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Vice President	Andy Philyaw (793-9819)	Billie Ogrodowski (470-9118)
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Treasurer	Bob Barr (644-8136)	Joan Davis (726-4829)
Director	Ray Jablonski (386-5283)	Bill Briggs (726-1915)
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Director	Everett Wardell (585-690-3044)	Arnold Grohskopf (533-6603)









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### **Briar Creek Phase I News**

#### Betty Chatigny, Editor 727-216-3871 (email: media@mybriarcreek.com)

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#### **Important Phone Numbers**

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## **BOARD BUSINESS**

### Lawn Mowing

Barbara Pesic

eekly mow dates for November are on the following Fridays: Friday 11/6 and Friday 11/20. Mowing service is twice monthly for November. December, January and February will be once per month.



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### **Owner's Classified - Briar Creek Webmaster**

o you have an item for sale or services available? The www.mybriarcreek.com website list products Briar Creek owners have for sale, as well as services they can provide. Also this page displays comments, satisfactory and unsatisfactory, on vendors they have hired. This is your ideal source on owner sales and services. If you have something to sell or information on a vendor, contact webmaster@ mybriarcreek.com.

Are You Looking To Rent?

If you are planning to lease your property either for the winter season or on an annual basis, then contact webmaster@mybriarcreek.com.

### **Sweeping the Streets**

Gene Arend

This issue has come up at other board meetings, as well as the one in September. When we originally put out bids for lawn care services several years ago, RayMow was the first one we could find that had the ability to run a sweeper truck on our streets. As some will remember, prior to that the Board hired a sweeper truck to do the streets twice a year when the leaves from the Oak trees were falling. RayMow provided that service at a no cost, or a maybe a nominal fee, as I recall.

The original intent was to sweep our street of casual debris and all the leaves and pollen that fall from our trees for several weeks twice each year. The intent was never to remove all the grass clippings. There may have been a time when the sweeping included collecting grass clippings. The primary service we are looking for in a lawn care vendor is to cut the lawns, edge the lawns and trim protected areas around each unit. The advent a few years ago of the street sweeping was a plus. They do not remove weeds from flower beds and they do not trim in any area protected by some form of barrier so as not to damage any property. The intent is also to have a crew in and out all in one day. They will use blowers as an expedient way to clean up



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loose organic matter and blow it back onto the lawns. I fully understand that a powerful air blower may not be the most ideal means to clearing the organic material, but it is the timeliest means. We are using a vendor who can provide the service all in one day.

Of course there are vendors, including the current one, who can be more meticulous but that will require additional time and an additional day meaning double the cost -- which the majority of the owners do not want nor do they want the monthly maintenance fee to increase for such a reason.

It may never be possible to please all the owners and I am sure there will be some who will disagree, but I judge we -- as a Board -- are providing the best care possible and at the most reasonable cost. We currently budget \$13.62 per month per unit for lawn care. In summer that's \$3.40 per lawn. Not sure we can do any better than that without having to raise our monthly association fees. I think overall the lawn care service is acceptable for the most part; and Barbara Pesic is always open to hear any issues should they arise, but this is not one of them.

### Inspections

The Board of Directors will begin the Annual property inspections in January South of Briar Creek Blvd and in February North of Briar Creek Blvd. This will allow all our residents time to make any needed changes prior to anyone's departure for the summer.

It is important to note one small change. If you typically have your home washed or complete other repairs outside the 30 day extensions from the date of the inspection, you can note that date and the board of directors will contact you if the date is not agreeable. The property will be re-inspected after the completion date/s to close out any inspection report rendered.

It is very important to note that during the summer, some properties have fallen into disrepair from overgrowth or other effects to the home. It is the responsibility of every owner to arrange for maintenance in their absences. If the property should deteriorate below the community standards, the board of directors will commission a maintenance crew to perform the maintenance at your expense, and the expense will be assessed to your unit. This entire process has made Briar Creek stay in high demand by owners and elevated the property values in the area.

We view our community as a five star example to other such communities and enjoy the compliments and esteem Briar Creek so richly deserves.

I (Gene Arend) will need some volunteers to assist with the inspections. There will be a sign-up sheet on the directors board, or e-mail me at garend@mybriarcreek.com or call 727-725-5844. I will not perform the inspection but supervise the inspections and act as an appeal process if you disagree with an inspector opinion. If there is no resolution after the appeal, then you can petition a three member panel of the board of directors who will make a final decision. The inspectors will inspect the entire property with emphasis on curb or street appeal.

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### **TO: ALL BRIAR CREEK PHASE 1 PROPERTY OWNERS RE: PROXIES FOR ANNUAL MEETING – DECEMBER 7, 2015**

You will be receiving in the mail from Progressive Management your General/Limited Proxy. It is important that all owners submit their Proxy for our Annual Meeting scheduled for 10:00 AM, Monday December 7, 2015. Your completed SIGNED Proxy ensures the Board of Directors will be allowed to conduct business during 2016. Unsigned proxies will not be counted.

Be sure you vote for each issue as explained in the Proxy. A quorum of owners (159 of 317) is required to pass the listed issues. Only one Proxy is valid per property. If you own two properties, submit a proxy for each one. Please show your Unit Number, then date and SIGN your Proxy before submitting. The signature must be any owner on the title. If you change, or have changed the title or mailing address since purchasing, you need to let Progressive Management know.

You must submit your Proxy prior to 10:00 AM on December 7, 2015.

There are several ways to submit your Proxy:

- 1. Drop in mail slot at Clubhouse Directors Office; or
- 2. Give to Jo Ann Barr any time, or drop off at 106 Cedar Elm Dr, put in black mail box at back door; or
- 3. Mail to Progressive Management.

It is recommended that your Proxy be dropped at the Directors Office or given to Jo Ann Barr. Mailing slows the tally process. Early submission insures there are enough proxies received to conduct business during the 2016 year.

If you have any questions or need to know your Unit Number, please call Jo Ann Barr (727-669-3820). Thanks for your help.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Extra copies of the Proxy voting page will be available. Progressive Management mails your Proxy to the address they have on record for you.





### **Don't Forget to Change Your Clocks!**

t's that time again! We should have moved our clocks BACK one hour when we went to bed Saturday, October 31st, so when we awaken Sunday morning, November 1st, we would once again be in sync with the correct time. The old saying, "Spring ahead and Fall back," says it all.

