

THE BRINY BUGLE



FEBRUARY 1ST, 2021

The Bugle Calendar

MONDAY

Trash Pickup	Early Morning	
Water Aerobics by tape	9:15 & 10:15 a.m.	Pool

TUESDAY

RECYCLING	Early Morning	
Lawn Debris Pickup	Early Morning	
Shuffleboard Meeting	9 a.m.	Shuffleboard Crts
Deadline to submit "Sales" paperwork	Feb 9th	
Sales & Rental Meeting (2/23)	10:00 a.m.	Via Zoom

WEDNESDAY

Water Aerobics by tape	9:15 & 10:15 a.m.	Pool
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THURSDAY

Lawn Debris	Early Morning	
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FRIDAY

Trash Pickup	Early Morning	
Water Aerobics by tape	9:15 & 10:15 a.m.	Pool

The upcoming 2020-2021 season calendar of events has been cancelled due to the ongoing COVID conditions in Palm Beach County and beyond. We ask that everyone be responsible, please maintain social distancing and wear your masks. We are unsure of what will be going on in Briny this season. At this time, we suggest everyone follow all directives from the Governor of Florida and any other Federal Guidelines regarding the pandemic. The Board is constantly keeping an eye on the situation and continually evaluating the effect on our Community. The utmost priority is to keep everyone safe and healthy here in Briny. We will see how it goes and keep you informed.

NEW ACCESS BADGES

Did you pick up your new badge yet? If not, you will not be able to get into any Corporate Buildings especially the Mail Room. Stop by the office as soon as possible.

NEWS FROM BRINY OFFICE

ALL Residents, Resident Guests or Renters, are required to notify the office when you arrive. Let us know when you are in Briny! We will make sure you get your Seasonal Parking Pass and any other Briny information you may need. See Briny Rules, Pg 1.

Just a reminder that the Office is not open to visitors. For assistance, call the office (561) 276-7405 or email:

brinyassistant@gmail.com (Sharon)

brinybookkeeper@gmail.com (Cindy)

brinybugle@gmail.com (Mary)

brinybreezesgm@gmail.com (Michael).

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. For your convenience, we have placed some Briny forms you may need in the mailroom and they are available on www.brinybreezes.us in "Public Documents" in the MENU. If you need anything else, please contact the office.

Since the new procedures were implemented in the Mailroom, some of you have opted to have us install locks on your boxes. You must close and lock your mailbox after each use whether you have a combo or lock. **Do not leave your mailbox propped open under any circumstances!** Mail will only put in locked mailboxes.

ELECTION INFO PACKETS ARE BEING MAILED OUT NEXT WEEK

Due to COVID concerns and restrictions, we ask that you please return your votes as soon as possible in order to have a smooth Election Meeting this year. If you have not consented to Electronic Voting, please consider it. There are extra forms in the Mailroom and online on the Briny website. It is safe and easy to vote from the comfort of your own home. Call the office if you have any questions. More information in next week's Bugle.

Gulfstream Views Traffic

Traffic will be somewhat interrupted on **Briny Breezes Blvd.** from February 4th thru February 12th for inspections. Expect delays.



We've had some reports of bees in the community and them stinging some residents. Although bees are a natural occurrence, we are concerned for your safety. Please look around your unit, if you notice a presence of bees, more than a couple hanging around your unit, you can call Bug Thugs (561) 852-3575 and let them know you live in Briny.

PRESSURE CLEANING

The Ocean Clubhouse roof will be pressure cleaned on Feb 1st for a couple of hours, tentatively scheduled for 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Bazaar Update

Hello Briny! Do you know what you would be doing this weekend? Yes, the 2021 Bazaar. Are you missing it? We are too. Just remember that this is just a vacation year for everyone and we will expect your volunteerisms to kick in next year! This community is a group of wonderful people and we are so lucky to be a part of it.

The good news is we are going to start to collect things for the 2022 Bazaar again on the bench. (until further notice) Please note - No large furniture, no TVs and no computers. We would love to have your gently used items to sell. No broken, dirty or damaged items please. We are currently considering how to do some activities safely to raise some money for the charities that we support. The charities have been hurting during these unprecedented times. If you have any ideas, please contact Eileen Duffy, Susan Brannen or Linda Sudds. We hope your stay well, remember to wear your mask, social distance and wash your hands!!!!

