



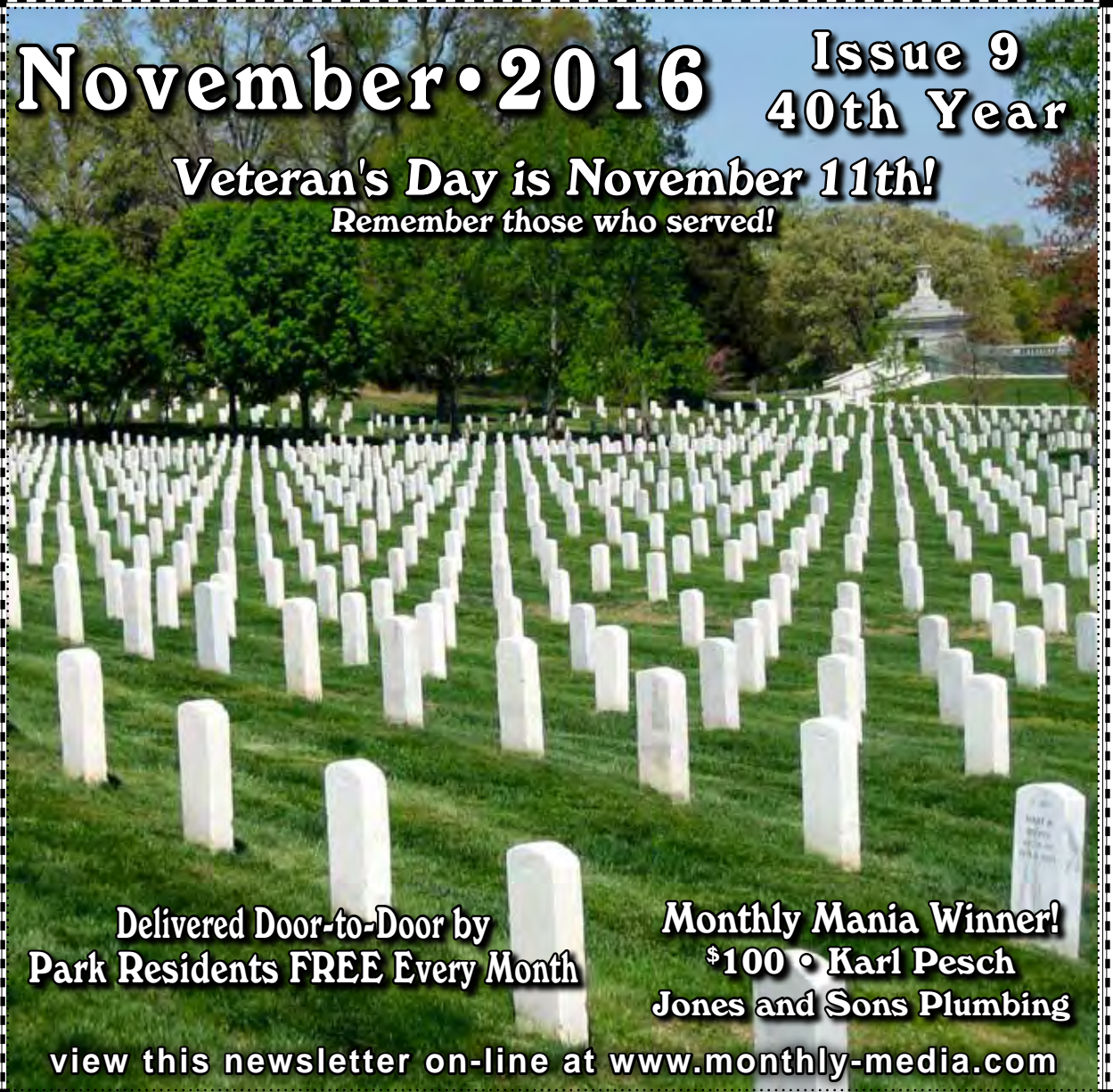
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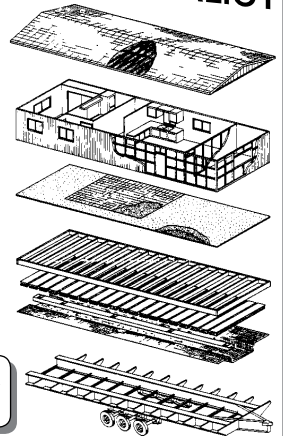
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The Helpline is a federally funded service to help seniors and caregivers gain access to services in the community. As part of the Aging and Disability Resource Center, the Helpline staff provide information and assistance/referral over the telephone to seniors and caregivers in Pasco and Pinellas Counties. They also provide information on community resources for adults age 18 and over who have a mental health or a developmental disability and their caregivers. Calls are answered by Area Agency on Aging staff from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. Spanish speaking staff are available to take calls. The Helpline is able to provide information on government funded programs, non-profit agencies, and for-profit businesses that serve seniors in this two county area. Information is available in many areas including caregiver support, case management, in-home services, insurance counseling, legal help, meal services, nursing home and assisted living facilities, transportation, and victim advocacy. The Helpline also serves as the entry point for several community programs, and refers callers to the Intake Department for triage, telephone screening, and prioritization for services.



BOARD BUSINESS

PROXIES FOR ANNUAL MEETING – DECEMBER 5, 2016 – Joann Barr

To all Briar Creek Property Owners:

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 10:00AM, Monday, December 5, 2016. Your completed SIGNED Proxy ensures the Board of Directors will be allowed to conduct business during 2017. 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. If we do not have a quorum our monthly maintenance fees will go up considerably. 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 10:00AM on December 5, 2016.

There are several ways to submit your Proxy:

1. Drop in the mail slot at Clubhouse Director's Office.
2. Give to Jo Ann Barr any time, or drop off at 106 Cedar Elm Drive, put in black mail box at back door.
3. Mail to Progressive Management

It is recommended that your Proxy be dropped at the Director's 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 2017 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.

