

THE BUGLE ~ AUGUST 2020



Remember the Three W's –
WASH your hands -- **WEAR** a mask -- **WATCH** your distance

Hurricane Season has arrived! Be prepared!

(See "News from the Town" for some hints)

Starting August 1st, **RECYCLING** will go back to **TUESDAY**

Trash will remain on **Monday & Friday**

(See "News from the Maintenance Dept.")

The Bugle Calendar

MONDAY		
Trash Pickup	Early Morning	
Water Aerobics	9:15 a.m.	Pool
TUESDAY		
RECYCLING	Early Morning	
Lawn Debris Pickup	Early Morning	
Sales & Rental Meeting (8/25)	10:00 a.m.	Via Teleconference
WEDNESDAY		
Water Aerobics	9:15 a.m.	Pool
THURSDAY		
Lawn Debris Pickup	Early Morning	
FRIDAY		
Trash Pickup	Early Morning	
Water Aerobics	9:15 a.m.	Pool

~ ALL GATHERINGS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED IN BRINY BREEZES ~

Please be considerate of other people's health...please maintain social distancing!

A Note from Leigh

Hurricane Isaias was downgraded to a tropical storm and skirted up the coast. Briny has been spared once again. I would like to give a huge thanks to Andy and our maintenance crew who were able to quickly make preparations and get things boarded up for the storm.

Friday was Donna's last day. Her knowledge and contributions to Briny are too numerous to list. She was a friend to all and will be missed! We wish her well in her new endeavors. Business in the office will continue onward and forward. Michael Gallacher will assist our staff in the daily operations until a suitable replacement for Donna can be found. Although the office remains physically closed to visitors, the staff continues to be available to meet the needs of Briny. Michael and I will work with Andy and the board to ensure that all of our summer projects remain on course.

Be well, be safe
 Leigh McMorrow
 President

NEWS FROM BRINY OFFICE

The Office is **CLOSED** to visitors *once again*. Due to the current COVID conditions in our community and around Palm Beach County, the decision was made in order to protect the staff. We need to remain healthy in order to serve you, the Briny community.

The mailroom is open for your mail and package pick up as usual. Please observe social distancing; one person at a time in the mailroom, you **MUST** wear a face mask.

If you need assistance, all inquiries can be made to the office by phone (561) 276-7405 or by email: *brinyassistant@gmail.com (Sharon)* *brinybookkeeper@gmail.com (Cindy)* or *brinybugle@gmail.com (Mary)* and *brinybreezesgm@gmail.com (Michael)*

We have placed some forms in the mailroom for your convenience. If there are any other forms you require, please go to our website at www.brinybreezes.us (if needed, call the office and we can place in your mailbox)

Remember to contact USPS to forward your mail. There is an instruction sheet in the mailroom or you can go to www.usps.com or you can call 800-275-8777 to start your forwarding.

We need a copy of current Golf Cart insurance for All Residents with Golf Carts!! If you do not have a current copy, please have your insurance company fax, or email a copy to the office; our fax# is 561-274-2270 or Sharon's email is *brinyassistant@gmail.com*. As a suggestion, contact your insurance company and have them add "Briny Breezes Inc." as an "additional insured". This way, your insurance company will send the office a copy of your renewal every year. We appreciate your cooperation.

We have a new rep for AT&T: The name and telephone number of your new AT&T Account Manager is **Matthew Provan at 407-634-9746**, email: mp1166@att.com. You can contact him with questions or concerns about your account.

NEWS FROM THE TOWN

The Town of Briny Breezes will have meetings as follows:

Town Council Regular Meeting: Aug 27, 2020 Town Hall, 4:00 P.M.

Charter Committee: Aug 11, 2020 TBD Telephonic meeting (*Call the Town for instructions*)

NEWS FROM MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

THE LOCKS WERE CHANGED for Bath houses on Eagle, Java, Heron and Mallard. We have started putting a key in your mailboxes. If you live in DISTRICTS 3 or 4, and haven't received one yet, please stop by the office to pick up a new key. Thank you.

!! OUR RECYCLING DAY IS CHANGING !!

