karen Mbiad
December 10	Art Finnegan	December 27	Betty Chatigny
December 10	Thomas Kalbfleisch	December 27	Bridget Porter
December 10	Roy Martin	December 27	Christina Tambasco
December 12	Sheila Pape	December 28	Barbara Hepler
December 14	Kathleen Cory	December 28	Lorraine Wilson
December 14	Mary Kay Brown	December 29	Fred Mbiad
December 15	Ruben Encalado	December 30	Nancy Verzi
December 15	Jeanne Glasheen	December 31	Dennis Arguin
December 15	Tim Glasheen	December 31	Ron LaRue
December 15	Karen Roberts	December 31	Anthony Marsella
December 15	Katherine Scanniello		



December 2017 Anniversaries

December 5	Martin Shapiro & Vivian Rodriguez Shapiro - 2015
December 13	David & Connie Holmes
December 14	Andy & Sharon Philyaw
December 27	Robert & JoAnn Barr
December 30	John & Joyce Kroening



Note: If your birthday and/or anniversary information needs correction or inclusion, please leave a message at 727-216-3871 or email bettychatigny@hotmail.com.



SHUFFLEBOARD LEAGUE; “B” Team

Martin Shapiro

<http://www.mybriarcreek.com/shuffle>



The shuffleboard season is off to a roaring start! As of the publication deadline for this article, our “B” Team played the first game of the season – and we won! Well, actually, we tied with South Gate at 16 games to 16 games. But it was an ‘away’ game at their courts, and any time we can tie an ‘away’ game that’s a win for us!

Special recognition goes to Rad Pesic for winning all four of his games. (Players usually play just two games, but sometimes they will double up if we have less than the full complement of 16 players.) Recognition also goes to Phil Fiacable, Ivan Curtis, Ken Blake and myself for winning both of two games. And an honorable mention to Al Hartin, who won one of his two games the very first time he has played!

The League is open to any Phase I residents. New players are always welcome. Contact Martin Shapiro at Martin.Pokerx@gmail.com or 727-467-0555. Also, everyone is invited to come and play at our practice sessions – you don’t have to be part of the league. Practice takes place most days at about 11:30am, other than league game days. If you need some instruction on how to play, contact me to make arrangements for a lesson, or just come to a practice session.

More information on our League, including dates for the games (spectators are welcome), are available on the Briar Creek website at: <http://www.mybriarcreek.com/shuffle.htm>

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If you would like to keep the Krazy Kards tradition alive; consider becoming the host. Krazy Kard Nights host and hostess for many years, Pauline and Gary Hoad, will coach you. This is a fun night which has been held monthly during the season! This is an awesome opportunity for you to step up and volunteer for you community!

ANNUAL BAZAAR NEWS

Dave Doran

The December Monthly Media delivery coincides with the BC Phase 1 annual Bazaar. Beginning on the first of December through the second of December, we look forward to a fun filled program with lots of good stuff, good bargains, and a gigantic success!

Volunteer Staff will be looking great modeling our new BC aprons. Once again, a BIG THANKS to all of those who volunteered to be department heads as well as their dedicated support staff who work together to bring another success to the Bazaar.

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SOCIAL CLUB/ MEMBERSHIPS

Dave Doran

December is always such a festive time, we decorate, we enjoy entertaining, and for many of us from the north realize “No snow, no sleds, no scrapping ice off the windshield, no bundling up to brave the cold temperatures.” It is such a wonderful time of the year!

We certainly thank everyone who gives their time to volunteer during the year; it is you, the volunteers, who make all of what happens, happen. Without volunteers, we would not have the luxury of having so many great functions. THANK YOU!

The suggestion box is always out; please write down and submit any ideas or suggestions you may have.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and holiday season.

Merry Christmas



SOCIAL CLUB CHAIRMAN

Georgia Douglas



Mike Benoit swoops prize for costume as Captain Underpants!



Too cute to cut Vivian Rodriguez and Martin Shapiro



Georgia Douglas' costume was complete With electronic crying sounds!

This year our Fall season started off with an amazing Halloween costume contest and dance. Thank you Dave Hunkins for hosting; and all of the “BC Villagers” who helped make this a success! The band, AT LARGE, Tim & Lotte Bernard, were full of great “hits.” They ended the evening by honoring our Military veterans of each branch of service with God Bless America.





Veterans Day USO event drew a large crowd. Robyn Prentis opened the evening by singing our national anthem. Joe Guizzerotti emceed a moving tribute to all branches of USA armed services, Canadian veterans and O Canada. Susan Norris donated the American/military flag given to the family of Bob Thygerson which was run up the flag pole and will fly until it needs to be retired.

Music was provided by Deuce Hulett who mingled among the dancers on the floor. Deuce enjoyed the crowd as much as the crowd appreciated his style; so much so that he expressed a willingness to come back anytime!

Thanks to Donna and Al Hartin for the great photos.



Dottie Sullivan, Terry Henry, Mary Houpt The "Andrews Sisters" and Joe G



Joe G donated this special cake for the event



Jeff Clark read the symbolic meaning behind The table and each item on it to acknowledge All POW/MIA

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Puerto Rico....Giving Thanks

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Second thought, Maria following close behind...Puerto Rico, and its neighboring islands, was her target! "There for the grace of God go I?"