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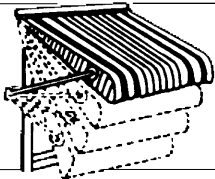
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New Landscaping Coming

Our new landscaping service, Alexander's Property Maintenance, did a very nice job replanting the island planter at the entrance to the park in September. Their next proposal is for the common area on Cedar Elm Drive. We have submitted an application to the City of Safety Harbor for a fall 2016 Beautification Matching Grant. If approved, the grant would provide matching funds of 50% for the project, which will probably be scheduled for November.

OWNER'S CLASSIFIED - Briar Creek Webmaster

Do 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. This page also 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.



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-Betty Chatigny

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| Thursday, December 1 | 10-5PM |
| Friday, December 2 | 10-5PM |
| Monday, January 30 | 1-8PM |
| Tuesday, January 31 | 10-5PM |

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TIME

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| Monday, January 9, 2017 | 1-8PM |
| Tuesday, January 10 | 10-5PM |
| Wed, January 11 | 10-5PM |
| Thursday, January 12 | 10-5PM |
| Friday, January 13 | 10-5PM |

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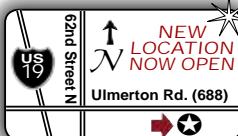


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BIRTHDAYS

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| November 1 | Barbara Gibson | November 12 | Eileen Smith |
| November 1 | Bob Thygerson | November 14 | John Furst |
| November 3 | Joe Dawson | November 14 | Robert Hall |
| November 3 | Frank Voutsinos | November 14 | Effie Reed |
| November 4 | Larry Lunsford | November 16 | Denise Bienvenue |
| November 4 | Linda Miller | November 16 | Margaret Stockhammer |
| November 4 | Elliot Murray | November 17 | Barbara Pesic |
| November 5 | Thomas Miller | November 17 | Carol Powell |
| November 7 | Allan Bjorne | November 18 | Patricia Dion |
| November 9 | David Belton | November 19 | Gene Arend |
| November 9 | Mike Benoit | November 20 | Mary Casola |
| November 9 | Deborah Landon | November 21 | Betty Rossello |
| November 10 | Gloria Hanna | November 24 | Kenny Henson |
| November 10 | Margaret Hopkins | November 25 | Allan Parry |
| November 10 | Jeanne Kmiec | November 26 | Mary Ann Green |
| November 11 | Eleanor Brasted | November 27 | Maryann Horvath |
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| November 12 | Dale Martin | | |





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| November 1 | Joe & Rhonda Winder |
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| November 5 | Joe & Mary Casola |
| November 8 | Thomas & Dale Hawkins |
| November 28 | Norbert & Marge Orsolits |



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.

WEDNESDAY MEETINGS

Dave Doran

Thanks to all that helped with all the social club functions, generated ideas and carried our great community through the summer months. I so appreciate the help of Pat Bourdan, Georgia Douglas, and Lee Cameron and anyone else who lead the coffee hour meetings. Becoming a full time resident this fall, so I am eager to meet all the new residents and get back into the swing of things.

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| Winner for 9/21/16 | Weekly | Fred Mbiad |
| Winner for 9/28/16 | Weekly | Carolyn Jablonski |
| Winner for 10/5/16 | Weekly | Mary Kay McBride |
| Winner for 10/12/16 | Weekly | Sharon Philyaw |

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Dave Doran and Ray Jablonski

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ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Mary Kay McBride

First, I would like to say "Thank You" to Georgia Douglas and all of her helpers for taking over the summer events in my absence!, they did a fabulous job! Please keep in mind that Phase I Bazaar is December 2nd and 3rd.

I am truly glad to be back in Briar Creek, and want you all to know some different events are being planned for this season. Thank you all for the support you give the Entertainment Committee! We do appreciate it.

Mark your calendars for March 25, 2017. MARIA DeROO will be taking over the Phase 1 Briar Creek "Craft Fair". Thank you to Sharon and Any Philyaw for heading up the fair in years' past. Always an event to look forward to, Andy and Sharon have done a wonderful job highlighting the talents on Briar Creek residents.

More details will follow, but you can contact Maria at 727-581-9127 for more details.

**A Complete Listing of Resident Services
can be found on the page before your calendar**



BAZAAR

Dave Doran

This year's Phase 1 bazaar will be held **DECEMBER 2nd and 3rd!** We have been meeting to finalize all those good things that will make our bazaar a fun and successful event! Volunteer to help or just come in and shop! Don't forget to bring your family and friends!

- **JEWELRY – Helen Coar**

It is that time again to ask for donations for the jewelry table. Any bracelets, necklaces, pins, earrings and watches are always welcome. There will also be a table for purses, scarves, wallets, etc. All donations are greatly appreciated. For those returning from up North, please bring whatever items you can donate. Looking forward to everyone's return and a successful Bazaar!

- **CALLING ALL BAKERS! - Betty Chatigny**

With our Annual Bazaar just around the corner (Friday and Saturday, December 2 and 3), the Bakery Booth is looking for your culinary skills to make this year another rousing financial success. Last year we made over \$600 in profit, and we couldn't have done it without your baking expertise!

Among our best-selling items are home-made cookies, cupcakes, candies, sheet cakes, confection bars, caramel corn, and lollipops. Items that are easy to pick up and eat are foods quickly purchased by our shoppers. Find your favorite recipes and let's all get bakin'! You can bring your goodies to the Clubhouse on Friday, December 2, where our booth will be already set up and decorated. Questions about what to bake....Either see me at a Wednesday coffee meeting or call me.

We will schedule a planning session in November to go over details of the Bakery Booth. If you'd like to help, just let me know at our Wednesday meetings or give me a call at 727-216-3871.

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Mary Kay McBride

On November 11th, we will host our Tribute to our Veteran's. The cost will be \$10/person. It has been suggested that admission be free for our Veterans. But we will determine that at a later date. We are also planning a special recognition of our branches of the military and those Briar Creekers who served in them. We will serve "Lite Bites" for refreshments and, as always, BYOB. The entertainment is "Razzmatazz", a juggler, magician, and ventriloquist.