We are going back to RECYCLING pick up on TUESDAYS as of August 1st

Our wonderful volunteers that pick up all the recycling would like to remind you that they pick up paper, cardboard and aluminum only. And that your recycling should be separated from your regular trash please. Thank you!

Beware of Scams!

Have you gotten robocalls, text messages, or emails offering free face masks? Or maybe you've seen Facebook or other social media posts about free COVID-19 testing kits, "cures," or protective equipment? Unfortunately, scammers are using the COVID-19 pandemic to try to steal your Medicare Number and personal information. If anyone reaches out to get your Medicare Number or other personal information in exchange for something, you can bet it's a scam. Don't fall for it – check with a trusted relative or friend before even thinking about answering any of these offers.

Parking Permit Reminder

This is a reminder to all residents to be sure your parking decals and placards are current, not expired. Town Council passed a revised ordinance to clarify for our law enforcement officials what parking permits are required and where parking is permitted in town. Summer season is a time when we often see unauthorized vehicles parked in Briny Breezes for beach access, so a car without a current decal or placard may be ticketed.

A Message from FPL –

FPL says, "We do have customers struggling as a result of COVID-19. We remain committed to helping those customers still experiencing hardship. As a result of COVID-19, funding to programs, such as the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), has increased significantly. Consider:

- In Florida, LIHEAP funding has increased nearly 60% due to COVID-19.
- In FPL's service area alone, we estimate that approximately 75% of LIHEAP funding – or \$30 million – remains available to customers.
- Additionally, qualifications for programs, like LIHEAP, have been modified, meaning more customers are eligible.

Unfortunately, the majority of customers past-due on their bill have not reached out to FPL for help, despite outreach. Since mid-March, FPL is continuing to suspend disconnections for nonpayment while helping connect customers with financial assistance. And, where there is hardship, FPL is continuing to waive late fees and offer customers additional payment extensions to help them manage past-due FPL balances.

FPL urges customers struggling to pay their bill to take action now and call directly, toll-free, at 800-226-3545, to discuss their situation, as they remain responsible for their outstanding FPL balance.”

It’s Hurricane Season – What’s New?

- **Have a Plan** – Know your zone: Briny Breezes is in Evacuation Zone “A” because we are a mobile home community in a low-lying area, and we are simultaneously in Zone “B” because we are on a barrier island. Evacuation is done primarily for protection from storm surge as much as from high winds. Authorities emphasize that it is not necessary to relocate to Orlando or Jacksonville or elsewhere; it is possible to stay safely within Palm Beach County.
- PBC is modifying local emergency shelters to increase the amount of space per person from 20 sq. ft to 60 sq. ft to provide for social distancing. People entering shelters will be screened with CDC questions and there will be isolation areas available to minimize the spread of covid-19. If you require a special needs or pet-friendly shelter, you must register in advance at (561)712-6400.
- **Build a kit** – There are many web sites and news articles about what to include in your emergency preparedness kit. In addition to things you would normally include, like prescription drugs, remember this year to add face masks and hand sanitizer.
- **Stay informed** – AlertPBC is Palm Beach County’s Emergency Notification System allowing you to choose to receive notifications via phone calls, text messaging, email, and more based on locations you care about. To sign up, go to the Palm Beach County Web page at <http://discover.pbcgov.org> and in the search box, enter: AlertPBC

Library News

New Books:

28 Summers by Elin Hilderbrand. Based on the classic film Same Time Next Year, 28 Summers explores the agony and romance of a one-weekend-per-year affair and the dramatic ways this relationship complicates and enriches their lives, and the lives of the people they love.

The Summer House by James Patterson and Brendan DuBois. When seven murder victims are found in a small town, the homicide investigation shakes a small-town sheriff to her core in James Patterson's tense thriller.

We now have the 2019 version of the FLORIDA STATUTES, CHAPTER 719 COOPERATIVES. Chapter 719 of the Florida Statutes, also known as the Cooperative Act, is a chapter of law that governs cooperatives in the State of Florida. You may check this document out for 7 days only. You can reserve it by using the reserve form on black basket by door. The document is on the shelves by the globe.

