

The Brandywine Bugle

September 2021

Submit notices for the Bugle to:

ccastellano@precedentmgt.com

no later than the 20th of each month

ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

AED MACHINE LOCATION

Women's Pool Restroom

ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOURS

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

To contact the Association office, please call:

(239)481-2326 or email

ccastellano@precedentmgt.com or

christinec@precedentmgt.com

ASSOCIATION OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday, September 6th – Office CLOSED

TRASH AND RECYCLING HOLIDAY PICK-UP HOURS

There is **NO CHANGE** in valet trash pick up.

NO Recycle pick up on Tuesday, September

7th. Recycle pick up will be on Wednesday,

September 8th. Recycling will resume to

Tuesdays after Labor Day week.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEETING

Tuesday, September 14th at 11:00am

Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. Trip Weaver 813-240-6460

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday, September 17th at 11:00am

Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. Connie Myers 239-219-6480

BOD MEETING

Thursday, September 23rd at 11:00am

Subject to change, will be in person and virtual. All owners encouraged to attend.

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

The following people are on the new communications committee. Please contact them with any issues and concerns you may have. When issues are brought to the committee's attention, they will look into all details of your concern and get back to you in a timely manner. These concerns will be discussed at the next Communication Committee meeting.

Ann Bastian- amb1248@yahoo.com

Phyllis Cipolloni- cipl1@aol.com

Diane Jarke- deejim1319@yahoo.com

Rosemary King- rmdking1519@gmail.com

Karen Miller- drm1335@aol.com

AMENITIES INFORMATION

The Brandywine Board of Directors held their monthly meeting on, Thursday, May 20th at 11:00am. Part of this meeting was the discussion to return Brandywine to pre-COVID restrictions. The Board voted unanimously to restore Brandywine's amenities and rules back to standard operations.

-CDC, Florida, and Lee County Government recommendations are still encouraged.

-Masks will be optional-please respect your neighbors' decision to wear or not wear a mask.

-Please continue to use disinfectant sprays and bottles to help keep common areas clean.

(Events, gatherings, and game playing will still need to be scheduled directly with Activities Club to ensure there is no overlap in area usage or calendar schedule.)

Amenity Hours of Operation:

-Brandywine Office: 8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-4:00pm (no change)

-Brandywine Hall: 7:00am-10:00pm

-Tennis Building/Library: 7:00am-10:00pm

-Gym, Puzzle Room: 7:00am-10:00pm

-Pool/Spa: 8:00am-10:00pm

We thank you for your diligence during the last year to help protect and keep Brandywine safe and thank you for your patience as we move to return Brandywine back to normal.

ACTIVITIES UPDATE

September's Super Wednesday is Here!!

September 1 Bingo

September 8 Chair Volleyball

September 15 Bingo

September 22 Chair Volleyball

September 29 Trivia

Mark your calendar for an awesome month.

All events will start at 7 P.M and will be located at Brandywine Hall. Hope to see you there!!

Activities Advisory Council



OPEN TENNIS FOR RESIDENTS

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, at 8:00am

Offers all resident tennis players an opportunity to play, have fun, and get healthy exercise. If you have "rust" from not being in the game of late, we will provide the remedy. Do not hesitate to just show up but if you do have questions, Terry Trip at 239-314-6467 would be happy to try to provide answers.



PICKLEBALL

Every Monday-Friday 8-9am

Did you know that Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the U.S.? Come join us at the courts M-F from 8-9. It is a great way to meet people and a fun way to exercise. Beginners and experienced players are welcome. Rackets are available if you do not have one. See you on the courts.

YOGA & LOW IMPACT AEROBICS IN THE CLUBHOUSE

Aerobics: meeting on Mondays and Thursdays at 9am in the Brandywine Hall. Using social distancing and routine CDs: Richard Simmons and Leslie Sansone.

Yoga: meeting on Mondays at 3pm in the Brandywine Hall. A second day will be scheduled later. Using CD: Susan Winter Ward for the Young at Heart. It is recommended to bring your own yoga mat. Please call Elizabeth Phelps 239-275-5384 if interested in participating.

SENIOR YOGA Fridays at 3pm

We are meeting inside Brandywine Hall. (Use the front door.) Improve strength, flexibility, and range of motion. Bring Yoga Mat and water. Chair options are available for those unable to get down on the mat. Call certified instructor, Donna Johnson with any questions. (386)804-0481.

BOCCE

Mondays & Thursdays, at 9:30am
Brandywine's Bocce Ball Club thanks everyone for their support. 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!

MAHJONGG

Wednesdays at 1-3pm
(Please note time change!)

Welcome back-Mahjongg ladies!! We will be meeting on WEDNESDAYS 12:30-3pm play time. Wear your mask if you choose, bring your card and the fun begins. Meeting room is the Brandywine Hall. Please contact Kay Wyatt if you have any questions. (239)322-4208.

INSIDE BINGO IS BACK

Wednesday, September 1st & 15th at 7pm
Bingo is back with paper bingo cards. Bring your own dauber or purchase one for \$2. August's Big Winners: 8/04/21; Letter X Diane Geary. Cover All Rose Marie Ilardi. 8/18/21; Letter X Chanda Hensen. Cover All Maryanne O'Keefe.



SINGLES' CLUB

Thursday, September 2nd at 6:00pm

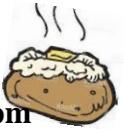
Our August outing was spent in the cool AC watching "Stillwater", starring Matt Damon. Damon performed well, but the movie was bittersweet. This was followed by a nice lunch at the Deep Lagoon, where both the food and atmosphere are good. For our September meeting please bring your new ideas researched prior to our meeting. Also, bring a calendar/ planner to avoid scheduling conflicts. The meeting will take place poolside, weather permitting. If not, we will meet at 1246 Hazeltine Dr., where you will need to BYO chair and refreshment. Dianne Truslow



LABOR DAY

BAKED POTATO PARTY

Monday, September 6th at 5-7 pm



A humorous look at our upcoming Labor Day Celebration.

My wife came home from work yesterday and was raging about her boss. She said to me, I'm never going to work for that man again!" I asked her, "Why, what did he say to you?" She said, " You're fired."

My boss made me go into the office on Labor Day, halfway through the day, he came in to check up on me and caught me having a beer. He said to me, "You can't drink while you're working."

I said, "Oh, don't worry- I'm not working."

In the week before Labor Day, Eli, a dirt-poor country farmer won the lottery- half a million dollars.

So, to celebrate, he treated his wife and their four kids to a trip to see the Labor Day Parade in New York.

He booked them rooms in the Sheraton International at the corner of Park Circle and Central Park North.

They'd never been to anywhere like New York before, in fact they'd never traveled further afield than their local town, so when they got there, they were completely bowled over by all the glitz, glamour and excitement of the "Big Apple."

Eli and his son Clem were particularly mesmerized by a shiny box with silver walls in the hotel reception. They'd never before come across doors that could move apart, and then automatically close again, as neither had seen an elevator before. So, they were totally amazed when a little old lady entered the shiny box and the doors closed on her. The lights on the wall by the doors flashed for a minute or so, then the doors opened and out stepped a beautiful young woman.

Eli turned to Clem and said, "Son, go get your mother."

And now on a more serious note:

Our community will be celebrating Labor Day on Monday, September 6. For those of you who are new residents, it is traditional that we have Baked Potatoes plus all the fixins as our meal. Salad and Dessert will also be provided.

It's amazing how much stuff you can actually place on a potato? This will be held in the Brandywine Hall from 5pm-7pm and the cost is \$10 per person. The primary reason is to celebrate the contributions and achievements of the 155 million men and women who are in the workforce. Also, Labor Day is the unofficial NFL season kickoff. Lastly, on Labor Day we can celebrate that summer is finally over and now there is no more pressure to lose weight for the beach season.

GREETING CARD MAKING

Wednesday, September 8th at 10am

Card Making will be held in the craft room. All materials are available so just come and create or copy sample greeting cards. Make as many as time allows. If you have questions, contact Chanda at 239-703-7644. Hope to see you there.

CHAIR VOLLEYBALL

Wednesday, September 8th & 22nd at 7pm

Back by popular demand! Meeting the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the Month in Brandywine Hall

What is Chair Volleyball? Where residents of our community get together, sit down, and start to play volleyball. You are seated in a chair with air condition comfort. The game is played with a beachball and a 5-foot net.

Rules? Rules are similar to regular volleyball except "cheeks on the chair!" Each team seats six players on each side of the net. Players must use hands to get the ball over the net, catching the ball and throwing it over the net is against the rules.

Laughs? There are plenty. While chair volleyball is fun, friendly, and competitive, it also has some health benefits. It can help reduce stress, boost self-esteem, and build confidence. It is also great for upper body mobility and joint flexibility.

If you have any questions, please call Trip Weaver at 813-240-6460 or Nancy Weaver at 813-380-1500.

THIRSTY THURSDAY IS BACK WITH A FOOD TRUCK!

Thursday, September 9th from 5-7pm

At the Pool/ Clubhouse Activities Inside and Out. Grab a neighbor and join us for a fun-filled evening at Brandywine. You can relax by the pool, swim, or engage in a variety of activities being offered. It is up to you.

Food Truck (no need to cook dinner): Double Dee's Munchies who were so popular we're bringing them back for a second time. They specialize in steak, chicken, and veggie cheesesteaks plus many types of mouthwatering tater tots. (Menu attached to back of Bugle)

Several dining options: poolside, inside the clubhouse or takeout. If you are bringing something to drink, please remember only plastic or paper containers are allowed by the pool. Bring paper money for the 50/50 if you choose to participate. Bring a neighbor or

a friend to share in the fun. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please call Nancy Weaver at 813-380-1500. See you on September 9th for a fun-filled evening!

ACTIVITIES MEETING

Monday, September 13th at 11am
(New Date due to Labor Day Event)

Please join us as we plan our activities for the remainder of the year. Perhaps some opportunity caught your eye in the article concerning Volunteerism. Maybe you have a great idea from some other place you have lived and would like to introduce to your new neighbors.

BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, September 14th at 10am

Come to the tennis clubhouse to share your reading experiences. Fully vaccinated readers may forego a mask, all others should continue to mask for their own safety. We will attempt to socially distance in the space as attendance allows.

Nancy O'Keefe 466-0476

LUNCH BUNCH

Friday, September 17th at 11:30am

The Lunch Bunch restaurant for September is Parrot Key. Please arrive no later than 11:30am. Drive just to the Fort Myers Beach Bridge and turn left. As you drive back the street you will see signs for Parrot Key Restaurant on the right. We will be given a special menu to select from. There will be separate checks and the tip will be included. PLEASE, IF YOU SIGN UP TO ATTEND AND CAN NOT ATTEND, PLEASE CALL US. The deadline for reservations is September 13th. Reservations can be made by calling Gail McCluer at 239-292-8764 or Gaye Gintner at 810-441-3091. This is our last Lunch Bunch of the season. Let's make it a good one.

THE FAMOUS BOCCE CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, September 25th
from 8:30-10:30am

The Brandywine Bocce & Social Club announces the scheduling of our fourth Pancake Breakfast of the year on Saturday morning September 25th from 8:30 to 10:30. All residents, family and friends are invited to attend. Seating will be available indoors in Brandywine Hall, or breakfasts can be takeout. The cost is \$8.00 per person payable upon sign up at BWH breezeway from 1:00 to 3:00 PM on Monday September 20th.



TRIVIA ROUND UP

Wednesday, September 29th at 7pm

Two Trivia events have been played this year, the most recent one on Thursday evening 8/26. The "Black Clams" team captured first place at both events! Congratulations to prize winners Sue & Bob Deyo, Jan & Chris DeMyer, and Kathy & Randy Sprague. Second place team received a free entry to the next Trivia night on Wednesday September 29th. What team will step up and challenge the Black Clams for top honors? Come and play to see for yourself how much fun you can have playing Trivia. Thanks go out to Betsy Woolf and her sister Emily for planning and presenting a fun evening for Brandywine residents and their guests.

LOOKING AHEAD:

WOMENS ASSOCIATION

We will be having our 1st meeting on Saturday, October 2nd at 9am in the Brandywine Hall. (Location subject to change). Come with some ideas for the Halloween party. Bring your neighbors. Karen Miller 239-481-3790

OKTOBERFEST PARTY

Brandywine Bocce & Social Club presents our Oktoberfest Celebration on Saturday October 2nd at 5:30pm. The menu will consist of Bratwurst, Tasty Sauerkraut, Potato Pancakes und dessert. BYOB, enjoy good food, good music, and good times! Sign up on Monday September 27th, 1 to 3:00pm on BWH Breezeway, \$15 per person.

MEN'S CLUB

The October Men's Breakfast is cancelled because of the surge of the Covid-Delta variant. Hopefully, there will be a breakfast in November. Looking forward to seeing you all in November. Ed Zender

HALLOWEEN PARTY!!!

Saturday, October 30th we will have a Halloween Party in the Brandywine Hall. Back by popular demand Johnny and Patty will be singing for us. Watch for more details in future Bugles. Karen Miller

HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS BROADWAY PALM MATINEE

The Broadway Palm Holly Jolly Christmas Lunch December 8th is a sell-out. We have started a waitlist. If you have signed up, please make sure you have marked your calendar. The cost of the tickets is \$55.00 each. The money is due November 17th. The check should be made out to Brandywine Activities and given to Gail McCluer.



LOOKING AHEAD IMPORTANT DATES

Please mark your calendar so you don't miss a moment of fun:

Saturday, October 2- Oktoberbest
Thursday, October 14- Food Truck
Saturday, October 16- Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, October 30- Halloween Party
Saturday, November 6- Golf Tournament
Monday, November 8- Sock Hop
Thursday, November 11- Veterans Day

THIRSTY THURSDAY/ FOOD TRUCK SCHEDULE

No reason to cook. Please put the following dates on your schedule:

September 9 Double Dee's Munchies
October 14 Munchies Smokehouse
January 13 Currie's Barbecue
February 10 Hungry Pony
March 10 Munchies Smokehouse
April 14 Double Dee's Munchies
May 12 Currie's Barbecue
June 9 Munchies Smokehouse
July 14 Hungry Pony

Looking forward to the delicious food and good time!