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KRAZY PIG NIGHT

Connie Potter-Holmes and Pat Dion

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Tickets can be purchased at the Clubhouse every Wednesday morning during coffee hour or by calling Pat Dion at 727-412-8064. Tickets are \$8 for dinner + Krazy Kards and \$3 for Krazy Kards only. Newcomers welcome and please note that no experience is necessary to play Krazy Kards!!



TRIM-A-TREE/SOCIAL HOUR

Mary Kay McBride

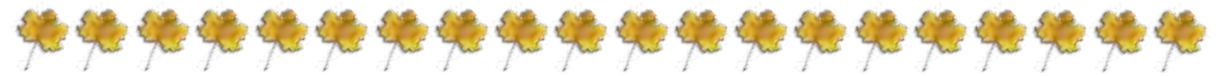
A"Trim a Tree" get-together is planned for Friday, November 25th, at 11:00 a.m., for Phase 1. We encourage anyone who would like to participate to bring their wine/ drinks. Cheese and crackers will be provided. We will decorate the clubhouse Christmas tree at that time and celebrate the beginning of the Holiday season. A little Elf told me we are the recipients of new lights and the donation of a new tree...join us and see our new decorations!

YANKEE SWAP

Joan Bienvenue

In a Yankee Swap, participants bring a wrapped, unmarked gift. In exchange, they are given a number and they select a gift from the pile in that order – with a twist: Number 1 picks a gift and unwraps it. The person who receives number 2 then chooses a gift and unwraps it, then must decide whether to keep it or swap it for the first player's gift. Each person in order then gets to select a present, open it and decide whether to keep it or swap it for any other gift someone has opened. Opening/swapping of gifts takes place until all the presents have been chosen. Finally the person who picked first gets to choose from all the gifts or keep what he/she has already received. In the end, the gift you are holding is the gift you take home.

Join us at the clubhouse on December 11th if you would like to participate in this Holiday tradition. For further information, please call Joan Bienvenue at 724-8561.



HORSE RACING

Marge Grohskopf



AND THEY'RE OFF! “Betty”, “Ginny” and “Olive” will be racing in the PHASE 2 Clubhouse on Friday Night, November 18th. There is no admission fee but race bets are 25 cents. Add a light Supper for \$3.00! Cheer the girls on and make a few cents! For more information, check the Phase 2 Entertainment section of this Media.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED SOCIAL EVENTS

ALL MEDIA ART

Annette Lemieux

All new “All Media Art Class” **beginning THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, 2016!** Classes meet in the Clubhouse from 12:30pm to 2:30pm. Join us!

BINGO

Jean Richter

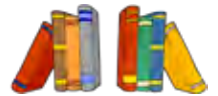
Sales at 5:15, Early Bird Games begin 6:00pm. The more folks that play....the bigger the Jackpot!

Regarding PHASE 2 BINGO - PLEASE NOTE:

Monday, November 28th – NO BINGO, will be held on Sunday, November 27th instead
Monday, December 5th – NO BINGO, will be held on Sunday, December 4th instead

BOOK CLUBS

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There are several book clubs in both Phase 1 and Phase 2, but they are full. So..... Are you interested in joining a book club? There will be an informational meeting at the Phase II Clubhouse on Dec. 13 at 3:30. We will discuss a workable day and time, a method for choosing monthly books, and other details.

Please email me if you are interested or have any questions. At the end of the meeting, we will have a short discussion of the book, *The Light Between Oceans* by M. L. Stedman. Jane McKenzie 651-353-2602 (Cell) jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

BOWLING

Gene Arend

Fall season began Friday October 14th. Check the website for team stats!

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- NOVEMBER 1st 1P Briarettes = at Phase 2 speaker and “Dump Salad”
- NOVEMBER 6th 5PM - “Krazy Pig Night”- Krazy Kards and a Pork Meal!
- NOVEMBER 11th 7PM – 10PM “Veteran’s Day” music by “Razzmatazz”
- NOVEMBER 15th Dolphin Cruise – **PHASE 2**
- NOVEMBER 16th Ladies Luncheon – **PHASE 2**
- NOVEMBER 17th 6:30 Bunco – **PHASE 2 (NOTE: Changed week due to Thanksgiving)**
- NOVEMBER 18th Horse Racing – **PHASE 2**
- NOVEMBER 24th 9:30am-2:30pm Thanksgiving dinner on the yacht “Starlight Majesty” sailing from Clearwater Beach, \$62.00. See Sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse. Boat leaves at 9:30AM and returns at 2:30PM.
- NOVEMBER 25th 11:00 am - Trim the Tree/Social Hour
- NOVEMBER 27th BINGO – PHASE 2, (INSTEAD OF MONDAY THE 28th)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

- DECEMBER 2nd/3rd Phase 1 **BAZAAR**
- DECEMBER 5th PHASE 1 Condo Board Meeting
- DECEMBER 7th Christmas Lights in Punta Gorda, arranged by **PHASE 2**
- DECEMBER 10th 7PM – 10PM “Christmas at Briar Creek” with music by “Johnny Charro”
- DECEMBER 11th Yankee Swap
- DECEMBER 15th Holiday Potluck Dinner – **PHASE 2**
- DECEMBER 22nd Bunco – PHASE 2
- DECEMBER 31st 9PM – 12:30AM “Rockin New Year’s Eve” with music by “Karen Kallin”
- JANUARY 1st Krazy Kards \$3.00
- JANUARY 7th New Year Rock and Roll Party – **PHASE 2**
- JANUARY 20th 7PM – 10PM “Happy Days Dance” with music by “Happy Days”
- JANUARY 26th Bunco – **PHASE 2** \$3.00
- JANUARY 28th 7PM – 10PM “Story Teller” Roy Bookbinder
- JANUARY 29th SHOWTIME PART ONE, 6:30PM “Old Guys Rule”- **PHASE 2**
- FEBRUARY 4th Soupathon – **PHASE 2**
- FEBRUARY 5th 6PM – 11PM “Super Bowl Pizza and Soda Party”
- FEBRUARY 11th 7PM – 11PM “Valentine’s Dance” with music by “Cover to Cover”
- FEBRUARY 12th Krazy Kards \$3.00
- FEBRUARY 17th Mixed Golf Scrambles at **Countryway Golf Course**
- FEBRUARY 19th SHOWTIME PART TWO, 6:30PM “The Goldtones”- **PHASE 2**
- FEBRUARY 23rd Bunco- **PHASE 2**, \$3.00
- FEBRUARY 25th 7PM – 10PM “Appreciation Night and “BC’s Got Talent” Show”. Say “Thank you” to all those who volunteer and enjoy the abundant talent of Briar Creek’s own! **FREE!**
- MARCH 3rd/4th BAZAAR – **PHASE 2**
- MARCH 5th Krazy Kards \$3.00
- MARCH 9th “Christine Joyce” Entertainment – **PHASE 2**
- MARCH 17th St. Patrick’s Day Parade and Festivities
- MARCH 23rd Bunco – **PHASE 2**, \$3.00
- MARCH 24th or 25th Karaoke – **PHASE 2**
- MARCH 27th Phase 1 Craft Fair
- MARCH 31st Mixed Golf Scrambles – **Countryway Golf Course**
- APRIL 2nd Krazy Kards \$3.00
- APRIL 27th Bunco – **PHASE 2** - \$3.00



