



BRIARPATCH NEWSLETTER APRIL 2024

SPRING GREETINGS TO ALL !

The month of April gets its name from the Latin word *aperio*, meaning “to open [bud],” because plants really begin to grow now.

The Patch Corner

Did you know In 1883, Aaron McLaughlin Richey settled off the banks of the Cotee river with his family. To the south on the other side of the river, was Hickory Hammock.



Populated by farmers and ranchers, things there were slow and simple. Pioneers made rope from dried out vines, and square wells were dug by hand. Eventually, the name Hickory Hammock was dropped, and they borrowed their neighbor’s name, calling themselves “New” Port Richey. The city of New Port Richey was officially incorporated in 1924. Downtownnewportrichey.com The New Port Richey area was once an industrious Indian community and has been the home and burial ground for two separate Indian tribes. The earliest known residents of Pasco County were the Timucuan, a Native American tribe estimated to have lived here in the early 1200’s. The Cotee River is an abbreviation of the Indian name Pithlachascotee. Stories.opengov.com



DID YOU KNOW



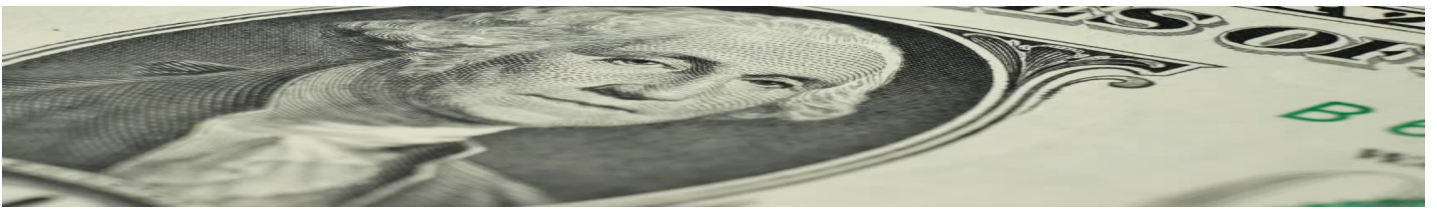
It is illegal to sing while you are in a swimsuit on a beach in Florida. Americancourthouse.com/unusual-laws-in-florida



A strawberry is not an actual berry but a banana is. The popular strawberry is not a berry at all. Botanists call the strawberry a "false fruit," a pseudocarp. Carneigiemuseum.org The Strawberry a Multiple Fruit ----
-- A banana is an elongated, edible fruit berry – Wikipedia.org/wiki/banana



Submitted by: RACHEL JAMES



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear neighbors Happy Spring!!! Many thanks to all who volunteer their time, sweat and elbow grease on behalf of the community. THANK YOU !!!!! We have embarked on Phase 2 of the roof replacement plans. There was an initial delay in the permitting process but we should be finished by the end of April secondary to weather and other unforeseen constraints. Please keep your autos out of the driveway ! Park in guest parking, THANKS The repair plans are moving forward and building 1 should be finished the first week of April.

Duna will begin painting once the pollen dies down and there is no rain in the forecast. The pool at some point in time this year will need some minor repair work done. To complete the repair it will need to be drained. This means it is expected to be closed for a very short period of time. **Date and time to be determined.**

This newsletter has a large amount of information, make sure to read or scroll to the end. (14pgs)

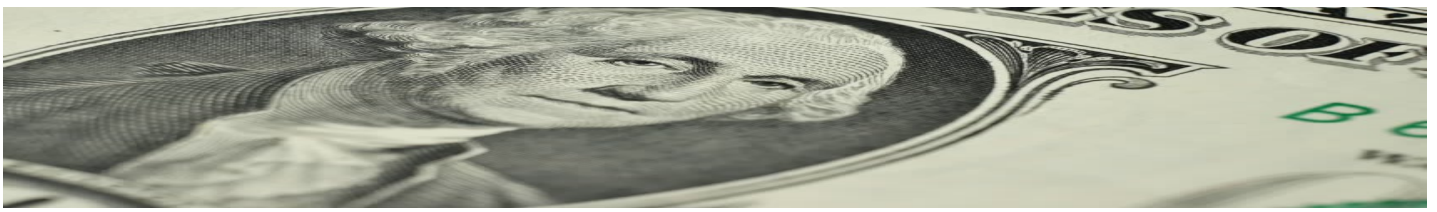
The Clubhouse is hopping! Check the clubhouse report! Many thanks to Rachel James for the “Patch Corner”, keep it coming. We are still hiring for an editor for the BP newsletter, the pay is very very low but the job is fulfilling.



