

# The Brandywine Bugle

March 2025

Please submit notices for the Bugle to:  
[jdavitoria@precedentmgt.com](mailto:jdavitoria@precedentmgt.com)  
no later than the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month

## ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

**AED MACHINE LOCATION**  
Brandywine Hall Breezeway

**ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday-Friday 8am-4pm  
**Closed for Lunch from 12:30-1pm daily**  
To contact the Association office, please call:  
(239) 481-2326

**B&G COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TBD**  
Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. Chris DeMeyer  
574-274-4637 or Dave Tanner 239-398-4406.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TBD**  
Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. Connie Myers  
239-219-6480

**COMMUNICATIONS MEETING**  
**TBD**  
Karen Wright 239-482-8646

**DOCUMENTS & POLICIES MEETING**  
**TBD**  
Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. All owners are  
encouraged to attend. Bruce Putman 704-582-3579

**BOD MEETING**  
**TBD**  
Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. All owners are  
encouraged to attend. Shannon Goessling 770-262-6938



## KARAOKE IN MARCH

**Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6 pm to 9 in BWH**

**Patti's Fun night** is open to all residents and friends. Give it a try! There are no professionals, just people who like to sing. Come listen to live music. Come with a snack and your beverage.

Bring a deck of cards, or a game to play and cheer on the singers. **Date: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 6 pm to 9 in BWH.** Details on Channel 99.

## ACTIVITIES MEETING

**Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 11 am in BWH**

All residents are encouraged to attend the monthly meetings which are held in BWH on the first Monday of each month at 11 am. We are always in need of volunteers to make our events special. Getting involved is a great way to get familiar with how your community operates.

## TRIVIA ROUND UP

**Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm in BWH**

Congratulations to “The Stooges” taking first place in the February game with a score of 62 out of a possible 72 points. In at second, one point off the pace, was “Smarty Pants”. Third place went to “Last Chance” with 59 points. Trivia is played on the first Monday of the month, details on Brandywine Community Channel 99. Please join us for a fun and challenging evening.

## BINGO

**Wednesday, Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> & Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> 7 pm in**

We had 83 bingo players on February 5<sup>th</sup> and we gave out \$1140. Each regular game paid \$50. We were able to play the large Round Robin tonight which paid \$150. Letter X Paid out \$250 and was won by Patrick O’Keefe. Jackpot paid \$250 and was split among 4 winners. Jerry Paul. Janice Petraglia, Don Gilardi and Eleanor Gionvannello who each took home \$65. It’s nice to see the Brandywine Hall filled with Bingo Players. See you in March. Janice Petraglia

## SINGLES CLUB

**Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in Library**

What a wonderful full month we had together, starting with a Valentines luncheon at Faith Methodist church.

Next, we went to Lunch at Shanghai Restaurant in Bonita Spring followed by a nice walk around the Wonder Gardens which had many tropical birds and wildlife in a tranquil setting. We then had a Mardi Gras party at one of our member’s homes which was so much fun and lots of good food.

Coming in March is a trip to the **Twins stadium with the Boston Red Sox’s.**

If you are living alone or a caregiver whose partner can’t get out, we would love you to join us. If you have any questions, contact Sue Gabel 815-978-8148 or Nancy Becker 405-760-5440  
Next meeting is March 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the library.  
Hope to see you there.

## WOMEN’S SOCIAL COFFEE HOUR

**Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 10 am in the library**

All Brandywine Women are invited! Bring your beverage of choice and join us for conversation and goodies. Baked goodies will be provided. “Describe your childhood Bedroom” will be our topic for discussion! All Brandywine Women are invited! If you have any questions, call or text  
Mary Marszalek 203-376-6607.



### THE MEN'S CLUB

**Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> @ 9 am at Myerlee Country Club**

The March Men's breakfast will be March 8th at 9:00AM at the Myerlee Country Club. The cost is \$15.00, and we hope you will attend. Our speaker this month will come from The Summit Retirement Community of Fort Myers off of East Brandywine. An interesting presentation with ample time for Q&A. Please put this on your calendar and bring a friend. As always signups will be in our clubhouse and library. You can also call John Caccavale at (239) 219-3634 or Dave Tanner at 239-398-4406

### POOLSIDE PIZZA PARTY

**Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> 3:30 pm, Poolside Pizza Party.** **Sign-up** Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup> in BWH 1 to 3 pm, \$5. Costco Pizza & Salad. We will be expecting the Sherriff's Office Ice Cream Truck to bring our Dessert. See the ad on Channel 99 for details. Contact Donna Johnson 386-804-0481 if unable to attend Sign-up.

### BOOK CLUB

**Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 10 am**

Come to the tennis house to share your reading experiences. Nancy O'Keeffe 466-0476

**Library Book Donations:** We would love to receive book donations for our library. Call Phyllis at 239-810-4008 or email her at cip11@aol.com to tell her what you have to offer so she can OK the donation. We do not take cookbooks, DIY books, religious, sports, or old books because we do not have the room. Do not leave books without approval.

#### **Brandywine Library Volunteers**

I would like to thank all my wonderful volunteers who work at the library in Brandywine for the great job they have been doing during my illness. I really appreciate all your hard work. Hopefully I will be back to work sometime soon. Phyllis.

### CRAFTERS

**Wednesday, 9:30 am March 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Card Making.**

**Wednesday, 9:30 am March 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Jewelry Making.**

**Wednesday, 9:30 am March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Seashell Project**

Stop in the craft room and view the board with pictures of projects using shells (frames, lamps, vases, etc.).

All materials will be available, and we ask for a \$2 donation to cover supplies. Call Chanda at 239-703-7644.

