

# The Brandywine Bugle

December 2019

Submit notices for the Bugle to:

[ccastellano@precedentmgt.com](mailto:ccastellano@precedentmgt.com)

**no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month**

## **ASSOCIATION INFORMATION**

### **ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS**

Monday-Friday 8am-12pm & 1pm-4pm

### **ASSOCIATION OFFICE CLOSURES & HOLIDAY HOURS**

Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup> – Closed in observance of Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> – Closed in observance of Christmas

Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – Office Early Closure at 12pm

Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> – Closed in observance of New Year's Day

### **TRASH AND RECYCLING HOLIDAY PICK-UP HOURS**

There will be **NO valet trash service** on **Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**. Valet pick up will resume on Friday, December 27<sup>th</sup>.

**NO valet trash service** on **Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**. Valet pick up will resume on Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **IN HOME PEST CONTROL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

There will be **NO pest control on Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**. Pest control will resume on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **OWNERS ANNUAL MEETING**

The Brandywine Condominium Association, Inc. **Annual and Budget Adoption Meeting is December 3, 2019 at 7:00pm** as required by Brandywine Condominium Association Documents. All Brandywine unit owners are welcome and encouraged to attend. **Please bring your ballot and proxy if you have not already turned these in**, Meeting held in the Brandywine Hall.

### **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEETING**

**No December Meeting**

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**No December Meeting**

### **BOD MEETING**

**Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm**

All Brandywine unit owners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### **TENNIS**

#### **Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

**TENNIS PLAYERS AND FORMER PLAYERS!**

Grab your racket and come join your Brandywine fellow residents and players any Monday, Wednesday, and/or Friday for healthy exercise and FUN. Everyone plays equal time.

(We start, officially, at 8:00AM). Questions or uncertainties? Call Jack Sheils at 239-985-7083 for "info".

### **ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

#### **Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00am**

Please join us in planning Activities for the New Year- your help and participation make the tasks easier- and you may have ideas to share as well. Hope to see you there.

MJ Peters 802-249-9412

### **BOCCE**

#### **Mondays & Thursdays, at 10:00am**

A lively group of friends and neighbors gather twice each week for Bocce in Brandywine. We will play behind the pool. Bocce is a social game, not requiring physical power and agility. Many partially disabled persons can participate adequately. You're invited to come play the game or to observe the fun enjoyed by one and all. Please check the Blog for photos and more information: <https://brandywinebocce.sport.blog/> You can be added to the e-mail list for Bocce Ball at Brandywine by contacting Dave Radcliff through the Blog "Contact" section.

### **BILLIARDS**

#### **Every Tuesday in December at 7pm**

Please note the change in day, but not the change in time or place. Tuesday evenings from 7:00pm-8:30pm. The variety of talent makes it a fun social event - BYOB. Mike Donlan is coordinating this activity. email: [michaeldonlan@cs.com](mailto:michaeldonlan@cs.com) Mike 433-5217

### **BINGO**

#### **Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**

**at 7:00 pm**

Come one! Come All!! COME TO BINGO! 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. November big winners: 11/6/19 Barbara Hambleton X game & Rose Benvenuto & Bernadine Clark-Hodge Jackpot; 11/20/19 Bob O'Keeffe & Lou O'Connell X game; Rosemary King Jackpot. Joan Peer (586)255-1955



## **BREATHWORK & STRETCHING**

**Saturdays, at 9:00 am**

Come and join your neighbors, on Saturday mornings from 9:00 - 10:00 am in the eastside of Brandywine Hall. Bring a yoga mat or large beach towel or you can use a chair for the movements if you are more comfortable in that way. Donna Johnson is the instructor, a resident here at Brandywine, and she is looking forward to sharing her knowledge and enthusiasm for helping you to improve stress reduction, relaxation and flexibility in your daily life. Hope to see you there.

## **BOOK CLUB**

**Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 pm**

The Book Club will meet for its annual holiday luncheon at Mimi's Café. Carpooling can be arranged. For more information call.