Church News

So many are so thankful that the church service has been televised the last two Sundays. Thank you for your phone calls commenting on how thankful you are to be able to watch the services. A big thank you to Stan Brunell, Bill Wahne and Chuck Foland for all they do to keep the church service on the air. Without them it would be pretty impossible for the telecast. Many thanks to all the Pastors and the folks that are providing the lovely music. The service is on each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on BBC-8. We are hoping to continue the services for the duration of the season. "God is Good" ~ Betty Foland (315) 676-7413 Please send contributions to Paul Ruopp N-210.

Library News

Thank you to all our library friends who have donated to the library. Your donation helps us purchase the newest books. Briny Library Club Dues for 2020-2021 (\$3.00) Send to the Briny Office with your name and Unit #.

New Books

From Anne Vertrees in memory of Bobbie Decker: Neighbors by Danielle Steel. In a novel of unforgettable characters and stunning twists, acts of love and courage become the most powerful forces of all.

And...

The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah. A rich, sweeping novel that stunningly brings to life the Great Depression and the people who lived through it

The following 3 titles from Joan Gauer in memory of "My Briny Friends" who have passed:

The Mystery of Mrs. Christie by Marie Benedict. Historical fiction fans you will love this one! Based around the famous author's eleven day disappearance in December of 1926.

Migrations by Charlotte McConaghy. Leaving behind everything but her research gear, Franny Stone arrives in Greenland with a singular purpose: to follow the last Arctic terns in the world on what might be their final migration to Antarctica.

Mister Rogers and Philosophy by Eric J Mohr. Thirty philosophers give their very different takes on the Neighborhood phenomenon.

New Movie

From Paul Ruopp in memory of Bobbie Decker: Annie Hall. Woody Allen wins the "Oscar" for Best Picture and Best Director of 1977.

Bookmobile

February 10 & 24, 1:00-1:45

In Memorium

The Family of Ann Musto extends our sincere thanks to our Briny Family for your thoughts, prayers and condolences.

Sales & Rentals Committee

The Sales and Rental Committee meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month. For Rentals: 2020-2021 Rental Applications must be received at least 30 days prior to occupancy so there is adequate time to review and approve applications. For Sales: For the Application to be considered by the Committee, paperwork must be received no later than 2 weeks prior to the S&R meeting.

Schedules for the rest of the year for the Sales & Rentals are as follows:

Paperwork deadline: Meeting Date:

Feb 9th

Feb 23rd

March 16th

March 30th

April 13th

April 27th

May 11th

May 25th

June 15^t

June 29th

*If you have any questions, please
call Sharon in the office or email:
brinyassistant@gmail.com*

~ Classes & Clubs ~

Art League News

Briny Art does have HEART best described with transparent watercolor painting terms "diminished" intensity but "stronger values" as in when laying down color! While grey clouds or atmosphere and restrictions may impact an artist's view...the eye looks deeper for hues and new colors; subject material and location may be discovered. Briny Art Show will be postponed this year along with formal meetings. Having said that...three small classes have formed; 4 to 5 students each class (masked and social distancing when necessary and doors open fans running...often someone can't make it) see below. Classes have started but if you are interested please check with the instructor and discuss materials and fees. Finally, a number of Briny Artists are continuing to work at home and they have offered to hang and share some of their work at the Art STUDIO. Many thanks and call Grant with any questions 315-224-4288 Dues \$5.00 and locker fee \$5.00 and Studio keys are being collected for 2021 and a check to the Art League and sent to Mike Amaturro N207.

Weekly Schedule for Art Studio

MONDAY OPEN STUDIO

TUESDAY'S - 9:30am to 12 pm WATERCOLOR - COLLAGE - ACRYLIC with Sue Alter 262-949-6378

WEDNESDAY'S - 9:30 am to 12pm BUTTERFLY GARDEN ART - DRAWING - WATERCOLOR with Jill Kohut - 443-880-8063

THURSDAY'S - 9:30 to 12pm PRINTMAKING with JILL KOHUT - 443-880-8063

FRIDAY'S OPEN STUDIO

Boating & Fishing Club

Valentine's Day is right around the corner...



Come buy something for that special person!

Boating and Fishing Club will be selling Shirts, Hats, and

Visors Thursday February 11th from 10:00am -12:00

Outside of the Auditorium



Don't forget, if you're interested in the **Palm Beach Post**, call Jerry at

the Palm Beach Post at 561-577-8731, don't forget to mention you're from Briny!

