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Secretary/Director .	Connie Holmes (423-297-5627)	Joan Davis (726-4829)
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Director	Ray Jablonski (386-5283)	Bill Briggs (726-1915)
Director	Everett Wardell (585-690-3044)	Sonny Whitehouse (278-9444)
Director	Barbara Pesic (307-5316)	Bill Russo (406-980-0838)

Roads/Grounds/Utilities

Ray Jablonski (386-5283)

PHASE II

Clubhouse/Pool

Bill Briggs (726-1915)

Grounds

TBA

Clubhouse & Clbhs Bookings:

Joe Daley (799-4467)

Garage/Exercise Room/Rec. Areas

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Pool Recreation Area

WINTER: Everett Wardell (585-690-3044)

SUMMER:

FOBS/Home Inspections

Joan Davis (726-4829)

Lawns & Trees

Barbara Pesic (307-5316)

Lawns/Lakes/RV Area

Sonny Whitehouse (278-9444)

Sales/Lease

Utilities/Roads/Alterations/Renovations

John McCormick (859-8576)

Inspections

Buildings & Infrastructure

Bob Barr (644-8136)

Home Sales and Rentals

Billie Ann Berry (797-3116)

Social Club Officers

President.....	David Doran (585-329-3827)	Brenda Greene.....	(725-4066)
Pres. Elect		Jean Schmidt	(223-8667)
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Corr. Secy.	Elizabeth Raucei (203 434-2464)	Pete Loranger	(421-2321)
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Auditor	JoAnn Barr (669-3820)	Arn Grohskopf ...	(533-6603)
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Parliamentarian	Gene Arend (725-5844)	669-0119
Amendments	Gene Arend (725-5844)		
Clubhouse Phone	796-3033		

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Bingo.....	Jean Richter (725-3701)	Barbara Walker ...	(798-2385)
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Important Phone Numbers

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BOARD BUSINESS

VOTING AT ANNUAL MEETING – JoAnn Barr

Once again our Annual Meeting and voting is over. I am happy to tell you that we made our quorum and had a record number of proxies turned in. We need 159 proxies and a total of 210 were turned in. The results are as follows:

Question 1	yes 184	no 15	did not vote	11
Question 2	yes 183	no 15	did not vote	12
Question 3	yes 198	no 1	did not vote	11
Question 4	yes 179	no 19	did not vote	12

I want to thank all who helped collect proxies, count them etc. It was a team effort.

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS – Congratulations and Best of Luck!

President	Joe Daley
Vice President	Jeff Clark
Secretary	Connie Holmes
Treasurer	Bob Barr
Director	Everett Wardell
Director	Ray Jablonsky
Director	Barbara Pesic

Also responsible for:

Clubhouse/Clubhouse Booking

Buildings/Infrastructure

Summertime Pool/Recreation Area

Roads/Grounds/Utilities

Lawns and Trees

Winter Pool – to be decided

Interviews – to be decided

Inspections – to be decided

Architectural Control – to be decided

LAWNS and TREES

Barbara Pesic

Lawn Mowing

January 13th will be the once-monthly mowing date.

Grievances / Mowing Service

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Landscaping

Our landscaping service, Alexander's Property Maintenance, did another beautiful landscape installation at the Cedar Elm Drive common area in November. Be looking for more landscape improvement in spring 2017 when we complete the project that was started this past spring hopefully with another Beautification Matching Grant to cover 50% of the cost.



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PHASE 1 Clubhouse Usage

Joe Daley/Gene Arend

The Phase 1 Clubhouse and Recreation area is used by the Association, Social Club, Community Events, Individual Owner Private Events, and other recognized Not-For-Profit Organizations. In order to provide equal opportunity for all the community use, a calendar of these various events is available online for review. If you plan to use the clubhouse for an event, you must contact either Joe Daley or Gene Arend to schedule the event. Any event must be approved by the Board of Directors, the owners of the common elements. This procedure allows all owners to have access to the clubhouse for an event. If there is an event scheduled during a time period you wish to schedule, then either Joe or Gene can contact the parties involved, and see if the use of the clubhouse can be shared, by dividing the clubhouse, using the partitions in the middle of the clubhouse, or rearranging the time, or sections of the clubhouse. It is only through this process the clubhouse becomes equally available to the entire community. You can review the calendar online by going to www.mybriarcreek.com and clicking the tab “Clubhouse Reserve”. This web page allows you to see the calendar, and request to reserve the clubhouse, using an online request form. You can also call Joe by phone. If you are requesting to use the clubhouse for multiple days (.i.e. every week on Monday, at a certain time), then specify the start and end dates of the event. Any “for profit” event must obtain written Board of Director approval and comply with the rules of use established in 1988 and amended in 2008.

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Briar Creek Webmaster

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THANK YOU

Gene Arend

I wish to extend my best wishes for success to the new Board of Directors who has stepped forward to serve our Community and be a part the Association. I must thank Andy Philyaw, Barbara Pesic, Bob Barr, Everett Wardell, Joe Daley, and Ray Jablonski for serving with me these past two years. It was your willingness to accept my delegation of responsibilities and performing those tasks so well that has given me many accolades from the community. It was through you that I was able to see many successes. I am sure our community is better today because of your tireless dedication. Thank you for your confidence in me as President.

I have had many enjoyable moments as President and Director of the Association; however I am in favor of one stepping aside to allow others to come forward and shine. It is through our new owners, with their new ideas, enthusiasm and their readiness to serve on the Board that our community will thrive and be better as a result. I ask the community to support them and allow them the time to serve you well.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT LIZZIE

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November 30, 2016

DIAL DIRECTORY

Helen Coar

At this time we will stop posting additions, corrections and deletions to the 2016-2017 Edition of the Dial Directory. We are now compiling the new addition. Contact Helen Coar if you have information for the new Dial Directory (726-3923).