Jean Zender 267-0951

## **CHAIR VOLLEYBALL**

**Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

In the Brandywine Hall. Come enjoy this fun-filled game played with a beach ball. **Chair Volleyball** is great for upper body mobility and joint flexibility. It enhances your muscle tone, reflexes, hand-to-eye coordination, and endurance. Chair Volleyball has all the rules of competitive volleyball except that it's played on a smaller court. The net is only five (5) feet high and the court is 14 feet across and 11 feet deep. The white leather volleyball is replaced by a beach ball. The strictest of rules is to never ever let your backside leave the chair. No matter your age or physical ability everyone can join in. Any questions: please call Trip Weaver @ 813-240-6460 or Nancy @ 813-380-1500.

## **WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION BREAKFAST AT MYERLEE No December Meeting**

There will not be a meeting in December, but we will have a breakfast meeting at Myerlee Country Club on Saturday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. For more information call.

Karen Miller 481-3790

## **MEN'S BREAKFAST No December Meeting**

There is no Brandywine Men's Breakfast in December due to all the Holiday activities. The next breakfast is Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> details will be in the January Bugle. Please call.

Ed Zender 267-0951

## **GARDEN CLUB No December Meeting**

There will not be a meeting in December. Have a wonderful holiday and thanks for all your assistance this year.

Mary Meyerhans at 239-428-0001

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **WINE & CHEESE**

**Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm**

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. Sign up will be in the Brandywine Hall from 1-3pm on Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Kay Wyatt 322-4208

### **FROSTED HOLIDAY JARS**

**Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am**

Held in the craft room, there will be a demonstration on how to frost and decorate glass jars. Please bring any clean glass jars and any odds and ends of things to decorate your jar rim. Some jars and Christmas decorating materials will be available. All other supplies will be provided for a \$1.00 fee. This is a simple and quick craft project. Hope to see you there.

### **BIKING CLUB**

**Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am**

We will meet at the guard house circle at 9:30am and bike to the Wa-Ke-Hatchee Rec Center & lunch at Eggcetera. All are welcome. Wear your helmet. Contact Jane Gieryc 239-267-3372 if you have questions.

### **GAME NIGHT**

**Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**

This is your night to join in with others and play your favorite game. We will start you off with plenty of traditional board games or you can bring your favorite. We will pair you up with neighbors or you can bring your own group. Beware, we intend to mix things up a bit. We want you to meet new neighbors so be prepared to join in a group game. Some games may require nickels and quarters to play. Of course, there will be snacks, along with any snacks you wish to bring.

Joan Peer 586-255-1955

### **HOLIDAY PARADE & SING-ALONG**

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**

Mark your calendars now and get your decorating ideas in full gear! The parade line up this year will include Bikes, Golf Carts and Specialty Cars. There is no such thing as too much sparkle or bling!! The Sing- Along will be starting directly after the Parade. Refreshments of Christmas Cookies and Hot Apple Cider will be provided. BYOB. Call Mike Donlan 433-5217 or Kay Wyatt 322-4208 with any questions.

### **CARD CRAFTERS**

**Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am**

Brandywine Card crafters will meet in the craft room. Samples and materials and tools to create a variety of greeting cards will be available. All are welcome. We do ask for a \$1 donation to cover the cost of the consumable supplies. Please RSVP to Lynn at 432-9912 or Chanda at 703-7644.



### **THIRSTY THURSDAY**

**Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**

Held poolside. Come and enjoy the water, the sky, a beverage, or conversation. The dishes are done or not... The stars are out or not... but the day is not done for some of us, so BYOB and a snack. There is corn hole, table tennis, and newly discovered "water volleyball". We will have music to soothe or enthuse, just join us if you can and make merry!

### **PAIN MANAGEMENT**

**Thursdays, Starting January 9<sup>th</sup> at 9am**

Pain management classes are starting again in January. We still have a few openings for those who might be interested. There is no charge for the classes or the books. These classes are from Lee Health. For more information call.