It's easy to say "I want to help" and send a check-red tape and so many in need. Then, a co-worker came to me asking for help with a Mission Relief for Puerto Rico. This was the answer. Working full-time and spearheading a project this large was challenging, so I approached someone I knew had the same passion to help-Georgia Douglas. She was so excited and immediately had ideas. This was Monday.

Wednesday morning at the Clubhouse meeting, Georgia, Dave Doran and Jeff Clark presented the idea of BC Phase I&II becoming part of the largest Relief group in the Tampa Bay area!!!! By 12:30 pm they had collected \$1200-Whoa!! I was in awe!! From there it took off. Briar Creek residents heard the call too! We were able to collect almost 1000 lbs. of provisions when all was said and done!!!!

Amanda Battastoni (The Relief Project's fearless leader) and Jay Ranson (my Morton Plant Hospital co-worker) helped guide us with our part of the Mission. I will forever be grateful to them for their tireless efforts and caring spirits. Making a difference is the best part of life!

I want to personally thank my right hands through this entire effort. Georgia, you were my eyes and ears and executed the plan!! Dave and Jeff---we are so blessed to have you be part of our community AND this project. Dave--following up on everything, buying supplies, packing boxes and just "being there" if I needed input, THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart!!! BC is very fortunate to



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have you involved in so many ways in our community...I hope they appreciate you as much as I do! AND last but certainly not least...a grateful hug and warm thanks to my Mom, Joan Bienvenue, my sister Denise, and Vivian Rodriguez. You were the support system needed to get the goods packed and ready for shipment, but most of all; you were all “my rock!”

To the people of Briar Creek Phase I and II--Great work!!! Without out your generosity and your support, this Relief Project for Puerto Rico and the Islands would not have happened!! Imagine all we can accomplish to help others if we work together AGAIN!

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE



- **December 8** Karaoke at Phase II clubhouse is “dinner” and a “show!”
If you can join the crowd at 5:30, bring \$3 for dinner. OR wait until 6:30 and join the free Music provided by Ron and Scott. The oldies will get you up and dancing on your feet, or maybe just dance in your seat! Sing along. Have a great time. Come one, come all!
- **January 13** will be another opportunity to eat for \$3 at 5:30 or just come for free music at 6:30: Phase II clubhouse – everyone is welcome!

CHRISTMAS AT THE CREEK

Pat Dion and Connie Holmes

Tickets are now on sale for December 10, 217, our annual Christmas Party and this year we are ‘dressing it up’ in a black and white way. The evening will begin with a dinner meal consisting of Grilled Chicken Breast, Baked Potato w/butter and sour cream, and a Grecian Salad.

After dinner we will be entertained by Andrei Cheine. Andrei is an accomplished pianist/ musician, songwriter and entertainer, well known in the Tampa area. For a fun holiday evening at the Clubhouse, buy your tickets as soon as possible.

Tickets are \$12.00 each and there will be no ticket sales after Wednesday, December 6 due to having a catered meal. Doors will open at 5:15 so you can arrive early to have your dinner drink and enjoy the fellowship. Dinner will be served promptly at 6:00 pm.

Servers will be on hand to deliver the plates to your table. “Rumor has it there will also be valet service available.” So, put on your Briar Creek best and step out with class.

- *There will be a door prize for a lucky person.
- *Bring a couple dollars for a 50/50 draw and someone will go home with Christmas Cash in their hand.
- *This is a BYOB event!





Tickets and details for the New Year's Eve

Tickets (\$20) for the event will be available at Wednesday morning coffee. 'Cover to Cover' will provide musical entertainment for the evening. Hosts for the event are Mary Kay Brown, Alice Hall and Lynn Lijewski.



Doors will open at 8:00 for this final 2017 date. BYOB. The band will welcome in 2018 – at the stroke of midnight. Some of us may need afternoon naps!

January 27th will start off our Entertainment for 2018, with 'American Idles.' hosted by Lesley Blake and Pauline Hoad. This event is to celebrate how wonderful our lives are in Briar Creek!

There will be a sing along (not karaoke). Song books will be available at each table. Our resident musicians will provide the 'guest performers' for an afternoon of fun and folly!

This event is another perfect example of providing what residents of Briar Creek want based on the March survey. This is a FREE event and a great opportunity to get to know your neighbors and start the New Year with renewed fellowship and Friendship. More information to follow.



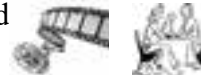
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Anyone for Dinner and a Movie?

“Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner?” What a wonderful movie. Can you believe that it was originally released 50 YEARS AGO!?

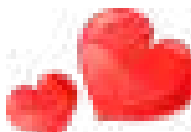
The nearby Woodland Square 20 Cinema on Tampa Road will be showing the film, for which Spencer Tracy received a posthumous Academy award, on December 11; show times are at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m. There are, of course, other fabulous cast members in this film.

Depending on response and preference, we could make it dinner and a movie, or a movie and dinner!



VALENTINE DANCE

February 10, 2018 will be our Valentine Dance featuring JOHNNY CHARRO. Johnny has performed for our Briar Creek Social Events many times in the past, and a great time was had by all. More details to follow.