### Wednesday Meetings

very Wednesday morning, there is a coffee meeting for all Phase 1 residents, (plus their visitors). Coffee and pastries are available for purchase at 8:30AM. The "official" meeting starts at 9:30AM.

### **New Residents**

•David Holmes & Connie Potter-Holmes, 85 Cypress

# **NEW MONTHLY FEATURE**

#### In the Spotlight

B ob Thygerson was born in a city called Fond du Lac in Wisconsin. The name Fond du Lac is French for bottom of the lake, named as such because of its location at the bottom, or south end, of Lake Winnebago. His mother, Marie,



worked in a drugstore, while he was just a lad, and nis father, Fred, was a toolmaker by trade. His younger sister, Jeanne Marie Nietert, 89, is married and now lives in Novi, Michigan.

When Bob was in kindergarten, he lived within seven blocks of school; then when he went into elementary school, the school was almost in his back yard so he could take a short stroll and end up at school. When Bob was ready for high school, he had to take a bus to attend. At school, being on the short side, he had no interest in contact sports, so he pursued cheerleading and was a valued member of the golf team at Fairmont High School in Kettering, Ohio. Since Bob was of small stature, and jobs were difficult to come by, he went back to Fairmont to take another year of school classes. While doing that, the ...continued on page 17

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music teacher worked with him to promote Bob's evolving musical talents.

After graduating from high school, and with World War II looming on the horizon, Bob was drafted into the U.S. Army and was assigned to the Field Artillery Division. Bob saw combat in the European Theater; in fact, he landed in France in 1943. His division was within 100 miles of Berlin during that time period.

In the summer of 1945, still in the European area, an army pal suggested that Bob take some personal leave time, so he did just that, and ended up in Minehead, Wales, enjoying a respite from his military duties. Minehead is a beautiful seaside town in the heart of Exmoor in Somerset. Since Minehead was a resort area, housing was scarce and he ended up in a rooming house after looking for lodging. The landlady told him there was only a garret room available. Bob was thrilled with this arrangement, especially when he saw the double bed. He said the house reminded him of a castle.

Bob was sound asleep in the garret room when he heard someone running down the street yelling. He listened closely and realized the man was yelling, "Japan has surrendered." What glorious words to hear! When Bob discovered he was the only American in that town, and treated like a "celebrity," it was doubly exciting to know the war had ended and he was famous! Well, at least for a few days.

When Bob was discharged from the Army, interestingly on Christmas Day 1945, he used the GI bill to fund his college education, and after college graduation, he returned to the Kettering, Ohio, area and, once again, returned to Fairmont High. This time he was first the assistant to the music teacher, and sometimes his teaching duties involved moving from building to building to guide students in the world of music. Bob was also very adept in (and showed a tremendous talent for) musical arranging. Eventually Bob replaced his original music teacher's slot and ended up as a supervisor.

Bob was always interested in the field of music and honed his skill over the years, not only during high school, where he played in a trio, as well as with smaller bands in the area, and performed at various fraternal organizations such as the Moose, Elks and other venues, and also filled in for many pianists who lacked Bob's keyboard skills. One group wanted someone who can play "pop" style piano, and luckily, a lady friend was available to teach Bob that particular style of piano music.

Bob worked many shows, night clubs, as well as working with Class B actors, gaining a stellar reputation as his career grew. He was working with a choir group one day and met a widow named Pat. Pat had five children, and kept busy with her children, as well as being a neighborhood chauffer, driving her "magic station wagon," ferrying kids to and from various destinations. After a few years, things progressed in Bob and Pat's relationship to the point where marriage was the only resolution.

Bob and Pat were married at a Cleveland, Ohio, resort area by a minister in a small ceremony, with both Bob's daughter by a previous marriage, and Pat's five children, so the nuptials were well-attended with only family members! Bob mentioned during our interview that there



was a lot of adjustment necessary, taking on a new wife, as well as shepherding five additional children! But with time, energy and a forgiving attitude on everyone's part, their lifestyle blended well.

As Bob's retirement years neared, a teacher friend mentioned he had a place in the Safety Harbor area that Bob could use as a vacation spot. Bob enjoyed the laid-back lifestyle in Briar Creek enough that he ended up buying his very own vacation place. After several years of snow-birding, Bob and Pat moved to Briar Creek full time.

Bob said he has had a heck of interesting life so far -- he was successful as a entertainer, met many actors, fellow musicians, as well as other celebrities in the show business world. As he said, "My dreams were fulfilled." How typical is that response from Bob Thygerson. He has always exhibited a positive, friendly, talented, cooperative, attitude and Briar Creek is blessed to have someone of Bob's caliber not only living here, also someone who shares his talents so freely and generously.

Bob's wife, Patricia (or Pat, as she was known to her many friends) became ill in 2012 and passed away in September 2013. Bob cared for her during her illness with quiet strength and perseverance, even though it sometimes took a toll on his own well-being. Bob would transport Pat and her wheelchair to the weekly Bingo games, something they both enjoyed, and it was always a plus when either of them won.

Bob plays the piano for Briar Creek's Wednesday morning coffee hour, an accompaniment for "God Bless America," and also plays background for our birthday and anniversary songs. Bob provided gentle guidance during Briar Creek plays, comedy shows, and other activities, displaying lots of patience considering all the amateurs he's dealing with, and did it all with his usual panache.

It is a pleasure to have Bob selected to be "In the Spotlight" for November 2015. Thank you, Bob, for all you have done for our community.

### In the Spotlight

f you would like to have your biography selected for a subsequent "in the spotlight" article, just fill out a card with your name and deposit it in the plastic container that is available on Wednesday mornings at the weekly coffee hour.

One name is drawn each month, and if your name is selected, you will have a short account of your life, as well as your photograph featured in the next Monthly Media. It's a fun way to let people know a little bit more about your history, special interests, experiences in your life, and perhaps even how you came to live in Briar Creek. We welcome the opportunity to know more about you!