Karen Miller 481-3790

### **NEWCOMERS COFFEE**

**Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**

To all our new owners, renters and community owners who want to brush up on happenings: We will be hosting a Newcomers Coffee in January to help to Meet, Greet, and Inform you on events, happenings and the how to's here at Brandywine. More info to come. Please save the date.

MJ Peters. 802-249-9412

### **BUS TRIP UPDATES AND INFORMATION**

New Orleans Trip: January 26-29, 2020

Sign Up with payment (check to Brandywine Activities Club) on December 16<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm in the clubhouse. Those interested can pick up flyers on the bulletin board, or from Rosemary King.

Savannah Trip: March 29-31, 2020

Sign up with payment (check to Brandywine Activities Club) on February 24<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm in the clubhouse. Those interested can pick up flyers on the bulletin board, or from Rosemary King.

Both trips require 40 people to have round-trip bus from & to Brandywine. We are welcoming DVD's or CD's, games to enjoy the long bus ride. For information & preregistration, call.

Rosemary King 288-7533

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

**Jan 4<sup>th</sup>** – Woman's Breakfast

**Jan 6<sup>th</sup>** – Activities Meeting

**Jan 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>**– Bingo

**Jan 9<sup>th</sup>**– Pain Management

**Jan 10<sup>th</sup>**– Game Night

**Jan 11<sup>th</sup>**– Newcomers Coffee

**Jan 11<sup>th</sup>**– Men's Breakfast

**Jan 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**- Chair Volleyball

**Jan 16<sup>th</sup>** – Thirsty Thursday

**Jan 20<sup>th</sup>** – Garden Club

**Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>**– Sign Up: Country Western

**Jan 26<sup>th</sup>–29<sup>th</sup>**- New Orleans Bus Trip

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**Feb 1<sup>st</sup>** – Woman's Association

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**Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Super Bowl Party

**Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Activities Meeting

**Feb 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>**– Bingo

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>**– Sign Up: Mardi Gras

**Feb 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>**- Chair Volleyball

**Feb 14<sup>th</sup>**– Game Night

**Feb 15<sup>th</sup>**– Men's Breakfast

**Feb 20<sup>th</sup>** – Thirsty Thursday

**Feb 24<sup>th</sup>**– Sign Up: Savannah Trip

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup>**–Mardi Gras

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**Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Activities Meeting

**Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>**– Sign Up: St. Patrick's Day Party

**Mar 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**– Bingo

**Mar 7<sup>th</sup>** – Woman's Association

**Mar 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**- Chair Volleyball

**Mar 13<sup>th</sup>**– Game Night

**Mar 14<sup>th</sup>** – AARP Driver Safety Course

**Mar 14<sup>th</sup>** – St. Patrick's Day Party

**Mar 16<sup>th</sup>**– Sign Up: Fashion Show

**Mar 19<sup>th</sup>** – Thirsty Thursday

**Mar 21<sup>st</sup>**– Men's Breakfast

**Mar 27<sup>th</sup>**–Fashion Show

**Mar 28<sup>th</sup>**–Covered Dish

**Mar 28<sup>th</sup>–31<sup>st</sup>**- Savannah Bus Trip

### **NEW RESIDENTS**

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

-Mary A. Rogers,

1299 S. Brandywine Circle

-Vincent Guariglia & Donno Filomio,

1327 S. Brandywine Circle

-William & Teresa Dawson,

1238 Hazeltine Drive

-Susan Ayers & Christine Ouimette,

1271 Hazeltine Drive

-Francis & Janice Petraglia,

1203 N. Brandywine Circle

-Richard & Cacia Orser,

1246 Arcola Drive

-Carole Fadden,

1278 S. Brandywine Circle

-Barbara Wootton,

1309 N. Brandywine Circle

-Christina Mantor,

1314 Medinah Drive

### **CALLING ALL MUSICIANS**

We need your help with the Christmas Sing-along on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call Carol Mainka at 239-482-8698

### **BAKE SALE**

Thanks to all the ladies who assisted in setting up, packaging and selling the baked goods at the sale. Thanks to Mary Marszalek who co-chaired this event – well done. And, finally thanks to all who baked those wonderful treats for us to sell. The Garden Club has taken \$200 of their share of this event and donated it to an afternoon daycare to allow the children to be taken to some special event over the holiday vacation. Thanks to all of you for supporting our joint event. Karen Miller & Mary Meyerhans.



