

BRIAR CREEK PHASE I NEWS

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Important Phone Numbers

Briar Creek emergency information – 727-726-7651

Life-threatening emergency - **911**

Sheriff's Office **non-emergency -727-582-6200** (use for issues at the BC pool)

Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas 1-800-963-5337

Lift Assist 727-687-2111 when you are a loved one falls and cannot get up

BOARD BUSINESS AND UPDATES

DIRECTOR, Inspections & Architectural Requests *Lyn Lijewski*

727-504-0345. Thanks.

LAWNS *Director, Gene Arend*

727- 725-5844. Mow dates for October are not yet available at press time.

POOL Director *Pat Rivera*

Remember that between the hours of **1 – 4 is 'adults only'** swim.



SEPTEMBER 2020 BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES *Betty Chatigny*



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

EREAVEMENT *Mary Houpt*



photo: B.Chatigny

Long-time resident, Pat Steffen, passed away Wednesday, August 25, 2021.

No local service is planned. Sympathy to her husband, Gene, 92 Redwood Drive.

Life Coach *free service @ Mattie Williams Neighborhood Family Center 727-791-8255*

Life coach can help you deal with some of life's challenges at any stage.

We may not be in need of job search assistance or parenting – but perhaps issues regarding our health and or finances. If so, help is a phone call away and free to residents of Safety Harbor, Oldsmar and Eastern Clearwater. 727-791-8255

Mattie Williams center will also accept clothing and shoe donations on Tuesdays.

UPDATES Around the Creek (Phase I & II).



Bye bye beetles. *Pat Rivera*

Just like John, Paul, Ringo and George Beatles, the University of Florida air potato beetles five-year program has reached the end of its run.

Hopefully, BC will be propagating the beetles to keep eating the vines, laying eggs, dormant in winter, repeat. Repeat. You can check the underside of leaves for eggs/larvae

What's the life cycle of the beetles?

The life cycle begins in the egg stage, which lasts about 4 days. Larvae hatch from the eggs, feed on air potato leaves for about 10 days, and then drop to the ground where they pupate. Adults emerge about 2 weeks later, and begin feeding on air potato leaves. The adults can live for as long as 6 months, during which time females may lay as many as 4,000 eggs.

For more information on the hungry beetles go to UF/IAF website [Air Potato Biological Control \(ufl.edu\) bcrcl.ifas.ufl.edu/airpotatofiles/airpotatocontact_us.shtml](http://AirPotatoBiologicalControl(ufl.edu)bcrc1.ifas.ufl.edu/airpotatofiles/airpotatocontact_us.shtml)

The site also presents other options on eradicating the invasive air potato vines...but first let's see if the beetles are just late arriving this season.

DIAL DIRECTORY *Helen Coar*

The changes for this month are listed below. Please make the corrections to your copy of the Directory. Or even better, tear out this page and keep it with you copy. Call me with any changes.

NEW RESIDENTS

REMOVE

BUNCO IS BACK!!!

It's FUN. It's EASY. If you can roll dice, you can learn in about **10 minutes!**

The fourth Thursday of the month is Bunco night. Gather at 6:30 in **Phase2 Clubhouse** for dessert. Play begins at 7:00 p.m. Bring \$3.00 each which will be paid out in prizes at the end of the evening. Please call Marge at 533-6603; leave a message if you plan to attend.



LINE DANCING *Helen Coar*

Join the line! Come and enjoy the music and exercise. Wednesday, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. If you are a beginner, arrive at 6:00 for a quick lesson. Hope to see you then.

TRAVEL – BCI & II TRAVEL CLUB

As the hot summer flies by, we are getting closer to some fun trips planned for October, November and the winter and future months.

The Calypso Queen dinner cruise is scheduled for Saturday, October 23rd from the Clearwater Marina. The last date for payment of \$45.00 each will be due to Gene or Peggy by September 15th. Fee includes the cruise, dinner, complimentary beer, wine, rum punch and soft drinks. Plan to be on board by 6:30 PM for sailing at 7:00 PM. The dinner cruise is full so contact Gene or Peggy if interested in being added to the wait list.