A Note for Chiselers Members

The old Chiseler's access cards are no longer functional and require that you use your New Briny ID badge to enter the Chiselers Workshop. The Briny Office will be using our Paid Membership List to allow access to the Chiselers building, therefore Members with dues and/or locker fees outstanding will be unable to activate the keyless entry system with their Briny ID Badges. There will be a GRACE PERIOD that will grant all past Members access until 15 February 2021. To ensure access to the Chiselers Workshop and retention of your locker, please remit your \$10 Dues and \$10 Per Locker/Bin Fee payment (if you are assigned a locker) via check or cash using the interoffice mail C/O: Alan Saxton S-208 P 313-304-1234. Checks should be made payable to "The Chiselers Club". Chiselers who reach the age of 80 years are exempt from Chiseler Club Dues, however locker fees are due each year. Questions? Please contact Alan @ 313-304-1234 or alans@saxtons.com

*If you are not returning to Briny this Season, Please consider sending your dues as we are replacing some of the older equipment this year.

-----Please Return The Information Below With Your Remittance-----

The please provide the following:

Name & Unit # _____ Rent? _____

e-mail address _____

DUES _____

Locker/Bin #s _____

Shuffleboard Update:

The Briny maintenance crew saved the day or night by repairing an overhead light at the shuffleboard courts after a late notice that the light wasn't operating. As a result, twelve teams played two games on a balmy evening. Winners of both their games were Rich & Mary Curtis, Linda & Gary Keeler, Jenny & Tom Porman. As usual masks were worn and distances observed as required by the Pandemic situation. Teams may still sign up on a sheet in the Block Room with an eye to establishing Couples League games on Thursday evenings.

NEWS FROM THE TOWN

The Town Council Meetings are scheduled as follows:

February 25, 2021	4:00 PM	in the Briny Breezes Community Center
March 25, 2021	4:00 PM	in the Briny Breezes Community Center

Town Hall on Covid-19

New mutations of the covid-19 virus are much more contagious than the original virus, as you've seen reported on the news. We all need to continue to act safely to protect ourselves and those around us, even after getting a vaccine shot:

1. wear a mask (especially when inside corporate facilities, EVEN IF YOU'RE ALONE)
2. watch your distance – stay AT LEAST 6 feet apart, inside and outside
3. wash your hands, again and again and again

According to Dr. Alina Alonso, Director of FL Dept. of Health in PBC, consider that if you are having drinks or dinner with 6 or 8 friends and only 1 of them carries the virus, you will each go home with the new virus. PLEASE DON'T BE COMPLACENT NOW THAT WE'VE COME THIS FAR! Palm Beach County is seeing the daily positivity rate trending down, but it is still far above the rate considered acceptable.

The State of Florida is directing all vaccine doses to Publix pharmacies now. The Palm Beach County Health Department will not be giving first doses of the vaccine after February 5th. PBC has been able to vaccinate 8.7% of the county population and has the capacity to do far more as soon as the vaccine supply is available. There is no hold-back or hoarding, all vaccine is being released.

If you do not have a computer to sign up on the web-based system, ask a relative, friend, or neighbor to help you sign up. If you got your first dose outside Palm Beach County, you will need to get your 2nd dose where you got your first dose. If you have questions about this information, please call Sue Thaler at 703-201-8087.

**SEE THE LAST PAGE OF THE BUGLE FOR INFORMATION FROM THE
HEALTH CARE DISTRICT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY**

Town of Briny Breezes Existing and Proposed Charter Highlights

What is a municipal charter? It is the basic document that defines the organization, powers, functions and essential procedures of the government. This is, therefore, the most important legal document of any city, town or government.

What does the existing Briny Charter provide?

- Minutes of incorporation, 1963
- Corporate boundary limits & Town Seal
- Elected Officers and selecting Hugh David, Mayor
- Certification of minutes by Town Clerk Pro Tem Rita Taylor

What does the proposed Briny Charter Amendment provide?

- Restatement of the Corporate boundary limits and Town Seal
- Governing body of 5 elected at-large Aldermen, 1 elected at-large Mayor
- Elected officials and Mayor to serve two-year, Aldermen have staggered terms
- Setting eligibility requirements to serve
- The Town Clerk position to be appointed and employed rather than elected
- Elected officials to serve without compensation
- Establishes the Date of Elections, 2nd Tuesday of March
- Town Council procedures
- Establishes the Town administration to include the Town Manager, Town Clerk and Town Attorney
- Recognize the Town's Planning and Zoning Board

Timeline in the development of the proposed Briny Charter Amendment?

