

The Brandywine Bugle

March 2018

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

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Saturday, March 3rd at 9:00 am

All Brandywine ladies are welcome, please come join us in the Brandywine Hall!
Karen Miller 481-3790

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Monday, March 5th at 10:00am

Everyone interested in helping with events for the season please join us in the Brandywine Hall.
Rosemary King 288-7533

BRANDYWINE CARD CRAFTERS

Tuesday, March 6th at 1:00pm

We are holding our second class for those interested in learning to make handmade greeting cards. We will be meeting in the Brandywine Room. All tools and supplies will be provided, and no experience is necessary! Please RSVP to lynnmoll@comcast.net if you would like to join us. Lynn Moll 432-9912
Chanda Hensen 703-7644

BINGO

Wednesday, March 7th & 21st at 7:30 pm

Come join the FUN! The larger the crowd, the higher the prizes. Feb.7th big winners Jackie O'Keefe X game; Bernadine Hodge CA. Feb.21st big winners M.J Peters X game; Velma Watkins CA.

BICYCLE CLUB

Thursday, March 8th at 9:30 am

The Brandywine Bicycle Club will be biking to Sunflower Café for brunch, leaving the office circle at 9:30am. Total ride will be about 10 miles. Please wear a bike helmet. All are welcome and encouraged to join us.

Paul 703-7644

ST. PATTY'S DAY PARTY

Saturday, March 10th at 5:30pm

It's time for our fun filled St. Patty's Day dinner dance. Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes and Carrots will be our dinner for the evening with our green mint dessert. So, put on some green and let's party! Karen Miller 481-3790

SIGN UP (2 EVENTS)

Monday, March 12th from 1-3pm

There are two separate events to sign up for in the Brandywine Hall.

Magic Show by Constantine 3/18 cost \$10

Spring Fashion Show Luncheon 3/23 cost \$10



BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, March 13th at 10:00 am

The Book Club will meet in the Tennis Clubhouse. In this month dedicated to the "luck o' the Irish" let's talk about how luck affects the characters in the books we are now reading. Do they suffer bad fortune or good? It would be our good fortune to have new members or guests join us. Jean Zender 267-0951

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Tuesday, March 13th at 11:00am

The Buildings & Grounds meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Brandywine Hall. Bonnie Baril 919-356-4372

DOCUMENTS & POLICIES MEETING

Tuesday, March 13th at 3:00pm

Held in the Brandywine Hall.

Bob Schlossmann 847-452-6618

BILLIARDS

March 14th & 28th at 7:00pm

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, 789-5407

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, March 16th at 11:00am

Held in the Brandywine Hall. The Finance meetings will be held the Friday after Building and Grounds meetings.

Bill Doolin 815-342-4791

BRANDYWINE HAS TALENT

Saturday, March 17th at 7:00pm

Calling all our entertainers: Musicians, Singers, Story Tellers, Dancers, Comedians, etc. We're celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a Brandywine Talent Show! Light refreshments will be provided.

Carol Mainka at 482-8698



MAGIC SHOW BY CONSTANTINE

Sunday, March 18th at 2:00pm

Award Winning Magician brings the Happy Days of the 1950's rocking around the clock adding twists of reality again and again. Cost is \$10. Light refreshments will be served.

Rosemary King 288-7533

GARDEN CLUB

Monday, March 19th at 1:00pm

New members are always welcome. Come join us in the Brandywine Hall this month!

Coming in April, the Garden Club will sponsor a "Hard Times Party" or another term would be a "Poor Man's Dinner". It's between your assessment and Tax Day so we are offering a meal of hot dogs on buns, with all the fixings, mac and cheese, baked beans and cupcakes all for the bargain price of \$10 each. The event will take place on Monday, April 9th from 6-9pm. Sign-up will be on Monday, April 2nd, at the Brandywine Room from 1-3pm. Please feel free to invite friends from outside of Brandywine to attend if you so desire. They are more than welcome. Just bring a list of names to sign up. Hope to see you there.

Mary Meyerhans 482-0001

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, March 20th at 11:30am

All Brandywine unit owners are welcome and encouraged to attend. Meeting held in the Brandywine Hall.

SPRING FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON

Friday, March 23rd at 11:00am

Please join us in the Brandywine Hall. For a chance to win our door prizes, please bring a canned food item to donate to Harry Chapin Food Pantry. You will be able to buy tickets for the Chinese Auction and lunch will be served at 12pm. The fashion show will take place directly after. Come dressed in your spring attire for a day of fashion fun! The cost is \$10, and sign up will be Monday, March 12th.

Kay Wyatt 437-4637, Merrily Francis 482-5679

AARP SAFE DRIVER COURSE

Saturday, March 24th from

8:30am-3:00pm (with a short lunch break)

Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-members. Bring check written to AARP to the class. Car insurers give a discount to those taking this course. The discount lasts 3 years before you can repeat the course. Call Rosemary King to pre-register and for more information 288-7533.

LOOKING AHEAD

April 2nd – Activities Meeting 10am

April 2nd – Sign up Poor Man's Dinner

April 9th – Poor Man's Dinner 6-9pm

April 14th – Men's Club Breakfast

April 15th – Ice Cream Social 2-4pm



EVENTS IN THE WORKS:

May 5th – Double Event: Cinco de Mayo and Kentucky Derby Covered Dish at 5:30pm Save the date. We'll have the Brandywine Horses running, Margaritas, and lots of good food. More details in April.

