

The Brandywine Bugle

November 2018

Submit notices for the Bugle to:

ccastellano@precedentmgt.com

no later than the 20th of each month

SIGN UP ST. AUGUSTINE TRIP

Thursday, November 1st from 1-3pm

Sign up and payment for the St Augustine trip on Nov. 1 from 1 to 3 pm in East Brandywine room. The cost - per person double is \$235, single is \$348.50. Checks paid to Brandywine Activities Committee (BAC) for the full amount. Lists for the bus tour and hotel rooms will be completed at that time. Questions call.

Rosemary King at 288-7533

FUN NIGHT

Friday, November 2nd, 16th & 30th at 6:30 pm

New social events around the pool and walkway! Come out and help us have fun! This informal gathering will take place starting at 6:30pm. We'll use the old kitchen for all glass containers. BYOB with plastic glasses and snacks. Themes are socializing, Karaoke (with a professional system) and cornhole games. If you care to, bring your dominoes, card or dice – anything to enjoy while experiencing the free entertainment. Call with any questions!

Patty Haller at 502-553-6321

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Saturday, November 3rd at 9:00 am

All Brandywine ladies are welcome. We will be discussing events and plans for this season. Thank you to everyone who helped make the Halloween party a success.

Karen Miller 481-3790

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Monday, November 5th at 10:00am

In Brandywine Hall. Continuing to welcome new members of the community and those returning for the season. We look forward to adding to our membership, inviting members to help plan and attend our events throughout the year. Last reservation and payment for the St. Augustine tour is due by Nov. 5. Thanks to all the new comers and Brandywine members who attended the Coffee on October 20th. We had about 30 newcomers and close to 40 representatives of our Board, facilitators of our many clubs, groups, and miscellaneous activities. Special appreciation for those who helped gather and prepare the refreshments, set up the tables, and clean up afterward.

Rosemary King 288-7833

DOCUMENTS & POLICIES MEETING

Tuesday, November 6th at 11:00am

Held in the Brandywine Hall East back room.

Bob Schlossmann 847-452-6618

BRANDYWINE CARD CRAFTERS

Tuesday, November 6th at 1:00pm

NEW LOCATION!! This month we will be meeting at Chanda Hensen's residence **1246 Broadwater Dr.** 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

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Wednesday, November 7th at 11:00am

Bonnie Baril 919-356-4372

BINGO

Wednesday, November 7th & 21st at 7:00 pm

Come one! Come All!! COME TO BINGO! Bingo for the 2018-2019 season will be **at a new time 7:00 PM. in the Brandywine Hall.** Come join your friends and neighbors...and bring a friend to meet some of our new players. You will find fun, camaraderie, and a chance to win money. October's big winners, 10/3 Charles MacDonell X; Sandy Dykstra Full & 10/17 Rose Benvenuto X; Marie Cacavale Full.

Joan Peer (586)255-1955

BICYCLE CLUB

Thursday, November 8th at 9:30 am

Join us for a "not strenuous" bike ride on Thursday, November 8th at 9:30 AM. We will be biking to Eggcettera, off Summerlin, for food and friendship. We gather at the front gate and leave promptly at 9:30. Wear a helmet and come join us! Questions? Call Kathleen 239-243-8541 (leave a message and I will return your call).

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, November 9th at 11:00am

Held in the Brandywine Hall.

Bill Doolin 815-342-4791

MEET THE CANDIDATES

Saturday, November 10th at 9:30am

Brandywine will be hosting a Meet the Candidates event on Saturday the 10th from 9:30am-11:30am. The Association is requesting all questions be submitted prior to the event to have better organization and quality responses. Please submit your questions to the Brandywine Office 1398 S. Brandywine, Fort Myers, FL 33919 or email your questions to ccastellano@precedentmgt.com by Monday November 5, 2018.



**VETERANS DAY COVERED DISH
DINNER**

Sunday, November 11th at 5:30 pm

Join our Community in honoring our veterans. Thanks to all those who participated in the 50/50 at our July 4th covered dish, we have new high-quality flags at the entrance of our club house and gate entrance. Special welcome to our new residents and returning snowbirds. We will be looking forward to hearing some brief words from those who served. We will have a 50-50 drawing.

Rosemary King 288-7533

BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, November 13th at 10:00 am

Held in the Tennis Clubhouse, join our discussion of the books we have been enjoying. All Brandywine residents (men & women) are invited. You will be thankful you did. Happy Thanksgiving!

Jean Zender 267-0951

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, November 13th at 1:30pm

All Brandywine unit owners are welcome and encouraged to attend. **Please note new time for November**, Meeting held in the Brandywine Hall. The Board Meeting agenda will be posted at the Brandywine Hall the weekend prior to the meeting.

