

The Brandywine Bugle

January 2020

Submit notices for the Bugle to:

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no later than the 20th of each month

ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS

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

ASSOCIATION OFFICE CLOSURES & HOLIDAY HOURS

Wednesday, January 1st – Closed in observance of New Year's Day

Monday, January 20th – Closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day

TRASH AND RECYCLING HOLIDAY PICK-UP HOURS

NO valet trash service on Wednesday, January 1st. Valet pick up will resume on Friday, January 3rd.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEETING

Tuesday, January 14th at 11:00am

Meeting held in the Brandywine Hall.

Trip Weaver 813-240-6460

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, January 17th at 1:00pm

Meeting held in the Brandywine Hall.

Kris Morley 810-845-6391

BOD MEETING

Tuesday, January 21st at 1:00pm

All Brandywine unit owners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS

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".

BOCCE

Mondays & Thursdays, at 10:00am

Brandywine's Bocce Ball Club thanks everyone for their support in the recent voting and at the Silent Auction. We are almost 11% toward our fund-raising goal, thanks to the extra effort of a few special contributors.

Next--an Ice Cream Social will be held poolside on January 12. Please check for more information and photos on the blog at <https://brandywinebocce.sport.blog/> Come out to play bocce with the Club members and others. Everyone is welcome!

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION BREAKFAST AT MYERLEE

Saturday, January 4th at 9:00 am

All Brandywine ladies are welcome. We will be having a Breakfast meeting at Myerlee Country Club. The cost is \$10.00 per person, gratuity not included. Karen Miller 481-3790

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.

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Monday, January 6th 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

BILLIARDS

Every Tuesday in January 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 Mike 433-5217



BINGO

**Wednesday, January 15th
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. December big winners: 12/4/19
Nancy O'Keeffe X game & Christine Eberhart
Jackpot; 12/18/19 Joan Gilmore X game;
Jacqueline O'Keeffe Jackpot.

Joan Peer (586)255-1955

MEN'S BREAKFAST at MYERLEE COUNTRY CLUB

Saturday, January 11th at 9:00am

This is an open invitation to all Brandywine
men to enjoy good fellowship and a hearty
breakfast at the country club. Cost is \$10. We
need a rough count of reservations by
Thursday, January 9th, please call Ed Zender
267-0951.

BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, January 14th at 10:00 am

Start the new year by reading a new book.
Then come to the Book Club and tell us about
it, did you like the book or were you
disappointed? New members and guests are
always welcome at Book Club meetings in the
Tennis Club house. Jean Zender 267-0951

CHAIR VOLLEYBALL

Wednesday, January 8th & 22nd 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 is 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.

GARDEN CLUB

Monday, January 20th at 1:00pm

It is with sadness that I have to inform you that
the final meeting of the Brandywine Garden
Club will take place on January 20th in the
Brandywine Room. I'd like to thank all the
members who have worked so hard over the
years to enable us to do the many projects we
have accomplished. Our final project was the
replacement of the Christmas Tree on the
breezeway of the Brandywine Room and the
reindeer for our sleigh at the entrance. We will
have our final accounting at this January
meeting. Any questions, please call Mary
Meyerhans at 239-428-0001.

SPECIAL EVENTS

REMOVE DECORATIONS AT BRANDYWINE HALL

Saturday, January 4th at 10:30 am

We will be taking down the Christmas
decorations in the Brandywine Hall and need
all the help we can get, please.

Karen Miller 481-3790

GARDEN ANT-ics

Tuesday, January 7th at 7:00 pm

In 6/98, the Garden club set aside monies in a
special fund to create and maintain a
Remembrance Garden in memory of deceased
residents of Brandywine through donations in
their name. It is sited on South Brandywine
Circle and has been maintained by volunteers
from the Brandywine community. An open
organizational meeting of volunteers is planned
for Tuesday, January 7th in the Library bld. If
you have any interest in volunteering, please
come to the meeting or, if unable to attend,
please contact Ann Gergar at 248-891-0837
with comments/ questions. We are sincere in
saying NO gardening experience needed (we
are all learning and willing to teach). If able,
please visit the garden prior to the meeting and
bring ideas for improvement to the meeting. It
is hoped our community can continue to
maintain the Remembrance Garden as a
respectful, serene space in which to meditate
and bring beauty from memories of loved ones.
*While we may think we are nurturing our
gardens, it is of course our gardens really
nurturing us.*

CARD CRAFTERS

Wednesday, January 8th at 10:00 am

Brandywine Card crafters will meet in the craft
room. All materials, tools, etc. will be
provided for everyone to design and make
greeting cards. No experience required and all
are welcome. We do ask for a \$1 donation to
cover the costs of consumable materials.
Please RSVP to Lynn at 432-9912 or Chanda
at 703-7644

PAIN MANAGEMENT

Thursday's, starting January 9th 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

BIKING CLUB

Thursday, January 9th at 9:30 am

We will meet at the guard house circle at
9:30am and bike to the First Watch on
McGregor Blvd. All are welcome. Wear your
helmet. Contact Kathleen Weber if you have
any questions 563-564-9069.