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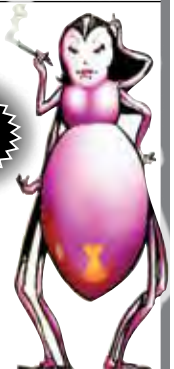
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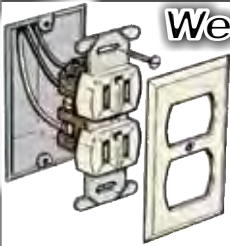
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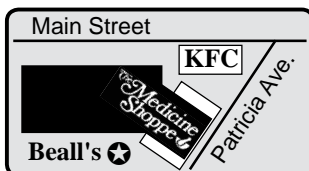
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BRIARETTES

Carol Smitley, President

Our speaker last month was Kelly Siegel from Suncoast Hospice. I am sure that those who attended were more informed about what hospice offers. Most of us think when we hear the word hospice that it means the end of life care. Not true. They offer so many more programs to the community such as the resale shoppe. And they are always looking for volunteers.

This month, November 1st, 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.

Our speaker will be Sharon Jones from Bankers Life. She will discuss the changes in Medicare. I would love to see more ladies from Phase I attend. Remember to bring a \$1.00 for 50/50. Time-1:00 pm.

BRIDGE

Barbara Glasheen

Bridge players meet every **Tuesday at 1:00PM**. If interested, call Barbara at 727-712-9467 to let her know you plan to attend.

CARDIO AND CHAIR YOGA CLASSES

Joan Bienvenue

Cardio classes are held every **Tuesday at 9:00AM** in the Phase 1 clubhouse, and normally last about 45 minutes. Chair Yoga is held immediately after the Cardio class. If you belong to the **SilverSneakers®** organization, there is no charge for either class. If not, don't despair; for only \$3 a session, you can join the Cardio class; if you wish to take both the cardio and chair yoga on the same day, the total cost is \$5. Classes are open to both Phase 1 and Phase 2 Briar Creek residents.

Contact Joan Bienvenue at 724-8561 if you have questions.

CHESS

Dave Holmes

Chess Games will resume **NOVEMBER 3rd from 3P to 6P** and will be a weekly activity. If you have questions, give Dave a call at 423-202-6712.



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CRAFTS

Barbara Glasheen

Crafts will **TENTATIVELY** resume **November 16th**. Crafts are held on Wednesdays at 1:00-3:00PM. If you need help with a current project, if you want to work on your project in the company of like-minded folks or to learn something new, join us!

Greeting Cards

Linda Pickering

Would be delighted to teach anyone who is interested in designing and crafting their own greeting cards and would do so at the Wednesday get-togethers. Call Linda Pickering at 727 444-0232 **when crafting resumes in November**.

CRAFT FAIR

Maria DeRoo

Still in the planning stages, this year's Craft Fair will be fabulous. Whether you are an exhibitor or a customer, there will be something for everyone. Call Maria for more information or to volunteer to help: 727-581-9127

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Phil Houpt

Welcome to all, including newcomers. Any questions call Phil at 727-754-2881. Thursday, October 6th. High scorer was Sue Farrell with 52 points

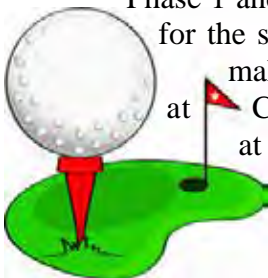
GOLF

Jane McKenzie

Come and join the Ladies Golf Group if you are a regular golfer or if you used to play and want to get back into the game. We will play every Thursday at the Countryway Gold Course either morning or early afternoon, Call or email me for further information: jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com or 651-353-2602.

Mixed Golf Scrambles at Briar Creek Feb. 17 and March 31. Attention all golfers –

Phase 1 and Phase 2! Two scrambles have been scheduled again this winter--watch for the sign-up sheet in your clubhouse. 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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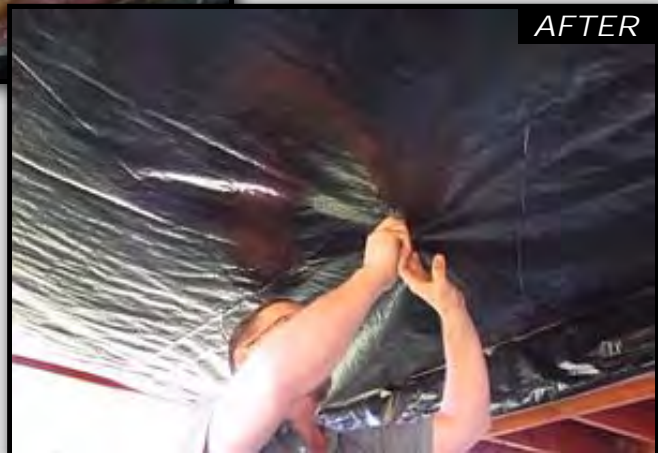
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MAH JONGG

Cracks, Bams, Flowers and Dots, Oh My!! Mah Jongg is back on its regular schedule of 12:30pm Sunday afternoons, 12:30pm Monday afternoons and 6:30pm Thursday evenings. Come join us for this ancient Chinese game of strategy. Bring \$3.00 in quarters, nickels and dimes.