**Note** - over the years, the Brandywine craft room has accumulated many sewing/crafting supplies. If you have need of something, please come to the craft room any Tuesday from 1:30 - 3:00 pm when the stitching group is meeting, and they will show you what is available.

Thanks to all who have contributed. Many of these supplies have been used to make scarves, hats, and lap robes which have been donated to

charities. A special thanks to Jim Van Cooley for the many counted cross stitch patterns and other supplies that he recently donated.

### LEARN TO PERFORM CPR

**Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> , from 1 to 3 pm in the Craft Room. No Charge**

1. CPR training using the Red Cross method.
2. STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO PERFORM CPR AT THE END OF THE TRAINING.
3. Please understand that this is the same course as one which offers certification. However, to get Red Cross certification, one must attend one of their certification courses, and then, the Red Cross will provide certification. So, if you need certification, this is NOT FOR YOU.
4. Class sizes to be at least three, but no more than six students.
5. Equipment and instructions will be provided at this class.
6. Class time to be less than two hours long.
7. Instruction to cover:
  - A. General information and training.
  - B. Chest compressions depth and speed.
  - C. How to give rescue breaths ( if desired).
  - D. Use of AED.
  - E. Helping a choking adult.

**Contact** Don Lavimoniere 239-267-2788  
Certified by the American Red Cross to teach CPR/AED/Choking

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER/DANCE

**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm. \$20 per person.** Attire is to be wearing the Green of Ireland. Serving Corned Beef Sliders, Irish Stew and homemade Dessert. Water, Coffee, Tea and Condiments will be provided. **Sign-up** Monday March 3<sup>rd</sup> & March 10<sup>th</sup> in BWH 1 to 3 pm. See the ad on Channel 99 or contact Mary Marszalek 203-376-6607.

### MARGARITAVILLE PARTY

**Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> , 5 pm. It's Five O'clock Somewhere!!! Why not Brandywine? Entertainment by Cap'n Jac!!**

Attention Parrot heads, and everyone else too! Join us on **Saturday March 29th at 5:00 PM** for a fun evening in Brandywine Hall as we present "Cheeseburger in Paradise" Margaritaville Party. Enjoy a Margarita with your Cheeseburger and fries, condiments to be provided, BYOB. The cost is \$20 per person, **sign-ups** are on Monday March 17th and 24th in Brandywine Hall, 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Entertainment by Capt'n Jac celebrating the Caribbean Soul found in the music of Jimmy Buffet, Harry Belafonte and his own original music.

### BOCCE CLUB

**Mondays and Thursdays 9:30 am**

The "Third Annual Brandywine Bocce Tournament" took place on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, and what a great day it was! Clear skies and good weather brought out many spectators who witnessed some very competitive games. The new **Brandywine Bocce Champion for 2025 is Buckeye Nuts, the team of Jo-Ann and Jim Scott. Runner up was Sweet Cakes, the team**



of Rosa Ayala and Barbara Morales. The Bocce Club wishes to thank all our participants and volunteers for their efforts. Special thanks to Jim Scott our tournament chairman who ran an efficient event. Remember, we play on Mondays and Thursdays at 9:30 AM. Come on out and have some fun! Remember, ***“If you can roll a ball, you can play bocce!”***

See Brandywine Community Channel 99 for details.

### **WATER WALKING CLUB**

**Tuesday’s at 10:30 am** the community is invited for some ‘Walk and Talk’ in the pool. The more the merrier. Do as much or as little as your body allows. Looking forward to seeing you there.  
Diane Truslow

### **PICKLEBALL**

Anyone wanting to learn to play Pickleball??? The Pickleball Club is looking for new players. Call Janine McBurney to set up a day and time to help you learn the game. 708-321-0280

### **HELP WANTED**

**REPLACEMENT** for website mgmt. [mybrandywine.org](http://mybrandywine.org) ASAP. Basic computer skills needed and attendance at most events. For information, call Roger at 815-281-9139

### **WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS**

No new residents in February

### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

#### **ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 3 pm poolside. **Sign-up** Monday March 31<sup>st</sup> in BWH from 1 pm to 3, \$5.

Watch for the ad on Channel 99

### **THE FABULOUS DEL PRADOS**

**Sock Hop with Del Prados Saturday April 12th**

On Saturday April 12th from 5:30 ‘til 9:00 PM, Brandywine Bocce Club presents, **“Sock Hop 2025”**. Listen and dance to hits from the Rock ‘N Roll era performed by the **Fabulous Premier Singing Group, “The Del Prados”**. \$20.00 per person, BYOB. Hors D’oeuvres from 5:30 to 6:30. Music and dancing from 6:00 to 9:00 **Attendance in ‘50’s attire is encouraged**, but not mandatory. **Sign-up from 1-3pm in Brandywine Hall on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**. More details on Brandywine Community Channel 99, click on Bocce Club and scroll.

### **THE FAMOUS BOCCE BREAKFAST**

Saturday April 26<sup>th</sup> Details TBA

### **BRANDYWINE COMMUNITY PAGE (BCP)**

View **channel 99** on your TV guide to access the Bugle & Calendar. **Details of Special Events, daily & monthly activities are all listed there & who to contact.** The Gatehouse and Office will have copies to pick up & the Bugle will still be eblasted. Any questions call Donna Johnson at 386-804-0481

### **CLASSIFIEDS:**

**For Sale:** Dark Brown Three Section Entertainment Cabinet \$100  
Outside Cabinets have shelves and Drawers  
72 ¾” high by 107” wide, 20” Deep  
Contact: Sue 812-243-0484, Can help deliver.

**Cleaning:** deep cleaning for your home, please contact:

Wu Lemanski  
239-994-9901

Email: wuryong3@gmail.com



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