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### **November Birthdays & Anniversaries - Betty Chatigny**

#### **Birthdays**

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November 1	Bob Thygerson	November 14	Effie Reed
November 3	Joe Dawson	November 16	Denise Bienvenue
November 4	Larry Lunsford	November 16	Margaret Stockhammer
November 4	Linda Miller	November 17	Barbara Pesic
November 5	Thomas Miller	November 17	Carol Powell
November 8	Mary Montoya	November 18	Patricia Dion
November 9	Mike Benoit	November 17	Judy Whitehouse
November 9	Deborah Landon	November 19	Gene Arend
November 10		November 20	Mary Casola
November 10		November 21	Betty Rossello
November 10		November 22	Sharon Greene
November 11		November 22	Joanne Porter
November 11	1	November 24	Kenny Henson
November 12		November 26	Mary Ann Green
November 12		November 27	Maryann Horvath
November 12		November 27	Shirley Gallo
November 14	I John Furst	November 30	Everett Wardell

### **November Anniversaries - Betty Chatigny**

November 1	Cy & Elsie Anderson
November 1	Joe & Rhonda Winder
November 2	Frank & Katherine Scanniello
November 5	Joe & Mary Casola
November 8	Thomas & Dale Hawkins
November 11	Tom & Dorothy Doyle (1962)



Note: If you would like your anniversary year included, please let me know. If your birthday and/or anniversary information needs correction or inclusion, please leave a message at 727-216-3871 (or email *bettychatigny@ hotmail.com*).





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Winners for 09/16/15 Marty Martin, 50/50 Joe Guazzerotti, Weekly Drawing Winners for 09/23/15 Pat Bourdon, 50/50 Terry Henry, Weekly Drawing Winners for 09/30/15 Elaine Harsh, 50/50 Karen Mbiad, Weekly Drawing Winners for 10/07/15 Joe Guazzerotti, 50/50 Marie Thomas, Weekly Drawing



# PHASE 1'S ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW AND SALE

et all your wonderful handicrafts ready -- The Briar Creek, Phase 1 Craft Show for this year will be held on November 29th from 1-5 PM in the Phase 1 Clubhouse, just in time for Christmas gift purchasing. Mark this event on your calendar!! Last year's event was a great success and we plan to meet or exceed it this year! Eight ft. (8') tables will again be only \$10 each. You can contact Andy Philyaw at 793-9819 with any questions, or by come over to 110 Juniperus Drive with your check (made out to Briar Creek Social Club), or cash to reserve your table or tables. Please contact us AFTER October 25th as we will be out of town until then.

Reserve your space early and choose your location!! Andy or Sharon will be coming to Phase 2's Coffee Hour on Saturday mornings (after October 25th) to remind everyone of the event and the need to reserve your spot. Hope

to see all last year's participants and many more new talented participants this year!

## **Bazaar/Jewelry**

Helen Coar

t's not too early to think about the Bazaar. The Jewelry committee needs your donations of jewelry, purses, hats, scarfs, wallets and other accessories. Items can be given to either Terry Henry or me. It will take all your help to beat last year's sales. Thank you.



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# **Briar Creek II**

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owling Iah Jongg	24	25 Early Bird Breakfast at "Daddy's"	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28 8am Coffee & Donuts 9am Social Club News



The Fall Fling dance was an enjoyable way to "officially" greet the Fall season. Rick Kelly, as usual, did a great job as DJ and we danced, dined and drank the evening away. Claudia Garzon, our Cardio and Zumba instructor, attended the event as our special guest and even led her Zumba class in an exhibition of the type of dancing we do in our Friday Zumba class. The song was "Fireball," and the group strutted, wiggled and stepped their way through the musical selection. A 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Ray Jablonski!

Elaine Harsh and Alice Hall were in charge of our delicious snacks; Kathleen Cory and her team picked a Fall theme for the table decorations, including colorful autumn leaves strewn across the tables and orange-tinged decorative table tea light candles.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped, both with the set-up and the clean-up. And more thanks to the people who donated home-baked goods. I don't think there were many leftovers. The old saying, "Many hands make light work," was very appropriate for the event.

### **Upcoming Events for November**

- •Saturday, November 21, Johnny Charro Band Dance
- •Thursday, November 26, Thanksgiving Dinner Cruise
- •Sunday, November 29, Craft Show at Clubhouse, 1-5PM

### **Membership Cards**

Social Club memberships for the 2015-16 season are on sale throughout the year. The proceeds help our Social Club, and a membership card is only \$1.00 per person for an entire year! The activities that go on at the Clubhouse, such as Wednesday morning coffee, water aerobics, exercises, art lessons, cards, bingo, shuffleboard, crafts, plus

all the other social activities in Briar Creek, are available to you. Naturally, you don't have to have to be a Social Club member to partake of our community activities, but it might be the right thing to do, especially since being a member means you are eligible to win \$5 every Wednesday. Of course, that's only if your name is drawn, you are present, AND you are wearing your name tag. If you're new to our community and would like a membership card, please contact Kathleen Cory, 727-452-1607.







► A Smoky Mountain trip is scheduled for November 15 for 6 days and 5 nights. A Single accommodation is \$899; a Double is \$649 for each person. If you are interested in this trip, send \$150.00 deposit; final payment is due by 9/30/15. This is a wonderful trip and everything is geared around a Christmas theme. Send check to Judy Young or call 727-725-2090 for more details and/or questions.

► An upcoming trip (one very popular in past years) is a Thanksgiving Day Dinner Cruise on 11/26/15, leaving from Clearwater. More details in an upcoming issue.

► Our annual St. Augustine trip, highlighted by the Holiday Night of Lights Festival, on 12/6/15 for 3 days and 2 night. Single accommodations are \$469; and Doubles \$369 each person. The deposit required is \$74.00 ASAP (first come, first served).

Suggestions for future trips are always welcome and your thoughts should be communicated to Judy Young (727-725-2090). Many more details are available for all of the above trips in the clubhouse, or sign up online www.mybriarcreek.com under the Travel Club banner.

## **Shuffle Courts**

f you see us down there practicing, come join us we are always looking for new members to join our "B" team which is composed of new shufflers and those with a few years' experience. The courts are free, the disc are free, the cues are free, the advice is always free and plenty of it, and the game is free but fun. It's the cheapest game in town. We typically practice 11:30 am most days. Not all members



can make it to practice every day but each day there will be someone there to help you learn the game. It doesn't take much energy and your skill improves every day. It not as simple as it looks. One would say the game of chess is simple, and it is until you meet someone who has played the game a few times more then you. The good news is during league play with nine (9) other communities from Mid-November to Mid-March in North Pinellas, Players are matched up with players with similar skills and averages (win/loss records) so you are always in a position to win. The "B" team competes on Monday and some of the more experienced "B" team players join the "A" team players on Wednesday. The "A" team is comprised mostly of players with several years' experience and compete with similar player. Win or Lose though the game is fun. This is an open sport to all genders. In fact the old team saying as always been, "Watch out for that little old lady in white sneakers." She will usually pin your ears back.