The EPCOT/Stetson Mansion trip on November 15th and 16th still has a few openings. The deadline to sign up and make your payment of \$325 per person, double occupancy, is September 15th. This is an overnight bus trip where you will visit EPCOT during the Food and

Wine Festival on the first day. Day two we will tour Stetson Mansion, decorated for Christmas, with lunch and shopping at Disney Springs.

A meeting will be scheduled in mid-September for those who are booked on the NCL Dawn Cruise in February 2022.

Gene is taking deposits for the 15-day Vegas to Vegas Canyons & National Parks trip in September 2022. Most of our BC Travel Team will be returning from the north soon and we will be meeting in September to plan more exciting trips in the coming months. Be sure to watch your emails for more information from the Travel Club, check our flyers on the Travel Club bulletin boards in each clubhouse and/or visit www.upcsportshub.com and click on the Travel page.

Your Travel Club Committee: Gene Arend, JoAnn Barr, Toni Beaton, Donna Hartin, Carol Keller-Michalis, Peggy Raynor and Carol Rodriques



BIRD WALK - PHASES I & II *Bill Kaempher*

We will resume monthly bird walks around the BC neighborhood this month. However, in order to avoid a conflict with lawn moving, I am moving the walks to the first Friday of each month.

Please join me on Friday, September 3rd at 8:00a.m. for a 60 -90 minute bird walk. We will meet at the Phase I Clubhouse. Please wear sturdy walking shoes and bring binoculars, if you have them.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at 303-717-5063 or at kaempfer@colorad.edu

MEN'S POKER TABLE *Gene Arend*

This activity takes place every Thursday, 5:30 p.m.



BINGO *Kim Ramalho & Jeff Clark*

Welcome September and the start of our snowbirds return!

BRIDGE Phases I & II *Bill Kaempher*

Bridge will continue every Monday from 1 – 4p.m. in the Phase I clubhouse, as long as there are at least four players per table.

Call me at **303-717-5063** if you are interested in playing or email me at kaempher@colorado.edu. Hopefully, as the park fills up we will have weekly games and more tables. On July 5 Brien Stickney won 3300; July 12 Brien Stickney (again) 4480.



EUCHRE *Margo Keyes*

At this time, the return of Thursday Euchre is suspended until further notice. If you have questions, or would like to ‘host’ this activity you may contact me at **518-528-3227**.

BAZAR *Patty Fontaine*

Please remember to drop off any of your no longer wanted, but perfectly good jewelry, hand bags, belts, travel bags, scarves, etc. for the jewelry counter for BC annual Bazar.

Steve and I are on the road to adventure for extended periods of time but Mary Houpt and Helen Coar are available to gratefully accept your donations.



BRIAR CREEK BOOK CLUB – Phases I & II Jane McKenzie

Are you interested in joining a book club? Do you enjoy reading a variety of genres and have fun discussing books with friends? We presently have openings. The next meeting will be October 12th. We will be discussing *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides. Join us in the Phase II Clubhouse at 3:00 p.m.

Please contact me if you are interested or have questions **651-353-2602** cell.

Briar Creek I September 2021 CALENDAR

Every Monday Bridge 1 – 4 p.m.

Every **Tuesday** **beginning 14th** Bingo 5:30

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Every Wed Coffee-Social 8:30a.m.-10:30

Line Dancing 6 p.m. – 7:30

RummiKub 7 p.m. – 9

Table Tennis 7 p.m. – 9

REMOVE crafts

Every Thursday Men’s Poker 5:30 p.m. – 9

Thurs 23rd Bunco Phase 2; 6:30 p.m. desert; game starts @ 7

Every Friday Happy Hour Gathering 4 – 6p.m. BYOB & choice of snack

Editor’s Note: ALL scheduled activities may be subject to change due to recent spike in COVID variant cases

CHANGES on PAGE2

Phase 1

VP/Director Remove KIM STOLTZ

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Lawn Maintenance

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Replace with: Gene Arend

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BC MartRay Jablonski & **Terry LaCasse** (add)

ADD BC Stickers Gene Arend

Entertainment:

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Add Frank Gaffney & Anthony Carregal

Media/Bugle

Remove Pat Dion, Editor

Add Pat Rivera

Membership

Remove Betty Chatigny

Add Gene Arend

Pool Tags Al Hartin

Water Aerobics

Remove Mary Kay Brown

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