## **ACTIVITIES PROJECT: TOYS FOR TOTS 2019**

Help make Christmas possible for children in Lee County. Now through Dec. 10, Brandywine will be collecting new, unwrapped toys which can be placed in a box located next to the clubhouse bulletin board or in a box located at the office. On December 11, Trip and Nancy Weaver will deliver the donated toys to a Toys for Tots Distribution Center on behalf of our generous Brandywine residents. Thank you for your caring contributions and Happy Holidays. MJ Peters 802-249-9412

## **EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND**

Just a reminder if you intend to contribute to the Employee Christmas Fund, please drop off your donation either at the gate or office as soon as you can so I can give the employees their checks by the middle of December. Checks may be made out to EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND. Thank you. Any questions, please call Mary Meyerhans 239-482-0001.

## **MANAGER NOTES**

To keep the flow of traffic smooth please follow the below reminders:

All approved residents should have the Brandywine decal placed on their windshield, all long-term guests are required to have a guest pass, both are available at the office. All other visitors including, vendors & deliveries, must be called into the gate prior to their visit. It is the homeowner's responsibility to call in guests otherwise access may be denied. Please remember all current guest passes will expire December 31<sup>st</sup>, you may call or come in the office to renew these passes for your guests.

## **DRYER VENT CLEANING**

Karen Miller has contacted Lint Out and asked for a group rate. They have offered the price of \$60 per unit if there are 10 or more units participating. Lint out is scheduling to be on property January 6<sup>th</sup>, if you are interested, please contact Karen Miller 481-3790.

## **LANDSCAPE ENHANCEMENT**

There seems to be some confusion and concern about the landscaping about to start in Brandywine. At this point in time there are five phases.

Phase I

Start planting 144 trees in the front yard.

Phase 2

Remove the rest of the carrotwoods.

Phase 3.

Replace carrotwoods and start doing the back of units.

Phase 4

Work on front entry of complex and pool and tennis courts area.

Phase 5

Bushes in area.

As you can see this is going to be very time consuming. This is NOT going to happen overnight. We are looking at a few years for the final project. Many people are concerned

that the company is going to come in here and start ripping out bushes and flowers that are planted around our homes. This is not the case. The landscaper has said if the bushes look good there is no reason to replace. I hope this helps to know what is being planned.

Karen Miller

## **FROM THE NEST**

I hope all had a great Thanksgiving. And now, for Dec., there comes the next round of celebrations for everyone. On this note, with many on the road, visiting, shopping and enjoying the many events in the area, be careful too. Traffic is accelerated and shops are crowded, and we all have much on our minds getting underway to accomplish the must-do list beforehand. Chanukah begins on the evening of the 22nd, Kwanzaa celebrates its first day on the 26th and Christmas is the 25th. For this and other special dates, may residents of Brandywine and their families enjoy the festivities in their own way. Stay safe, happy and begin planning ahead for the new year with more special activities. Remember that we can do our part by attending, and, perhaps, volunteer to bring success to our small community affairs. Audrey Murphy, cell phone 757 871-9667 - e-mail: jamuff@aol.com

## **CLASSIFIED-----**

**WANTED:** 2 tennis rackets. Men's bicycle  
**Call: Susan Devo 859-380-6801 or email [susan.m.devo@gmail.com](mailto:susan.m.devo@gmail.com)**

