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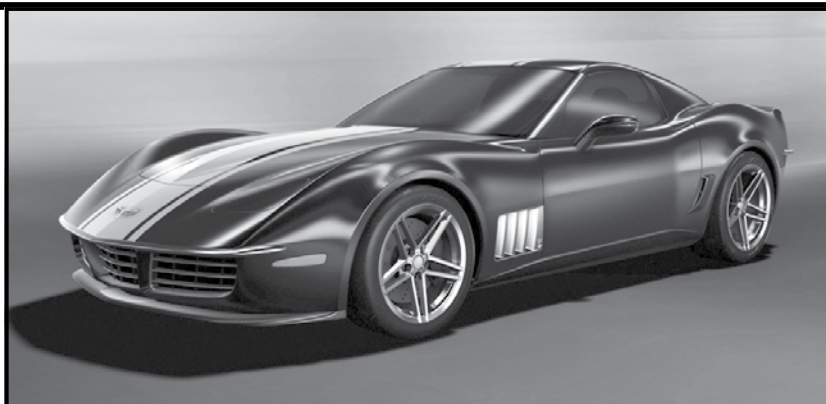
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The items you want in the
Greenbriar Times **must** be in the
Times box on the 1st of each month.
Thank you!

President’s Letter

Submitted by Peter D’Agostino

Let’s hear it for our Country’s 250th birthday!

Our Country’s history is not only a story of great leaders and historic events but it is also the story of ordinary people whose hard work, courage, and dedication laid the framework for today’s communities.

To pay homage to the 250th birthday, the flowers planted by the entrance, the Clubhouse, the golf course are all red, white and blue stripes. We planted them in early June and now they are starting to look lovely. Also, poolside we put beautiful red, white and blue table covers on all of the tables. You’ll also notice down at the lake we replaced the broken picnic tables and benches.

Sunday July 5th will be our Fourth of July party from 2pm-7pm. The pool will open at 10am for both those attending and not attending the party. Those that are not attending the party will be limited to just the lounge chairs, as the tables and umbrellas will be reserved for those attending the party at 2pm. This is a BYOB event so bring your favorite libations. On the menu will be hot dogs, burgers, cheeseburgers, veggie burgers, sausage and peppers, ribs, BBQ chicken, and salads. Along with soda and water and dessert. Tickets are \$30. Also, on Sunday, the Briar Connection, will be performing at the lake from 12-1:30pm.

Now that we are officially in Summer mode, please be very careful when walking around the community. Some of the sidewalks are uneven and are tripping hazards. Remember, just like in neighborhoods outside of Greenbriar, sidewalks bordering your home are the homeowner’s responsibility to correct. Our administrator, Danielle, and myself, toured the grounds to look for and note uneven sidewalks on our Community property, both up at the clubhouse and throughout the development. We are in the process of getting estimates for repairs. With that said, when we choose a contractor to do the repairs, we will open that up to those who may want to hire the contractor to do their sidewalk repairs. Our vision is that the contractor will give those a discount as they will be onsite anyway.

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President's Letter

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When you're at the pool be very careful of the strong wind gusts that seem to occur out of the blue. I was at the pool and a gust of wind came; I held my umbrella, it actually snapped from the wind! At that point, the pool team had everyone close their umbrellas.

Well, I guess that is it for now. Let's enjoy the summer! Remember, together, we are all Greenbriar. I'll see you all poolside!

Best,

Peter

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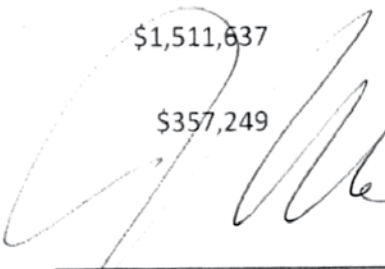
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Apr-26