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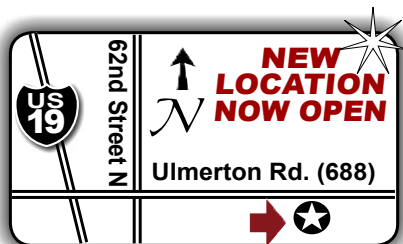
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CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENT

DECEMBER 10 Christmas at the Creek

DECEMBER 31 New Year's Eve Phase 1 Details at Wednesday morning coffee

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JANUARY 25th Showtime – **PHASE 2** – Comedian Jimmy Travis

JANUARY 27th Sing-A-Long and Music Jam and Pot Luck Dinner

FEBRUARY 4th Appreciation Night – **FREE with Phase 1 Membership**

FEBRUARY 10th 7PM – 10PM - Valentine's Dance – 'Johnny Charro'

FEBRUARY 16th Showtime – **PHASE 2** – Red Hot and Blue Collar

MARCH 2nd & 3rd **PHASE 2 BAZAAR**

MARCH 17th St Patrick's Day Parade and Party

TBD Spring Craft Fair – Contact Maria DeRee

APRIL TBD Pool Party & Picnic with "Both Worlds"

Showtime 2018 will feature the Jimmy Travis comedy show on Thursday January 25 from 7 to 9. February 16 also from 7 to 9, we will be entertained by Red Hot and Blue Collar a singing and comedy duo. Tickets for both shows will be \$25.00 per person and can be purchased at the club house. See Pete Loranger. There are some tickets left to purchase and if you made reservations, all tickets must be paid in full by December 1.

BUNCO Clubhouse 2

BUNCO will be on December 28 at 6:30. Relax after the Christmas Rush. Sign up at Saturday coffee or call Marge Grohskopf at 533-6603. We need a minimum of 16 people, walk-ins are always welcome, \$3.00.

Dessert at 6:30; play begins at 7:00. Easy game to learn; enjoy the laughs and socializing. Please wear your name tag if you have one.

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BINGO

Jean Richter



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Tuesday evenings cards go on sale at 5:15; play begins at 6:00!

BRIARETTES

Betty Hudd, President



We would like to thank Sue Sampson from SHINE for presenting Medicare 101 to our group in such an informative manner. If you have questions or concerns regarding Medicare please call 1-800-963-5337 for assistance.

The next meeting of Briarettes is December 5th; it will be our annual Christmas get together. If you would like to attend any of the meetings, please sign up under the "Briarettes" on the bulletin board in your clubhouse so we can get a head count. All of the details will be available on sign-up sheets.

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Jane McKenzie

Briar Creek Book Club (Phase I & II)

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We presently have one or two openings. Please contact me if you are interested or have questions.

Jane McKenzie
727-474-5705 (Home)
651-353-2602 (Cell)
jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com



Bowlers 25 or more Pins over Average

Gene Arend

October 13th
Pete Fedelem 33

October 20th
Mary Kay Brown 29 – Gene Arend 43
Bob Barr 29 – Mike Benoit 56
Joe Guazzerotti 36

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November 4rd
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Glenn Jensen 218

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Bob Barr 201
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Barbara Glasheen

Bridge players meet Tuesdays at 1:00 in the clubhouse.



UPDATES AROUND "THE CREEK"

County Recycle opportunity to get rid of T.V.s, paint, etc. **12/16** at the County Court House on Alt 19S (south of Curlew; west side of 19)



PRIME RIB anyone? The 1st Saturday of every month the American Legion Post 238 in Safety Harbor offers a prime rib dinner at 5:30 – 6:30. Tickets are \$12 and need to be purchased in advance. Contact Mary Kay Brown for tickets.

ALSO at the American Legion Post 238 every 1st and 3rd Saturday morning, you can walk in and enjoy a \$6 breakfast!



CHESS

Dave Holmes

If you would like to play a game, give Dave a call at 423-202-6712.



CRAFTS

Barbara Glasheen

Join us for crafts every Wednesday at 1:00 in the clubhouse.



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Phil Houpt

Come play Euchre on Thursday evenings at 6:30, Phase I clubhouse; bring fifty or seventy-five cents! Small denominations.

Nov 2 High score with 40 points was Gary Herman

Nov 9 High score with 50 points was Beth Storrer



RED HATTERS

The only rules; "There are no rules!"

Congratulations to Lesley Zuckerman! Lesley was officially pinned Queen Bee of the local Het Hatters' group of ladies.

Contact Lesley 727-712-8378 for details on monthly luncheon locations, dates and time.

December's luncheon will be at the world famous Safety Harbor Spa! Call Lesley for details and to join the fun.



Mixed Golf Scrambles at Briar Creek

Feb. 23 and April 6 (Phase I & II)

Attention all golfers! Two scrambles have been scheduled again this winter-- sign-up sheets will be in your clubhouse by mid-Dec. Sign up individually, as a twosome, or make your own foursome. It will be casual and fun.

We plan to golf 18 holes at Countryway Golf Course during the afternoon, and then eat dinner together at Daddy's restaurant. Put the dates on your calendar now—you don't want to miss out on these enjoyable events with friends!

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Ladies Golf at Briar Creek

(Phase I & II)

Come join the lady golfers in Briar Creek. If you used to golf and would like to play again, or if you are a regular golfer and want to join a casual group, just call or email me.

We meet at the Countryway Golf Course, and have the flexibility of playing either early Thursday morning or mid-morning on Friday. Please let me know if you would like to join us, or need additional information.

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Dave Hunkins

Call Dave Hunkins for information 669-0503. WEDNESDAYS at 7:00 pm. Let's consider a "telephone tree" or an email notification system so we know how many players are expected....