BILLIARDS

Wednesday, November 14th & 28th at 7pm

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

**MEN'S CLUB BREAKFAST AT
MYERLEE COUNTRY CLUB**

Saturday, November 17th at 9:15am

Hosted by the Men's Club, this is an open invitation to all Brandywine Men to enjoy good fellowship and a hearty breakfast. Cost is \$10. We need a count of Reservations by the Thursday before. Please call.

Ed Zender 267-0951

GARDEN CLUB

Monday, November 19th at 1:00pm

The next meeting of Brandywine Garden Club will be held at its usual date and time, Monday, November 19th at 1:00pm in the Brandywine room. This month we will be making Christmas wreaths for our homes. Each attendee will need the following supplies: wreath base of their choice (grape vine, other), foliage for decoration, ribbon of their choice. If possible, bring your own wire cutters for the foliage and a pair of scissors for the ribbon. Diane Menchini and I will be there to help anyone who has trouble with their bows. Anyone interested is welcome to come. More information, please contact: Mary Meyerhans 482-0001.

REMINDER: Save the Date

February 23, 2019, the Brandywine Garden Club will be holding their Winter Gala. This is an event that those who have attended really enjoyed. We have wine, hors d'ourvres, main meal, dessert and servers from the high school. More information to come in the future. Ask your neighbors to attend and set up your own table of 8.

EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND

For those of you who are new to Brandywine, you will notice an envelope attached to your Bugle for the Employee Christmas Fund. This was started years ago to thank Precedent's employees for all they do for us during the year. This includes our office staff, gate keepers, maintenance men, and our cleaning person. Some of these people you never see but they are still there giving assistance over the year.

I usually give them their checks by the middle of December so if you are interested in donating, please make out your checks or return your envelopes to either the guard house or the office as soon as you possibly can. Remember: This is totally voluntary, and no one knows what anyone gives. We currently have 13 Precedent employees here at Brandywine. If donating by check, please make it out to: Employee Christmas Fund. Thank you.

Mary Meyerhans 482-0001

LOOKING AHEAD

December 1st – Women's Association

December 3rd –Activities meeting 10am; 1-3pm Sign up for Wine & Cheese party.

December 5-7th – St. Augustine Nights of Lights. Flyer is posted on the Brandywine Hall board. The cost - per person double is \$235, single is \$348.50. We have 35 pre-registered. The Tours4You bus will provide transportation from Brandywine and return. Payment will be collected on Thursday, Nov. 1 in Brandywine Hall with checks paid to Brandywine Activities Committee (BAC) for the full amount. Lists for the bus tour and hotel rooms will be completed at that time. Questions call Rosemary King at 288-7533.

December 9th –Wine and Cheese Party: There will be a sign up on Dec. 3 from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Activities provide the wine, meatballs, cheeses, place settings, etc. We will want to know what food you plan to bring. This will allow us to have a variety of dishes to share. Rosemary King 288-7533. You Also may contact Kay Wyatt 239-437-4637 OR Diane Menchini @ 908-910-1614

December 16th – Prepare for our Golf Cart Parade. Like the start of various competitions, start gathering decorations to show off your talents. Seasonal themes are showing up in the stores. Instead of cold icy weather, display Florida holiday special delights. All bicycle riders please join this fun event & decorate your bikes for the parade. See the December Bugle for more information. Rosemary King 288-7533

December 17th – Garden Club

PLANNING AHEAD:

January 14th –Country Western Party at 5:30pm. Jerry Dyke once again will be our entertainment for the evening. The menu will be determined at a later date. Please watch the Bugle for more upcoming events.

February and March Broadway Palm events

– The Activity Committee is planning two events in 2019 to the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater. As most residents know, Broadway Palm offers well known shows along with a delicious buffet. The first show will be on Saturday, February 2- a matinee performance of **Saturday Night Fever**. The second show will be on Wednesday, March 13- a matinee performance of **Guys and Dolls**. The cost of the tickets is \$65.00 per person. This includes gratuities. We will plan to sit as a group. Everyone will travel on their own. However, we will likely be able to arrange for car pooling if needed. Payment for the tickets will be made to Dorothy Aneiro. Anyone interested can contact Dorothy at 454-0077 or Diane Menchini (908)910-1614.

Friday, March 8th – Looking forward to spring, Activities has booked the Sun Coast Tour (day trip) with Tours4You on Friday, March 8th. A flyer is posted on the Brandywine Hall with details of this trip that costs only \$89 per person. The bus will begin and end here at Brandywine. No pre-registration will be accepted until January 2019.