	April	Year to Date	YTD Budget
INCOME			
Billed Maintenance	240576	962304	962304
Interest (operating and reserve)	2242	4979	8333
Billed Maintenance Work	1605	2055	0
Membership Dues/Late fees	12096	55002	32085
Miscellaneous Income	500	1500	2000
Other Income	97	2897	0
Property Rental Fee	267	1009	333
Recreational Activities	0	7981	5000
Rental Income	3824	35524	19426
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$261,207</u>	<u>\$1,073,251</u>	<u>\$1,029,481</u>
EXPENSES			
Administration	41616	154342	172898
Bus Service Expense	2711	9033	11539
Clubhouse Expense	20464	92236	81760
Grounds Maintenance	56801	203034	213439
Outside Contractors	113333	413670	322404
Security Expense	19606	64275	66413
TOTAL EXPENSE	<u>\$254,531</u>	<u>\$936,590</u>	<u>\$868,453</u>
NET ORDINARY INCOME	6676	136662	161028
Budgeted Operating to Replacement	14984	161028	161028
NET INCOME (Loss)	<u>-\$8,308</u>	<u>-\$24,367</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total Capital Reserve	\$1,511,637		
Total Operating	\$357,249		
			
Michael B. Collins		Treasurer	

Greenbriar Financial Recap

April 2026

Submitted by Peter Dagostino

-on behalf of Michael Collins, Treasurer

Our revenue for the month of \$281.2K beat our estimated by \$2,100 on membership dues. Two more than projected houses closed in April, which translates to 10 homes. Year to date, revenue has topped our estimates by slightly over 4%, mostly on new membership. Membership dues are the fees that new residents pay when they close on a home here.

As far as expenses, **all of our departments came in line with projections**, however grounds showed a 4% overage on tree replacement expense. The lumpiness will smooth out as tree expense is modeled for 12 months, versus the 5 months that the expense actually incurs. Outside contractor expense was elevated mostly on pool expense, which occurred in April, a month earlier than projected in May's budget, so the expense was shifted.

We have been showing a net loss year to date with April and year to date net losses of \$8.3k and \$24.3k, respectively. This is impressive. It isn't more, as our snow removal expense exceeded the annual budget of \$90k by \$125K. A lower payroll mix is helping to offset the excess. In addition, we had \$154K surplus in 2025, which will more than cover that expense, so no special assessment is warranted for snow removal. Hopefully we won't have another 20" of snow in 2026!

As of April 30, 2026, we have \$1.511 in reserve and \$357K in operating, totaling \$1.87 million in current assets.

GREENBRIAR'S NEW NEIGHBORS

Submitted by Carolyn Rubino

Greenbriar would like to welcome Jacaly Sudol to the Community. Her previous home was West Orange, NJ. She worked in a law office.

Greenbriar would like to welcome Michael Bell to the Community. He lived in Old Bridge. Michael had two careers. One was as a Registrar for the town of Harrison. The second was as an OSHA Trainer in NYC. He chose Greenbriar to relax.

Greenbriar would like to welcome Donna Wesley to the Community. She lived in Cozumel, Mexico before joining us. Donna was a registered nurse.

She chose Greenbriar because we appear to be a safe place to live.

Greenbriar would like to welcome Pat Hamp to the Community. She lived in Point Pleasant before joining us. She was in sales. Pat chose Greenbriar because of the area.

Greenbriar would like to welcome Deanne Hampton and her crazy mini-American Eskimo rescue to the community. She lived in Garwood, NJ.

Deanne teaches fourth grade in Union and she commutes an hour each way. She loves the alone time in the car. When Deanne was looking at communities in the area, Greenbriar residents were the only ones to wave hello. She is very happy to be in her next chapter home.

KIWANIS KORNER

Submitted by: Patricia Gigon

Kiwanis Club will **NOT BE MEETING IN JULY 2026**. We hope you all enjoy this Fourth of July and the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.



TRIVIA PURSUIT

Submitted by Carolyn Rubino

1. Nepal is located on which continent?
2. What does a seismologist study?
3. Where did Barack Obama teach constitutional law?
4. Which sea is located in Israel and Jordan?
5. What are the bones in the fingers called?
6. What company makes the Butterfinger bar?