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TRAVEL CLUB

Judy Young

Suggestions for future trips are always welcome and your thoughts should be communicated to Judy Young (727-725-2090). Details are posted on the bulletin Board in the clubhouse, or view the information online www.mybriarcreek.com under "Travel".



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- DECEMBER 5-7, 2017** St. Augustine Sojourn.
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....Listen for announcements at Wednesday Social Hour or check the bulletin board for further information!

PHASE 2 UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

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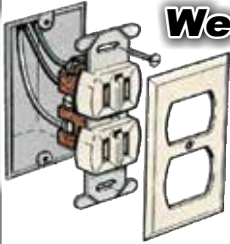
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WATER AEROBICS

Mary Kay Brown

Join us in the Phase 1 Pool, year round, for this fun exercise. If you have a “noodle” bring it, but it is not required and there are some community noodles available at the pool. Classes are held DAILY at 10 AM except Sunday. Call Mary Kay at 740-852-9475.

CARDIO AND CHAIR YOGA CLASSES

Elaine Harsh

PHASE 2 CLUBHOUSE. NEW TIME: Cardio classes are now held every TUESDAY at 10:30AM and normally last about 45 minutes. Chair Yoga is held immediately after the Cardio class at 11:15AM on TUESDAY and on THURSDAY at 11:15AM after Zumba Gold (NEW TIME). If you belong to the SilverSneakers® organization, there is no charge for either class. Otherwise, there is a nominal charge.

ZUMBA GOLD CLASSES

Elaine Harsh

ZUMBA GOLD resumed in July! Classes are now being held on THURSDAYS at 10:30am (NEW TIME) in the PHASE 2 Clubhouse and are being taught by Claudia.

LINE DANCING

Helen Coar

Line dancing is a great way to spend an hour on WENDESDAY evenings. Learn new dances, hear great tunes, laugh with neighbors and get your groove on at 7 pm. For further information, call Helen Coar at 727-726-3923. From beginner to expert, males and females...you won't want to miss this fun night!

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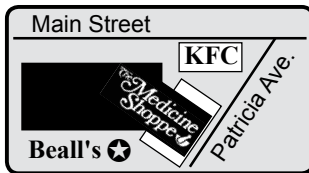
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SHINE (a free program offered by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and the local Area Agency on Aging) trained volunteers are available to assist in selecting the best choice and answer questions regarding Medicare, Medicaid, and health insurance.

SHINE services are free, unbiased and confidential. The Safety Harbor Library will host SHINE volunteers who will provide one-on-one counseling. To schedule an appoint, call 727-724-1525 ext 4107 or email Outreach@cityofsafetyharbor.com. The library is located at 101 Second St. N. in Safety Harbor.

IF YOU have access to the internet www.mybriarcreek.com has almost everything you want or need to know about Briar Creek as well as what is going on in other mobile home parks in the area. BC Mart often offers coupons and there is a “classified” section where you may find something that you didn’t find at BC Mart.

BOOK NOOK

Vivan Rodriguez




Hello all you beautiful people! The month of December is upon us. With it comes all its inherent planning, activities, and hopefully for all of you, pleasant times with family and friends. It’s also a month of strong spiritual connection for those who celebrate Christmas, and a celebration of God’s miracle and religious freedom for those who celebrate Hanukah.

All of that makes December special. You can witness it in the behavior of those around you – the heightened sense of joy and kindness; the moments of nostalgia that make us smile and warm our hearts. Relish those sweet moments and prolong them by spreading that joy. Our community is a wonderful example of that, 365 days a year.

I read an interesting article on Iceland regarding what an important component books are in their celebrations this time of year. (Look, I got something about books in!) Icelanders have a beautiful tradition of giving books to each other on Christmas Eve and then spend the evening reading. This custom is so deeply ingrained in their culture that it gave rise to the annual ‘Jolabokafloð’, or ‘Christmas Book Flood’ – the annual publication and sales of a flood of new books in the month just prior to Christmas.

Books get attention on this small Nordic island, and its population is extremely literate. There, more value is placed on physical paper books as opposed to an e-reader. It sounds like



a wonderful tradition, perfect for a cool quiet evening. And guess what guys; you can create that cozy moment for free by dropping into our Book Nook to borrow something that you like.

Have a wonderful Christmas my friends, and my best wishes to those of other faiths, as well as to those who follow their own paths. Enjoy this very special month.

FREDDIE THE FLAMINGO

Dave Doran

WHAT TO TAKE TO BED WITH YOU

Put your car keys beside your bed at night – not as crazy as it sounds!

Tell your spouse, your children, your neighbors, your parents, your Dr's office, the check-out girl at the market, everyone you run across. Put your car keys beside your bed at night.

If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. It works if you park in your driveway or garage.

If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break into your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around. After a few seconds, all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that!

Remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there. This is something that should really be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime.

P.S. I am sending this to you because I think it is fantastic; would also be useful for any emergency, such as a heart attack, where you can't reach a phone. My Mom has suggested to my Dad that he carry his car keys with him in case he falls outside and she doesn't hear him. He can activate the car alarm and then she'll know there's a problem....

Please pass this on even IF you've read it before. It's a reminder.

Be on the lookout for new Q.A. format. Each month Freddie Flamingo will answer a question for you; many will be related to Briar Creek. This will be a fun, interesting and educational feature. Look for details in the near future.



VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS

Lesley Blake

Clowning...who's serving who

I am so grateful we moved to Briar Creek in 2005. Across the road was a menagerie of circus characters parading up and down the driveway on Sugar Bear Drive! What kind of neighborhood had we moved into? It wasn't the quiet, idyllic, peaceful adult community that we had envisioned!

I soon found out my new neighbor was a teacher at Clown College. She was a therapeutic clown who visited hospitals, nursing homes and Alzheimer's units. There was one opening at the hospital for Clown College that week, so I signed up. My neighbor was Barbara Poss or "Lil Girl." My other clown teacher was "Daffodil." Today I call them my Florida mums. We're best friends.

I admire both women for living lives of service; with their support it became my mission to be of service too. They were always out and about giving back.

Because of some crazy clowns and very sick people, I've found my passion have learned how I, too, can make a difference. They've shown me how to live in the moment. They've shown me how to live life to the fullest with joy and enthusiasm.

Many of the "senior" clowns and the patients have serious disabilities but nothing stops them from enjoying life. Their courage and tenacity is an inspiration to me. The patient/clients appreciate every effort we make and happily sing, dance, play and laugh along with us.

I'm a snowbird; when I returned to clown last week, my old friends at the homes welcomed me back. It was like a family reunion. "Sunlight"! You're back! We missed you! They shout and clap. I feel like a rock star. Many arrived early to get front row seats. Some I've known now for over ten years!

It is absolute bliss holding hands and singing with my friends. As clowns, we have created a family of friends who love and care for each other. Time stands still! It's miraculous!

I am grateful we chose to move the Briar Creek. Because of that and some crazy clowns and sick people I found my passion! I can make a difference and I know they have made a difference in my life. I wonder who's serving who.



(Editor's note: That's the beauty of volunteering; when you find a match it becomes a symbiotic relationship.)

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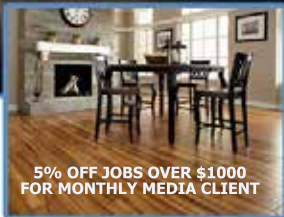
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(Pete Loranger-Editor Phone 421-2321)
(E-Mail: Pete316@Knology.net)

ANNUAL CONDO MEETING

Date: December 4, 2017

Place: Briar Creek II Clubhouse

Time: 7:00 P.M.

Attention Property Owners

Progressive Management will be mailing the information this month. Owners need to submit their General Limited Proxy for our Annual Meeting. Your completed signed proxy allows your Board of Directors to conduct business for 2018. Proxy must be signed by person listed on title of your property. Unsigned proxies will NOT be counted.

PROXY:

- 1 – Vote for all items listed
- 2 – Sign and date (signature of owner on title)

REMEMBER, your proxy will give us our quorum and without a quorum, your maintenance fee will go up considerably.

- 1 – Sign proxy (owner on title)
- 2 – Unit number (listed on outside of Progressive mailing)
- 3 – Date
- 4 – Put in proper envelope

Deadline for Proxy is 5P.M. 12/4/2017

Ways to submit your proxy:

- 1 – Drop in mail slot @ director's office in clubhouse.
- 2 – Give to Joan Davis anytime, or drop off @ 131 Forest Lane, side door has a basket.
- 3 – Mail to Progressive Management (separate envelopes)

We recommend you give your proxy to Joan Davis or drop in mail slot @ director's office. Mailing slows down the tally process. Early submission insures we meet our quorum.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, please call Joan Davis @ 726-4829. If I am not home, leave a message and I will call you back. I will also get extra proxy forms, should you make a mistake.

Thanks for your help in having a smooth Annual Meeting.

Joan Davis

BC II PHONE TREE

MARSHA BOWLBY/JUDITH HOLDEN

The BC2PhoneTree is growing; we have over 130 families, if you haven't joined yet, please consider it. It's a good way to get the same information to everyone in a reasonable time frame. The e-mails are sent out by Blind Copy so nobody will see your e-mail address. If you have any questions let me know.

The phone calls that are made are only calls regarding a passing of a Phase II resident. The phone tree will send out that as well as messages from the Condo Board, Social Club and more. I will put in the subject line what the e-mail is regarding. That way you will know if you want to open it or not.

If you are not on the e-mail listing, and have not received calls, we might not have a correct phone number for you. So again please call me and we will get the information needed. IF YOU DO NOT WANT PHONE CALLS we need to know that also, so we can take you name off the calling list.



TO SIGN UP

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Your street address

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Message from Social Club President

Jean Schmidt

Message from the President.....Jean Schmidt

In the spirit of the holiday season, please come to our third Saturday morning Social Club Meeting and volunteer to fill vacancies on the incoming board: President Elect and Corresponding Secretary. No one came forward to serve on the Nominating Committee, so volunteer candidates will be nominated from the floor....if no one comes forward, I believe the new President, Marge Grohskopf can appoint persons of her choosing to fill these vacancies. We also need helpers to serve coffee on all Saturday mornings and/or serve on any of our many committees. All volunteers are welcome to join any committee of interest! Let's make 2018 a year to celebrate our volunteers and keep Briar Creek II the most hospitable neighborhood it has always been.

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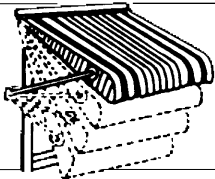
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Travel Club

Karen Johnson & Roz Lucas

Wednesday, Dec. 14th from 5-7 is our travel club pizza party. It is free to all our members. If you do not belong, it costs \$1.00 plus a \$1.00 for next year's dues. This is the time for everyone to renew their membership and make sure we have your correct e-mail address. If you haven't already signed up, please do that now so we have a count for how many pizza's we need to order. Saturday, December 9th is the cut-off day.