#### Bingo Jean Richter

INGO IS BACK! So glad to see all the players again. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. Games start at 6:00 p.m. Come and join us for a social evening of fun.

#### Crafts Barbara Glasheen

rafts will resume in November. Happy summer!

All Media Art lack Dennis



Il Media Art is on summer vacation and will resume in January 2016!

## **Euchre Scores**

Phil Houpt

- Phil Houpt (50), high score  $\bullet 09/10/15$
- Dotty Sullivan (38), high score •09/17/15
- Mary Houpt (48), high score  $\cdot 09/24/15$
- Sue Farrell (36), high score  $\cdot 10/01/15$
- •10/08/15 Phil Houpt (40), high score

# **Cardio Classes**

ardio classes are held every Tuesday at 9:00AM in the Phase 1 clubhouse. If you belong to the SilverSneakers® organization, there is no charge for this exercise class. If not, / don't despair; for only \$3 a session, you can join the class. The class is open to both Phase 1 and Phase 2.

Wear a tee-shirt and shorts, all necessary equipment is provided, and the classes are geared toward cardio improvement. None of the exercises are difficult, and with enthusiastic people and invigorating music, the hour of activity seems to fly by. Contact Joan Bienvenue at

724-8561 if you have questions.









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#### **EVENTS & PROGRAMS**

BAZAAR - November 15th. Ranchero Village on Ulmerton Rd, 12 noon -4pm. Tables available \$15.00 each.

Teakwood Village East Annual Bazaar, Largo (Missouri Ave. behind the new Walmart at Aloha Clubhouse). Sat. Nov. 14th from 8am-1pm. Furniture, clothes, crafts, baked goods and much more. Lunch available.

Huge Pre-Christmas Sale. Lake Haven MHP 1415 Main St. Dunedin FL. Decorations, gift items, small appliances & glassware. The biggest bale sale in town! Lunch served all day. Sat., Nov. 21st, 2015 - 8am-2pm.

5th Annual Arts & Craft Fair. Sat., Nov., 14th, 2015 9am-1pm. Lake Haven MHP - Paradise Island Clubhouse. SR580 & Lake Haven Road, Dunedin. Handmade items for gifts & home décor.

ART/CRAFT Fair. Lake Highlader MHP. 1500 County Road 1. Friday, November 20th. 9am- 1pm

Car Port and Craft Sale at Oak Crest MHP, Largo. Saturday, November 21st 2015, 8am to 2pm. Crafts and food for sale in the clubhouse.

FLEA MARKET Saturday, November 28th 9am-Noon. Lake Seminole Resort Clubhouse 10245 110th Ave N. Largo. Clothes, books, household items, decorations.

Caribbean Isles Craft/Granny Attic November 25, 8am-1 pm, Breakfast/ Lunch available. 12100 Seminole Blvd., Largo

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Annual Craft Fair Saturday Nov 7, 2015 @ Paradise Island Clubhouse, 1001 Starkey Rd. Largo. Open 9am-1pm. A big variety of crafts. Bake sale and canteen open for food.

CRAFT SHOW, East Bay Oaks, 601 Starkey Road, Largo. Saturday, Dec 5th from 8-2. Also Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, & Hot Lunch Available.

CRAFT FAIR! Saturday November, 7th, 8 AM - 2 PM, Sugar Creek Mobile Home Park Clubhouse - 10265 Ulmerton Rd., Largo (Behind Pier One Store) Lunch and Bake Sale. Table \$10.00 727-584-4204

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE. Saturday November 7 - 9AM-1PM, Americana Cove, 72011st St NE, St. Petersburg, FL 33702. Jewelry, antiques, electrics, housewares, pictures, books, DVD's, CD's, tapes, LP's, collectibles, linens, plants, furniture, bakery and raffles.

Sat. & Sun, Nov. 7 & 8, 8A - 2P. AN-NUAL CARPORT SALE. Lincolnshire MHP, 1071 Donegan Rd., Largo. Clothing, Furniture, antiques, crafts, household items.

#### HELP WANTED

CRAFTERS NEEDED! Oak Crest MHP, Largo, Car Port and Craft Sale. Sat., Nov. 21st 2015.Tables \$7 residents, \$10 non-residents. Call Rebecca at 440-533-5559

#### ARTICLES FOR SALE

Lady's Set Golf Clubs, with bag and pull cart. R/H. \$125.00 727-288-4838

6ft. Artificial Spruce Christmas Tree with decorations. \$25. 727-614-9107

DORAL VILLAGE, 29250 Hwy 19 N, Lot 86, Nov. 20 & 21, 8-4. Tools (hand, power, garden, auto), coolers, magazines, knifes, BBQ's, radios, electrical (fixtures, cords, bars, appliances) & much, much more!

For Sale: 9x12 indoor / outdoor carpet, reversible \$50. 727-584-3581

Jewelry 4 sale unique items Nov. 13th & 14th, 9-2. 2000 E. Bay Dr, Lot 75 Largo.

#### FOR RENT

Eldorado MHP. 1/1 mobile home on lake furnished, fishing, shopping \$1200.00 Month plus electric 561-543-0437 call for pics



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## **DECEMBER AD DEADLINE - NOVEMBER 10, 2015**

• Advertise BUY, SELL, TRADE ITEMS by sending copy & check to Monthly Media at P.O. Box 1023, Venice, FL 34284. • Ads over 10 words must be accompanied by \$.80 per extra word or publisher will edit. • No mobile home sales, no professional products or services. SORRY: No ads accepted by phone or email. DEADLINE: 10th OF EACH MONTH.



umba classes began on September 4 at 11:30AM. Zumba is normally a fairly strenuous exercise; however, Claudia, our instructor, has assured potential attendees that this particular class is geared to the "more mature" participants. The same SilverSneakers® conditions apply to this class also. If you are not a SilverSneakers® member, the charge for each class is only \$3.00.

### **ARE YOU SICK OF ANNOYING PHONE CALLS?**

re you getting phone calls at all hours of the day, and on the other end -- a recording? Complaints are on the rise as more Florida residents receive robocalls, and officials are cracking down tightening laws.

According to Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi, people are receiving more robocalls because of advances in technology. Companies can make up to 1,000 calls every minute.