Answers on page 12

Kiwanis will meet **AUGUST 2026 ON AUGUST 6TH AND AUGUST 20TH**. Kiwanis will be accepting items for the annual Kiwanis School Supplies Drive to supplement the Brick Memorial High School drive.

Items can be brought to Kiwanis meetings or can be dropped off at 125 Whittier Avenue. They will be locked in the garage.

Kiwanis dues will be payable in October 2026. The total dues amount for one year is now \$40.00 per person per year.

See you all around the pool!

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Greenbriar Ladies Golf League Hosts A Successful Golf Clinic

Submitted by Pat Hurley

Our golf league recently enjoyed a fun and informative golf clinic led by the professionals from Up To Par Golf, bringing together members of all skill levels for a day focused on improving techniques, building confidence, and sharing a love of the game.

The clinic provided hands-on instruction including long shots using irons, iron play in general, chipping and putting. Instructors offered personalized tips and practical drills to help each golfer refine her skills. Whether new to the game, or a seasoned player, every attendee benefitted from the supportive and encouraging atmosphere.

One of the highlights of the clinic was the individualized attention given by the Up To Par Golf team. Everyone

had a chance to ask questions and receive personalized tips that were specific to them. The approachable teaching style and clear explanations made it easy for players to understand and apply adjustments to their swings and overall game strategy. Several members commented on how helpful it was to receive immediate feedback and then apply that to their techniques.

Beyond skill development, the clinic also provided an opportunity for members to share encouragement, laughter and renewed enthusiasm for the game. We are fortunate to have Up To Par instructors come to us on to our own course each year and we are looking forward to another clinic in the future.



GOLF

General Golf League Tournament Winners

5/12/26

(open play)

Low Gross (Men): Ken Mantz - 67

Low Net (Men): Herb Bunchman - 47

Low Gross (Women): Carol Tipling - 90

Low Net (Women): Trish Hatch - 46

General Golf League Tournament Winners

5/26/26

(open play with closest to the pin)

Low Gross (Men): Fran McKenna - 67

Low Net (Men): Eugene Babbini - 39

Low Gross (Women): Elena Roach - 83

Low Net (Women): Cathy Sheridan - 53

Closest to the Pin: Eugene Babbini

7 feet 4 inches

General Golf League Tournament Winners

5/19/26

(open play)

Low Gross (Men): Tie

Jim Bernardo - 68

Tim Pastorino - 68

Low Net (Men): Bruce Ralli - 47

Low Gross (Women): Cathy Sheridan - 75

Low Net (Women): Elena Roach - 50

General Golf League Tournament Winners

6/2/26

One Mulligan

Low Gross (Men) Tie:

Jim Bernardo - 65

Frank Attardi - 65

Low Net (Men): Eugene Babbini - 48

Low Gross (Women): Trish Hatch - 74

Low Net (Women): Elena Roach - 59

FIREWORKS FUN FACTS

1. The ancient China invented fireworks over 1000 years ago. They initially used bamboo stalks filled with gunpowder that exploded when heated.
2. The vivacious colors of fireworks come from different metal salts: strontium makes red, copper compounds produce blue, sodium creates yellow and barium makes green.
3. Fireworks were created to explode in various shapes, depending on the arrangement of the pyrotechnical materials.

4. Fireworks are used in military applications and as flares for signaling.
5. Sparklers can burn at temperatures as high as 2000 degrees. That's hot enough to melt some metals.
6. Modern firework shows often use computer technology to synchronize the explosions with music, creating an engaging experience for spectators.
7. Macy's 4th of July Fireworks, on the East River in Manhattan, has the largest firework display in the United States.



SWIMMING POOL RULES AND SAFETY REGULATIONS

Revised March 31, 2025

The Board of Trustees has adopted the following rules and regulations.