GAME NIGHT

Friday, January 10th 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

NEWCOMERS COFFEE

Saturday, January 11th at 10:00am

To all our new owners, renters and community owners who want to brush up on happenings: We will be hosting a Newcomers Coffee to help to Meet, Greet, and Inform you on events, happenings and the how to's here at Brandywine. MJ Peters. 802-249-9412

BOCCE CLUB ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday, January 12th at 2:00 pm

"If you build it, they will come" - Two Scoops Only \$5.00. Sign up for head count Monday 1/6/20 - 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm in Brandywine Hall. Alternate Location If Raining: Brandywine Hall. Phone contacts after 1/6 only: Esther Mead 845 391 2071 and Chuck Licari 586 995 0647

NECKTIE PURSE CRAFT

Wednesday, January 15th at 10:00 am

Join me to make a cute little purse out of your husband's retired neckties! Contact me through email and I will email back with more details for this craft. Joan Gilmore joby34@aol.com

THIRSTY THURSDAY

Thursday, January 16th 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!

TOILET PAPER TUBE CRAFTING

Wednesday, January 22nd at 10:00 am

On Wednesday, January 22 at 10am in the craft room, there will be a workshop on using toilet paper tubes to make wall decorations. Bring any empty and cleaned tubes (we have MANY already), an adult scissors, ruler, pencil, and a small jar of acrylic paint the color of your choice. These are available at Wal-Mart, Michaels, etc. for about \$1. Call Chanda at 703-7644 to RSVP or if you have questions.

COVERED DISH DINNER

Friday, January 24th at 5:00 pm

Join your friends and neighbors in the Brandywine Hall for a covered dish dinner.

MJ Peters 802-249-9412

COUNTRY WESTERN PARTY

Saturday, February 1st at 5:30 pm

Get out those cowboy boots and jeans and get ready to party, bring your friends! Pot roast, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans with ham, rolls, and dessert. Catered by Bob Evans. Jerry Dyke will once again be our entertainment for the evening. BYOB. We will have a 50/50 drawing too. Sign up is Monday, Jan 27th from 1-3 P.M. in the Brandywine Hall. \$16.00 per person. Please if you cannot be there for sing up Call Karen before! This is a catered event and need to get a count early.

Karen Miller 481-3790

MARDI GRAS PARTY

Saturday, February 22nd

A Mardi Gras Dinner and Dance will be held in the Brandywine Hall, with all proceeds going to offset the cost of the Bocce Ball Courts. More to come in February Bugle. If you will not be here for the sign-up on February 10th, you may call in advance and your spot will be saved.

Mary Meyerhans 482-0001

AARP SAFE DRIVER COURSE

Saturday, March 14th from 8:30am-3:00pm

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 MJ Peters 802-249-9412 to sign up ahead of course so there is a head count & the correct number of supplies on hand for the class.

BUS TRIP UPDATES AND INFORMATION

New Orleans Trip: January 26-29, 2020

We need tourists for this tour. Tours4You are allowing us to accept sign-up and payment after New Year's. Myra Miller & I will be in the Clubhouse from **1-3pm on Thursday, Jan. 2nd** to receive additional reservations. Checks should be made out to BAC (Brandywine Activities Club).

Savannah Trip: March 29-31, 2020

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

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

Feb 1st - Woman's Association

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Feb 2nd - Super Bowl Party

Feb 3rd - Activities Meeting

Feb 5th & 19th - Bingo

Feb 10th - Sign Up: Mardi Gras

Feb 12th & 26th - Chair Volleyball

Feb 14th - Game Night

Feb 15th - Men's Breakfast

Feb 20th – Thirsty Thursday
Feb 22nd – Mardi Gras
Feb 24th – Sign Up: Savannah Trip

Mar 2nd – Activities Meeting
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Mar 4th & 18th – Bingo
Mar 7th – Woman's Association
Mar 11th & 25th – Chair Volleyball
Mar 13th – Game Night
Mar 14th – AARP Driver Safety Course
Mar 14th – St. Patrick's Day Party
Mar 16th – Sign Up: Fashion Show
Mar 19th – Thirsty Thursday
Mar 21st – Men's Breakfast
Mar 27th – Fashion Show
Mar 28th – Covered Dish
Mar 29th – 31st – Savannah Bus Trip

NEW RESIDENTS

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

- Joe & Marian Jarrell,
1274 Arcola Drive
- Johnny & Julianna Beal,
1304 S. Brandywine Circle #1
- Jacqueline Jarr-Camps,
1306 Medinah Drive
- Ted Abiva,
1254 Hazeltine Drive
- Jack Lee,
1234 Hazeltine Drive
- Paul & Kathleen Wilkes,
1229 N. Brandywine Circle

IN MEMORIAM

We lost a cherished resident:

Alice Macready

To view full obituary please go to:
<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/fort-myers-fl/alice-macready-8962627>
Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at St. Columbkille Catholic Church 12171 Iona Rd, Fort Myers. Memorial contributions are encouraged to Hope Healthcare in appreciation for the loving care they provided to Alice at the end of her life. There will be a luncheon reception following the Memorial, but the location has yet to be finalized.

EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS FUND

All the Brandywine Employees would like to give a big THANK YOU to all the owners for their generosity this holiday season! A special thank you to Mary Meyerhans for always ensuring the staff is taken care of. We have a wonderful team and a wonderful community to work in!

MANAGER NOTES

Please remember to rinse off before entering the pools and spa, also please use a towel while using the pool furniture.

CLASSIFIED-----

FOR SALE: Dining Room Table and 4 chairs, 54inch glass top table, stone, and metal base in excellent condition **Call: 239-292-8764**

FOR SALE: Golf Balls \$4.00. All 12 balls same brand. **Call: Bob 847-452-6618**

WANTED: Vehicle
Call: 239-482-1041

