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For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but one of power, love, and sound judgment. 2 Timothy 1:7

Our prayers are with those affected by COVID-19, as well as all health care workers, first responders, and those on the frontlines. Please use "sound judgment" and follow the guidelines set for us so that you may stay safe and stay healthy.

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BOARD BUSINESS and UPDATES



Director, Lawn Maintenance/Trees/Landscaping

Roy O'Neill

The lawns will be mowed on Tuesday May 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, weather permitting.

To everyone in the park, please continue self-distancing and stay healthy since we are the ones who get hit the hardest from COVID-19. Take care until next month.

Director

Ray Jablonski

Watering of lawns should be done with consideration for the whole community as there is only a single water meter that monitors the water usage in both Briar Creek Phase I & II. The water bill reflects the water usage in both communities. When lawns and other outdoor plants are watered, to the point that water is running down the street into the storm drain, this is a waste of a precious natural resource as well as a lack of concern for fellow

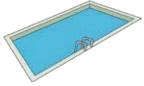


residents who pay through their monthly condo fee for the water used in the communities. When water restrictions are put in place by Pinellas County, usually this time of the year and other times, when rain is in short supply, residents are required to follow county regulations regarding the use of water to ensure that there is a sufficient supply for everyone in the County. Residents need to follow the restrictions and if water is running down the street, it indicates that the ground can no longer absorb it and the water should be turned off. It is better to water several times than try to get it done all at once and waste water. I have been called out several times with what residents believe is a water leak only to find that someone's lawn or plants are being over watered and I then have to ask them to stop. I ask all residents to show respect for their fellow residents and our precious natural resources and use water responsibly.

Director

Ralph Vitiello

s we all know by now, the Pool and Spa have been closed. As an FYI, the heaters in the Pool and Spa have been turned off.



Servicing of the Pool will remain in effect on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Let me reassure you that when this is all done, the Pool and Spa will be ready to go.

My prayers are with all of you.

DIAL DIRECTORY

Helen Coar

ue to all the business closings, there is no word on when the Dial Directory will be in my hands and available for distribution. There are also no new residents to list. Let's hope as you receive this issue of the Media that I will have word on the 2020-2021 Dial Directory.

BC MART

Dave Doran/Ray Jablonski

ue to the health issue we are dealing with, BC Mart will be closed until further notice. We have also suspended pick-ups and will not be accepting anything at this time. We hope to be



back in business soon and will keep you updated with postings in the BC Experience section of Facebook as well as at BC Mart. In the meantime, stay safe.

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Betty Chatigny

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May 5	Geri Wardell
May 7	Phillip Houpt
May 9	Jean Carlson
May 9	Janet Potash
May 10	Karen Brasted
May 11	Richard McCombs
May 14	Beverly Alho
May 15	Tom Doyle
May 15	Sylvia Carter
May 16	Maureen Boys
May 17	In Son Klongkanngarn
May 17	Linda Pickering
May 21	Joe Daley
May 21	Michael McDonald

May 22	Pat Grimes
May 22	Terry Henry
May 23	David North
May 24	Steven Smith
May 26	Madelyn Geigenmiller
May 26	Priscilla Johnson
May 26	Siobhan Knight
May 27	Frank Roberts
May 28	Bob Barr
May 28	Ben Ragonese
May 28	Jane Horton
May 30	Cy Anderson



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

May 2 Jim & Mary Alice Piro May 25 Steven & Mary Bourque May 29 John & Stephanie Andrechak







IN MEMORIAM

Obituary for Ann M. Daley

Our beautiful Ann Higgins Daley went to be with the Lord on April 1st at 9:02 PM. After a long battle with multiple health issues, she is



finally at peace. Ann was the epitome of life, love, laughter, strength, courage, family and most importantly, singing. She could clear any room by belting out a tune. Some might say she sang out of tune, but you'd have to admit that she knew every word to every song, even if she had to make them up. She truly hit all the notes, smiling and laughing the entire time.

Ann is survived by her loving and faithful husband, Joe. For the 62 years of their marriage, they are literally the best love story ever. Joe has been by her side, not so much for holding hands and the mushy stuff, but for the small and important things, like faith, support, love, family, and being the best of friends.

Ann leaves behind her four children Joe (Tina), Annmarie, Martin (Lisa) and Danny (Karen). Ann loved and adored each and every one of her 17 grandchildren: Steven, James, Jason (Laura), Corinne, Jamie, Danny, Jade, Alyssa, Madison, Brooke, Kyle, Sehjin, Haile, Tyler, Alexa, Arielle and Ian and her sweetest great-grandchildren, Cameron and Joseph. She was Aunt Ann to a countless number of nieces and nephews (including those that were related through life) whom she had a special and loving relationship with each one (insert your story in comments).

Ann was born in Greenpoint, Brooklyn on September 2nd, 1936. Ann is the daughter of the late Michael Higgins and Rose McMullan Higgins. Ann is survived by her loving brother, Davey Higgins (Vera) and was predeceased by her sisters: Rose (Joe), Helen (Raymond) and Patricia.

Ann worked as a School Secretary for the NYC Board of Education for many years before retiring in Safety Harbor, FL in 2000 and summering in Eagle Lake, PA. Ann was an active member of the Briar Creek Homeowner's Association, holding numerous positions. It was one of the great pleasures of Ann's life to be active in this community, making so many beautiful friends there.

Those that know Ann, know that she lived life to the fullest and squeezed every ounce of fun out of her 83 years on this Earth. If life was a sponge, she soaked every ounce out of it and sadly, her work here is now done. Ann leaves behind hundreds of friends, far too many to name everyone. The family would like to say thank you to all that supported Ann and us in this battle. Special thanks to Cathy Zacharkiewicz, who selflessly gave of herself to Ann and was there for her to the very end.

Please remember Ann by grabbing a Twizzler, a Jelly Ring, Lightly Salted Potato Chips, Diet Coke (no ice, they screw you on the ice), or a glass of Chardonnay and hoist it to our Fightin' Annie. Rest easy sweet lady.

Due to the current pandemic, services will be held at a later date to be determined.

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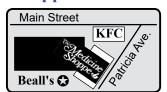
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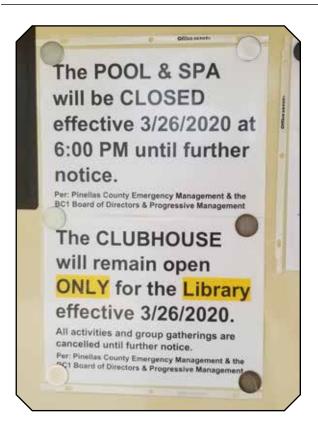


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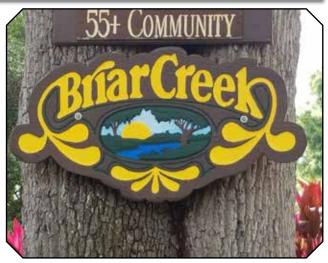
















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WELLNESS CHECKS

Martin Shapiro

n these unprecedented times of stress and isolation, BC residents are reaching out as good neighbors. A volunteer project to make regular Wellness Check phone calls to BC residents (including both Phase I and Phase II) has been established. Here's how you can participate:

- 1. If you would like to receive regular Wellness Check calls, or know someone else that resides in BC who needs or wants calls, provide name and phone number. The info will be given to one of our volunteers who make the Wellness Check calls.
- 2. We need volunteers to call BC residents using the Dial Directory, to find who else to add to the Wellness Check calls. You will be assigned a section of the Directory to call.
- 3. We need volunteers to make the regular Wellness Check calls. Frequency of calls will depend on the needs of the individual.

To participate in any of these, please provide your name, phone and email address to: Martin Shapiro, 727-467-0555, Martin.PokerX@gmail.com

Thank you for your participation, and staysSafe!

TRASH/RECYCLING/YARD WASTE COLLECTION UPDATE IN BRIAR CREEK

SANITATION COLLECTION UPDATE – ESSENTIAL SERVICES ONLY

ue to Executive Order 20-91 issued by the Governor on April 1, 2020, and the Public Health Emergency caused by COVID-19, the City of Safety Harbor has reduced staffing levels in order to maintain proper social distancing as recommended by the CDC. Only essential services are being provided at this time.

Until the order is lifted, the following services are being amended by the Public Works, Sanitation Division, BEGINNING Monday, April 13, 2020.

Spring Clean-Up for the month of April will be suspended.

Sanitation crews will ONLY service garbage and recycling CANS/TOTERS, bulk pick-up will be suspended. This enables pick-up to be completed almost entirely by automated trucks and a single person. Bags or items placed outside of the cans/toters will NOT be collected.

Wednesday Yard Waste Collection will be suspended. Special Pick-Ups will be suspended.

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IF YOU ARE AN OLDER PERSON, stay home and away from other people.

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Residential Dumpster Deliveries will be suspended. Pick-ups of existing dumpsters can be accommodated, but dumpsters will not be returned for additional usage.

There may be some delay in pick-up due to limited staff. Commercial collection, residential garbage collection, and residential recycling collection schedules remain the same.

Please help our crews to continue effective residential sanitation services by placing trash and recycling in the cans/toters and placing

these receptacles at the curb prior to 6:30AM on your designated garbage and recycling days.

We also ask that as a precaution, if you see our staff working in your neighborhood, please avoid directly approaching and maintain proper distance to keep everyone safe during this emergency.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN BRIAR CREEK

Pat Dion

reetings from Ontario, Canada to all my Briar Creek family.

Like all of you, JP and I have been happy and healthy as we continue to follow the "rules" to ensure we are part of the solution to the COVID-19 pandemic and not part of contributing to the spread of the pandemic.

Thanks to television, we have all been able to keep updated on important information as its developing as well as what's happening locally, nationally and globally. Then we spend hours watching all the programs and movies while our behinds get extra flat from sitting and our fronts get more rounded from trips to the fridge during commercials! The good news is, thanks to Facebook, Briar Creek Experience, video, Messenger, texting, telephone and speaking loud from one yard to the other, the majority of residents have managed to communicate with family and friends.

I've also noticed from afar the many hobbies and pastimes Creekers have been enjoying such as daily walks, excursions at Phillipe Park, jigsaw puzzles, more than usual cooking and baking, reading, crafts, painting, sewing masks, online games, etc. It's my understanding we have even discovered a snake whisperer among us! When this isolation period is over, we now have our own expert who will "encourage" and guide the animals, insects and reptiles back into their homes in the bushes and in the wild. So many hidden talents in Briar Creek!

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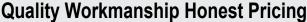














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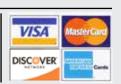
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ANYONE HUNGRY?

Pat Dion

hose of you who know me also know that I enjoy cooking. On that note, since everyone has to cook a little more than usual these days anyway, I thought you might like to try a new recipe or two. They are both simple and quick to make and very tasty. In each case, you can freeze extra meals with what you have left and just reheat a meal on a day that you don't feel like cooking.



Bon appetit!

HOMEMADE BEANS

(my grandmother's recipe)

400F for ½ hr, then 350F for 3-4 hours until beans are dark and soft 1 lb Thompson's White Pea Beans (can substitute navy beans if you have to)

- Boil beans with 1 tsp salt until skin is loose when you blow on a few beans in a spoon the skin peels back. Approx 1 hour
- Keep covered with water while cooking.

Transfer beans & water to granite roasting pan or equivalent then add:

- 1/3 cup regular molasses (not blackstrap or cooking)
- 1 tsp dry mustard
- salt & pepper to taste
- 1/4 to 1/2 lb bacon cut in 1" pieces
- 1 med onion cut in quarters
- ½ cup brown sugar

Mix gently. Bake in oven and keep beans covered with liquid. At end of baking time, the liquid should be thicker.



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- 7 ½ ounce can of Hunts tomato sauce
- ½ cup ketchup
- 1 cup coarsely chopped onion
- 1/3 cup white vinegar
- 1/3 cup packed brown sugar

- 1 tsp chili powder
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 2 tbsp regular molasses
- (not blackstrap or cooking)
- 2/3 cup water
- 1. Place roast in crock pot/slow cooker.
- 2. I double the recipe for the sauce because the meat absorbs lots. In a large bowl mix all ingredients. Pour all the sauce over the roast.
- 3. Cook on LOW for 8 hours or on HIGH for 5 hours. Depending on the type of slow cooker and heat options, you may need to adjust the time and temperature.
- 4. When done, pull meat apart using two forks.
- 5. Serve on a large bun or with mashed potatoes.

N.B.: If you don't have a slow cooker/crock pot, you can also bake in the oven at 300F for 6 hours.

BRIDGE

Barbara Glasheen

ridge is suspended until further notice. In the meantime, here are the scores from the last games:

Mar 3		Mar 10	
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Brian Stickney	3460	Vivian French	3360
Roberta Shuler	3370	Barbara Glasheen	3280



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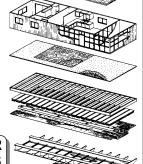


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Jane McKenzie

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Please contact me if you are interested or have questions. 651-353-2602 (Cell)

jgmckenzie4647@gmail.com

BRIARETTES Phase I and II

Betty Hudd

wish to thank all who were able to enjoy our get togethers prior to the coronavirus. We shall resume in **October** when the world is under control. Until then, remain strong, positive and above all, virus free.









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Briar Creek Bugle Phase II – May 2020

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

EDITOR'S NOTE:

ALL INFO IN THIS ISSUE, INCLUDING THE CALENDAR REPRESENTS WHERE WE STAND AT THE TIME OF THIS PRINTING. PLEASE WATCH FOR ANY UPDATES, ESPECIALLY FROM THE PHONE TREE. HOPEFULLY THE JUNE ISSUE WILL BE BACK TO NORMAL. THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR THE HELP.

Board of Directors:

<u>Tom Feeley – Vice President</u> Tope all is well with you and your family. The clubhouse, pool & fitness

room remain closed until further notice being received from the Pinellas County Board of Governors. From what I have read, there will be none or only limited openings until there is sufficient testing & tracing. Anyway, the clubhouse is still being cleaned by our janitorial service. The cleaning service has been instructed to wipe down and clean all surfaces, handles, tables & chairs to include the fitness room bathroom that is utilized each week by our landscaping company. The circulators within the pool & spa are kept in operation, but we have turned off the heat & cooling units. The pool & spa are still being serviced weekly by the pool service company. During the shutdown of the pool we had Florida Leak Detectors conduct a leak test on the pool plumbing, all went well, no leaks, no major issues. When we get notification that the pool can be opened, I will need a day to conduct some final cleaning and to start-up the heating/cooling units. As we all know, the county is in major crisis, we need to comply with the government guidelines & restrictions. Please be patient and do not become complacent.

Jean Schmidt - Condo Secretary/Alterations

pril showers are in the past and May flowers are starting to bloom. As long as our social restrictions are in place, outside alterations forms are available by calling me 223-8667. A form will be delivered to your rock box. Please fill out entirely, provide a paint chip, any drawn or copy of printed specs from a contractor, a contact phone number, etc. Return completed form to my rock box at 79 Red Fox Run. I will get the 4 required signatures and deliver an approval to you. You must receive this approval before work begins....Keep in mind, not all Board Members are here for our summers. If Corona Virus restrictions are lifted, I'll look forward to seeing everyone at a May Condo Board meeting.

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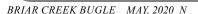


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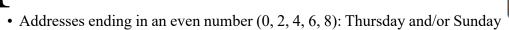


This reminder of water restrictions comes from our Board of Directors; they would also like to remind you that at no time should the water run in the streets.

Safety Harbor's Water Restrictions

Updated August 1, 2017

or Pinellas County Utilities customers, lawn watering is limited to a twiceper-week schedule using potable, well, lake or pond sources as follows:



- Addresses ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, 9): Wednesday and/or Saturday
 Addresses with mixed or no addresses, such as common areas associated with residential subdivisions: Tuesday and/or Friday
- Lawn irrigation is prohibited between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Handwatering and micro-irrigation of plants (other than lawns) can be done on any day at any time, if needed.

New lawns have a 60-day establishment period. On days 1-30, they may be watered any day of the week. During days 31-60, they may be watered three days per week. Even-numbered addresses may water only on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. Odd-numbered addresses may be watered only on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Customers are encouraged to follow these tips provided by UF/IFAS Pinellas County Extension:

- Water only when plants or lawns start to wilt.
- Consider using soil moisture sensors in line with your irrigation system to automatically gauge water needs and operate sprinkler timers.
- If mowing is necessary, increase mowing height to the highest setting to reduce stress on lawns. The lower the cut, the less drought resistant the lawn will be over time.
- Make sure irrigation systems are operating at peak performance by checking and clearing filters in the system.
- Clean and properly direct sprinkler heads.
- Do not use fertilizer during dry conditions because it increases a lawn's thirst for water.
- Remove weeds to lessen competition for available water.
- Use mulch to keep moisture near roots of plants.





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Over time, these steps will help improve the health of customers' lawns and landscapes and make them more drought-tolerant.

Pinellas County Utilities encourages water conservation at all times for its customers. For tips about how customers can conserve water around their homes, visit www.pinellascounty.org/utilities/water-conservation.htm.

Customers using reclaimed water provided by Pinellas County Utilities should follow the reclaimed water restrictions found at www.pinellascounty.org/utilities/reclaim-irrigation. httm.

For more detailed information about watering restrictions, call Customer Service at (727) 464-4000 or visit **www.pinellascounty.org/utilities/water-restrict.htm**.

REMINDERS

<u>Daytime Parking</u> – please Park on ONE SIDE of the street in your area. This will keep our streets open for Emergency Vehicles.

<u>Visitor Parking</u> is at the clubhouse on the side of the shuffleboard courts, (grassy area). Please put the VISITORS PASS in the front windshield. Residents who do not have the pass can contact a board member. Parking in an empty carport is NOT allowed without permission.

vernight Parking in the street is NOT allowed.

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Travel Club

Karen Johnson & Roz Lucas

ope this finds everyone healthy and bored! Bored is good. Means you have all been doing what we are supposed to be doing. For everyone who is signed up for our Atlanta trip it has been rescheduled for Nov.10-13. The weather should still be good and everyone should be back by then.

Stay safe, stay healthy and one day we will see you all on the bus.

Dear Briar Creek II

Lois Heisdorf, President

e need volunteers. Hopefully we will soon be able to return to our normal activities and once again use the clubhouse. For this reason...

We need someone to organize the Monday Nite Bingo games. This event gives pleasure to so many people. Let's keep it going.

If you can take photos, we need someone like you to continue recording our activities for the scrapbook. Become a historian.

We need to hear from you!



Entertainment

Carol Rodrigues

ue to the closure of the clubhouse, all entertainment for April and May has been cancelled. We plan to restart entertainment when appropriate; however it may be necessary to cancel additional events due to health circumstances. Watch your newsletter and the BCII phone tree for more updated details.

<u>Father's Day Ice Cream Social:</u> Saturday, June 20, all Fathers will be honored with an ice cream social.

Summer Breakfast: Sunday, August 9 there will be a breakfast served from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Tickets are \$4.00.

<u>Labor Day Luncheon:</u> Monday, September 7 we will offer a luncheon at the clubhouse with an afternoon of games of follow.

Advance notice for fall and winter dates are listed below:

October 30, Friday – Oktoberfest dinner and dance

December 3, Saturday – Paint and Sip night

December 12, Saturday – Social Club Christmas Party with Johnny Charro

January 14, 2021 Thursday – Sally Langwah, impersonator

February 21, 2021 Sunday – Bob Lawson, mentalist

March 18, 2021 - Thursday - Jimmy Mazz, singer

BINGO

Gloria

ith the Governor's "Stay at Home" directive, there will be no Bingo on Monday nights until further notice. With that said, we have no one who has stepped up to take over running Bingo when Bingo DOES start up again. There are a lot of residents that love playing Bingo, so maybe some of you could step up and volunteer either by yourself or run it together with others so it would not be overwhelming. We have a lot of new residents in the past 2 years but few volunteers. Think about being a volunteer. It would be a shame to waste all the expensive equipment to not have Bingo anymore.





Ladies' Luncheon

Carol Smitley

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o information to share at this time.



Mingle

Sandy and Billie

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Betty Hudd

ish to thank all who were able to enjoy our get together prior to the coronavirus. We shall resume in October when the world is under control. Til then remain strong, positive and above all virus free.

Crafts, Knitting, Crocheting

Darlene Beyer

f you are knitters crocheters and have yarn, you can get started on making scarves and hats for the children at the Sheriff's Ranch or the cancer patients while you're sitting in your homes during this quarantine time. This will help you fill your time and feel productive while doing something for others in need.







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Humane Society & The Haven

Barbara Bergling

hank you Sandy and Jay for collecting donations for the Humane Society. I volunteered to replace them. I also collect donations for the Haven, the Clearwater abuse shelter. I posted, on the clubhouse bulletin board, a wish list from the Humane Society and a list of items



always needed at the Haven. Inside my screen door there's a basket for your donations. If you want further information, email or call me.

Barbara Bergling 93 Briarwood Place hepgramma43@gmail.com 727-204-6457

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Mike Schmidt





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- 4. YOU, (or someone you find), must stand up and make the motion at the designated meeting for a membership vote on your request.
- 5. The Special Finance Committee, the Social Committee Board, and the Condo Board members are NOT responsible to implement your motion, (Such as pick up, installation, planting, cement pouring, etc.). They MAY volunteer to help you.
- 6. All requests are subject to approval by our Condo Board.













When I Am Among the Trees

By Mary Oliver

When I am among the trees, especially the willows and the honey locust, equally the beech, the oaks and the pines, they give off such hints of gladness. I would almost say that they save me, and daily.

I am so distant from the hope of myself, in which I have goodness, and discernment, and never hurry through the world but walk slowly, and bow often.

Around me the trees stir in their leaves and call out, "Stay awhile."
The light flows from their branches.

And they call again, "It's simple," they say, "and you too have come into the world to do this, to go easy, to be filled with light, and to shine."



Neighbor to Neighbor

Ime@iquest.net and Ellen, Phase 2 ellenreports@yahoo.com

ue to COVID-19 "social distancing" recommendation, we have postponed distribution of the BC neighborhood survey until we are all safe to interact again. (Thank you to the 35 residents who already completed the survey!) In the interim, we thought we would give you some interesting information about the evolution of Briar Creek.

The original BC Phase 1 model homes were on display in February 1977. Warren Hughes, President of Dynamic Realty developed Briar Creek. Greg A. Knutsson, executive vice president of Briar Creek described in the St. Petersburg Times, that Briar Creek was "a project that shook up the industry." Howard and Lee Hetzler were the first settlers. **Does anyone have stories about them?**

The ad to buy homes in BC stated: "Look what a \$39



maintenance fee buys! A 6000 sq ft clubhouse, pool, heated whirlpool, 6 lighted shuffleboard courts, street lights, underground utilities, city sewer and water, lawn mowing, professional management, 2 laundry areas."

The elevation in Briar Creek ranges from 15 to 45 feet above sea level with 5.3 units per acre. The lots ranged from \$5,995 to \$8,995 with the homes starting at \$18,900 furnished and a **free decorator service**. There were no white homes, the units were soft colors to blend in with the trees and grass. A special strain of bug-proof St. Augustine called Floratam was used to sod all the lots. If you have ever noticed the stone accenting the clubhouse, it was handpicked at Candy Mountain, NC.

The first Dial Directory was published in January of 1978. October 1978 was the first annual Trash and Treasure sale that netted \$516.22. The 1979 Tash to Treasure netted \$872.95. It just keeps getting better and better. The Monthly Media began on March 1, 1979 with Ellie Coxen as Editor.

The first coffee hour was held on July 27, 1977 on Wednesday morning so the neighbors could get to know each other and learn what is going on in the park. The first social event was a covered dish supper with music, cards and dancing. On August 31, the BC Social Club was inaugurated with Howard Johnson as the President. Social Club activities included: Pancake Breakfast, Halloween Party, Christmas Tree Trimming party, first New Year's Eve party, Cards and Games, Square Dancing instructions, All States Dinner, monthly educational movie that can "increase our store of knowledge on many subjects." They had an evening coffee for those who work during the day.

Make it a good day in the neighborhood!!

Information in this article is from BC Phase 1 Volume 1 Scrapbook. It is being rebound and then will be returned to the library. We look forward to continuing the Briar Creek story in the monthly media with the assistance of the Phase 2 historian Karen Johnson.

Food Pantry

Joan Davis

big Thank You for your donations in April. The use of our truck worked very well. We also collected \$360.00 along with the food. Due to the Covid-19 virus we will see what happens this month as far as an other collection. A notice would be on the phone tree. Thank you.

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BCII PHONE TREE

Marsha Bowlby

ell it's been a pretty busy time for the Phone tree. I sent out 2 messages the first one on March 21st, and then again, a few days later. I wanted to see how many of you were reading/getting the e-mails. I asked for you to respond so I would know. It worked out well. I have 166 households on the phone tree and 75% responded. I have 204 Individuals on the phone tree, because some households have both individuals on the phone tree.

A lot of information has gone out, Clubhouse closing, pool closing, golf cart parade, what the sanitation dept is doing, food pantry donations, lawn mowing, blood drive, travel club info, refund of money from entertainment. And unfortunately a resident passing in Phase I.

So, if you're not on the phone tree WHY?

Signing up is easy, just sent me an e-mail to **BC2phonetree@gmail.com** with your name, address, phone number and your e-mail address. I am the only one with your e-mail address, I do not share it. When someone sends me an e-mail to post, it will come from me (the phone tree), I will put the name of the person who originated it either in the title line or at the bottom of the e-mail.

When a message is sent out on the phone tree and you respond back, that comes to me, not the person who requested the e-mail to be posted. If you have a question about the e-mail you need to contact the person who requested, it to be posted.

If you're on the phone tree and you have not received any of the e-mails this past month, please check your spam/trash folders to see if they are there. If not please e-mail me using the phone tree address and I will try to figure it out

Bunco

Marge Grohskopf

This info is for when we come out of this Lock-down:

Bunco will continue the 4th Thursday of the month. It is important that you sign up at Sat. coffee or call Marge 727-533-6603 by the Tues before. If we do not have 16 people it will be canceled. Thanks! Bunco is simple to learn and a good thing to try in the summer when there are fewer activities.





Bible Study

Kathy Cobb



ue to Lock-down...Contact Kathy with any questions

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5/01	Ruth Miller	5/21	Nancy Eckhardt	
5/01	Lois Heisdorf	5/24	Joe Haines	
5/06	Bill Gottwald	5/26	Glenda Cullens	
5/10	Bill Rollins	5/27	Marge Breheny	
5/11	Jim Tashjian	5/27	Jake Boettger	
5/12	P.J. Wierzbowski	5/28	Chuck Schlaich	
5/12	Joan Mackert	5/30	Alice Lopez	
5/14	Judy Clark	5/30	Beverly Kolvek	
5/17	Joan Collier	5/31	Maureen Wlodarczy	k
5/17	Greg Zimmer	5/31	Beverly Butters	
5/18	Jim Schiltz	5/31	Joyce Eickenberg	
5/19	Richard Seybolt			



Anniversaries

5/15/1976	Tom & Robin Feeley – 44 years
5/17/1975	Bill & Bonnie Briggs – 45 years
5/21/2010	Richard Whipple & Bettye Gilreath – 10 years
5/28/2005	Mike & Jean Schmidt – 15 years



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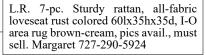
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ACROSS

- 1. Shorthand
- 6. Snip
- 10. At the peak of
- 14. Keyboard instrument
- 15. Sharpen
- 16. Trim
- 17. Tiny balls strung together
- 18. Varieties
- 19. Death notice
- 20. Solemnity
- 22. Murmurs
- 23. Reverence
- 24. Moses' brother
- 26. Promise
- 30. Pooch
- 32. Eagle's nest
- 33. Tickweed plant
- 37. Epic
- 38. Light or tulip ones
- 39. Employ
- 40. Pillages
- 42. Ski jacket
- 43. Anagram of "Sneer"
- 44. Assault sexually
- 45. Cambered
- 47. Twosome
- 48. Expectoration
- 49. A moderately quick
- tempo
- 56. Wise men
- 57. Tidy
- 58. Aromatic solvent
- 59. Relating to urine
- 60. Central area of a church authenticity
- 61. British biscuit
- 62. Spurs
- 63. Winglike
- 64. Thumps

- 4. Zero

- 8. Writing fluids
- 9. Communications

- 13. Animal companions

- 1. Boohoos
- 2. Tall woody plant
- 3. Quaint outburst

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- 5. Performing
- 6. Yours (archaic)
- 7. Part in a play
- 10. Being of
- questionable
- 11. Forbidden 12. Heavenly hunter

21. Female sheep

DOWN

- 25. In the past
- 26. Overtake
- 27. Jump

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- 28. Therefore
- 29. Contradictions
- 30. Handouts
- 31. Spheres
- 33. Adorable
- 34. "Your majesty"
- 35. Bothers
- 36. Chair
- 38. Brightly colored
- handkerchief

- 41. Anger
- 42. Most destitute
- 44. Cup
- 45. 3-banded
- armadillo
- 46. Inflexible
- 47. Discourage
- 48. Self-satisfied
- 50. Loyal (archaic)
- 51. Magma
- 52. Carve in stone
- 53. You (archaic)
- 54. Care for
- 55. Mining finds









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