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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January	1	Tana Wagner	January	12	Michael Kusovich
January	3	Flo Bombardier	January	13	Annette Hall
January	1	Dick Breslin	January	15	Gregory McBride
January	3	Patricia Branch	January	16	Betty Miller
January	3	Mary Cary	January	18	Tom Grimes
January	3	Don Jenkins	January	20	David Holmes
January	3	Jack Kincella	January	21	Karen Molyneux
January	3	Lee Lahr	January	22	Trudy LaBrie
January	3	Michael Neary	January	23	Patricia Rivera
January	5	Andy Philyaw	January	25	Judy Young
January	5	Bobby Styles	January	29	Lorraine Moore
January	10	Rachel Graham	January	30	Ronald Covey
January	11	Lise Lizzie	January	31	Rhinney Chadwick
January	12	Alice Hall			

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

January	1	Art & Aldea Finnegan
January	5	Ed & Marian Wahl
January	24	Phil & Naomi Fiacable
January	29	Gary & Pauline Hoad (1965)



BELATED HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Dave and Connie Holmes, December 13th, who were inadvertently left off last month’s list!

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

The annual Social Club meeting will be held in February, date to be posted and announced. In the meantime, we are looking for nominations for the coming year for all posts: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Auditor.....Current Social Club officers can opt to retain their post or run for another post. If you would like to toss your hat in the ring for any position, feel free to place your name in the envelope located on the bulletin board. We will announce the nominations for the fiscal year 3/1/16-2/28/17 and vote on them at the Annual Meeting.

Winner for	11/16/16	Weekly	BARBARA GLASHEEN
Winner for	11/23/16	Weekly	AL BOMBARDIER
		50/50	GEORGIA DOUGLAS
Winner for	11/30/16	Weekly	GENE AREND
		50/50	RICH RAUCCI
Winner for	12/7/16	Weekly	DAVE HOLMES
		50/50	DUDLEY GEIGENMILLER

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If you are a regular at Wednesday Morning Coffee, why not consider selling the 50/50 Raffle Tickets for us? We are looking for an outgoing person who can count! Meet and Greet those who attend the Social Club Hour and Meeting and sell 50/50's while you chat. One half of the proceeds go to fund social events during the year and the other half goes to the lucky winner! It's a fun job in need of that smiling face that can help us raise money. If interested, contact Dave Doran. Thanks to Sue Farrell and Jean Kimeck who are filling in until a replacement is found.

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SOCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

Pauline Hoad (winter) and Jean Richter (summer)

MARCH 1, 2017 begins a new Social Club year and we will start selling memberships just after the New Year. Annual dues get you a picnic and Appreciation Night as well as a chance to win \$5.00 every week at coffee hour! Good Return on Investment, don’t ya think!

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Dave Doran and Ray Jablonski

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JEWELRY BAZAAR SALES

Helen Coar

Many thanks to everyone for their generous jewelry donations to the Bazaar. It was a good year. TOTAL SALES: \$1,435.00!! It has been my privilege to work first with Maggie York for 4 years and then as chairperson for the past 6 years. And many, many thanks to the gals who helped price and sell over the years: Terry Henry, co-chairperson, LaVonne Newcomer, Mary Haupt, Barbara Pesic and Lina Edington. Past years: Kathleen Cory, Betty Rossello and Sharon Bahm. A special thanks to Maria DeRee for her new ideas and who will now be the jewelry chairperson.

BAZAAR

Dave Doran

This year's Phase 1 bazaar was held DECEMBER 2nd and 3rd. I can tell you WE DID GOOD!... There is a VERY GOOD POSSIBILITY that we set an all-time record with sales of just over \$10,000.00 (that is combined Bazaar and this year's sales at the BC Mart)!! This is, in part, a result of so many great volunteers who gave of their time to make this annual event exciting and fun. There were some wonderful deals and that brought smiles to those who attended. Thank you, thank you. We will have an "after-the-bazaar" meeting (date to be announced), and your comments and ideas for future bazaars will be very much appreciated. There is an envelope on the bulletin board marked "BAZAAR"; please put your thoughts and ideas inside and we will discuss them at the meeting.



RECYCLE EVENT/PHASE ONE AND PHASE TWO

Dave Doran

This is the time for everyone to clean their shed out, paints, lawn chemicals, household chemicals, computer monitors cell phones; there is a complete list of what you can and cannot bring posted in both Phase 1 and Phase 2. Televisions will be the big thing! Truck will be at the Phase 1 garage at 116 Beechwood. DATE: **JANUARY 24TH**. A signup sheet for volunteers to help unload and load will be in each clubhouse. This is the time to get rid of all that stuff you cannot throw in the garbage. Any question, call me on my cell 585-329-3827

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Mary Kay McBride

Welcome 2017 and be entertained by Karen Kallin, "Little Ms. Dynamite". Karen is originally from Buffalo, NY, and she moved to Palm Harbor in the late 1990's, where she took a position with Pinellas Co. Schools, and St. Pete College. She is an educator, and while teaching, she worked part time in many restaurants in the area. After being given the opportunity to show her talent as a singer-



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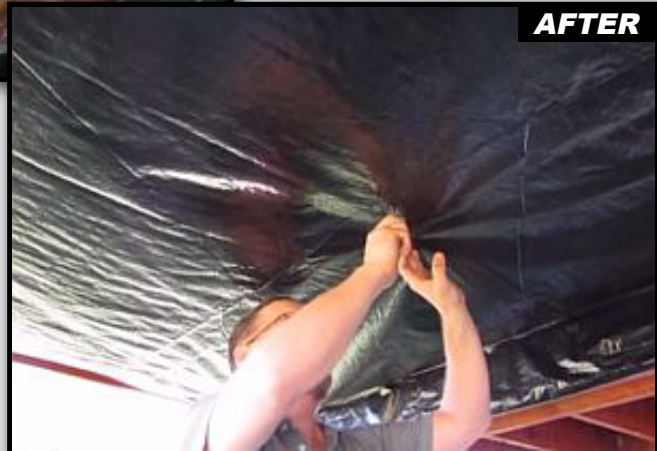
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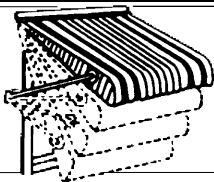
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entertainer, Karen has been having a great time performing those oldies but goodies in front of many audiences. Because of her explosive high energy and her tireless hard work, she was given the name of Little Ms. Dynamite! Although Karen can voice many artists, her favorite artists are Brenda Lee, Connie Francis, and Leslie Gore. She loves to watch people put all of their daily stresses aside, let their hair down and have a great time listening and dancing to the “oldies but goodies”.... she calls it "free therapy". Tickets will be \$20 per person, and the hors d'oeuvres will consist of wings, meatballs, and fruit. 9pm till 12:30am! Come join us after dinner to "Ring in the New Year"!

BREAKFAST IS BACK!

Pam and Roy O'Neill will start off the New Year with the return of the monthly Sunday Morning Breakfast on **JANUARY 8th**, 8am-10am in the clubhouse. Join your neighbors and friends for a delicious \$3.00 breakfast consisting of Eggs, Hash Browns, Sausage or Ham, Toast, Orange Juice, Coffee or Tea and last but not least: a fruit cup! Future breakfasts will be held on **FEBRUARY 12th and MARCH 26th**.

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Mary Kay McBride



The Veteran's Day Tribute went very well! Razzmatazz was so much fun and interacted with the crowd beautifully. Mr. Lowell brought his dummy, Joey, and together they put on quite a show! BC residents LaVonne Newcomer, Vivian Shapiro, Jean and Jerry Richter, Mary Kay McBride, Alice Hall, Conrad (from Phase II), Julie and Daffodil (friends of Lesley Blake), and the most impressive Jim Muir participated in the entertainment!

It was a night of fun and friendship. Following the entertainment portion of the evening we had our “Tribute to Our Veteran's”. The “Star Spangled Banner” was led by Robyn Prentiss, followed by “ Oh, Canada” played on the piano by Alan Smith and sung by Lesley Blake and Company. A flag parade made up of: Army, represented by Gerry Rogers, Navy by Alex Newcomer, Air Force/Army Air Corps by Marty Martin, Marines by Joe Guazerotti, and both the US and Canadian Coast Guard by Mike Benoit. Each military representative entered the room carrying their respective flag while the service song was played by Dave Hunkins. Mary Kay performed a reading about a soldier and Santa Claus on the night before Christmas which was well received. Our evening ended with cake and coffee. Thanks to all who helped decorate, plan, bake desserts, and clean up. A special “Thank You” to American Legion Post 238, in Safety Harbor for loaning us the flags used for the parade.

“FEED THE PIG” Follow up

Connie Potter-Holmes

On November 23rd, Janet Hooper, Executive Director of the Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center and Connie Potter-Holmes opened the “Pigs” and came up with \$193.60 (plus Schneider pennies!) to provide Thanksgiving meals for those less fortunate in Safety Harbor. Thank you to all who donated to this worthy cause.

TRIM-A-TREE/SOCIAL HOUR/TOYS FOR TOTS

Mary Kay McBride

While Christmas Carols played in the background, Briar Creekers decorated the clubhouse inside and out. A beautiful new Christmas Tree was donated by two Santa’s Elves who recently made Briar Creek their year-round home. Beautifully decorated in silver and blue under the direction of Annette Lemieux, it is a work of art and very festive. With garland swaged over the windows and ornaments hung from the ceiling, the clubhouse was transformed into a winter wonderland, headed up by Helen Coar, Mary Houpt and Karen Mbiad. Even the Bingo counter is decorated for the season. This year, an outdoor tree was added to enhance the effect of the icicles and colored lights adorning the façade and Joe Guizzerotti spearheaded Santa’s helpers on the ladders and golf carts!



Snacks were enjoyed by all who participated. The “Toys for Kids” drive was kicked off and Marcia Kincella is chairing this worthwhile endeavor. It does take a village, but that’s what makes it so great when so many pitch in to complete a project!

A special ‘Thank You’ to Jerry Richter for taking pictures that can be viewed by all on the website.

CASTING CALL:

Calling all Gene Kelly’s, Lady GaGa’s, Bob Hope’s and Meryl Streep’s! Time to show off your talent! We are now casting performers for the Phase 1 Appreciation Night Talent Show. If you can sing, dance, play an instrument, tell a joke or put on a skit, we would love to add you to our roster of performers. Appreciation Night will be held on February 25, 2017 and is sure to be very entertaining. See Pauline Hoad (723-9710) or Leslie Blake (474-6504) if you are interested in either performing or volunteering to help with the show or sign up at the Clubhouse.

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REGULARLY SCHEDULED SOCIAL EVENTS

ALL MEDIA ART

Annette Lemieux

All new “All Media Art Class”! Classes meet in the Clubhouse **THURSDAY’S from 12:30pm to 2:30pm**. Join us! January 31st is “Inspire Your Heart With Art Day”: visit a museum, take a photo, knit a scarf, and take an art class....enjoy the beauty around you!

BINGO

Jean Richter

Sales at **5:15pm TUESDAY EVENINGS**, Early Bird Games begin 6:00pm. The Jackpots are B-I-G now that the snowbirds are back!!!