- **1/20/20 Town Council (T/C) authorized Town Attorney to review existing Charter**
- 2/27/20 T/C voted to form Charter Committee and for the Committee to prepare proposed Charter Amendment language.
- 4/23/20 T/C appointed Susan AtLee, Suzanne Snyder-Carroll, Robert Jurovaty, Jerry Lower, Jim Phillippi and Karen Wiggins to the Charter Committee
- 5/15/20 Charter Committee held its organizational meeting selecting Robert Jurovaty as Chair
- 6/12/20 Committee had discussion and action votes
- 6/23/20 Committee had discussion and action votes
- 7/14/20 Committee had discussion
- 7/28/20 Committee had discussion
- 8/11/20 Committee had discussion
- 8/18/20 Committee unanimously votes to approved Charter Amendment language to be sent to the T/C for their review and approval.
- 8/27/20 T/C accepts report from Charter Committee
- 9/10/20 T/C unanimously votes to approve Charter amendment language and authorizes the Town Attorney to prepare Ordinance language.
- **March 9, 2021 Referendum Ballot for vote, YES or NO**

**Notice of Referendum To be held Tuesday, March 9, 2021
Regarding Town of Briny Breezes, Florida
Proposed Restated Charter / Charter Amendments**

The Town of Briny Breezes, Florida, hereby gives notice, pursuant to Section 100.342, *Florida Statutes*, that a referendum election shall be held on March 9, 2021:

The form of the ballot question regarding the proposed Restated Charter / Charter Amendments in this referendum election shall be as follows:

CHARTER RESTATEMENT AND AMENDMENT FOR REVISIONS TO MAYOR TERM, CLERK POSITION, ADMINISTRATION, AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

SHALL THE CHARTER OF BRINY BREEZES BE FULLY RESTATED TO GENERALLY CONFORM TO CURRENT TOWN GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE AND OPERATIONS, RECOGNIZING CURRENT JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES AND THE CURRENT TOWN SEAL, AND ALSO TO PROVIDE TWO YEAR TERMS FOR ALL ELECTED OFFICES INCLUDING THE MAYOR, MAKE THE TOWN CLERK AN APPOINTED EMPLOYED POSITION, PROVIDE FOR TOWN ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE A MANAGER, CLERK AND ATTORNEY, RECOGNIZE THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD, AND PROVIDE A TRANSITION SCHEDULE:

YES _____

NO _____

All qualified electors of the Town of Briny Breezes, Florida, shall be qualified to vote in the referendum election.

For a copy of the entire Charter Amendment please email Brinytownclerk@yahoo.com or call 561-272-5495.

Sandi DuBose, Deputy Town Clerk
Town of Briny Breezes, Florida

The Health Care District (HCD) has released a pre-registration website at <http://vaccine.hcdpbc.org/>.

HCD advised they are still working with the existing state reservation list with the Florida Department of Health.

New sign ups will go into a virtual waiting room until they complete the list and begin accepting new reservations.

For additional information, HCD can be reached at 561-659-1270.



The Florida Department of Health (FDOH) has released a pre-registration website for eligible Florida residents to register for vaccines at <https://myvaccine.fl.gov/>.

FDOH has advised the link is expected to be live at some point in the near future for Palm Beach County residents.

Individuals can **PRE-REGISTER** for vaccine appointments and be notified when appointments are available in their area.

"As we await additional vaccine supply from the Federal Government, we urge currently eligible Florida residents to save their place in line by pre-registering today," according to the FDOH website.

Additionally, as part of the statewide registration system, each county has a designated phone number that individuals can call and pre-register **if they do not have Internet access. The number for Palm Beach County residents is 866-201-6754.** TTY number for hearing impaired: 833-476-1532.

Find the complete list at <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/wp-content/upl>.

Publix Vaccine

The Publix online portal will be open again on **Wednesday, February 3** at 6 am at <https://www.publix.com/covid-vaccine/florida>.

Disclaimer: All registration systems, appointment allocations and/or vaccine supplies are under the sole jurisdiction of the state of Florida. Palm Beach County government and/or the Board of County Commissioners has no authority over