WELCOME to all of our New Neighbors !!! We have had an influx of several new neighbors. We welcome you all to BRIARPATCH ! Please read this newsletter especially the Clubhouse report. Come out to an event of your choosing and get to meet some of your neighbors. At some point in time (TBD) we will have a “Meet & Greet” for all new neighbors.

As an HOA BOD, in working with the homeowners, our neighbors, we **Do Not** wish to work in an adversarial manner, but we do wish to follow and enforce the HOA BYLAWS. One of our goals is to generally maintain our homes and community. This means we ALL need to work together ! We will notify you of any area of concern that **you** are responsible for. We will send multiple notifications to and discuss the issue with you personally. If NO action is taken on the homeowners part after this process we will have the HOA attorney contact you. If need be we will take action, fines can be issued, the homeowner can be billed for service and or a lien put in place. ***None of this is anything we wish to do, so we ask that everyone reasonably work with us.***

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I had a business leader speak to me a couple of months ago, he said to me the neighborhood looked nice, you're painting, repairing, and re-roofing, but "the banged up garage doors looked crappy" "they are bringing your neighborhood down". I didn't notice it myself, maybe when you see certain things repetitively over time you don't notice them as much. It is good to have another set of eyes give their opinion. *Do you want to live in a really nice well kept neighborhood? Do wish to keep property value up?*

*A letter was sent to all owners with severely damaged garage doors in January 2022. Many homeowners repaired or replaced their garage door. If you did not please repair or replace the door. If by chance you happen to replace your door please notify me. **If you allow** I will take any good panels before they go to the metal recycler. I will then use them elsewhere in the Patch. If you sell your home the garage door **MUST** be repaired before sale. The HOA has been lax in enforcement of this particular item, going forward this has to be done. Why? you cannot sell with violations in place.*

- ⇒ **Please read and follow the By Laws.**
- ⇒ **Please DO NOT PARK** on your Lawn, inform your visitors of this.
- ⇒ **Please** volunteer!
- ⇒ **PLEASE slow down!** The speed limit in BP is 15 mph.
- ⇒ If you have an ESA **DO NOT WALK YOUR ANIMAL** ON OTHERS LAWNS !
- ⇒ **DO NOT ALLOW YOUR ANIMAL TO DEFACATE OR URINATE ON ANOTHERS LAWN !**
- ⇒ **CLEAN UP IMMEDIATELY AND DISPOSE OF WASTE SANITARILY!**
- ⇒ Please volunteer

Thank you!

Gregory Davis
PRESIDENT BPHOA



Hello Briar Patch Community,

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I hope everyone is doing well.

At the yearly HOA Board Meeting on February 12, 2024, twenty (20) "Community Survey" were received. The results are as follows:

Fifteen (15) neighbors answered the activities question.

Five (5) neighbors added activities.

Only one (1) neighbor answered the starting a committee question and provided name and phone number which we are starting on April 4th. Thank you!

We also received additional interest in the below activities. Please contact me if you are able to help start any of the below activities.

ACTIVITIES	NUMBER OF NEIGHBORS INTERESTED
Arts/Crafts	6
Walking	6
Cooking Group	4
Biking	3
BINGO	3
Book Club	3
Gardening	2
ADDED ACTIVITIES	
Dinner Club - (Singles/Couples pick a restaurant to eat out)	2
Travel/Bus - (Day trips/Short Cruises)	2
Backgammon/Chess Night	1
Board Games Night	1
Card Games Night	1
Dominoes	1
Karaoke	1
Knitting Group	1

CLUBHOUSE-POOL

Mark your calendars!!

Fun events! Come join us!

**Game nights - In the Clubhouse on the
following Tuesday nights at 6:30 PM:**

Music BINGO

Tuesday, April 2nd at 6:30 PM Clubhouse.

We are trying a different version of BINGO.

Please come join us and bring your quarters for each game.

We usually play around 10 games in regular BINGO.

Let see how many games we can complete with music!!



Wine tasting game

Tuesday, April 9th at 6:30 PM Clubhouse

Please bring your favorite wine in a paper bag.

The person with the winning wine wins a prize.



Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 PM Clubhouse

**Dominos (i.e. Triominoes., Mexican Train, Rummikub,
Mahjong, etc.)**



Cards (i.e., Spades, UNO, etc.) -Tuesday, April 23rd at 6:30 PM Clubhouse



Karaoke - Tuesday, April 30th at 6:30 PM Clubhouse

We have a great time!