The rules and regulations pertain to the entire fenced-in area surrounding the swimming pools. They are with the sole intent to ensure a SAFE and PLEASANT experience for residents and guests. Children must be between 3-17 years of age. **Children under 3 years of age are NOT permitted in the pool or pool area.**

Badges are required for entry and must be visibly worn by all residents and guests. All guests must be accompanied by a resident and must supply their own chairs. Although guests are welcomed, our residents are not to be inconvenienced by a limited supply of pool furniture. On weekends, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, chaise lounges are reserved for residents and are limited to one lounge per household. Pools are cleaned daily.

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POOL RULES

1. Any person showing evidence of any communicable skin disease, inflamed eyes, cold symptoms, nasal or ear discharge, or any other communicable disease will be denied entry.
2. Any person with excessive sunburn, open blisters, wounds, or bandages will be denied entry.
3. Please do not enter the pools if you are experiencing or recovering from diarrhea or have had symptoms of gastrointestinal (stomach) disease within the past seven (7) days.
4. Adults or children wearing incontinent undergarments, diapers, and/or plastic pants will not be allowed in the pools.
5. Children should be encouraged to use the restroom before entering the pool. Please immediately report all "accidents" observed in the pools to a pool attendant.
6. No animals, except service animals (with proper credentials), shall be allowed on to the pool deck, dressing rooms, or any other parts of the enclosure.
7. Food and drink are allowed only at your chair and/or table. Please clean up after yourselves. **NO GLASS CONTAINERS.**
8. Conduct that endangers the safety and comfort of others is prohibited.

9. Outdoor bathing shall be prohibited during an electrical storm. Pool Team members have the authority to empty the pool and pool deck if thunder is heard/reported.
10. Persons suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol shall be prohibited from entering the pools and security will be notified.
11. Toys, floating objects, snorkels, fins, etc. are not allowed in the pool. Arm floaties, noodles, noodles with netted seats, and life preservers/jackets are permitted.
12. Children must always be accompanied by a resident with a badge. This person is responsible for the children's actions.
13. Bathing attire is not permitted in the clubhouse. Entrance to the restrooms must be made from the pool area only. A covering wrap is required outside of the fenced -in area and in the clubhouse. Individuals must be dry to enter the clubhouse.
14. All person(s) using the pool must wear acceptable bathing attire (no cutoffs or clothing are allowed).
15. We ask that swimmers shower prior to entering the pool water.
16. Bicycles, scooters, and strollers are not allowed in the pool area. Handicap scooters and wheelchairs are permitted but must always keep away from the pool edge.
17. Smoking is not permitted as per local ordinance and is only allowed in designated areas.
18. No ball playing, running, rough play, diving or jumping into the pools is permitted.
19. Swimming is prohibited when the clubhouse is closed. Pools must be vacated by 10pm.
20. Evening swimming from 6pm-10pm is limited to adults 18 and over and is at your own risk. Swimming alone is prohibited; another person must be present.
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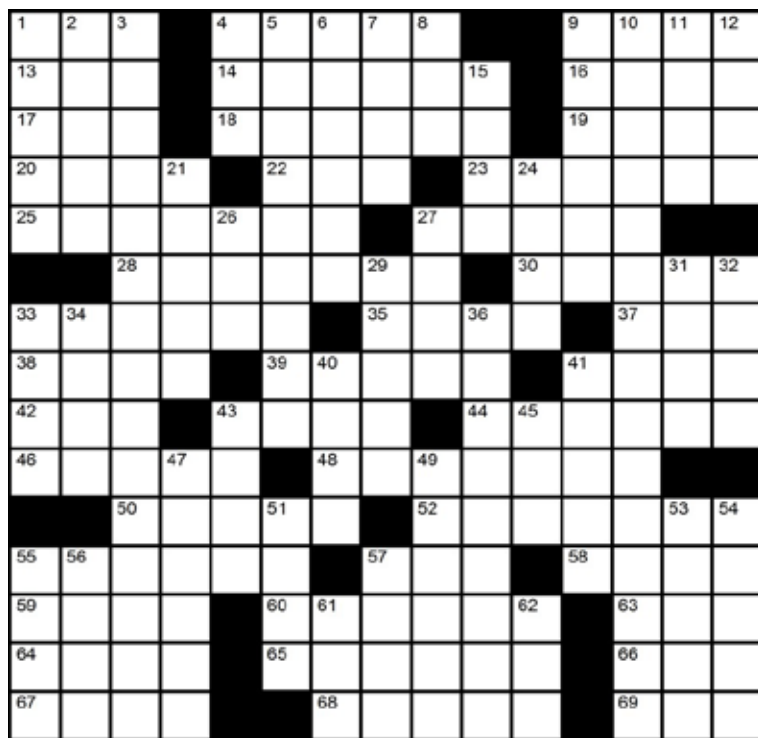
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Crossword