BOOK CLUBS

various

Forming: Jane McKenzie 651-353-2602 jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

Please check the bulletin board in your clubhouse for details regarding the January Book Club meeting. Please email or call me with questions. Thanks!

There are two additional bookclubs, however, membership is closed at this time.

BOWLING

Gene Arend

The ‘Candy Bar Bowling League’ took a break for Thanksgiving and again took a break Dec 23rd and Dec 30th to enjoy the holidays and allow for time to visit with family and friends. Our league bowls at Countryside Lanes every Friday 12 Noon till 3 PM. The league is open to all Briar Creek residents and friends. It is a senior league and geared more to fun then completion, so all bowlers of all levels are invited. Contact Gene Arend 727-725-5844.

BOWLERS 25 or more Pins OVER AVERAGE:

11/11/16	Bob Barr	28	12/2/16	Linda Hayes	29
	Mike Benoit	30		Bob Barr	60 & 48
	Ray Jablonski	27		Jane Fedelem	50
11/18/16	Mary Kay Brown	25		Pete Fedelem	40 (Ouch)
	Linda Hayes	31		Rich Raucci	40
	Bob Bar	29			
	Jane Fedelem	63			





BRIARETTES

Betty Hudd, President

Briarettes meet the **FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 1:00PM** in the PHASE 2 Clubhouse.

BRIDGE

Barbara Glasheen

Bridge players meet every **TUESDAY from 1:00PM to 4:00PM**. If interested, call Barbara at 727-712-9467. We now have three tables and anticipate four when other snowbirds return. Substitutes are welcome.

10-18-18	Pat Hevalow	2860
10-25-16	Betty Bartram	4640
	Helen Coar	4260
11-1-16	Frank Picone	3630
	Janice Taylor	3320
11-8-16	Frank Picone	3550
	Pat Hevalow	3270
11-15-16	Tom Grimes	4570
	Frank Picone	3030
11-22-16	Roberta Shuler	3120
	Pat Hevalow	3100
11-29-16	Ken Fox	4530
	Tom Grimes	3770
	Betty Bartram	3560



CARDIO AND CHAIR YOGA CLASSES

Joan Bienvenue

NEW LOCATION: PHASE 2 CLUBHOUSE. Cardio classes are held every **TUESDAY at 9:00AM** and normally last about 45 minutes. Chair Yoga is held immediately after the Cardio class at 10:00AM. 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.



JANUARY SOCIAL EVENTS

JANUARY 4th
JANUARY 7th

Blood Pressures
7:00pm-10:00pm - New Year Rock and Roll Party – **PHASE 2**. Music by 'New Horizon's', BYOB and bring a snack to share, dessert will be provided during intermission. \$5.00 Donation.

JANUARY 8th
JANUARY 8th
JANUARY 13th

Breakfast - \$3.00 Donation
Krazy Kards \$3.00 Donation. **NOTE: NEW DATE!**
NEW DATE: yes Friday the thirteenth! \$8 per person donation and the event will start at 7 p.m. "Happy Days" will entertain you with music and take you back in time to the "Oldies but Goodies". Come join us and let's have a good time! Refreshments will be served. This group has entertained in Briar Creek several times, but with new residents we decided to have them back again.

We realize that this is the night before the Phase 1 cruise but, keep in mind the event will be over at 10 pm. We actually had them booked for January 20th, but realized many residents will be on the cruise so we had to change the date! Those of you that are going on the cruise, just load you luggage in the car, and bring it with you... It can be left in the clubhouse overnight!

JANUARY 14

Seven Nights departing Tampa to the Western Caribbean aboard the Royal Caribbean "Rhapsody of the Seas".

JANUARY 22nd
JANUARY 24th
JANUARY 26th
JANUARY 28th

8:30am-10:00am - Breakfast in **PHASE 2**- \$3.00 Donation

RECYCLING EVENT – **PHASE 1 and PHASE 2**

Bunco – **PHASE 2** \$3.00 Donation

7PM – 10PM - Singer, Songwriter, Story Teller, Bluesman Roy Bookbinder. He plays, he sings, he tells stories, he entertains and a one-man blues fest ensues. \$8.00 Donation, includes dessert
SHOWTIME PART ONE, 6:30PM "Old Guys Rule"- **PHASE 2**

JANUARY 29th

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 1st
FEBRUARY 4th

Blood Pressures
12noon-2:00PM - Soupathon – **PHASE 2**. \$3.00 Donation gets you soup and chili samples, drinks, crackers, bread and dessert. See Phase 2 section for more details.

FEBRUARY 5th
FEBRUARY 10th
FEBRUARY 11th
FEBRUARY 12th
FEBRUARY 12th
FEBRUARY 17th
FEBRUARY 19th
FEBRUARY 19th
FEBRUARY 23rd
FEBRUARY 25th

6PM – 11PM "NFL Championship Pizza and Soda Party"
8AM-1PM – Blood Drive – **PHASE 2**
7PM – 11PM "Valentine's Dance" with music by "Cover to Cover"

Breakfast
Krazy Kards \$3.00 Donation
Mixed Golf Scrambles at **Countryway Golf Course**

8:30am-10:00am – Breakfast – **PHASE 2**
SHOWTIME PART TWO, 6:30PM "The Goldtones"- **PHASE 2**
Bunco- **PHASE 2**, \$3.00 Donation

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 1st
MARCH 3rd/4th
MARCH 5th
MARCH 9th
MARCH 17th
MARCH 19th
MARCH 22nd
MARCH 23rd
MARCH 24th or 25th
MARCH 26th
MARCH 27th
MARCH 31st
APRIL 2nd
APRIL 5th
APRIL 27th

Blood Pressures
BAZAAR – **PHASE 2**
Krazy Kards - \$3.00 Donation
"Christine Joyce" Entertainment – **PHASE 2**
St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festivities
8:30am-10:00am – Breakfast – **PHASE 2** - \$3.00 Donation
9:30am-2:30pm Starlite Majesty Yacht Lunch Buffet - \$62.00
Bunco – **PHASE 2**, \$3.00Donation
Karaoke – **PHASE 2**

Breakfast
Phase 1 Craft Fair
Mixed Golf Scrambles – **Countryway Golf Course**
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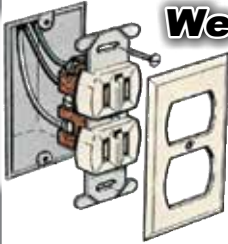
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CHESS

Dave Holmes

CHESS CLUB IS CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF PARTICIPATION. However, if you would like to play a game, give Dave a call at 423-202-6712.

CRAFTS

Barbara Glasheen

We meet every **WEDNESDAY from 1:00pm to 3:00pm**. If you don't have a favorite project to work on just come in for a visit and check out the different talents that might interest you. All are welcome. If crafts have to be cancelled at any time, it will be announced at Coffee Hour. For more information call Barbara Glasheen at 727-712-9467.

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.



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Phil Houpt

Welcome to all, including newcomers. We play **THURSDAYS at 6:00pm**. Bring 50 cents and a few nickles! Any questions call Phil at 727-754-2881.

- 11/10/16 Ivan Curtis 49 Points
- 11/17/16 Mary Houpt 47 Points
- 12/1/16 no game



GOLF

Jane McKenzie

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. 727-474-5705 (home) 651-353-2602 (cell)

jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

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!

LINE DANCING

Helen Coar

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

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

Good news, in the Big 10 league both the A and B teams are near the top of their respective divisions in early December. At the fall meeting of the Big 10, Briar Creek was presented with the President's trophy for the most improved A and B teams as compared to the previous year. This is the first time since it came into existence in 1987 that Briar Creek has won this trophy. The trophy will be on display in our clubhouse until the fall of 2017.

We are always looking for new residents to come out and give shuffling a try. Shuffling is a fun and competitive sport that is easy to learn and yet difficult to master. We do have lots of retired cue sticks just looking for a new owner to get them back out on the courts. This time of year you will usually find someone out practicing around 11:30 in the morning on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays so if you are interested stop by and give it a try.

Home games in January are the 2nd and 4th, 23rd and 25th, and the 30th and Feb. 1st. Competition starts at 12:30 so feel free to stop by and cheer us on to victory.



TABLE TENNIS

Dave Hunkins

Get your paddles ready, table tennis is back. If you think this is a slow and boring game, think again! Come join this fun but competitive group. Anyone can play, any level of ability. Call Dave Hunkins for information 669-0503. **WEDNESDAYS at 7:00 pm.**

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".

March 22, 2017 Lunch buffet cruise aboard the Starlight Majesty Dining Yacht. Listen to "The Best of Broadway" and the music of Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey. 9:30am-2:30pm. \$62.00 includes: transportation, buffet, cruise, taxes, service charge and gratuities.

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River Ranch Rodeo and Hayride
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....Listen for announcements at Wednesday Social Hour or check the bulletin board for further information!

PHASE 2 UPCOMING EXCURSIONS:

Art Tour – Raymond James

Trolley to Tarpon Springs

February, 2017 - Sailors Circus in Sarasota

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

March 12-14th, 2017 – Savannah, 3 days, 2 nights - \$378/pp double, \$478/single including transportation, taxes, gratuities, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners and escorted tour of the Historic District

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WATER AEROBICS

Mary Kay McBride



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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 LOCATION: Zumba classes are now held at **10:30AM on THURSDAY's** in the **Phase 2 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.

FANNY FLAMINGO QUICK FIX FACTS!

Putting in a new dishwasher? Get an aluminum oven liner and slide it under the dishwasher. If at some point the pump might drip you can sometimes hear it drop on aluminum but the liner will trap the moisture so it does not damage the floor which you would not see until it is too late. New Washing Machine or Water Heater? Always have them put in the appropriate metal pan for the very same reason, if they drip you can catch the problem before it destroys the floor.

Look for more helpful hints from Fanny in future editions of the Monthly Media!



CAUGHT BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Never believe that a few caring people can't change the world. For, indeed, that's all who ever have.

Margaret Mead

TOM HAWKINS and MARK PFLUGH repaired the concrete stanchions on the BC entry island.....THANK YOU! That was a big job!

KENNY BLAKE aided law enforcement by identifying a car jacker that was busy on Sugar Bear. THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO KEEP US SAFE!

What a shocker!!!.....**MIKE BENOIT** checked out the defibrillator located in the Clubhouse to make sure it was still in working order! The 2 first aid kits were also updated and restocked. **WE NOW HAVE ASPIRIN IN CASE OF A SUSPECTED HEART ATTACK TO TAKE IMMEDIATELY WHILE WAITING FOR THE AMBULANCE.** In addition, we have fast acting antihistamine for anaphylaxis. Never know when you'll need it!

Worker Bees **MARY KAY MC BRIDE, ANNETTE LEMIEUX, LIZ RAUCCI, PAM O'NEILL, JANE AND PETE FEDELEM and RICH RAUCCI** were very busy purging, cleaning and reorganizing all the storage spaces and the kitchen in the clubhouse. What a chore!

IVAN CURTIS and BETH STORRER both took it upon themselves to care for a neighbor's plants when she went home for the Thanksgiving holiday and didn't make arrangements for their care. She came home expecting dead, brown plants but was very pleasantly surprised they were well cared for! Here's to Green Thumbs!

Thank you **PHASE 2 GOOD NEIGHBOR YAEKO PARISH** for putting Sylia's trash can up each week. It is very kind and thoughtful.

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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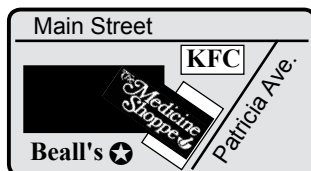
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Connie Holmes



Why is it IMPORTANT to wear (or have) a Medical ID?

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A medical ID provides for quick recognition of any medical conditions, allergies, medications, or treatment wishes which leads to faster and more effective treatment.

Medical ID bracelets reduce errors in treatment, which can result from not having a patient's health record during an emergency situation.

A medical ID speaks for you if you become unresponsive in an emergency.

First responders and medical personnel are trained to look for medical ID jewelry in an emergency. Medical IDs will alert professionals of critical health and personal information. Another possibility for your medical information is to place this information on your refrigerator for emergency personnel to locate easily. Just place it on the refrigerator folded or in an envelope with 'EMERGENCY ID INFO' on the outside. Make it very visible!

There are many reasons for you and your loved ones to wear a medical ID when living with common or unusual medical problems. A medical ID can and will save your life.

WHO should have a medical ID?

Some possibilities are patients with: Alzheimer's/Dementia, ADD/ADHD, high blood pressure, diabetes, cancer, allergies, on dialysis, on blood thinners, lung disease, autism, heart disease, Asthma, COPD, blood disorders, have a pacemaker or defibrillator, epilepsy, etc...the list goes on and on.

So many in our park live alone, this can be a matter of life and death. We ALL laugh at the commercial that shows someone who has fallen and 'can't get up' but this is a major possibility for many of us here in Briar Creek. Anyone can fall at any given time. There is an old saying that 'pride goes before a fall' and it is so true. If you need help...ASK!



REFLECTIONS OF BRIAR CREEK

Linda Eddington

The beginning of a new year brings refreshed optimism and hope for a more active, hospitable Briar Creek community. We heard from the President of Progressive Management at the Phase 1 annual board meeting on December 5th that the Briar Creek Association has consistently the most annual proxy votes then any other neighborhood. That is a very good indicator we care about what happens here.

There is a common belief that peace in the world begins with harmony in the family and between neighbors. We have begun to create harmony here in Briar Creek with identifying good neighbors in action and deed through the Monthly Media. To ensure harmony in the year of 2017, we will continue to extend compassion and a helping hand whenever needed. And, as a pebble creates a ripple in the pond, that harmony will ripple across our city, state, country and world.

A Blessing for the New Year.....The Mothers Union Anthology of Public Prayers:

God, bless our year giving us time for the task, peace for the pathway, wisdom for the work, friends for the fireside, love to the last.

2017 EDITORIAL

Liz Raucci

Here at Briar Creek we are always saying hello and goodbye. Makes me think of the Beatles lyrics, "I say goodbye, and you say hello". This year we said goodbye to Dottie, Katie, George, Robert and Gil but we said hello to Norbert, Inson, Luisa and Marilyn to name a few! We say goodbye to some in May and hello to them again in November. Here in Briar Creek things are always changingbut that's what makes it such a great place to live. There is no change without change. As we say goodbye to 2016 and hello to 2017, there is so much to look forward to....so many more hello's and a few goodbyes. We will welcome a new Board of Directors, a new Social Club board, new residents who will become friends and new inventory in the BC Mart! Unfortunately, we will probably say goodbye to some old friends, but that's all a part of living in Briar Creek, as well. Let's make the most of what this year and what our community has to offer. Meet a new resident, make a new friend, come to an exciting social event, try a new craft, practice a new skill and most of all, enjoy every minute of the New Year in this wonderful community we live in.

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Sat. Jan. 28th, 9am to 1pm, WHITE ELEPHANT SALE. Ranch Mobile at Clubhouse, Lake Rd. (between 142nd & 150th Ave. N. Zip 33764)

COMMUNITY SALE - Sat. Jan. 28, 2017 - 8AM - 1PM. Paradise Island section of Lake Haven MHP, Main St. (SR580) & Lake Haven Rd. (W of Keene/CR1), Dunedin. Housewares, Linens, Clothes, Small Appliances, Jewelry, Furniture, Baked Goods, Raffle Baskets, and Lunch.

Sat. Feb. 25, 8-12 noon, Flea Market, Colonial Village, 2000 East Bay Dr., Largo

Sat., Jan. 21, 8:00 am - 1:00 pm. ANNUAL RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE, Boca Ciega MHP, 11200 Walsingham Road, Largo. Breakfast/Lunch Served.

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Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – January 2017

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

Annual Condo Meeting

The meeting was held on 12/5 at 7PM. The new Board is as follows:

Joan Davis
Bill Russo
John McCormick
Sunny Whitehouse
Tom Feeley
Mike Lucas
Clark Woodard

More information will be included in the February 2017 issue of the Media.

Sunday Breakfast

Skip Taylor

Skip Taylor and his breakfast crew will be serving up delicious breakfasts each month starting January 22. The cost will be \$3.00 and breakfast will be served from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Other upcoming breakfast dates are February 19, and March 19.

REMINDER

PLEASE, please do not park on both sides of the street. We had an issue on 12/7 on Pinewood Terrace. Thankfully, it was the garbage truck and not the fire truck or ambulance! This is even more important during gatherings/parties.....please let your guests know how important this is.

ALSO.....HOME INSPECTIONS WILL BEGON SOON.....



Bingo

Marsha Bowlby

Come down to Bingo on Monday nights have some fun and maybe get the chance to yell Bingo!!! We have had some nice jackpots.

Remember the Monday Night diner is open from 4:00 to 5:15. Meals are \$3.00.

We sell Bingo cards from 5:00 to 5:45, games start at 6:00.

See you on Monday.

Entertainment

Carol Rodrigues

ANew Year's Dance will be held at the phase II clubhouse on Saturday, January 7 from 7 to 10 p.m. Cheri LeBerri and Wayne Schedler will sponsor this event. Music will be by New Horizons and tickets will sell for \$5.00 each. Tickets will be available at phase II clubhouse on Saturday morning. Tickets can also be purchased during phase I coffee hour on Wednesdays. BYOB and a snack to share at your table. Dessert will be served during intermission.

Bunco will be held Thursday, January 26 at 5:30 for dessert with play beginning at 6:00 pm. The cost is \$3.00 and tickets can be purchased during coffee each week. This is an easy to learn game of dice.

Our first Showtime of the season will be held Sunday, January 29 with Old Guys Rule, a mix of comedy and song. The clubhouse will be open at 6:30 p.m. for snacks and BYOB. The show will begin promptly at 7 pm. Tickets are very limited, \$25.00 for both shows. See Pete Loranger.

The annual Soup-a-thon will be held Saturday, Feb. 4 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at the phase II clubhouse. This event is a favorite winter afternoon get-together. The cost will be \$3.00 per ticket. We are asking for members of our community to sign up to bring your favorite soup or chili to share with all. Those making soups will be given 2 free tickets to the event. This year it will be a combined event for both phase I and II. Drinks, crackers, bread and dessert will be available.

Our second Showtime of the season will be Sunday, February 19 with the Goldtones singing for our listening and dancing pleasure. This well known group performs throughout Florida to packed houses. We look forward to their wonderful music. The clubhouse will be open at 6:30 BYOB and snacks for your table. The show will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Bunco is on the docket for Thursday, February 23 at 5:30 for dessert and the game will begin at 6:00 pm. \$3.00 for tickets.



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Cardio, chair yoga and Zumba gold classes

Cardio classes will be held every Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. Cardio classes include stretches, weights and movements to elevate your heart rate. Chair yoga will be held Tuesday morning at 10 am. This is not your daughter's yoga class. We won't be getting on the floor. Yoga will be done either sitting or standing next to the chair holding on for balance. Claudia our instructor helps us to improve our balance as falling is one our biggest risks as we age. On Thursday at 10:30 Zumba gold classes will be held. This is a wonderful way to dance our way to good health. Lots of fun and a wonderful age appropriate work out. Classes are \$3.00 for one class or \$4.00 for two classes on the same day. Those who have the Silver Sneaker option through their insurance are free; please bring your insurance card. This wonderful healthful option is open to both phase I and phase II residents. All classes are held at the phase II clubhouse.

Monthly Mingle

Jean Williams

We are so happy to be back to our Mingle routine. We are back to 3rd Thursday each month; 430p to 6. Just arrive with your beverage, your favorite dish to share and \$1.00.

PRESTO – your dinner is all taken care of..!

See you on January 19th.

Briarettes'

Betty Hudd, President (813-817-1774)

What a wonderful life for our Briarettes for our Christmas Dinner. It turned out with a fabulous friendship gathering with food as a bonus.

Our Jan 3rd meeting at phase 2 at 1PM we will have Revonda (Vondee) Anderson, tee shirt lady, will come and show us how to turn a tee shirt into another article. Bring 2 100% cotton tee shirts and sharp scissors for a cute up time. Hope to see you express yourselves.

Since it snows at this time in other parts of the US let's make anything that has a little white color in it for sharing. When in doubt you may Google a white food item for an idea. Our gatherings are open to phase 1&2 and their guest.50/50-\$1



Ladies' Luncheon

Hildie Meyer



Our first Ladies' Luncheon for the New Year will be held at 1 p.m. on January 18, 2017. We will be going to Grill Smith, located at 2539 Countryside Blvd., across from the Westfield Mall. Invite a neighbor, or a friend, or perhaps a shy new-comer to join us, and let's make this the start of a great New Year.

Travel Club

Karen Johnson & Roz Lucas

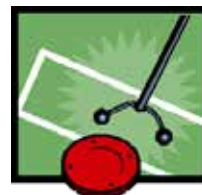
The New Year is upon us and we have some fun things lined up. Jan5-6 we are having a 3 casino bus trip to Ft. Lauderdale. It is \$229.00 pp double. That includes bus, hotel, and gratuities. More information is on the board if you are interested. On Thursday, January 26 at 2:30 we will have a wine and cheese party hosted by Marie of Advantage Cruises and tours. Come join us and see what she has in store for us. February 15th we will be going to Circus Sarasota. \$92 pp includes lunch at Der Dutchman, a family style Amish restaurant, ticket to the circus, bus trip and gratuities. On Saturday, February 25th we are going to Tampa Bay Downs. \$23 pp is admission and a wonderful buffet lunch. The information for all of this is on the board along with the sign-up sheets. Everyone is welcome to join us! Thanks, Roz and Karen



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.



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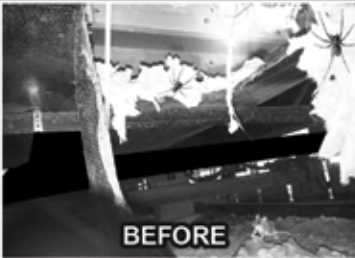
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Bible Study

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

1/01	Bob Bowlby	1/09	Judith Holden	1/21	Jack Shaw
1/01	Joe Donato	1/11	Shirley Crawford	1/23	Ellie Gottwald
1/02	Robert Raynor	1/13	Sheena Lee		
1/02	Dorenda Zimmer	1/13	Mike Pinard	1/23	Ola May Vandette
1/03	Jack Williams	1/13	Brenda Greene	1/24	Pat Bieniewicz
1/04	Nancy Fogarty	1/16	Helen Guerino	1/26	Peggy Eggleston
1/05	Ray Bergling	1/16	Billie Ogradowski	1/26	Sonny Whitehouse
1/05	Del Hunter	1/16	Raimundo Colina	1/28	Gary Bieniewicz
1/07	Paul Spencer	1/18	Barbara Porter	1/28	Earl Bowermaster
1/07	Olive Shearer	1/18	Betty Whitehouse	1/29	Don Meek
1/07	Christine Maxwell	1/20	Joy Thompson	1/30	Char Kent
1/07	Sandy Gibson				

Anniversaries

1/13/1968 Richard & Joanna Milewski – 49 years
1/16/2005 Mike & Roz Lucas – 12 years
1/19/1963 Bob & Jan Gundershaug – 54 years
1/24/1948 Del & Terry Hunter – 69 years
1/24/2003 Jim & Eileen Smart – 14 years
1/29/1966 Ronald & Kathy Booth – 51 years



If your info is missing – Pete L has not received a RESIDENT INFO SHEET- also, let me know of any errors.

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
727-474-5705 (home)
651-353-2602 (cell)
jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com



Mixed Golf Scrambles at Briar Creek

Feb. 17 and March 31 (Phase I & II)

Attention all golfers! Two scrambles have been scheduled again this winter-- sign-up sheets will be 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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Briar Creek Book Club (Phase I & II)

Please check the bulletin board in your clubhouse for details regarding the January Book Club meeting. Please email or call me with questions. Thanks!

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Sewing & Quilting

Darlene Beyer

We have started to gather in Phase II clubhouse to sew and quilt and share ideas. This is open to both Phases on Mondays from 9:30am to 3:00pm. You can choose to stay for a few hours or for the entire time.

Wouldn't you like to finish some of your UFO's (unfinished projects)?

If you are in need of help to finish a project, come on over and we will help you.

It is also a great way to see each other's projects and learn from each other.

Classes in sewing and quilting will be offered for "FREE" and your suggestions will be greatly appreciated.

So come on down and see what we are working on and hopefully you will want to join us.

It's always great to see and enjoy the finished items that you and others have made.

If you have any questions, please call Darlene Beyer @ 727-403-9957 or at home @ 727-444-0708.

Euchre

Ed Ogradowski

Euchre has begun at Phase II. We play on Tuesdays at 6pm. Come on down. If anyone needs lessons how to play euchre, contact Ed for info.

Scores for 11/22 – Orpha Berken 39 – Betty Little 34.





Pinochle

Ed Ogradowski

Pinochle at Phase II is played on Wednesdays at 6pm. If you are interested in lessons, contact Ed for info.

Scores for 11/23 – Ed Ogradowski 378, Jack Williams 257, Alice Williams 387, Billie Ogradowski 339.

The Remembering past Christmas Seasons

Standing at the kitchen counter this year, with my arms deep into sugar and flour, I started thinking about Christmas baking seasons in the past. All years are memorable in their own way but one stands out.

I had belonged to a Christmas Cookie Exchange with some dear friends for many years, sharing the happy memories of successful Christmas goodies, the tears over failed recipes, the yearly news update about families...jobs, marriages, children, school triumphs and disasters, college, children's' marriages and grandchildren. In 27 years, a lot of water goes under the bridge.

The most memorable year saw us meeting at Bonnie's house, a beautiful, large old mansion in an upscale part of town. We talked nonstop, drank wine, admired our handiwork and took the mandatory photos of ourselves and table groaning under the weight of dozens of beautiful cookies.

Late in the evening when the party broke up, we opened the door to see snow unexpectedly covering the sidewalk and the parked cars. Patsy and I proceeded to clear the snow off her car, but try as hard as we might, we just couldn't get her key to go into the door lock. Assuming the lock was frozen, for 45 minutes we blew hot air into the keyhole through a straw, put the key in hot water and happily accepted the help of strangers passing down the street. But nothing worked. The door lock just wouldn't open.

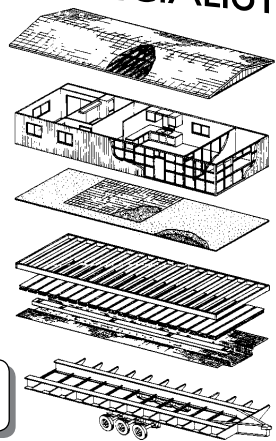
Finally we decided that our only option was to have Bonnie drive us to a gas station that stayed open late to buy some lock de-icer. So we carried all the boxes of cookies back to her house, cleared the snow off her car and started down the street. As we passed the car we had been working so hard to open, Bonnie remarked "Patsy, you don't have diplomatic plates on your car."

Oops, we had been trying to open the door of the wrong car.

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BAZAAR 2017

Pete

Holidays are over. Now is the time for ALL OF US to concentrate on our main money making event of the year.

By the time you read this we will be about 2 months or so from our Bazaar (March 3-4). I will include more information in the FEB. Media, but here are few reminders in the meantime. If you have a favorite area to work in – please be sure to let me know ASAP. I also need someone to handle getting gift certificates. I have a letter to give to vendors. **YOU** could do this!!!! Call me ASAP.

We are still in need of JEWELRY and ITEMS FOR THE RAFFLE BASKETS – (both Liquor and other items to fill themed baskets). ALL cash donations accepted and very much appreciated.

Thank you all ----for all the support and donations you have given to this point. I do believe with everyone’s interest, donations and help, we will have another very successful and MONEY MAKING BAZAAR. CAN WE BEAT LAST YEAR?....?..... YES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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Briar Creek Luncheon..	Joan Bienvenue (724-8561)		
Backup	Lesley Zuckerman (712-8378)		
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Bridge.....	Barbara Glasheen (712-9467)		
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