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Nancy Ellis

Join us **Wednesday evenings at 7:30** in the club house for Rummy Kub. If you haven't played, Rummy Kub is a fun, strategic game played with tiles and similar to the Gin Rummy Card Game. Don't know how to play? Don't worry, we'll teach you in just a few minutes. For information call Nancy Ellis at 796-8528.

SHUFFLING

Bob Barr

Our season starts **November 7th for the "B team" and the 9th for the "A team"**. All players, if you are here you should be out practicing 2 to 3 times a week, if not daily by the time you read this. Any new residents or anyone else who would like to learn how to shuffle, please feel free to come out and give it a try. We give out lots of free advice but practice is what it takes to become a good player. We have lots of old free cue sticks in the shed for anyone who would like to give it a try. We will be out practicing 11:30am to 1pm more or less on a daily basis and with the new lighting practice can be done at night.

Matches are on Monday's and Wednesday's and all residents are welcome to come and watch during home games. Competition starts about 12:30 and runs until about 4pm. Come down and stay for half an hour or more and who knows you might get hooked. Dates for all matches are posted in the Clubhouse. Contact Bob Barr, Gene Arend, or Ed Wahl (when he returns) if you have any questions.

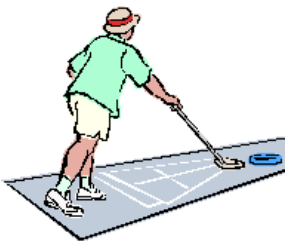




TABLE TENNIS

Dave Hunkins

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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".

PHASE 1 UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

January 14, 2017 – Seven Nights departing Tampa to the Western Caribbean aboard the Royal Caribbean "Rhapsody of the Seas".

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December 2016 – Orlando's Ice Palace

January/February 2017 – Antiquing

Trip to Savannah and Charleston - April 2017.

Trips to the "Two Tails" Elephant Rescue and Dinner Theater in Largo also on the horizon!

PHASE 2 UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

Art Tour – Raymond James

Trolley to Tarpon Springs

December 7th, 2016 - Christmas Lights Cruise-Punta Gorda, 1PM-10PM, \$66.00

February, 2017 - Sailors Circus in Sarasota

March 8, 2017 - 9am-5pm - Strawberry Festival, Plant City, \$52.00

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CRAFT FAIR and Auction (for charity) 11/5/16, 10:30am-3:00pm, East Bay Oaks Clubhouse. Auction starts at 1pm. To support domestic violence, violence victims, and children in shelters. Cash only! Call Dawn with any questions (727) 434-3471

Doral Village Community Tag Sale. 11/19/16 from 8am-4pm. Clubhouse. Share the Wealth, TV, Money Prizes raffle tickets will be sold. Free admission. Refreshments. 29250 US 19 North, Clearwater. South of Curlew, North of Main.

Japanese Garden Art and Craft Show. Dec. 9-10, 9am-3pm. Artists wanted \$10 per table. Please call Charlotte 727-531-3651.

FLEA MARKET Saturday, November 26th 9am-Noon. Lake Seminole Resort Clubhouse 10245 110th Ave N. Largo. Clothes, books, household items, decorations.

Art, Craft and Bake Sale: Saturday, November 19th, 8:00am to 2:00pm. Park Royale, 10611 66th Street (Between Circle K and Wells Fargo). Kitchen Open - Great Baked Goods!

HOLIDAY BAZAAR 11/12/16, 9am-3pm. Crafts. Car Show. Lunch Available. First Lutheran Church 1644 Nursery, Clearwater.

Annual Rummage Sale: Saturday, November 19th, 8am - 3pm, 2550 S.R. 580, Regency Heights Clubhouse. Breakfast, Lunch available!

6th Annual Arts & Craft Sale: Saturday, November 12th, 9am-1pm. Lake Haven MHP, Paradise Island Clubhouse, 1415 Main St. (Lake Haven Rd. & SR580) Dunedin. Handmade items for gifts & home décor.

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CRAFT SALE: Saturday, December 3rd, 2016, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm. Sugar Creek MHP @ Clubhouse, 10265 Ulmerton Road, Largo (Behind Pier One Store). Bake Sale and Lunch. Tables \$10.00. Call Sally 727-584-4204

Art/Craft Fair - Friday, November 18th. 9am-1pm. Lake Highlander MHP, 1500 County Road 1, Dunedin. Great Holiday Gifts!

Veterans Day Tribute To Our Soldiers November 11th, 7:00 pm Doors open at 6:00 pm EAST LAKE High School, 1300 Silver Eagle Drive, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689 \$10 general admission \$8 for Veterans SUNCOAST SINGERS of Florida, Cypress Woods Elementary Chorus, and EAST LAKE HS Chorus

Annual Bazaar - Rancho Village MHP, 7100 Ulmerton Road, Largo Florida. Sunday, November 13th, 12-3pm. New vendors and lunch available. Special raffle, baskets, and 50/50.

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If you have a "noodle" bring it, but it is not required and there are some community noodles available at the pool. **NOTE NEW TIME:** Classes are held **daily at 10 AM** except Sunday. Call Mary Kay at 740-852-9475.

ZUMBA CLASSES

Elaine Harsh

NEW DAY AND TIME: Zumba classes are now held at **10:30AM on THURSDAY's** in the Phase 1 clubhouse. Zumba is normally a fairly strenuous exercise; however Claudia, our instructor, has assured 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.

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Sam Ewig

- **BEVERLY WILSON** and **KENNY HOMME** replaced the worn out and loose “non-slip safety strips” on the pool railings. Thank you for helping to keep us safe while entering and leaving the pool and spa!
- The “Bingo Guardian Angel”, **STEPHANIE ANDRECEK** makes sure everyone wins by keeping an eye on several folk’s cards....even from tables away!! Thank you, that’s very considerate of you!
- **BOB BARR** was recently called in to troubleshoot a smoke detector that wouldn’t stop beeping. After the owner replaced batteries and parts and much detective work on Bob’s part, Bob discovered the problem: turned out the smoke detector was perfectly fine, but the owner’s cell phone that was hiding in a basket nearby needed to be plugged in!!
- A Phase 2 good neighbor, **LOU SPERICO**, was thoughtful and helpful by taking care of branches that had fallen during a recent storm before the Phase 1 home owner was able to remove them as needed. Thank you, good neighbor.
- One of the treasures of Briar Creek is the pool and spa. We are very grateful for the care that is given to keep the pool and spa in pristine condition and a wonderful healthy and fun place to use for residents in this community. **THANK YOU BOARD OF DIRECTORS!**
- **HELEN COAR** recently called **RAY JABLONSKI** to report a water leak coming from a neighboring house undergoing renovation. Ray shut the water off and called **GENE AREND** who called the owner to give him the information! WOW! Talk about neighbors helping neighbors!
- Thank you to **DON HALL** for scrubbing the moldy life rings at the pool. Fortunately we haven’t had to use them, but if we do they are shinny bright and easy to see!
- BC Snake Wranglers **PETE FEDELEM**, **DON HALL** and **RAD PESIC** managed to save several damsels in distress at the pool by removing a snake that was in for an afternoon swim! Kudos!

Let Liz Raucci know if you have witnessed a Briar Creek resident doing something great for the park or a fellow resident(s) “just because”!





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Connie Holmes

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- NEVER, NEVER, NEVER give any caller your credit card number or other personal info such as social security number. (Many times it is difficult to tell if a telemarketer is legitimate. Be cautious and NEVER allow a caller to intimidate you HANG UP!)
- Do not give anyone your ATM code (pin #) and cancel immediately if stolen. If you are concerned you may have misplaced it rather than it stolen, take no chances...cancel and have it replaced.
- Watch you bank statements carefully for questionable listing...call your bank immediately and verify that you made the withdrawal.
- Be cautious of joint accounts. Both parties are equal partners in the account and both have equal access to the funds.
- Build a good relationship with the professionals who handle your money..

HOW TO REPORT ABUSE? If you suspect that you or someone you know is a victim of abuse, neglect or exploitation, call toll-free **1-800-96ABUSE (1-800-962-2873)** or the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department at **727-582-6200** or in an Emergency dial **911**

REFLECTIONS OF BRIAR CREEK

Linda Eddington

What is beautiful about the landscape of Briar Creek are the big trees. After reading Peter Wohlleben's: "The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate - Discoveries from a Secret World"..... "trees are friends." Wohlleben points out that "trees exit less like individuals and more as communal beings. By working together in networks and sharing resources, they increase their resistance to potentially damaging influences." That sounds like Briar Creek good neighbors. Neighbors contribute their time and talent caring for and about each other. Like trees that have been here a very long time, let all of us continue to extend our concern for each other's well-being and keep Briar Creek growing strong together.



BOOK NOOK

Pat Rivera

Where in the Nook is Nora Roberts? The prolific author has so many titles, some identified as ‘Romance,’ while others fall into the ‘Novel’ genre. Now there is no longer any need to look in both collections. Roberts’ titles can be found on the ‘Romance’ shelves, a.k.a. the island.

Once again a gentle reminder that there are Florida Advance Directive booklets with all the official State of Florida documents needed to make individual designations, choices, and other end-of-life choices. The documents only need to be witnessed and given to appropriate people in your life. As easy as they are to implement, just as easy to change as needed/wanted. If you gather for Thanksgiving, feel free take extras for your near and dear ones.

I, for one, am amazed that it is already N-o-v-e-m-b-e-r! No doubt, this will be a November to remember:

November 8! Election Day! What an opportunity. My fingers are fighting to restrain my comments. It is our privilege to get out and vote. So, GET OUT and VOTE! No need to go far. Cast your vote in Phase I Clubhouse. Just do it!

November 11, we celebrate Veterans’ Day. Originally the date was proposed by President Woodrow Wilson as ‘Armistice Day’ to commemorate the end of the ‘War to End All Wars,’ WWI. November 11, 1919 marked the first Armistice Day several months after the Treaty of Versailles was signed. <http://www.va.gov/opa/vetsday> for more details.

If there are any survivors of that war today along with all those who served the U.S. military during other wars and during times of peace, let’s observe a moment of silence to demonstrate our respect and gratitude. We are free because of them.

November 24, ThanksGiving! <http://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving> Many of us may associate the fourth Thursday of November with the three F’s; family, feasts, football. The original intent preceded football. During the American Revolution (again a war!); the Continental Congress identified one or more days a year as Thanksgiving. George Washington issued the first proclamation of the national government of the United States in 1789. His intent was to call on the citizens to express gratitude for the end of the war of independence and the ratification of the Constitution. The link above will allow you to re-visit many stories involving the Pilgrims’ early days.

Mark your calendars! If all else is forgotten...remember to VOTE! November 8. Phase I Clubhouse.





Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – October 2016

(Pete Loranger-Editor Phone 421-2321)

(E-Mail: Pete316@Knology.net)

Photo Directory

Marge Grohskopf

We are missing many faces. The Photo Directory is being updated for 2016. We have many new residents to take part. Please call Marge 474-7842 or at coffee hour on Sat. to make an appointment. Not only will you be in the directory, but you will receive a free Directory (otherwise \$10.00) and also a free 8x10 photo. What a deal, all for only your smile. Pictures are taken by professionals at our Clubhouses. Nov. 28- Dec.2 photographers will be at Phase 2 Clubhouse and Jan. 9- Jan. 13 at the Phase 1 Clubhouse. Wherever and Whatever is convenient for you. If you have family in the area they can be a part of your appointment. We also welcome pets to be part of your picture. The dates may seem far away, however appointments are being scheduled now.



Welcome back to our Seasonal Residents

Please tour the outside of your home for weeds and mold on your home. Summer has gone and we now need to clean up outside. Also, check your trees hanging over the roadways. (15 foot Clearance)

Remember that Annual Home Inspections will be coming up shortly!

Briarettes'

Betty Hudd, President (813-817-1774)

Our speaker last month was Kelly Siegel from Suncoast Hospice. I am sure that those that attended were more informed about what hospice offers. Most of us think when we hear the word hospice that it means the end of life care. Not true. They offer so many more programs to the community such as the resale shoppe. And they are always looking for volunteers.

This month, November 1st, 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.

Our speaker will be Sharon Jones from Bankers Life. She will discuss the changes in Medicare. I would love to see more ladies from Phase I attend. Remember to bring a \$1.00 for 50/50. Time-1:00 pm



ANNUAL CONDO MEETING

Date: December 5, 2016
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 2017. 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. 12/5/2016

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.



Bingo

Marsha Bowlby

We have had some nice jackpots for so early in the Bingo season.... They have averaged around \$75.00 for the first 4 weeks... Not Bad.. I hope you have enjoyed all the new Bingo games. There are several people that stay after dinner and play Early Birds games. It only cost \$1.00 for a sheet with 4 cards on it to play the 4 Early Bird games. It makes a nice evening, \$3.00 for dinner and then \$1.00 for Early Birds with a chance to win some \$\$\$.

Early Birds take about 20 minutes to play so you are done round 6:20.

Pete Foley and his volunteers are serving dinner from 4:00 to 5:15 each Monday that we have Bingo. He posts his menu in the clubhouse. Where else can you go and get a sandwich, side and a drink for \$3.00.

SO REMEMBER:

Dinner from 4:00 to 5:15

Bingo Cards will be sold from 5:00 to 5:45 with games starting at 6:00.

IMPORTANT MARK YOU'RE CALENDARS.

NOVEMBER 28TH – MONDAY - NO BINGO...IT WILL BE ON SUNDAY NOV 27th

DECEMBER 5TH – MONDAY – NO BINGO – IT WILL BE ON SUNDAY DEC 4TH.

PETE'S KITCHEN WILL BE OPEN FROM 12:00 TO 1:15 on each of those Sundays, serving the usual sandwich, side and drink for \$3.00.

BINGO cards will be sold from 1:00 to 1:45 and play will begin at 2:00.

Starting Monday, November 28th thru Friday December 2nd, the clubhouse will be busy with the pictures for the Briar Creek Pictorial. (Have you made your appointment?)

Monday, December 5th is the annual Briar Creek II Board Meeting.

So we will have Bingo on the Sunday's so we don't have Bingo withdrawal...

Thanks to all the volunteers for Bingo and the Kitchen for giving their time so we could do this.

Can't wait to hear you yell BINGO!!! SEE YOU ON MONDAY NIGHTS.





Entertainment

Marge Grohskopf

It's not too late to join the Halloween fun. Trick or Treating in the park for food items to fill the pantry. Safety Harbor Family Center pantry needs help to assist families having a difficult time.

Residents will be going house to house giving out candy in exchange for can goods. Around 5:00 (after all collections have been made) all are welcome to join in a Pot Luck Supper at Phase 2 Clubhouse. This is a joint venture for both Phases. All those wishing to help in the collection please meet at the Clubhouse Phase 2 at 4:00 on Sunday Oct. 30. We need all the golf carts we can get to assist in the collection. Thanks, see you at 4:00.

BUNCO - Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday Bunco will be on Thurs. **NOV. 17** Dessert at 6:30 and Bunco starts at 7:00. Please do not arrive earlier than 6:15 as we have another function in the Clubhouse until 6:00.

Get ready for the Briar Creek Horse Races. FRI NOV.18. We will have our own Jockey Eddie Snell at the mike tracking the horses' progress. You can place your bets for 25 cents. A good time to increase your retirement budget. Bring your quarters and cheer on your horse. BYOB of course.

There will be a supper available of Sub Sandwich, chips and soda for \$3. Tickets are necessary only for the supper and will be sold at both coffee hours. You are welcome to join the races and bring your own snacks at no cost.

Please remember SHOWTIME payments are due by Dec. 1. Showtime is one of our favorite events two shows for \$25.00. You can't beat that! Jan. 29 is OLD GUYS RULE Three comedians each with their own style. Feb. 19th will be the Gold Tones one of Florida's best Doo Woop groups. A great blast from the past. Seats are still available see or call Pete Loranger for seating and tickets.

This year we will have a Bonus show Christine Joyce, Senior Idol Winner. If you have Showtime tickets you will pay 1/2 price for this March 9th show. It is a separate show from showtime but at discount price to Showtime participants. More info about March 9th will follow in later Media.

Remember all events are open to both Phase 1 & 2. SO check out the Entertainment section for Phase 1 section of the Media. WE ARE BRIAR CREEK!

If you are bored and don't know your fellow residents there is no excuse. Get active and enjoy what the community has to offer.



Monthly Mingle

Jean Williams

WELCOME BACK!

Yea, It's Mingle time again!

Fire up the burners, dust off the casserole recipes, let's get together at the clubhouse on Nov. 17th @ 430PM. Bring your dish to pass, your own beverage and \$1.00 for a drawing. We're anxious to hear about everybody's summer.

Come one, come all. See you on Thursday the 17th



MEMORIAM

Terry Frasch – 77 Cottagewood Dr. – 9/24

Ladies' Luncheon

Hildie Meyer

Check the bulletin board for info from Hilde. Looks like the Draught Haus for November 16th.

SOCIAL CLUB CHRISTMAS DINNER

Joan Davis & Billie Berry & Pete L.

This year's Christmas Dinner will be held on December 03, 2016. The cost will be \$5.00 per person for non- members and guests.

Members must show their 2016 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 5 through November 26, 2016. Try to get your groups together and sign up as a group, and let Pete know who is the table Hostess. 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.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Travel Club

Karen Johnson & Roz Lucas



We have rescheduled our Dolphin cruise for Tuesday November 15th. We hope everyone who signed up will still be able to come and anyone else who would like to join us will sign up. The price is \$26.00 pp and we will be going to SeaSea Riders afterwards for supper.

The Thanksgiving dinner and cruise will be on November 24th. This is a shared trip with Phase 1 and only 50 people will be able to go on the bus. So if you are planning on going, please get your money in as soon as you sign up.

Our Christmas lights bus trip and cruise to Punta Gorda is Wednesday, December 7th. We will be going to their Fisherman's Village first and then on the boat through their canals to see all the Christmas lights. This is going to be a wonderful day. It is \$66 pp and that includes the bus, tips, and the cruise. Again, we need the money as soon as you sign up.

We are always asking you for money for something so here is something for free! This is for Travel club members only, we are having a pizza party on Thursday, December 8th. 5:30 is BYOB and 6:00 is pizza. A good time to renew your membership for next year. It is only \$1.00!! And just a reminder for you all to think about our Fall cruise from Boston to Maine to Halifax. Price includes transfers, airfare, travel insurance, taxes, and \$50 per cabin credit. It is going to be a beautiful trip. Don't miss it!!

In the December media we will let you know about all the fun things we have planned for the rest of the season. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

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 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
651-353-2602 (cell)
jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com





Mixed Golf Scrambles at Briar Creek (Phase I & II)

Feb. 17 and March 31

Attention all golfers! Two scrambles have been scheduled again this winter--watch for the sign-up sheet in your clubhouse. 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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Bowling

Lynda Foster

BRIAR CREEK FALL BOWLING LEAGUE BEGINS 10/18/16

Hello everyone and welcome HOME to many seasonal neighbors! It is great to see so many returning for the fall/winter season! You always bring a spark of life and a breath of fresh air to our community! We have said goodbye to the SUMMER FUN BOWLING and welcome in the fall and winter bowling leagues here at Briar Creek. We had a great time over the summer, just bowling for fun, with many truly improving their scores and averages significantly, while enjoying some great fellowship with our neighbors.

Our fall league began on **Tuesday, October 18th and continues for 24 weeks, ending in April. IT IS NOT TOO LATE. WE ALWAYS HAVE ROOM FOR ONE MORE.** The cost is \$10 per week and if you miss a week, you only pay toward the prize monies, not for your bowling, which I believe amounts to about \$4.00. YES, we give CASH prizes at the end of the season and everyone gets a team prize, and no one gets a special prize more than once. This way more people get special prizes.

WHERE: Countryside Lanes on US 19, just North of Hwy. 580

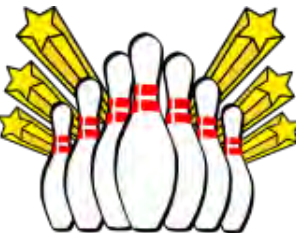
WHEN: Tuesday Mornings at 9:30 a.m. (Arrive at 9:00 am for practice and begin bowling by 9:30 am)

WHO: Sign up with Pat Bourdon at: (727) 482-3817

Or Lynda Foster at: (813) 846-2233

We would love to see you at the Lanes for some fun, fellowship and even some exercise!!! If you have any interest or questions, please feel free to call either Pat Bourdon or Lynda Foster for more details.

Hope to see you at the lanes!





Shuffleboard

Tom Feeley

The Briar Creek II shuffleboard season started in October. We are still looking for shuffleboard players who want to have fun on a Wednesday morning (9:30 AM), play on our shuffleboard courts only, no traveling involved to other parks. This is a fun get together only (at a zero cost) for a couple of hours with no commitment to play each week. All equipment is provided. No experience is necessary. In the game of shuffleboard you learn as you go and play against other participants with the same skill level. So come on down and join us. We would love to have you.

Bible Study

Kathy Cobb

If you are interested in joining a Ladies Bible Study every Friday at 10:00 a.m. at my home (140 Pinewood Ter.), please call Kathy Cobb at 727-466-3712.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Pete Loranger

Birthdays

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| 11/01 | Sandra Stowe | 11/15 | Bob Gundershaug |
| 11/01 | Pauline Deary | 11/20 | Orpha Berken |
| 11/02 | Stella Tavenor | 11/22 | Bruce Cobb |
| 11/02 | Chester Romatowski | 11/23 | Roxie Herman |
| 11/02 | Lynne Cameron | 11/23 | Jeff Holden |
| 11/05 | Steve Rothe | 11/29 | Gene Breheny |
| 11/06 | Jim Johnston | 11/29 | Kathy Booth |
| 11/14 | Pat Hevalow | 11/30 | Marge Grohskopf |
| 11/15 | Bonnie Sue Settle | 11/30 | Lorraine Ducharme |

Anniversaries

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| 11/01/1960 | Chuck & Ola May VanDette – 56 years |
| 11/08/1975 | Jerry & Christine Maxwell – 41 years |
| 11/20/1954 | Robert & Lorraine Ducharme – 62 years |
| 11/24/1972 | Jack & Lois Shepard – 44 years |
| 11/28/1953 | Bill & Ellie Gottwald – 63 years |
| 11/28/1963 | Skip & Janice Taylor – 53 years |
| 11/28/1965 | Bob & Marsha Bowlby – 51 years |





Briar Creek Book Club (Phase I & II)

Are you interested in joining a book club? There will be an informational meeting at the Phase II Clubhouse on Dec. 13 at 3:30. We will discuss a workable day and time, a method for choosing monthly books, and other details.

Please email me if you are interested or have any questions.

At the end of the meeting, we will have a short discussion of the book, *The Light Between Oceans* by M. L. Stedman.

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BAZAAR 2017

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. Be sure to let me know what your desires are.

Dates are March 3 and 4th, 2017. More info to come soon.



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| Lois P. Pierce..... \$10 | Royal Enterprises | Joe Palmer..... \$5 | Battleline Termite & Pest Control |
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