ACROSS

- 1 Concert appearance
- 4 Dirty
- 9 Cooking meas.
- 13 100 square meters
- 14 Contradiction
- 16 Chief Hawaiian island
- 17 Short for the least
- 18 Tennis great --- Gonzales
- 19 Tax
- 20 Applications
- 22 Tap's partner
- 23 Hoop dunk
- 25 Added for free
- 27 About this size
- 28 Surrounded by
- 30 Subject of spectacular bankruptcy case
- 33 Very similar to
- 35 Flashy
- 37 Tokyo Yoko
- 38 The Pobble had none
- 39 Engender
- 41 One of four
- 42 "You've Got Mail" company
- 43 "The hour --- hand": St Matthew's Gospel
- 44 Dangerous feats
- 46 G W T W's --- Butler
- 48 Green, blotchy frog type
- 50 Toque wearers
- 52 To do with plants

- 55 A machine's productive hours
- 57 Honorific title in India
- 58 --- of the above
- 59 Happy feline rumble
- 60 Letters, these days
- 63 Of a thing
- 64 Surrounded by
- 65 I'm sorry --- you waiting
- 66 "The sloeblack, slow, black, crowblack, fishingboat-bobbing ---" (Dylan Thomas)
- 67 Egg holders
- 68 Peter Pan's pal
- 69 Blunder

DOWN

- 1 Complete range
- 2 Whiskey choice
- 3 Thomas Edison was once a director of it
- 4 National economic indicator
- 5 State of preparedness
- 6 Baseball segment
- 7 Clickers or squeakers
- 8 Expression of derision
- 9 Add as a bonus
- 10 Hi-fi is not supposed to suffer from it
- 11 Card dispenser
- 12 Golfing short shot
- 15 Gray wolf
- 21 18-wheelers
- 24 Sleeping
- 26 Stir-fryer
- 27 Pack
- 29 Election list
- 31 That show's going to be --- 9 pm
- 32 Silently indicates assent
- 33 State emblem on Old Glory
- 34 Expression of amazement
- 36 Pristine
- 40 Chums
- 41 Holy book of Islam
- 43 Agenda topic
- 45 Make lace
- 47 Musical intervals
- 49 "1984" antagonist
- 51 Bases
- 53 Bury
- 54 Hotelier --- Ritz
- 55 Poisonous Javanese tree
- 56 Catamountain
- 57 Japanese rice wine
- 61 Cut
- 62 Intelligence officer

Solution on page 41

**GREENBRIAR
OPEN COMMUNITY MEETING**

**Location Clubhouse
Date 5/18/26
Time 7:00 PM**

Members: Peter Dagostino Michael Collins, Joanna Frigon, Toni Miello, IIsbet Gianna

David Vasilenko Doreen Campbell

1 Pledge of Allegiance / Moment of Silence

3 Roll Call:

Michael Collins, Absent Joanna Frigon, Present Peter D' Agostino Present Toni Miello, Present
Doreen Campbell, Present IIsbet Gianna Absent Dave Vasilenko Present

5 Review of Minutes / Secretary / Joanna Frigon

6 Administration Report

If you do not have the new blue badges, please come to the office to pick them up.

Plans for a Greenbriar Swim Club, at our lap pool- Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 8-10 am

Starting Tuesday June 16th at 8 am and will continue through the summer. Pre - