

The Brandywine Bugle

December 2017

Submit notices for the Bugle to:
ccastellano@precedentmgt.com
no later than the 20th of each month

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Monday, December 4th at 10am in the Brandywine room. Everyone interested in helping & supporting us with the events we hold in season & year-long please come.

BUILDING & GROUNDS MEETING

Monday, December 4th at 11:30 am
Buildings and Grounds will be meeting in the Brandywine Hall.

ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, December 5th at 7:00pm

Please join us in the Brandywine Hall for the 2017 Annual & Budget meeting. Please remember to turn in your Proxy and Ballot information. Any questions please call the Association Office at (239)481-2326.

BINGO

Tuesday, December 6th & 20th at 7:30 pm

Come join the FUN! The larger the crowd, the higher the prizes. Nov. 1st big Donna Cambria X game; Ruth Price Cover All, Nov. 15th big winners Marie Rocco X game; Barbara Destefano Cover All.

MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST

Saturday, December 9th at 9:30am.

Hosted by the Men's Club at the Myerlee Country Club. This is an open invitation to all Brandywine men to enjoy good fellowship and a hearty breakfast. Cost is \$10.00, Reservations will need to be made by Wednesday, December 6th.

Ed Zender 267-0951

WINE & CHEESE

Sunday, December 10th at 5:30 pm

Come to the Brandywine Hall for a delicious assortment of wine and cheese. Bring one pantry item for Harry Chapin food drive. We will also have 50/50.

Rosemary King 288-7533

BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, December 12th at 12:00 pm

Book Club will meet for a holiday luncheon at the University Grill. Car pooling can be arranged.

Jean Zender 267-0951



BRANDYWINE SHIRTS

Tuesday, December 12th

Brandywine T-Shirt orders will be placed with our vendor on December 12th. You still have time to help support our community by ordering your T-Shirt. Order forms are available at the office or you may contact Bonnie Baril.

Remember this is sponsored by the Activities Committee who in turn donates funds to help our community support our expenses. We all appreciate and enjoy our new dance floor which was completed with the Activities Committee support. So please return your order form today and help our community to grow strong. Thank you to everyone who has already made their purchase.

Bonnie Baril 919-356-4372

BILLIARDS

December 13th & 27th

Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm-8:30pm. The variety of talent makes it a fun social event – BYOB and snacks if you want. Kathy and Mike Donlan are coordinating this activity. email: michaeldonlan@cs.com

Kathy & Mike 433-5217, 789-540

BICYCLE CLUB

Thursday, December 14th at 9:30 am

The Bicycle Club will meet at the Brandywine gate house. We will ride about 8 miles total, with a stop for lunch. Join us for some exercise. Helmets are a requirement.

K. Weber 243-8541

BAKE SALE

Saturday, December 16th from 9am-1pm

The Brandywine Garden Club will sponsor a bake sale on the 16th in the Brandywine Room. This sale will benefit the Memorial Garden, the garden on NE Brandywine and hopefully the front of the Brandywine Hall. All sorts of goodies will be offered and if you care to bake something to add to our sale, baked goods may be dropped off at the Brandywine Hall Kitchen on Friday morning to be priced and labeled. Call Grace Greenberg 219-741-9132 or Mary Meyerhans 239-482-0001 for any additional information.

GARDEN CLUB

Monday, December 18th at 1:00pm

We will be eating at Il Pomodoro for lunch. The calling committee will contact the Garden Club members.

Mary Meyerhans 482-0001

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

There will not be a meeting in December. We will have a breakfast meeting next month on January 6th at Myerlee Country Club at 9am.