NEW RESIDENTS

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

-Michele Santos, Walter Sonski & Susan Madeiros

1247 S Brandywine Circle

-Judith Cox & Donna Palmer,

1313 N Brandywine Circle

-Rhonda Mayhew,

7083 E Brandywine Circle

-Frank & Mary Marszalek,

1270 Broadwater Drive

-Jillian Rankin,

1359 Broadwater Drive

-Rae Dunkin & Charles Douglas,

1229 N Brandywine Circle

SPECIAL EVENT NOTICE TO ALL BRANDYWINE RESIDENTS

Both the Brandywine Women's Assn. and the Brandywine Garden Club would like to appeal to the residents for some insight as to why attendance at our functions (mainly the monthly dinner/ dances) are not receiving the attendees we had hoped for. All of the proceeds from our events goes back into Brandywine; the Women's Assn tends to the inside of Brandywine (Brandywine Room, Tennis Bld., etc.) and the Garden Club to the outside (maintaining the Remembrance Garden, N.E. Garden, etc.) Sometimes we do joint projects to

assist Brandywine. If you would prefer other events rather than these dances, what would you suggest? We would really love to have your input. If you are new residents and feel strange attending an event "where everyone knows each other", we will put you at a table with residents who had been here for a few years and would surely welcome meeting you. Please contact either Karen Miller- Brandywine Women's Assn. 481-3790 or Mary Meyerhans- Brandywine Garden Club 482-0001 and give us your input OR drop off a note to either one of us at the office if you prefer.

GARDEN ANT-ics

Thank you for the following appreciated donations: Alice Lee for a red mandevilla plant, Patty Haller for a night blooming cereus cactus, and Ted Abiva for the everblooming firecracker plant in memory of his wife. Please come to the garden volunteer meeting on **Tuesday, November 13, at 7pm** at the Library in the tennis building; please bring any ideas to discuss about organization of a suggested rededication of the 3 large community gardens in later winter. Please call/text Ann Gergar (248)891-0837 with questions, donations (funds, pots, plants, soil), or if interested in maintaining/developing the Remembrance Garden or experimental nursery; NO gardening experience is needed (we are all learning). *Bloom where you are planted.*

FROM THE NEST

A few reminders:

1. When you receive your Medicare card in the mail, there is nothing more that needs to be done. No calls to be received or messages on your computer or phone or anyone representing an official to verify your receipt. Fraud happens so avoid it by doing just as you should by placing the card in your wallet. That is the final act after opening the mail with it inside.
2. For newcomers who are in the midst of redecorating your unit, check your garage door to insure it meets present storm requirements. This is your option, but if all owners of your building have secure doors, it protects all of you from high storm winds blowing through and destroying the roof. Ask a dependable person in the industry but be prudent and safe before a hurricane type storm ever comes this way again.
3. Enjoy Brandywine for all the benefits provided and be safe and happy in your new environment. Your Board of Directors work well for you and put the many hours in because they care.
4. Flags being flown at night need a light directed on them. When flag frays, replace it and follow rules for disposal of same.
5. Last but not least, the office staff and maintenance team are to be congratulated for the benefits they provide.



POP CAN TABS

Save those pop can tabs, and other similar tabs, to benefit Ronald McDonald House. Place them in the marked box in the "old kitchen". The tabs are an important source of income for the House. Your past donations have been greatly appreciated.

ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The Association Office will be closing early:

Wednesday, November 21st – 3pm

The Association Office will be closed:

Monday, November 12th – Veteran's Day

Thursday, November 22nd – Thanksgiving

Friday, November 23rd – Day After Thanksgiving

TRASH AND RECYCLING HOLIDAY PICK-UP HOURS

In observance of Veteran's Day please note a change in trash/ recycling.

NO trash pick-up Monday, November 12th,

trash valet service will resume on

Wednesday, November 14th

CLASSIFIED-----

FOR SALE: Twin bed frame & mattress pad, twin sheets, duvet, 2 shams, and curtains only used in guest room \$85; Storage cabinet base and wall \$45; Oak entertainment TV cabinet w/ double doors, shelves and 1 drawer \$45.00.

Call:812-243-0484

FOR SALE: Dining Room Table with 6 chairs and 1 leaf. Cream color legs with light wood top. Solid wood in excellent condition \$550. Octagon side table. Pennsylvania House \$150. Much, much more. lots of antiques.

Merrily:691-0375

FOR SALE: It's time to down size my inventory. I have 6 guitars and a ukulele and zero storage space. Call or make an appointment to come look. Prices are negotiable. 1. Electric guitar by Schechter \$150; 2. Two cutaway acoustic guitars by Esteban with cases \$225; 3. Classical guitar by Vantage \$150; 4. Acoustic guitar by Washburn \$200; 5. Acoustic guitar by Esteban \$75; 6. Ukulele by Glarry \$35 **Dan:443-739-0440**