Thursday, January 9th is our next day trip to Winter Park, Florida. We will be going on a scenic boat ride on the lakes of winter park and after lunch we will be going to the Morse Museum . This museum houses the largest collection of Tiffany glass anywhere, It also has American art and many, many other displays. Everyone who has been there just raves about it. So don't miss it. The cost is \$68pp and lunch is on your own this trip. There are lots of restaurants in the area from coffee shops to fine dining so you will have a nice choice to pick from. If you have already signed up but have not yet paid, we need your checks now. If you wish to sign up, please do so with a check made out to "Advantage Cruises and tours".

We have some room on the bus yet for our New Orleans trip. Grab a flyer and see what a great week this will be. Don't miss out on this one!!

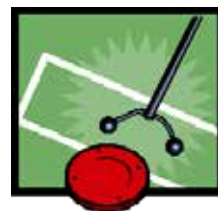
We have several other things, the race track, the dinner theater, etc. all in the works and we will let you know in next month's media about them all.

Thanks again for all your support. Roz and Karen

Shuffleboard

Tom Feeley

The shuffle board courts in Phase II are open for you enjoyment on a daily basis. As in the past couple of years, there is a group that shows up on Wednesday mornings around 930 AM and play for a couple hours. Due to an insufficient amount of players needed for league play, there will be no organized team play for Briar Creek II this season.



If you are interested in playing on Saturdays in the associated league – starts in December or January, please contact Ellie Prevost. The associated league plays at Briar Creek I shuffleboard courts and also at the Clearwater Shuffleboard courts. There are shuffleboard tournaments every Thursday at the Clearwater Shuffleboard Club located at 1020 Calumet Street, Clearwater, Fl. Tournaments include pro and amateur. Clearwater Shuffleboard Club is a great place to sharpen your skills as a player. Any questions, please contact Tom Feeley.

Bus Etiquette

Karen & Roz

Karen and I would like to put a few things out there for everyone who goes on bus trips.



1. Please BE ON TIME.
2. Please do not wear perfume or cologne on the bus. There are so many people allergic to these different smells and some people are just not aware of how much they are wearing.
3. When you get off the bus, please be aware of where the bus is picking you up. Not fair to the escort to have to go running around looking for people.
4. Make sure you have the cell phone numbers of your bus escort and travel leaders. This is in case you ignore no#3!
5. If the bus stops for a restroom break, it is just that. Not a half hour gift shop break. Again, holds the bus up and gets the whole trip off schedule.
6. By just doing these few things, you show consideration for all your fellow travelers and everyone winds up having a better time. Thanks for all the support you give us and keep on traveling!

Entertainment

Carol Rodrigues

This season we are ramping up our entertainment schedule and the committee has been working on many fun events at low cost for our community.

Friday, Dec. 8 we will have a light dinner served from 5:30 to 6:30 with Pete Foley and his kitchen crew. Watch for the menu to be announced in posters at the clubhouses. The cost will remain \$3.00 per person and pay at the door, no reservations needed. Come anytime during the hour for a wonderful meal. Ron Scott will be overseeing the oldies music for this event. Come eat, sing along and dance the night away. Ron will start the music at 6:30 and it will run until 9:00 pm. There will be no cost for the entertainment so if you can't eat, come and enjoy the music, no sign up required.

Thursday, Dec. 28 is bunco. A great evening of fun \$3.00 starting at 6:30 for dessert and 7:00 the game begins. This is an easy dice game to learn. Come, meet your neighbors and enjoy the evening, no sign up necessary.

Saturday, January 13 Ron and Pete will again sponsor an evening of dinner with karaoke to follow. All for the low price of \$3.00 for dinner, and the music is free for all. Come at 5:30 for dinner and stay for the music. More details next month.

Thursday, January 18 is bunco. See information above for December.

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Thursday, January 25 is our first Showtime performance of the season. We are featuring comedian Jimmy Travis. Tickets are \$25.00 per person for both the January and February 16 show. If you made advance reservations, the money is now due to Pete Loranger by December 1. The doors will open at 6 p.m. bring appetizers to share with your table and also your drink of choice. The show will start promptly at 7 pm.

Sunday, January 28 we will have a golf cart event followed by a potluck dinner. Details to follow in next month's Media. This event will be free to all, bring a dish to share.

Saturday, February 3 we will again have our combined phase I and II soup-a-thon. This is a wonderful yearly event that you just can't miss, just \$3.00 brings you a diverse variety of soups. If you make a soup to share you get in free. More details next month.

Friday, February 16 will be our second Showtime event featuring singers and comedians Red Hot and Blue Collar. A great evening of fun and you've already paid for the tickets! Come chat with your friends, munch on some appetizers, and enjoy a wonderful evening with the show starting at 7 pm.

All of the above events are open to members of both phase I and phase II

Briar Creek Entertainment Schedule for 2017 – 2018 Phase II

- November 18, Saturday – dinner and karaoke
- December 8, Friday – dinner and oldies dance
- January 13, Saturday – dinner and karaoke
- January 25, Thursday – Showtime
- January 28, Sunday – golf cart event and potluck dinner
- February 3, Saturday – soup-a-thon
- February 16, Friday – Showtime
- February 24, Saturday – dinner and oldies dance
- March 11, Sunday – volunteer appreciation breakfast
- March 23, Friday, dinner and karaoke

BUNCO

Marge Grohskopf

Bunco will be on Dec. 28 at 6:30. Relax after the Christmas Rush. Sign up at Sat. coffee or call Marge Grohskopf at 533-6603. We need a minimum of 16 people, walk-ins are always welcome \$3.00. Dessert at 6:30 we begin playing at 7:00. Easy game to learn, enjoy the laughs and socializing. Please wear your name tag if you have one.



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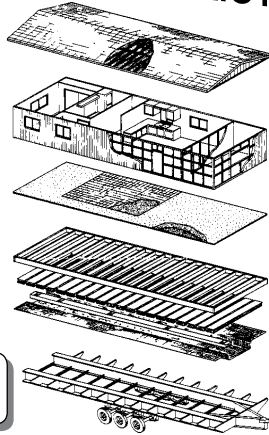
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DECEMBER 25TH – CHRISTMAS DAY

JANUARY 1ST – NEW YEAR'S DAY

Monthly Mingle

Jean Williams

With Christmas being 3 days after our regular Mingle date (Dec.21st), we will wait until January 18th for our next MINGLE. WOW! That will be 2018!!!
Happy Holidays, One and All

SOCIAL CLUB CHRISTMAS DINNER

Joan Davis & Billie Berry & Pete L.

This year's Christmas Dinner will be held on December 16, 2017. The cost will be \$5.00 per person for non- members and guests.

Members must show their 2017 Social Club card to receive their free ticket.

The Social Club will provide the ham and rolls. Each table will provide the pot luck dishes to go with the ham, including the dessert and decorate your tables. Be sure to sign up for a table r 18 through December 9, 2017. Try to get your groups together and sign up as a group, and let Pete know who the table Hostess is. As in the past we will try to provide an extra table for your convenience. Tables should be of 8 or 16 to make this happen. No one will be able to sign up after that date. Festivities will start at 5:00 pm with B.Y.O.B., followed by the introduction of your new neighbors. Dinner will start at 6:00 pm and entertainment will begin at 7:00 pm.

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BC II Dial Directory

Art Tavenor

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I have the forms. You can reach me at 727-754-6345 or arttavenor@gmail.com

I will also be at the Social Club news and coffee hour most Saturday mornings.

Please contact me also, if you have a change in your number or if there was a mistake in the 2017-2018 directory.

Home Inspections

Clark Woodward

I know that inspections are two months away but I want to remind owners that this is the time to check things out. Take a walk around your home, is there grass growing inside your skirting, is the front planter free of black mold, is there anything growing in your gutters, is your roof dirty? Is your house green on the north side? Now is a good time to schedule repairs and cleaning before you get busy with the holidays.

The Pill Bottle Ministry

Stella Tavenor

Thank you so much for supporting the pill bottle ministry; a special thank you to Carol Smitley for filling in for me while I was away.

M25M -Matthew 25 Ministries – a Christian charity, in Blue Ash, Ohio. They send the bottles along with other medical supplies to needed locations in the USA and overseas, where sanitary dispensing of medications is difficult.

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Darlene Beyer

Phase I & Phase II, come and join us at the Phase II clubhouse for Knitting, crocheting, sewing, quilting & crafts, on Mondays!

Sit and stitchers, our knitters and crocheters, will still meet on Mondays @ 1pm to 3pm at the Phase II clubhouse. That has not changed.

Sewers & quilters, will be meeting at Phase II clubhouse @ 10am On Mondays starting in January 2018 for classes or open sewing. A schedule of classes will be determined by the people who are interested and they will be announced @ Saturday coffee, posted on the clubhouse bulletin board and posted in the newsletters.

I would appreciate all of your input and suggestions. I am sure that many of you have learned and made some really neat things, and it would be great to have you share them with all of us.

Other craft projects that will be taught will either be at the 10am session, or at the 1pm session. Those will be announced. We may also have workshops to make items for our bazaar and/or for community projects.

Any questions and interest that you may have concerning the above, feel free to call us
Darlene Beyer 727-403-9957, Sandy Fassett 727-424-6045

THANKS

Pete - Editor of the Media

Time again to thank our area representatives for delivering the MEDIA (BUGLE) every month.

This is a challenging job for them. Deliver or not to because of rain? Etc etc. Their questions:... Who is still here? Who has left? Who has returned?... Please have patience. If you do not receive a Media... CALL ME OR THE REP who handles your street. YOU WILL BE TAKEN CARE OF ASAP.

THANKS TO:

Kim Phillips

Dottie Frederich

Ed Hoage

Larry and June Van Wormer

Joan Davis

Earl Bowermaster

Arlene Lambert

A THANK YOU

What happens to all those cards you put in the basket at the clubhouse for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Get Well, etc etc.....WELL!!!!...A volunteer has been delivering them for you for years..We thank Carol Smitley for this job well done. Remember, Carol does not deliver Holiday Cards.....

Also..... WHO decorates the clubhouse circle EVERY FLAG HOLIDAY?.....YES!!!!
Carol does this also. Thank you Carol from BCII

Bowling Scores

Nancy Burch

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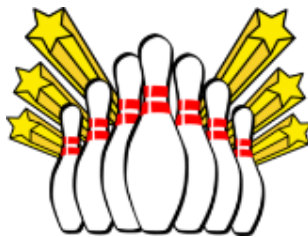
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Ladies' Luncheon

Carol Smitley

The December 13th Luncheon is scheduled to be held at the Rusty Pelican, 2425 N. Rocky Point Dr. , Tampa. This is scheduled one week earlier because of Christmas. For the first time we are inviting the husbands and significant others as well as guests. Please make sure you are signed up if you are going to attend. (Signup sheet is in the hallway, Phase II.) Reservations will be turned in earlier than usual, so please sign up. Remember it is at 1:00.