The AG's office is cracking down. Just within the last few weeks, Bondi and the Federal Trade Commission took legal action shutting down two scams involving robocalls. In addition, the Federal Communications Commission also issued a formal ruling to further tighten laws relating to robocalling.

Bondi will reach out directly to consumers all week via Twitter with tips to avoid robocall scams. Officials say anytime you receive a pre-recorded message from a company, and it's unsolicited, you should report it to the Attorney General's Office.

Officials also say you shouldn't ever push any buttons if you're prompted to when you receive one of these calls, because then you'll probably start receiving even more robocalls.

"A lot of robocalls are just phishing to see if there's a live customer on the other end of the line and they may ask you to hit one to speak to an operator, or hit the pound sign to be taken off the call list," said Attorney General's office spokesman Whitney Ray. "If you do that, you're just verifying to the robocaller that there's a live person on the end."

Generally, only nonprofits and political organizations are allowed to make robocalls. If you receive what you think is a robocall, you should write down the name of the company and phone number from caller ID, and report it to the attorney general's office. You can report robocalls by calling 866-9-NO-SCAM (866-966-7226) or online.

The above is an excerpt from an article from Bay 9 News about reporting robocalls to the State of Florida, reported by Fallon Silcox, Reporter, July 2015.

Editor's Note: This type of phone call is a known as a robocall. It is a phone call that uses a computerized autodialer to deliver a pre-recorded message, as if from a robot. Robocalls are often associated with political and telemarketing phone campaigns, but can also be used for public-service or emergency announcements. Some robocalls use personalized audio messages to simulate an actual personal phone call.



### **Betty's Household Hints**

E ver wondered how clean are the fruits and vegetables you buy in the grocery store? Well, there is a quick (and inexpensive) way to clean your produce. The secret? Vinegar and water! According to the food experts, the correct ratio is 3 parts water to 1 part vinegar. Just put a large bowl in your sink, and add your produce. Then add cold water from the tap and then put in the vinegar. The best vinegar to use is white vinegar. A gallon of white vinegar usually runs less than \$3 and will last quite a long time. You can put all the produce in the same bowl at the same time. In some people's opinion, strawberries are one of the "dirtiest"

fresh foods, but all have been exposed to unsanitary conditions in one way or another. Let the foods soak for at least ten (10) minutes, but waiting longer will not hurt. Many vegetables are grown in soil, especially the root vegetables, such as potatoes, carrots, turnips, etc., so the dirt, many times, is included with the vegetable when it's picked/pulled/or dug up. Even if fruit is grown on

trees, it still has been in all kinds of weather and exposed to the elements. Then when produce is harvested, there are many hands and machinery handling the end product, including the store employees who stock them in the grocery store, and cleaniness is not always in their list of top priori-

ties. Therefore, it's common sense to make sure the food you and your family are eating is as sanitary as possible.

Another plus is that the vinegar and water solution will usually kill any small bugs, worms, or other "critters" attached to produce. Keep in mind after your produce is clean from soaking, you can rinse off with clear, cool water, and allow to dry on a paper towel, (or pat dry) and then refrigerate as promptly as possible to extend its shelf life. Good healthy eating!

## **Need More Consignment Clothing?**

s it time for some new duds and your budget is a little tight this month? Below are a few shops in Pinellas County that may have just the perfect item for you, and, most likely, you won't have to pay top dollar! Since some of these shops close their doors unexpectedly, it would be wise to give them a call before you head out for a shopping expedition.

Clothes Line Too 1899 Drew Street, Clearwater 727-447-3832 clotheslinetoo@gmail.com

### Couture'd Fusion Boutique

910 West Bay Drive, Largo 727-437-2113 www.couturedfusion.com **Cougar's Consignment** 7229 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg 727-498-8840 www.cougarconsignment.com

**Designer Exchange** 7038 Central Avenue, St. Petersburg 727-345-1400 www.designerexchange.biz



Frugalities 9241 Seminole Blvd., Seminole 727-391-888 frugalitiesllc@yahoo.com.com **Janna-Fine Consigner Apparel** 268 N. Indian Rocks Rd., Belleair Bluffs 727-584-9222

Happy Shopping!

### **Interesting Facts about November**

✓ The birthstones for November are the Topaz, Citrine or Aquamarine. More data about the birthstones, including folklore, are listed below.

✓ The Zodiac signs for November are Scorpio (The Scorpion) (October 24-November 21) and Sagittarius (The Archer) (November 22-December 21).

- $\checkmark$  The November birth flower is the Chrysanthemum.
- ✓ In November, the name for the Moon is Beaver Moon, Frosty Moon.
- ✓ National Georgia Pecan Month
- ✓ National Raisin Bread Month
- ✓ National Pomegranate Month
- ✓ National Fun with Fondue Month
- ✓ National Peanut Butter Lovers' Month
- ✓ National Apple Month
- ✓ Veterans Day is held in November
- ✓ World Diabetes Day is in November
- ✓ Thanksgiving

Topaz is the birthstone of November (yellow topaz) and December (blue topaz), it is a talisman for the sign of Sagittarius and the suggested anniversary gemstone for the 4th, 19th or 23rd year of marriage.

The Greeks believed Topaz had power to increase strength and to make its wearer invisible, while the Romans believed it had power to improve eyesight. The Egyptians wore it as an amulet to protect them from injury.

The gemstone Citrine is the official birthstone for the month of November. It is also the Planetary stone for the Sun Sign of Virgo and the accepted gem for the 13th and 17th wedding anniversary.

Citrine is believed to help the heart, kidney, digestive tract, liver and muscles. It promotes creativity, helps personal clarity and eliminates self-destructive tendencies.

The gemstone Aquamarine is the birth stone for the Zodiac sign of Scorpio. Aquamarine is suggested as a gem to give on the 16th and 19th wedding anniversaries.



Aquamarine is a member of the beryl family and ranges in color from an almost colorless pale blue to blue-green or teal. The most prized color is a deep-blue aqua color, and its name is derived from Latin words meaning water and sea.

As a healing stone, it is said to be effective as a treatment for anxiety and in the Middle Ages it was thought that aquamarine would reduce the effect of poisons. A legend says that sailors wore aquamarine gemstones to keep them safe and prevent seasickness.

#### **Thought for the Month**

As George Burns once said, "You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old."







