



BRIARPATCH NEWSLETTER JUNE 2024

GREETINGS TO ALL !

The month of JUNE gets its name from the Latin word **Juno**, meaning “young ,” because plants really begin to grow now.

The Patch Corner



Egypt and the Nile

This month our virtual vacation destination is to the land of the Pharaohs...Egypt, ...the Gift of the Nile with Alexandria as its capital. Alexandria held within its borders one of the Seven Wonders of the world, The Great Lighthouse

The early inception of Egypt was two kingdoms emerging from people who joined small villages together. The two kingdoms eventually united and became one. From this uniting the Nation of Egypt was born, and the great Pharaohs began to rule.



The pharaoh's line of succession included the legendary Rameses II and King Tutankhamun. (the boy king).

The Nile River is Egypt's Lifeline, and the echoes of kings and ancient cities lie along its riverbed. Let's cruise down that river and see the historical landmarks.

Type the link below into your search box and let us begin our journey.



https://youtu.be/Ga1_2Zy5_s?si=-AjLBpGogLd-7Iwd

or go to the YouTube site **Rick Steves Egypt: Yesterday and Today**

(video credits to Rick Steves)

Also, did you know that here in New Port Richey we have a connection with the Nile River? The surprising connection is the Cotee River. Its waters will take us to the Nile. How? The Cotee River flows into the Gulf of Mexico which flows into the great Atlantic Ocean. The Atlantic Ocean then flows into the Mediterranean Sea where the waters join the Nile in the Mediterranean at the Strait of Gibraltar. So New Port Richey has an unchangeable connection with the land of Egypt via the Cotee and Nile Rivers. Touch the Cotee and you will eventually touch the Nile,



I hope you enjoyed the trip. Next time we will go to the city that never sleeps, New York. We will learn about the Island there called Ellis Island and how it helped shape the history of New York. We will see how New York holds strong connections with our current home.

See you on the next trip.



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors Goodbye Spring and **Welcome Summer!!!** Although it is not quite Summer you can't tell by the HEAT. We had a great "WELCOME SUMMER" get together for Memorial Day! *We had 40 people sign up and about 45 show up.*

We had DJ VIC spinning the sounds, from big bands to Taylor Swift. No one knew who she was!! Thanks to Ray & Greg for cooking!! Thanks to everyone who brought the many side dishes and desserts. Fun was had by all! This year we did learn one fact! **We need a bigger BBQ grill !**

In May we had a quarterly board meeting, which was uneventful. We shared the financials with the community and other routine business items. There are a lot of routine business items that the BOD handles daily. That being said, many thanks to all who volunteer their time, sweat and elbow grease on behalf of the community. THANK YOU !!!!!

Duna is back and starting this years building painting. We continue to complete as many repair jobs as possible. The Clubhouse continues to HOP! Check the clubhouse report!

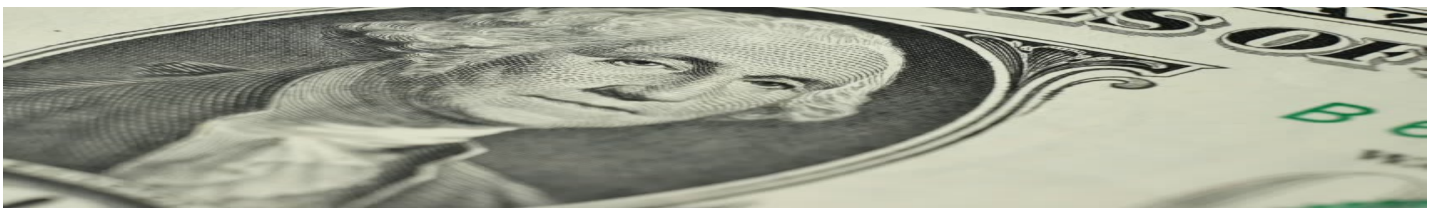
I hope you are enjoying Rachel's "Patch Corner" for a staycay. If you wish to contribute, please send your info forward. We are still hiring for an editor for the BP newsletter, the pay is very very low but the job is fulfilling. I have an interview coming up. Keep your fingers crossed. 😊

FYI:

The "720 Statutes" are part of the Florida Codes that state the Rules by which HOA and condominium boards must structure their boards, bylaws and deed restrictions. The statutes describe the operating conditions by which the Bylaws must be written and adhered to. The state legislature has made changes this year. We will review them and make any necessary change to our Bylaws, Covenants and Deed Restrictions as needed. We have a bylaws committee consisting of homeowners, reviewing current bylaws and deed restrictions. We are reviewing the bylaws and will be updating them and making changes as needed. Once we have decided on any change or addition it will go to the HOA Attorney for approval, changes and registration with the state.

As always please familiarize yourself with the bylaws and deed restrictions.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I am a ***respect begets respect***, believer !!

The HOA respects the right for an Home Owner to have a SERVICE ANIMAL or EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL. The OWNER of said animal ***MUST RESPECT*** the right of their neighbors and BP community.

I am generally disappointed by the lack of common respect demonstrated by a few people.

This is simple,

1. **DO NOT WALK YOUR ANIMAL AND ALLOW IT TO URINATE ON THE GRASS ESPECIALLY SOMEONE ELSE'S LAWN OR COMMON AREAS. NO EXCUSE!**
2. **YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY PICK UP AND DISPOSE OF YOUR ANIMAL'S WASTE**
3. **WALK YOUR DOG IN THE STREET AND THINK ABOUT STATEMENT #1**
4. **WE ARE NOT REFEREES! IF YOU FOLLOW STATEMENT #1 THERE WILL BE NO NEED TO OFFEND OR ARGUE WITH YOUR NEIGHBOR**

Thank you!