May 7th – Activities Meeting 10am

May 12th – Puccini's Tosca-Gulf Coast Symphony at BarbaraBMann. If you are interested in attending at a group rate (at least 10 attending) Please call Rosemary King at 288-7533. We will car pool and potentially have dinner at a restaurant before the show.

May 28th – Memorial Day Covered Dish

IN MEMORIAM

We lost cherished residents in February:

Harvey Leboff 2/10

Mary Pasko 2/19

NEW RESIDENTS

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

-Teresa Belsendahl,
7071 E. Brandywine Circle

-David & Linda Pournaras,
7074 W. Brandywine Circle

-Wu Ryong Lemanski,
1288 S. Brandywine Circle #4

-Melissa & John Schoendorf,
7066 W. Brandywine Circle

FROM THE NEST

Two topics this time. First and foremost, let me remind everyone that plastic bags can be deposited at any grocery store. I gather a bunch in the garage in one of the empty bags, fill it day by day, put the bundle in the car and when I shop next time, there it is, ready for the store designated receptacle bin. Of course, one must remember to get it out of the car!!!

Next in thought, this is getting near the time of year to consider options in improving storm preparation. Like a broken record, please consider your windows and garage door replacement to coincide with the code for our area. Know that strong winds, pushing in a lesser garage door, leads to the popping of a roof. Talk to your neighbors in your building and work together in this effort. Perhaps you can get a better deal if you all get it done together. Remember, all doors upgraded and meeting the specs, gets you a better price for your insurance. Mitigation saves you enough to be worthwhile.

Thank you, Audrey Murphy 489-2806

ROOFING

Brandywine is looking for any residents with roofing experience/ expertise to please contact Board of Directors President Spencer Sweatt. (239)219-6480



GARDEN ANT-ics

This year repairs for the garden hardscape are an expensive challenge. Sincere appreciation is expressed to those residents who have so generously donated personally recently but who asked to remain unnamed here. **BIG** thank you to the Brandywine Men's Club, who at this month's meeting responded to Russ Peer's appeal for donations for the Garden, giving over \$200 toward lighting replacement (old lights are not fixable). The old (since 2005), shredded edging is being torn out; replacement will be done by Perry on his own time per his schedule. Thanks to Elizabeth Phelps for sharing her gorgeous bromeliads with the garden. New volunteer Diane Hader is researching ornamental herbs for demonstration in the garden. The increased foot traffic through the garden is a delightful success, however, as grandparents bring small energetic children to the garden, we have decided that, preventively, two of the cherished native plants (coontie and cardboard palm) will be removed as their reproductive cones (look like red candycorn) are scarily toxic. Please remind children never to put anything in their mouths before always checking with the adults.

A bonsai tree planting in the big rock is still planned for April. Current volunteers and anyone interested in helping with the garden (NO gardening experience needed) are invited to please come to a meeting in the Tennis Bldg on **Thursday, March 8, at 7p.m.** Please call Ann Gergar (248/891-0837) with any questions. If nothing ever changed, there'd be no butterflies.

AED LOCATION

The Automated External Defibrillator is in the Brandywine Hall at the double doors out to the Pool. 1293 Medinah Dr. Ft. Myers, FL 33919

BULK TRASH AND DUMPSTER

If you have a large or bulk item for trash disposal that is brought up to the dumpster area, please contact Advanced Disposal (239)334-1224 to schedule a bulk pick up. The dumpster/ trash compactor cannot handle sizable items such as curtain rods, piping, doors, cabinets and carpet please arrange for this to be part of the bulk pick up.

VIOLATIONS

Some residents have already been notified of their violations. To avoid any violations please make sure your unit is within the Brandywine rules and regulations. Property Manager Christine will be on property every Monday conducting inspections from 1-4pm. If you have any questions, please call the Association office (239)481-2326. If you have a grievance regarding violations, please provide this in writing to the association office.

Brandywine Branson Christmas Tour

Nov. 6-10 only has 4 rooms unfilled as of Feb. 20. If you have an interest call Keb & Barb Bell at 481-7091 ASAP! Deposit needed for spot.

Guest Gate Passes

The yellow Guest Gate Passes expired 12/31/17. The new guest passes are available in the Association office. To acquire a new pass please call, email or stop by the Brandywine Association office and provide your name, Brandywine address, guest name and license plate number.

Phone: 239-481-2326

Email: ccastellano@precedentmgt.com

CLASSIFIED-----

FOR SALE: Oil Canvases, framed & unframed. On display Saturdays at 1250 Medinah from 9am-12pm.

239-466-0868

FOR SALE: 46" Westinghouse 1080p HD LED TV. Kept in spare bedroom, little use. Will deliver in Brandywine. \$75

Scott 508-740-7833

FOR SALE: Moving Sale: -Living room end table metal w/ glass top, square and console \$100 each/ \$175 both.

-Queen bed w/ mattress, never used, dresser w/ mirror, two night stands, light wood \$400.

-Mikasa Crystal, stem ware, park lane pattern \$2 each.

239-433-4519

FOR SALE: Two tickets, front row seats to My Fair Lady at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. \$50 each, Thursday April 12, 2018 5:30pm.

Carol Mainka 239-482-8698

FOR SALE: Club Golf Cart, 6 new batteries \$900.00

239-985-9453

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

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

239-437-3633

FOR SALE: Robb & Stuckey wicker bedroom set: Queen headboard, night stand, round table, dresser with mirror (latter three have glass tops). Good conditions. \$600 OBO. Also 2 matching lamps (\$50), tv stand, framed work, small upholstered bench.

Kathy Zoss 362-0539