#### Monthly Mania: It Pays (Up to \$100) To Patronize the Advertisers in Your Newsletter

14,492 manufactured home residents have won over \$124,374 since our contest began. It's simple to play ... when you patronize a current advertiser, ask for a Monthly Mania ticket (or a reasonable facsimile) and fill it out completely. Put the ticket in our Monthly Mania drop box in your community or mail your paid reciept to us at Monthly Media • PO Box 1023 • Venice, FL 34284. That's all you do. At the end of the month the Publishers will pick up the tickets and hold a drawing. If your ticket is drawn, we mail you a check.

(Allow 4-6 weeks for filal	ing of check). This month's cash	williers are.	
Betty Panek \$10	0Knoblach Hearing Care	Linda Esperti \$5.	E & E Glidden Air Conditioning, Inc.
Lynn Hurd \$10	Sunset Appliance Service		Battleline Termite & Pest Control, Inc.
David Peterson \$10	Notebooks Plus	John Smith\$5.	Jones and Son's Plumbing
Susan Callahan\$10	Boss Electric Corp.	Til Post \$5.	Kathy's Cleaning Service
Emile Laflamme\$10	Battleline Termite and Pest Control	Esther Pinclaro\$5.	Knoblach Hearing Care
Nancy Smith\$10	Largo Tech Services	Dick McNamara\$5.	
John Trygstad \$10	Imperial Electric Service		Royal Enterprises
Anne Wallace \$10	Jones and Son's Plumbing	Rosemary Nifong \$5.	Bill the Carpet Guy
Jan Nicoline\$10	All Weather Enterprises, Inc.	Shirley Hagan\$5.	Sunset Appliance Service
Paul Kelly\$10	Largo Plumbing Co.		Bob Steel Appliance
Alec Knight\$10	Royal Enterprises		Appliance Specialty, Inc.
Carolyn Slawiak \$10	American Dream Carpet Cleaning		
	Professional Plumbing		Doll Brothers Carpet Cleaning
	AJ's Beds & Furniture, Inc.		
Carolyn K. Teter\$5	Mobile Home Depot		Natures Resource Pest Control, Inc.
	Battleline Termite and Pest Control		Jones and Son's Plumbing
			Doll Brothers Carpet Cleaning
	Heller's Mobile Home Washing		Buggin Out Termite & Pest Control
	Boss Electric Corp.		Air Masters of Pinellas
	Royal Enterprises		Bob Steel Appliance
	Jones and Son's Plumbing		Advertiser Referral
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### **Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – October 2015**

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

## Entertainment

Marge Grohskopf

The month of November is a light schedule. Bunco is scheduled for Nov. 19th. It will be after the Thurs Night Mingle, which ends at 6:00. Please do not arrive for Bunco prior to 6:15.

We have had several new people playing Bunco and they will be returning. All are welcome, the more the merrier. It's a simple dice game to learn. Tickets are \$3.00 (prize money). We have a dessert at 6:30 and begin playing at 7:00. Tickets will be available at the door.

We wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and safe travels if you're leaving us for the Holiday. Whatever your plans, take time to count your blessings.

### **Briarettes'**

Carol Smitley, President

ur speaker last month was Janet Hooper, Executive Director of Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center and currently Safety Harbor Commissioner. She spoke about many of their programs they offer, from after school programs to clothing for children and adults as well as the food pantry. As their brochure states "We nurture and strengthen children, youth, adults, families and communities through education, support services and collaborative partnerships to improve lives and achieve self-sufficiency".

This month, November 3rd, we will have our popular Dump Salad. For those of you that are not familiar with what we call Dump Salad, Briarettes will furnish the lettuce and the dressing and the attendees will provide the toppings to share with others, for example, tomatoes, cucumbers, crotons, pepperoni and cheese, whatever you love on your salad.

I would love to see more ladies from Phase I attend. Remember to bring a 1.00 for 50/50. Time-1:00 pm.





Marsha Bowlby

### MONDAY EVENINGS AT PHASE II CLUBHOUSE - PLAY BEGINS AT 6:00

ave you tried Bingo Yet? We've played for 4 weeks and our Jackpot game has ranged from \$56.00 to \$68.00. You can play all of our games for as little as \$5.50. We do have 4 early birds games that cost 75 cents to play all 4 games, they have been paying \$8.00 to \$9.00 dollars a game. That's not bad for a 75 cent investment. We start Early Birds at 6:00 and it takes about 15 minutes to play the 4 games.

We start selling cards at 5:15 and begin playing Bingo at 6:00, we are done around 8:00 to 8:15.

Come on down for Pete Foley's dinners, Pete serves from 4:00 to 5:15 each Monday night. He varies his menu between Hamburgers, Hot Dogs or Meatball Sandwiches. These are served with a side and a drink for a low price. Pete posts what the menu is each week in the club house. It's a nice time to socialize with your neighbors. You don't have to be a Bingo player to come down to eat, but if you want to that would be nice.

SEE YOU MONDAY EVENING





# Ladies' Luncheon

Hildie Meyer

This month our luncheon will be on November 18, at 1 p.m. at the Olive Garden. I should have first checked the sign-up sheets for this past year, before making the reservation, because I later found out that we had already been to the Olive Garden on Jan. 1 of this year. Oh, well. I know that we will enjoy the meal every bit as much as we always do. See you there.

# **Monthly Mingle**

Jean Williams

ur monthly mingle will be November 19th from 4:30-6pm, where we will enjoy good company, good food, (bring a dish to share), good beverage, (bring your choice), and \$1.00 for a drawing.



### **SOCIAL CLUB CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Joan Davis & Billie Berry & Pete L.

his year's Christmas Dinner will be held on December 12, 2015. The cost will be \$5.00 per person for non- members and guests.

Members must show their 2015 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 beginning November 14 through December 5, 2015. Try to get your groups together and sign up as a group, and let Pete know who is the table Hostess. 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.

Thank you for your cooperation.

### Shuffleboard

Tom Feeley

Sign-up sheets for the upcoming shuffleboard season are located at both the BC II shuffleboard court and at the exit door of the clubhouse that leads out to the courts. The Sterling Shuffleboard League will hold their first organizational meeting at Regency Heights scheduled for November 3, 2015. Due to the information needed now in October for the news media in November, the minutes of the upcoming 2015-2016 shuffleboard season are still pend-

ing at the time. As soon as the schedule for the upcoming season is announced, all individuals that have signed up will be notified. The good news right now is that the shuffleboard season has started at the Clearwater Shuffleboard Club with is located at 1020 Calumet St., Clearwater, FL (727-446-3306). The Clearwater Shuffleboard Club contains 26 indoor courts and 13 partially covered outdoor

courts that have just been refinished and are in excellent condition. If you are interested in playing there are weekly tournaments for both beginner and advance players. Any questions, please contact Tom Feeley.