NEW RESIDENTS

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

-Anita Rippee,
7031 E. Brandywine Cir.
-Jack & Carolyn Freeman,
7026 W. Brandywine Cir.

IN MEMORIAM

We lost cherished residents this month:

Jack Wyatt
Russell Horchler

BUGLE DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

It's been a long time since we have had the Bugle delivered to our homes. I would like to start this back up again in Oct. I know several of you have delivered before and I thank you. If you have and would like to continue or if you haven't before but would like to please contact the office with your name and phone number. This would be for the 1st of each month from Oct-June. If possible, we would try to give you your block you live on. Thank you. Karen Miller Communications

VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY

It Takes a Village! Brandywine needs your support in maintaining a full activity schedule for the remainder of the year. There are key functions and areas that could use some additional resources. If each homeowner just picks one area that interest them and gets involved, what a difference that would make in our community.

Positions and functions that need some support

or some expertise:

Secretary for the Activity Club

Work with the Bugle team and the Website

Graphic Designer

Bulletin Board Developer

Content Developer (for programs and other special events)

Technology Lead

Volunteers are also needed to head up some of our events and programs occurring during the remainder of the year.

Hand and Foot and Hand Knee and Foot Card Game Coordinator- Every Thursday in Brandywine Hall

Computer Club -Monthly

Veterans Day Event and Program- Thursday, November 11

Holiday Wine and Cheese - Sunday, December 5

Community Holiday Bake Sale- Saturday, December 11

Christmas Musical Program- Sunday, December 19

Toys for Tots- December 1- December 20

Creation of Community Christmas Decorations - September and October

Installation of Christmas Decorations for Brandywine- November 1- December 5

Coordinator of Arts and Craft Classes- September- December

Please let me know if you are interested. I can be reached at Nancy.Weaver@hotmail.com or by phone (813-380-1500). I will be happy to go over the details of each program and what your commitment would be. Think about sharing the responsibility with a friend or neighbor. We welcome you to come forward. By taking this step, you will be making Brandywine a better place to live.

EASY WAYS TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

New and Expired coupons can be placed in the plastic pouch located on the bulletin board found in the back of Brandywine Hall. It helps greatly if you would take the time to clip the coupons before bringing them to the hall. When the pouch is full, we will take them to Health Park where the Red Cross picks them up to be distributed to our armed forces. It's a small way we can say thank you to the people who are serving our country proudly.

We also save drink pull tabs for the Ronald MacDonald House. The tabs can be dropped off in the puzzle room at your convenience. The MacDonald House is a home away from home for families whose children are very ill in the hospital and need to be near them during their stay.



GOLF CARTS

Golf carts are not allowed to be parked blocking the front entrance of any unit. Any operator of a golf cart must be a licensed driver or over the age of 18. Any minor operating a golf cart must be accompanied by an adult. The operation of a golf cart must be done in a safe and prudent manner. The unit owner and/ or the golf cart operator shall be responsible for personal, or property damage incurred as a result of a careless or negligent act committed by the golf cart operator.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

All homeowners have an obligation to follow the Brandywine Condominium Association, Inc. Documents including but not limited to the Rules and Regulations. Homeowners who are not in compliance will receive a violation notice. To avoid a violation notice, make sure to stay informed. Please keep in mind the Association Documents also include information for homeowners regarding covenants compliance. All rules and regulations are available on the website, www.precedentmgt.com or you may request a copy from the Association office.

WILDLIFE REMINDER

Florida is full of wonderful wildlife but also potentially dangerous and harmful to the property. Please be cautious of all wildlife. For your safety, as well as theirs, do not feed, harass, or touch any wild animals; including but not limited to **birds, squirrels, rabbits, etc.** Feeding these animals causes pest control issues and welcomes unwanted larger animals such as bobcats and coyotes.

DUMPSTER REMINDER

Since we have replaced the fencing around the dumpster, the Board has decided to try more changes to the procedure on accessing the area as well. We know change does not go over well, but we ask that you give this process some time to go through the steps and we will take in feedback and reset if need be after we see where this takes us.

- 1. Small side gate for personal access remains open 24/7 for small garbage disposal.**
- 2. We will have a trial period of locking the double gate after office hours and the weekends.**
- 3. Residents can gain access to the double gate for bulk items through the gate house by sign out sheet and key.**

In an effort to stop this problem from continuing the Board is enacting the above laid out expectations. We already have 3 days of valet garbage pick up to take care of regular needs. You can still bring large items Monday-Friday from 7am-4pm for your convenience. If you do have bulk items, call the office, and supply a description and date you will drop the item/s off. The office will schedule a pick-up with Advanced Disposal. (This will be a change for some of you)