Gregory Davis
PRESIDENT BPHOA

PS: Please inform your guests that they are obligated to follow the Briarpatch community standards set forth in the bylaws.



Hello All!

Just a reminder to all those members who chose to pay their dues by coupon or bill pay, please remember to mail your checks a week before the 1st of every month. This gives the post office time to deliver the check and the bank time to process it, For those who use bill pay, they need to set up their payments to be received by Truist Bank by the 1st of each month. All bills are late by the 5th of each month and will be assessed a late fee of 10.00 which will be increased this year. Also interest will be charged.

Assessments and installments on assessments, that are not paid when due, bear interest from that due date until paid at the rate provided in the declaration of covenants or the bylaws of the association, which rate may not exceed the rate allowed by law. If no rate is provided in the declaration or bylaws, interest accrues at the rate of 18 percent per year.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Marie Lawrence

Secretary

Thank you,

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Vice President /Secretary

CLUBHOUSE-POOL



Mark your calendars!!

Fun events! Come join us!

Game nights - In the Clubhouse on the

Hello Briar Patch Community,

I hope everyone is doing well. We had a great turnout at the Memorial Day/Hello Summer event!! What a fabulous time we had!!

Thank you to all who participated, helped and made the day so enjoyable and memorable!!

Please see the pictures on our website briarpatchnpr@yahoo.com

We continue to have a great time at the Tuesday game nights. Thank you all for participating and helping make Tuesday game night a success! Come join us! Mark your calendars!!

Wine tasting game

Tuesday, JUNE 11TH at 6:30 PM Clubhouse

Please bring your favorite wine in a paper bag.

The person with the winning wine wins a prize.



Music BINGO

Tuesday, JUNE 18th 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!!



CLUBHOUSE-POOL



Dominos (i.e. Triominoes., Mexican Train, Rummikub, Mahjong, etc.)
Tuesday, JUNE 4TH^h at 6:30 PM Clubhouse



Karaoke - Tuesday, JUNE 25th at 6:30 PM Clubhouse



Paint & Sip – Come and explore your creativity and try your hand at painting an acrylic canvas painting on **Thursday, June 20th from 2 to 4PM** at the Clubhouse. Enjoy a glass of wine! Bring your wine glass. Limited to 10 people. There is a \$5.00 charge for supplies.

If you are interested, please send email to briarpatchnpr@yahoo.com

JULY 4TH POTLUCK: On **Thursday, July 4th**, starting at **12PM** at the clubhouse, patio area and pool. Please bring your favorite beverage, food, side dish and/or desert to share with your neighbors. **We will have a sign-up sheet in order to avoid food duplication.** Come join us for a great time!!

CLUBHOUSE-POOL



Fiber Artists - For those of us that either knit, quilt, crochet, embroider, cross stitch or weave... You are an artist! Beginners. Experts. Recent devotees. Decades of experience. All are welcome! Come join us on **Thursday, June 13th from 6 to 8 PM** at the clubhouse. Barbara will begin with a 10-minute educational demonstration, showing the variety and/or versatility.

There will be a door prize! Please come join us!!

Questions: Call Barbara Larson (405)562-0442



Labor Day/Farewell Summer - On **Sunday, September 2nd**, starting at 12PM at the clubhouse, patio area and pool. Please bring your favorite beverage, food, side dish and/or desert to share with your neighbors. The HOA will have hamburgers, hot dogs and water. We will have a sign-up sheet in order to avoid food duplication. More information to follow. Come join us for a great time!!



Dates and times are subject to change.

Participation and cooperation from our Briar Patch community is vital for a successful and enjoyable time together.

Reminder if you see something say something as Briar Patch is our community to maintain and be proud of!

Thank you all for your help and support!

Diolinda (Linda) Gonzalez, Clubhouse Director



Buildings & Architecture

Seasons Greetings! To all

SUMMER IS NEAR!

The re-roofing project was completed in May we re-roofed **Buildings 6/6514-6524, 7/6528-6538, 9/6501-6511, 10/6515-6521, 11/6529-6539 Thicket Trail and 12/4530-4524 Slippery Rock. ARRY'S' once again did a very fine job! We have another 8 buildings as part of Phase 3 to be done. Date is TBD.**

We are trying to catch up with repair work. There is a lot to be done!

Duna is starting the painting for this year plus the repair work. The repair work in itself is equal to a whole building. He will also be taking over the rust removal work.

The pool heat pump is in need of a new heat exchanger, we will get that done before fall.

The pool lift is working, the batteries and cover have been replaced. It is available to use when needed. Thanks again to the pool committee for their diligent work!!!

ROADS & GROUNDS



Please remember the **Guest** Parking on Cabbage is not for resident parking. Please use the **Guest** Parking Pass request on the Briarpatchnpr.com website. The pass will allow for time limited parking. Cars will be tagged and at some point towed at the owners expense. As always **PLEASE Do Not Park on the grass!** Protect the sprinkler heads. Please notify your guests they must not park on the grass.

David Vangsness

BRIARPATCH

HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION Inc.

BYLAWS REVIEW

i. All Homeowners have the responsibility to maintain the outside of their unit in regard to windows, garage door, service garage door, front door, and porch to maintain the integrity of the community.

11. The owner of each lot shall make arrangements for their own garbage and refuse containers to be put out to the curb and taken away from the areas in front of the house or garage. Cans or containers shall not be placed in front of the house or in front of the garage or in the front of any Lot or parcel except on regular collection days and after sunset on the day before regular collections of trash, garbage. Rubbish and recyclable material, as may be provided by any sanitary service unit. Homeowners must remove empty containers from areas in front of the house or garage before sunset on the same day as the contents of the containers were collected by the sanitary service unit.

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.

THANK YOU!