## **Bloodmobile**

Don Meek



EXT BLOOD DRIVE IS NOV 20 AT 8AM TO 10AM. PLEASE DONATE. Sign up or call Don Meek.



Travel Club Billie Ann Berry

heck the Bulletin Board in the Clubhouse for the following:

•November 26, 2015	Thanksgiving Day Buffet Cruise - Starlite Majesty. Depart 9:30am/Return 2:30pm \$59.00 per person
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•December 10, 2015	Florida Botanical Gardens - Holiday Lights
	Lunch at Golden Corral - Depart at 4:00pm/Return 9:00pm
	Price is \$39.00 per person.
•January 9, 2016	Royal Lipizzans - Mayakka City, FL
	Lunch at Troyer;s Dutch Heritage Restaurant
	Depart 7:45am/Return 4:00pm \$53.00 per person
•January 20, 2016	Solomon's Castle
	Lunch on the Boat in the Moat
	Depart 8:00am/Return 3:30pm \$67.00 per person
•February 10, 2016	Two Tails Ranch - Privately owned elephant facility
	Lunch at the Ivy House
	Depart 8:00am/Return 5:30pm \$74.00 per person
•February 17, 2016	Chihuly Collection - Dale Chihuly's unique artwork
-	Lunch will be at your expense at Cheddar's
	Depart 9:30am/Return 3:00pm \$39.00 per person
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Any questions, please contact Billie Ann Berry at (727) 797-3116

## **Social Club**

Sandy Watson, President

Heighbors, Wow, the year is going fast! Our Snow Birds are beginning to trickle in, so things will get a little more busy around here! We always look forward to their return. The weather is beginning to cool off a little and I'm loving it! I come alive in the winter months.

Jay & I are going to Pennsylvania on the 19th and will be gone for a few weeks. We will be back in time for the November Business Meeting. Brenda Greene, your President Elect, will be filling in for me. Have a good month and ENJOY LIFE at Briar Creek II!

Your friend & neighbor, Sandy



# **ANNUAL CONDO MEETING**

ur ANNUAL MEETING will be December 7th, 2015 Time: 7:00 PM. @ our clubhouse. We ask all UNIT OWNERS to Please vote and sign their PROXY. Submitting your Proxy early give us our quorum to conduct our Annual Meeting, as well as it allows your Board of Directors to conduct business in 2016.

Three ways to submit your Proxy:

- 1. Drop proxy in mail slot @ Directors Office.
- 2. Give to Joan Davis or drop off @ 131 Forest Lane (Basket @ side entrance).
- 3. Mail to Progressive Management. (Do Not Include your BALLOT)

We prefer you drop off your Proxy to Clubhouse OR Joan Davis. This makes our Annual Meeting move quicker. This also lets us know we have our quorum. If you have ANY QUES-TIONS please call Joan Davis. 726-4829, leave a message and I will call you back

#### Ballots

#### **Ballot voting for the Board of Directors is completely separate. Read your instructions. Vote for 4 ONLY.** Voting for more than 4 will throw out your vote.

#### Your Ballot goes into the envelope that you sign & date on the back.

Submit your ballot the same way as your proxy. (DO NOT put them together).

- 1. Drop at clubhouse office
- 2. Give to Joan Davis or drop off at 131 Forest Ln., (basket @ side entrance)
- 3. Mail to Progressive Management

Your Ballot will be opened and counted while the meeting is in process.

If you have any questions, please call Joan Davis - 726-4829.

# Reminder

### FALL IS HERE!!!!!!!

Now that the weather is cooler it is time to check your property. Weeds, Dirty Homes as well as foundation bricks. Also remember to check to see if your trees are hanging over the roadway. Safety Harbor requires a 15 ft. clearance. Your help keeps our community beautiful.





November Board Meeting will be November 17 at 7:00pm.

Lawn mowing for November will be Wednesday, the 4th and 18th, 2015.

Alterations/Renovations

If you are making changes to the exterior of your property, you are required to complete a Alteration/RenovationForm for approval by the Board of directors. The forms to be completed are outside the Condo Office in the Clubhouse. Please date the form, filling in your name and address and a detailed description of the change. You will also be required to include the name of the Company doing the work and their License number. Submit the completed form to the President of the Board.

DO NOT do any work until the form is approved by the Board and you receive a letter stating the approval. Give yourself enough time for the project as it has to be brought before the Board at the next Board Meeting. Between May and August, there are no Board Meetings, however, the procedure is the same - complete the form and submit to President - four(4) Board Members have to sign off on the form before any work is to begin. Again, give yourself enough time for the change as four(4) members may not be readily available. Once you receive the letter of approval, you may start the work.

Also, be advised, any work requiring a permit from the City/County will not be approved until the permit is attached to the Alteration/Renovation Form. For example, removing trees, pouring concrete to widen driveways or make walkways.

#### SPEED LIMIT

Reminder...the speed limit in Phase II is 15 miles per hour. There are several STOP signs throughout the park and they are there for your safety. STOP means just that, STOP. Please obey all signs.



#### SALES/RENTAL

If you are planning on selling your home, one (1) 14"x 12" "For Sale" sign may be permitted to be posted INSIDE the street-side window only of a mobile home unit, whether you use a Real Estate Company or doing it yourself. NO other signs of any kind shall be displayed within the Park without written authorization from the Board of Directors of the Association.

Paperwork for the Buyer is to be obtained from the Board by the Seller or Real Estate Agent. All paperwork needs to be completed by the Buyer and in some instances notarized then presented to the Board Officer in charge of Sales and/or Progressive Management. An interview



of the prospective Buyer is to be completed by the Board Officer before closing of the sale. Approval of Title Transfer notarized by the Board Officer is the last procedure for the approval of the sale. The time limit on this transaction is anywhere from two weeks to a month. If not done properly, the closing could be held up until all paperwork is completed and received.

If you plan to rent your home, the Board needs to be notified and a background check needs to be completed on the prospective renters. Please be forewarned, renting your home for six (6) months or less requires a Tourist Tax to be paid.