Please... **no donated books** during this pandemic.

The **Bookmobile** is coming every Wednesday, 1:00 - 2:15

Briny Breezes Memorial Fund

This month donations to maintain our chimes have been made in memory of:

Ernest "Stan" Stansfield	given by Ned and Diane McCarthy
Ethel Murphy	given by Rowland and Ann Leedy
Sue Benedict	given by Hansel and Betty Vold
Ron Jannino	given by Hansel and Betty Vold
Julia & Russell Snyder	given by Hansel and Betty Vold

To donate simply send a check made out to the Briny Breezes Memorial Fund. On the memo line write the name/names of the people you want remembered. A card will be sent to the family of the departed informing them of your kindness and notice will appear in the bugle. Please send your check to Nancy Aceto, 110 Underwood Rd, Falmouth, ME 04105. Thank you for your continued support. Nancy Aceto, Trustee

In Memorium

Rose "Sunshine" Miller passed away on May 27th, 2020. Wife of Roy Miller and mother of Robert & Roy Miller.

Florence McGinnis (P206) passed away Sunday, July 5, 2020 in Friday Harbor, WA. She was a resident of Briny for 40 years. She is survived by her daughter, Sandra Bruins (Gys), two grandchildren, four great grandchildren and one nephew. Florence was predeceased by her husband, Bob. A private family service will be held in Poughkeepsie, NY.

Ronald Jannino (C-211) passed away unexpectedly on Saturday June 20th. Beloved husband of 48 years to Linda and devoted father to Melissa Elam & Craig her husband and John Jannino & Elizabeth his wife. Also cherished Papa to Catherine & Jack Elam and Ava & Rachael Jannino. Mass was held at St. Mary of the Assumption Church on 6/26 and Interment will be at Woodlawn Cemetery in Everett, Massachusetts.

~ Other Notes ~

BBC-8

BBC8 is looking for you!!!! We realize it is still summer, but it is not too early to start preparing for an exciting new season. Not sure about you, but 2020 cannot leave soon enough. During this pandemic we are sure you have mastered all of your home technology and become experts in appearing on all types of cameras....Zoom meetings, MedEx doctor appointments, and FaceTime. With those new skills, BBC8 would like to recruit you for some fun opportunities. We could you help with on air personalities, camera persons, control room operators and the list goes on. You need no previous training as current members will be

going thru refresher training this fall. Please help us keep the treasure of BBC8 continuing. We will certainly have challenges, but with the help of the Briny spirit we will do just fine. Please contact either Jan Hoffman 314-363-4775 or Michael Coppola 603-365-6040 most anytime. We are asking that you dig deep and please help out. Please stay safe, social distance, stay home when possible and most importantly WEAR YOUR MASK. Thanks. Jan and Michael.

Irrigation Rules from the SFWMD

If you have an irrigation system on your lot, the South Florida Water Management District wants you to be familiar with the Year-Round Landscape Irrigation Rule. This rule limits landscape watering by an irrigation system to three days a week throughout Palm Beach County. No lawn and landscape irrigation should be done between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or at any time on Fridays. If your unit number ends in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, 9), do your watering on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. If your unit number ends in an even number (2, 4, 6, 8, 0), do your watering on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday.

New plantings may be watered for the first 30 days every day before 10 a.m. or after 4:00 p.m. except Friday. No irrigation watering is allowed on Fridays. Watering your plantings by hand with a container or a hose with an automatic shut-off nozzle is allowed anytime. During rainy season, don't water on days that it rains. If you have any questions, call the South Florida Water Management District "Water Conservation Hotline" at 1-800-662-8876.

A Note from Christy Gauger



Dear Briny Family,

I would like to thank Ken Gross, the Fountain Committee and any Brinyites that contributed to the beautiful legacy brick given in my honor. I was able to make a trip to Florida recently and came to see as many people as I could at Briny (not many, and very difficult with Covid and social distancing) and was humbled and at a loss for words when I was shown the brick. I love and miss you all very much and am so grateful for your friendship over the years. Praying that Covid will be contained soon and that my next visit will be full of hugs!! ~ Christy