Karen Miller 481-3790

RESERVE MEETING

Please join us next month for a very informative and important Reserve Meeting. The Meeting will be in the Brandywine Hall on January 15th. Please provide questions or ideas to RONALIEPOC@gmail.com

Ron Alie 603-463-7055

GARDEN ANT-ics

'Tis the season – and the Remembrance Garden is thankful for its bountiful gifts from our residents. Jack Sheils, returning with seemingly boundless energy, and wife Jackie donated (AND delivered) 24 bags of mulch to permit the mulching of the garden by 7 volunteers, who generously gave the garden their efforts and attentions, on 11/21. Ted Abiva adorned one of the sculptures with cacti. Jane Gieryic purchased several butterfly attractants now planted in the rear of the garden. Five figurines bearing plant names completed by the Ceramics Group are now on display in the garden; be sure to notice “Al” the gator sitting on the entrance garden sign. Joan Peer and Barb Lands have planted the cement urn. John Vournazos contributed a joyful wooden plaque made by his late wife. Gail McCluer gifted to the garden an amazing orchid plant and a decorated coconut from Bonnet Gardens in Ft. Lauderdale. We were excited to see the Wild Lime Tree bloom for the first time ever – on close inspection, we found caterpillars colored exactly as the flowers (yellow with black stripes). Thank you to the Garden Club for the purchase of several garden tools for volunteer use. Welcome, everyone, to your garden, and sincere thanks to all who have adorned the garden with their creativity and care. Please contact Ann Gergar (248-891-0837) or Mary Meyerhans (239-919-4713) to volunteer to help in the gardens. Your mind is a garden, your thoughts are the seeds. You can grow flowers, or you can grow weeds.

FROM THE NEST

I'm gathering another group to take the CPR/AED course in January. For newcomers at Brandywine, we generally meet around 8:30am on the given day and carpool to the Fire Station for the class. It generally lasts for 3 plus hours and you are given practice on the same AED machine we have mounted in the Brandywine Hall. Our manager will be attending the next one we have and she, like all of us trained, understands that practicing, through instruction, prepares one for possible life saving in the future. The sign up is posted on the bulletin board in the Brandywine Hall.

Audrey Murphy 489-2806

GREAT COURSES

Every Thursday at 3:00 pm on the “Big Screen” in the East Brandywine Room.

December 7 – Chamber Music of Mozart

Not just a pretty face.

The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

Huns and Vandals

A clean desk is a sign of a cluttered desk drawer filled with forgotten important memos.

December 14 – Chamber Music of Mozart

Blowing' in the Winds

The Great Tours: Cities of Medieval Europe

Carcassonne-Fortress of the Languedoc

Someday in not a day of the week.

December 21 – Chamber Music of Mozart

The Piano Trios

To err is human; to forgive is not a company policy.

December 28 – Chamber Music of Mozart

The Piano Quartets

Efficiency is merely a highly developed form of laziness.

IN MEMORIAM

We lost cherished residents in October & November:

Jean Arthur October 28th

Bob Haviland November 28th

Bill Abram November 29th

NEW RESIDENTS

Let's welcome these lucky people joining us in “paradise”.

-Vibeke Lehrmann & Soren Bredahl,
1270 S. Brandywine Circle

-Ronald & Eileen Caton,
1231 N. Brandywine Circle

-Melvyn & Marilyn McClaine,
1231 Broadwater Drive

-Jess Pirron & Kathleen Prosser,
1259 S. Brandywine Circle

LOOKING AHEAD

January 2nd – Sign up for Garden Club's Gala

January 6th – Women's Club Breakfast Meeting

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January 15th – Sign up for Country & Western

January 22nd – Women's Club Country & Western

EVENTS IN THE WORKS:

February 5th – sign up for Card Party

February 12th – Card Party

February 26th – Sign up for St. Patrick's Day Party

March 10th – Women's Club St. Patrick's Day Party

March 23rd – Fashion Show

WINTER GALA

Attached you will find a sheet on the Winter Gala, which is to be held on January 6, 2018. Any questions may be directed to Mary Meyerhans, 239-482-0001. Please note the sign-up date as we **cannot** take any latecomers. Call earlier than the sign-up date if you will not be here at that time. Leave a message if no one answers.

EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND 2017

Anyone who still wants to donate to the Employee Christmas Fund but has not done so, please place your donation in an envelope addressed to Employee Christmas Fund and drop off at either the front gate or the office. Thanks again for your generosity.

Mary Meyerhans (239)482-0001

CHRISTMAS CAPS FOR LAMP POSTS

Our Stitchery Ladies do not have a supply for this year. They will prepare enough to have new bright red and white caps for sale next year.

BRANDYWINE MUSICIANS WANTED

The Activities Committee has paid to have our standard upright piano repaired and tuned. It now stands to the left of the stage waiting to be played. Through the generosity of a former resident, we have received an electric piano that is placed against the wall in the East Brandywine Room. There are some music books near the pianos and the organ.

We're aware that some of our residents have met at Christian and Carol Mainka's home during the season to play music "jam session style". If we can have those musicians bring their instruments to the Brandywine Hall at a pre-arranged time many of our residents would enjoy being their audience. Please contact Carol and Christian at 482-8698 to discuss when our musicians can join and perform. A Christmas sing along has been suggested. Activities and Rosemary King will help arrange set up, refreshments, etc.

LeeGROWS

One of our Brandywine residents wanted to suggest a wonderful class/ program Lee County offers. The LeeGROWS program consists of five one-day classes running consecutively each week. Parking and lunches are included at no charge. Its our hope that you take this opportunity to learn more about what happens behind the scenes of Lee County government. The next session will be January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28. For registration and more information please visit the Lee County Website: www.leegov.com/leegrows.

THANK YOU

For all the prayers, get well wishes, cards & visits during my recent surgery, which went well, and, I cannot forget the goodies – again, Thank You!

Alice Lee

Estate/ Liquidation Sale

Huge liquidation of all household & garage contents. Located at 1231 Broadwater Dr. **Friday, December 1st opening 10:00am – closing 3:00pm.** The home is overloaded with all types of furniture, lamps, kitchenware's, books, sewing notions, women's clothing, Etc. Everything must go! For more information contact Diane & Jack Minish 239-565-6088.

Association Office Holiday Hours

Please note the dates and change of office hours for the upcoming Holidays:

Friday, December 22nd CLOSE AT 3:00PM

Monday, December 25th CLOSED

Friday, December 29th CLOSE AT 12:00PM

Monday, January 1st CLOSED

Thank You and HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Tash/ Recycling Holiday Schedule

There will be **NO** valet trash service on the following dates:

Monday, December 25th

Monday, January 1st

Recycling will be on Wednesday's rather than Tuesday's the week of Christmas and New Years Day. If you have any questions, please call the Association Office 239-481-2326.

NO Parking on Sidewalks

Please remind your neighbors, friends, family, guests and VENDORS to not park on the sidewalks in Brandywine.

CLASSIFIED-----

FOR SALE: Christmas Tree- 7' pre-lit GE Grand Spruce. Like new \$80.00 **239-482-7935**

FOR SALE: Black & Decker Workmate, Portable project center & vise. \$25.00

Mary Ann Halbert: 481-5572

FOR SALE: End tables- Lite oak, like new. \$175 each or \$100 for both.

Bar Stools- Dark green leather on lite oak, beautiful like new. Asking \$175.00 for both.

239-437-3633

FOR SALE: Traditional wood twin beds, 36" round light oak butcher block pedestal table, 2 rattan glass top coffee-end tables, Brown Jordon chaise lounge, new hurricane butane stove. **239-482-0553**

FOR SALE: Go-Go "Pride" mobile scooter, like new – barely used. \$600.00. **330-383-1779**

FOR SALE: Golf Balls, clean no cuts. Titlest Solo, Wilson Staff, Taylor Made and others. **239-482-2509 after 4pm**

FOR SALE: 5 CU FT Electric Freezer, hardly used. **508-932-0645**

