

The Brandywine Bugle

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ASSOCIATION NEWS

There are NO Committee or Board Meetings scheduled until September.

We sure have had some hot and wet days here in “Sunny” Florida. Many of the Brandywine maintenance **PROJECTS** got started in July. **(1)** Most of the **Trees** have been trimmed. Diseased and damaged trees have been removed. **(2)** The **Lawns** have been fertilized, hit with lots of weed killer, sprayed for bugs and treated for grubs. The Brandywine maintenance crew did an awesome job at removing some bad areas in lawns which we replaced with sod. Several areas have received plugs and more fertilizer. In August we are going to skip mowing the front yards, one week. This will mean there is going to be high grass for a week. This is done in order for the St. Augustine grass to “re-seed” itself. Getting rid of the weeds is going to take more than one rainy season but we are planning to have much better looking lawns this fall.

(3) Roofing began in May but we still have four more buildings to do this year. **(4) Power Washing** will be completed in August. **(5) Painting** is to start the second week of August. The first 2 buildings of the 13 to be painted will be **1207 – 1219 & 1227 - 1239 Broadwater**. The next 2 will be **1207 – 1219 & 1227 -1239 S. Brandywine**. Updates will be forthcoming.

(6) The **Road Resurfacing** is scheduled to start August 18th. **West Brandywine, Arcola and Hazeltine** will all be done at the same time. Doing it all at once will take less time and be less costly. The road crew will be starting at 7:30 each day and ending about 5:00. It will take at least a week. Before they start and after they leave each day, the roads can be driven on, slowly and carefully. However, most of you will want to park outside of the area they are working on to keep from getting trapped. If you are not able to get out of your house during the day, you can call the office and we will send a golf cart over to get you to your car.

(7) We had planned on getting the new **Shrubs** planted before the end of July but at the writing of this article it may not be until the first week of August.

(8) The **Carpets** in the Brandywine Hall and entries of all the Hazeltine units are scheduled to be cleaned on **August 4**.

Rene Dahl, Association Manager

THANK YOU

With heartfelt gratitude, I would like to thank all of you who joined in helping me celebrate my 100th birthday. Thank you for your cards and gifts and best wishes, and a big thank you for those who were able to attend my party. What a surprise. My family surely had me fooled. It took me awhile to realize that the dinner dance party was actually for me. What a shock! So, thank you again. You made my day very special.

Ida Hurt

HAPPENING NOW

FRIED CHICKEN DINNER – Saturday, August 16 at 5:30 PM. Since our spiral ham dinner combined with a covered dish brought by residents, was so successful, the Activities committee has decided to do it once again, with the entrée being fried chicken. So we are requesting that all who come bring their favorite side dish or perhaps experiment with a new one. We will be adding a fun dessert activity as well – ice cream sundaes to be made by attendees. We will provide ice cream and all the fixings. **Sign up for the dinner: Monday, August 11, 1-3 PM.** Cost will be \$8.00. Any questions, call Mike Aneiro – 454-0077. We look forward to seeing you there.

BOOK CLUB - Tuesday, August 12. The Book Club will meet at **10:00 am** in the Tennis Clubhouse. The round robin discussion of summer reading favorites will continue. Members and guests are invited to share their reading choices.

LUNCH BUNCH – The lunch bunch will meet again, this time at **Pinchers/The Marina at Edison Ford** (2360 W. 1st St., Fort Myers), on **Friday, August 22.** If you plan to join us, please call Merrily Francis (482-5679) and let her know. As last time, if anyone needs a ride please let Merrily know. Couples, singles, men and women are welcome.

GREAT COURSES – Every Thursday at 3:00PM on the “Big Screen” in the East Brandywine Room.

August 7 - **Vikings** – Silver and the Slave trade make the Vikings rich.

Haydn - The Creation”- Haydn’s greatest. The Seasons, with “Tis Done”.

August 14 - **Vikings** – Got religion from St. Anskar. Wasn’t easy. After all there was still Thor.

Franz Liszt begins. Outrageous showman; piano becomes orchestra.

August 21 - **Vikings** – Denmark becomes a Scandinavian country thanks to Harald Finehair and Gorm the Old.

Liszt – First concert at eleven; met Chopin and piano truly became an orchestra.

August 28 – **Vikings** – King Cnut the Great earned his title. What was great about Cnut?

Liszt – In the 1830’s Liszt joined Berlioz, Chopin, George Sand et al for gatherings in Paris called “Evenings with the Gods”. Liszt made money, love and babies.

GET WELL,DON – Don Keith, Brandywine gate guard for the past 13 years, is now home from the hospital after a long stay for treatment of end stage lymphoma. If you would like to wish him well by sending a card or donate to his expenses (place cash -no checks in an envelope or card), just leave them at the gate and Art Baker will forward them to Don.

Don wants everyone to know that he “misses you and sends his love”.

LOOKING AHEAD

POOLSIDE PARTY – Labor Day, September 1 at 5:30 PM. Hopefully the weather will cooperate and we will be able to be outdoors. If not, we will party in the Brandywine Room. We ask participants to bring a covered dish, hors d’oeuvre or dessert to feed 8. All the paper goods will be provided by the Activities Committee. Any questions, please call Mike Aneiro – 454-0077.

SAVE THE DATE! – Our annual **Baked Potato Party – Monday, September 15**

BUGLE ADDENDUM

STORM PREPARATION - Energy News from Florida Power and Light for all who use the internet: Visit their Storm Center by searching **FPL.com/storm**. The headings will give full information for anyone of any age to follow such as the “dos and don’ts” of storm preparation and afterwards. The various categories can be printed out for your “to do” list. It can be noted that this site will also tell you to update your phone number and or e-mail address with FPL for accurate contact information.

For those needing electric-powered medical equipment, FPL’s Medical Essential Service Program provides additional services: **FPL.com/mesp** (An application and physicians certificate form will be necessary and must be applied for each year.)

Other means of contacting FPL on line:

Facebook.com/FPLconnect

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uTube.com/FPL.

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