Briarettes'

Betty Hudd

We would like to thank Sue Sampson from SHINE in presenting us Medicare 101 in such an informative manner and to call 1-800-963-5337 for any questions in concerns about medicare.

If you plan to attend please sign under the Briarettes on the bulletin board at your club house for a head count and see the particulars for our Dec 5th Christmas get together, thank you.

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SOUTHWIND CRAFT FAIR and BAKE SALE: December 2nd, 9am-1pm. 795 County Road !, Palm Harbor

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ANNUAL CARPORT SALE. 12/2 & 12/3 8am-2pm . Lincolnshire Estates 1071 Donegan Rd, Largo. Carport sale, furniture, nick nacks, glassware and more. Over 100 homes participating.

Moving/Estate/Yard Sale: January 6, 2018 8am-3pm 124 Ranch Ave. in Ranch Mobile Park. Antiques, Household goods, furniture. Everything priced to sell.

Ranch Mobile Park Wide Yard Sale, Saturday, January 6th, 8:00am - 2:00pm at 6800 - 150th Ave. N., Clearwater, (Largo).

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - December 16th, 10am - 2pm. Vacation Village 6900 Ulmerton Rd.

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Jay & Sandy Watson

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Jay & Sandy

Bible Study

Kathy Cobb

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Ladies Golf at Briar Creek

(Phase I & II)

Come join the lady golfers in Briar Creek. If you used to golf and would like to play again, or if you are a regular golfer and want to join a casual group, just call or email me.

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(Allow 4-6 weeks for mailing of check). This month's cash winners are:

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Daniel Rowler	\$10	Boss Electric Corp.	Lee DeBeaudry	\$5	Natures Resource Pest Control, Inc.
Michael Kent.....	\$10	Imperial Electric Service of Pinellas	Lynn Ruhl.....	\$5	Ron Wyngarden Mobile Home Washing
Julia Warner	\$10	Royal Enterprises	Marilyn Larochele.....	\$5	Jones & Sons Plumbing, Inc.
Maurice Fisher	\$10	Suncoast Auto & Tire, Inc.	Barb Wilcox	\$5	Doll Brothers Carpet Cleaners
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Pete Loranger

Birthdays

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12/14	Marie Gifford	12/09	Arnold Grohskopf
12/02	Alice Williams	12/28	Larry Van Wormer
12/15	Jackie Labounty	12/09	Edward Clark
12/03	Betty Beattie	12/29	Tom Feeley
12/16	Ava Ulrey	12/10	Jo Cicale
12/04	Richard Howd	12/29	Bob Pierce
12/21	Wayne Clark	12/10	Aidee Colina
12/05	Russ Lipari	12/30	Bonnie Briggs
12/06	Michael Schmidt	12/11	Ken Kellerman
12/25	Mary DeMark	12/31	Richard Milewski
12/07	Gloria Boettger	12/13	Richard Vincent
		12/31	Betty Rizzo



Anniversaries

12/07/1957	Art & Stella Tavenor – 60 years
12/31/1997	Les & Judy Maynard – 20 years



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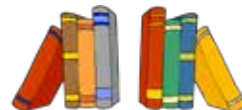
Briar Creek Book Club

(Phase I & II)

Are you interested in joining a book club? Enjoy reading a variety of genres, and have fun discussing books with friends. The book list for this club is already established through Jan. 2018, so it's easy to join at any time.

We presently have one or two openings. Please contact me if you are interested or have questions.

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Mixed Golf Scrambles at Briar Creek

Feb. 23 and April 6 (Phase I & II)

Attention all golfers! Two scrambles have been scheduled again this winter-- sign-up sheets will be in your clubhouse later. Sign up individually, as a twosome, or make your own foursome. It will be casual and fun.

We plan to golf 18 holes at Countryway Golf Course during the afternoon, and then eat dinner together at Daddy's restaurant. Put the dates on your calendar now—you don't want to miss out on these enjoyable events with friends!

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BAZAAR

Pete

Remember this event is creeping up on us. We are in need of Jewelry, "CHEER" for the baskets etc etc and will accept cash donations. Check that booze cabinet, clean out your jewelry boxes. THANK YOU ALL FOR THE SUPPORT SO FAR.... It has only just begun!!!!!! . Thank you.

My list of volunteers is expanding. It is first come, first served for the area you want to work in. Some areas are full already such as Bakery and Jewelry! Be sure to let me know what your desires are. Areas available are Inside Trash and Treasures, Linens, Books/Tapes, Glass, Kitchen Stuff, Electric, Trash and Treasures OUTSIDE, Furniture, 50/50 sales, Liquor raffle sales and Raffle sales. Email me... call me..... see me..... And I will work with you. Also important: If you want to head up an area – important to let me know. I cannot assume last year's people still want the jobs.



Dates are March 2nd and 3rd , 2017. More info to come soon.

I am looking for a volunteer to handle and distribute the letters requesting gift certificates/ donations for the raffle. I will provide the letters.





Board & Social Club Committee Chairperson Responsibilities (continued)

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