**Thank you all for participating and helping make
Tuesday game night a success!**



Calling all Fiber Artists!

Yes, whether you knit, quilt, crochet, embroider, cross stitch or weave... You are an artist!

Beginners. Experts. Recent devotees. Decades of experience. All are welcome!

Let's gather to share our latest work in progress... or the idea for one we're thinking about.

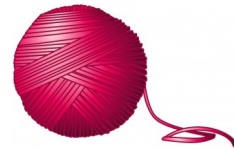
Encourage one another and help get past the problem spots.

Enjoy a cup of coffee/tea and have some fun!

Where: Briar Patch Clubhouse

When: Thursday, April 4th at 10:30 AM

What: Bring your knitting and let's talk.



Health Fair – Friday, April 12th from 10AM to 12PM at the clubhouse.

We will have health provider booths sponsored by Devoted Healthcare.

The OneBlood (big red bus) for blood donations will also be here.



The gold and silver event was a success!! I was very happy to see all the smiling faces!!

I was so glad to hear from those who participated. They expressed their happiness and surprise with the dollar amount they received for their items. Mr. David Kaz, was very informative and generous to our Briar Patch neighbors. Mr. David Kaz saw 20 neighbors with a grand total payout of around \$11,000.00. Mr. David Kaz would be able to return to Briar Patch **on April 18th from 8AM to 5PM at the clubhouse.** Please see flyer to schedule your appointment with Mr. Kaz.

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Hello Summer Pot Luck – On Sunday, June 23rd, starting at 11AM at the clubhouse, patio area and pool. Please bring your favorite food, side dish and/or desert to share with your neighbors. Come join us for a splash of a time!!



Farewell Summer Pot Luck – On Sunday, September 15th, starting at 11AM at the clubhouse, patio area and pool. Please bring your favorite food, side dish and/or desert to share with your neighbors. Come join us for a great time!!

Dates and times are subject to change.




**KEEP
TOILETS
CLEAN
FLUSH
AFTER USE**

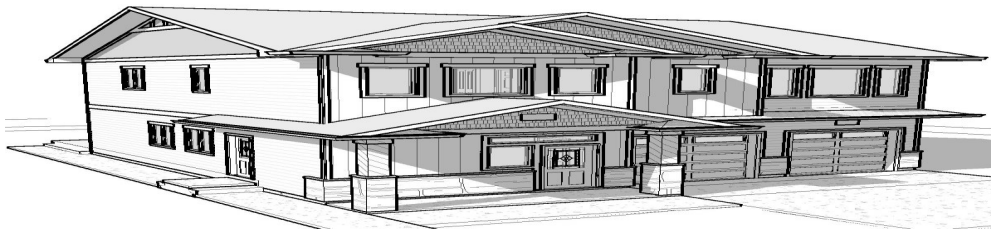
Clubhouse Bathrooms - Reminder

Please maintain the bathrooms clean.

Please flush the toilet after use. The un-flushed toilets create a health issue.

We do not want to be shut down by the health department.

Thank you!



Buildings & Architecture

**Seasons Greetings! To all
Spring, Lent, Easter, Ramadan, etc.**



The re-roofing project is slated to begin on April 1st, Home owners received advance notification of start date. **Buildings 6/6514-6524, 7/6528-6538, 9/6501-6511, 10/6515-6521, 11/6529-6539 Thicket Trail and 12/4530-4524 Slippery Rock. Here is the schedule, which is subject to change due to whether and other unforeseen circumstances.**

Building 10 - penciled in 4/1

Building 9 - penciled in 4/8 week

Building 11 - penciled in 4/15 week

Building 6 - penciled in 4/22 week

Building 7 - penciled in 4/29 week

Building 8 - penciled in 5/6 week

SKYLIGHTS: Home owners in villas with skylights will have the opportunity to replace their skylight. Arrys will again offer the Velux Skylight triple insulated with low Emission glass for \$800.00. If possible take advantage and remove your 30 year old sky window. Prevent future leaks.

APRIL 1, 2024



ROADS & GROUNDS



We have a new Director, **David Vangsness !!**

David has met with Cutters Landscaping and TRI-S management to discuss our community needs. If you have any issues with landscaping please leave a message at the website Briarpatchnpr.com. He is asking them to be much more responsive to our needs and expressed your concerns. We will be monitoring closely.

Please make any requests through the BriarPatch NPR website. **Let the workers work.**

As always **PLEASE Do Not Park on the grass!** Protect the sprinkler heads. Please notify your guests they must not park on the grass.

Dear Pool Users; PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE GATES ARE LOCKED WHEN YOU ARE USING THE FACILITIES. THE GATE MAY NOT AUTO CLOSE, SO PLEASE PULL IT SHUT TO LOCKED POSITION. IF THE INSPECTORS COME AND THEY DO WITHOUT NOTICE WE WILL BE CITED AND AT RISK OF POOL CLOSURE.

CLEAR OUT YOUR GARAGE :

The NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE IS ON APRIL 13 & 14,

Don't forget to get a PERMIT, \$2.00 at NPR City Hall



BRIARPATCH

HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION Inc.

BYLAWS REVIEW

18. The front porch of each residence is part of the residence and is there for the use and enjoyment of the property owner. Certain modifications, such as storm doors, white only, and porch flooring are changes that require approval by the Association's Board of Directors. Where the homeowner has installed Board of Directors' approved storm or screen door, the main entry door for the purpose of these Deed restrictions, shall be considered as part of the interior of the residence and not subject to any approval of the Board of Directors, with the exception that the exterior surface shall be white. The Association's Board of directors shall have the authority to create written rules governing modifications of the front porch, and written rules governing screen doors and storm doors.

43. The Homeowner is responsible for all back yard maintenance except mowing and trimming of the swales

FRIENDLY REMINDER: PLEASE CHECK YOUR GUTTERS AND HAVE THEM CLEANED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE HAVE YOUR TREES TRIMMED SO AS NOT TO HANG OVER AND TOUCH THE ROOF. THE ROOF WARRANTY WILL NOT COVER REPAIR DUE TO TREE DAMAGE. THE HOA WILL SEND AT LEAST THREE NOTICES TO YOU AND DISCUSS WITH YOU ALSO. IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO ACT ON YOUR OWN BEHALF WE WILL HAVE TO EXPLORE OTHER OPTIONS. PLEASE REMEMBER IF YOUR HOME IS DAMAGED BY WATER INTRUSION FROM A FULL GUTTER OR INSECT INFESTATION YOU BECOME RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REPAIR.

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE CONTACT THE HOA VIA THE WEBSITE. WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP. WE MAY HAVE A LABORER FOR HIRE OR A NEIGHBOR THAT CAN ASSIST.



Join 3rd annual

NEIGHBORHOOD Garage Sale

To participate you need
To get A \$2.00 permit
at City Hall
on Main St



SAT. & SUN. APRIL 13th & 14th

LET'S CLEAR OUR GARGAGE OF CLUTTER

Contact me for more info

EVELYN 727-207-9502

Neighborhood

HEALTH FAIR

Briar Patch Villas

APRIL 12TH 10AM - 12PM

Please join us poolside for a fun-filled event where you can enjoy music, win giveaways, and meet with local vendors who can provide valuable insights to help you lead a longer and happier life.

You can also donate blood, speak to experts, and interact with team members from Archwell Health, Devoted Health, CapTel and other organizations. We look forward to seeing you there!



Have Questions? Call 813.514.5980



Gold & Silver Buying Event # 2

BRIAR PATCH | CLUBHOUSE
APRIL 18th | 8 AM - 5 PM

Based on the great feedback from participating residents after the first event, DMK has agreed to come back for a second event at Briar Patch. Join us for an all-day gold & silver buying event with David Kaz of DMK Metal. Use the QR code below or this link to sign up for a half-hour appointment:


<https://calendly.com/dmkmatal/briarpatchgold2>

Also, you can contact David at 847-508-0224 or david@dmk-metal.com to schedule a time. Walk-ins welcome.

DMK METAL PURCHASES A VARIETY OF GOLD & SILVER ITEMS:

- BROKEN OR NO LONGER USED JEWELRY
- GOLD & SILVER POCKET & WRIST WATCHES
- SILVER & GOLD COINS
- STERLING FLATWARE, TEA SETS, & SERVING PIECES
- ANY GOLD, SILVER, OR PLATINUM

**Use the QR code to go directly to the scheduling page to make your appointment*

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DMK
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David Kaz has 25+ years of experience and a passion for the history of gold and silver. He helps individuals unleash the value of their unwanted gold & silver items by buying their old, broken, or unwanted gold and silver safely, securely, and for top dollar. Visit www.dmk-metal.com for more information.