### **Mattie Williams Center**

Joan Davis, 131 Forest Lane (basket @ side entrance), 726-4829

attie Williams Neighborhood Family Center is where your food donation goes. The center has a shopping program for Christmas. The center funds \$100.00 along with a wish list for an individual. You can SHOP TILL YOU DROP by volunteering your time and give someone a Happy Christmas.

If shopping is NOT your thing, how about a Donation to help fund this program.

I will take all donations to the center. Make checks payable to Mattie Williams Center (Christmas Shopping).

Volunteers need to sign up now because the shopping starts after Thanksgiving.

# Ladies Golf

Jane McKenzie, 727-474-5705, 651-353-2602 (cell)

### Ladies Golf at Briar Creek (Phase I & II)

The ladies golf group in Briar Creek now has over 20 golfers signed up to participate this coming winter/spring—please come join us. If you used to golf and would like to try again, or if you are a regular golfer and want to join a casual group, just call or email me.

We will meet at Countryway Golf Course, and will continue to have the flexibility of playing either early morning or early afternoon each Thursday. Please let me know if you would like additional information.

Thanks, Jane McKenzie





#### Mixed Golf Scrambles at Briar Creek Jan. 29 and March 11 (Phase I & II)

This was so enjoyable last year that two scrambles have been scheduled for this winter. Watch for the sign-up sheet in your clubhouse in Nov. 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. Get the dates on your calendar now—you don't want to miss out on the fun!

### **MEMORIAM**

•Cindy Perry – 91 Cottagewood Dr, – 10/13/2015

### **Birthdays**

Pete Loranger

11/01	Sandra Stowe	11/20	Orpha Berken
11/01	Pauline Deary	11/22	Bruce Cobb
11/02	Stella Tavenor	11/23	Jeff Holden
11/06	Jim Johnston	11/29	Gene Breheny
11/14	Pat Hevalow	11/29	Kathy Booth
11/15	Bonnie Sue Settle	11/30	Marge Grohskopf
11/15	Bob Gundershaug	11/30	Lorraine Ducharme

### Anniversaries

11/01/1960	Chuck & Ola May VanDette – 55 years	
11/08/1975	Jerry & Christine Maxwell – 40 years	
11/10/1994	Gene & Sandra Stowe – 21 years	
11/20/1954	Robert & Lorraine Ducharme – 61 years	
11/24/1972	Jack & Lois Shepard – 43 years	
11/28/1953	Bill & Ellie Gottwald – 62 years	
11/28/1963	Skip & Janice Taylor – 52 years	
11/28/1965	Bob & Marsha Bowlby – 50 years	





Please join me, Kathy Cobb, for a Ladies Bible Study every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. at 140 Pinewood Ter. If you are interested in attending, please call me at 727-466-3712.

# **BAZAAR 2016**

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!!!!!!! ALSO – We will be having our Bazaar Sale for Holiday items/decorations the last 2 Saturdays in November. As you go through your old "STUFF", Please drop off items at my house, the gym, or clubhouse. This money goes to the Bazaar bottom line and benefits all of us. Thank you.

# November Is...

**Mathematical Serving Serving Appreciation Month**. Throughout November, military families serving around the world are honored through a variety of observances and recognized for their commitment and the many contributions they make every day in support of the military and our nation.

**National Epilepsy Awareness Month.** The Epilepsy Foundation estimates that 65 million people around the world, and 2 million in the U.S., have epilepsy—a neurological condition in which disturbances in the electrical activity of the brain cause seizures. National Epilepsy Awareness Month seeks to break down barriers stopping people with epilepsy from reaching their fullest potential.

**National Peanut Butter Lover's Month**. Celebrate your love of peanut butter this month by sharing these facts with your friends: One 12-ounce jar of peanut butter contains about 540 peanuts; one acre of peanuts can produce enough peanut butter for 30,000 sandwiches; and peanuts contribute more than \$4billion to the U.S. economy every year.

**Native American Heritage Month**. Beginning as a single day of recognition for the contributions the first Americans have made to the establishment and growth of the U.S., Native American Heritage Month was designated in 1990 by President George H. W. Bush.





#### Board of Directors Responsibilities ... Social Club Committee Chairpersons (continued)

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	Mariecia Maschak (799-3603)	
Bowling	Gene Arend (725-5844)	Marge Grohskopf (474-7842)
	Nancy Ellis (796-8528)	
	Joan Bienvenue (724-8561)	
Backup	Lesley Zuckerman (712-8378)	
Briarettes, President		Carol Smitley (725-3948)
Bridge	Barbara Glasheen (712-9467)	
	Joe Guazzerotti (725-0746)	
Coffee Preparation	Bob Barr, Wednesday Social (644-8136)	Pete Loranger (421-2321)
	Madelyn Geigenmiller (723-7046)	
Directory*	Joan O'Dell (796-4076)	Judy Meek (712-2526)
Entertainment	Betty Chatigny (216-3871)	Marge Grohskopf (474-7842)
Euchre	Phil Houpt (754-2881)	
Exercises		
	Joe Guazzerotti	
		Karen Johnson (724-8122) & Judy Meek (712-2526)
Kitchen	Committee	Pete Loranger (421-2321)
Kitchen Supplies	Helen Coar (796-3923)	Pete Loranger (421-2321)
Ladies Luncheon		Hildegard Meyer (793-9352)
Librarian	Naomi Fiacable (723-7259)	Billie Ann Berry (797-3116)
	Carol Marsella (summer) 727-303-0010	
Line Dancing	Helen Coar	
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Name Badges	Phil Houpt (754-2881)	Sharon Cann (366-7688))
Pool Tags*	Phil Houpt (754-2881)	N/A
Shuffleboard	Open	Pres. Bill Beyer (725-0644)
		Captain Tom Feeley (796-5879)
	David Doran (585-329-3827)	
	Jeff Clark (585-329-3827)	
Sunshine	Mary Houpt (754-2881)	Jean Williams (712-8389)
	Dot Sullivan (726-6084)	
Tables/Chairs	Dudley Geigenmiller (723-7046)	Pete Loranger (421-2321)
	Alice Hall (267-733-7261)	
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.....Kathleen Cory (452-1607) Travel Club .....Billie Ann Berry (797-3116) BC Auto Stickers\*.....Jackie Labounty

Welcome Committee ..........Nancy Ellis (796-8528) ......Jackie Labounty, Audrey O'Connor,

.....Lyn Hoage

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Joe Casola	(723-0414)
John Gaglione	

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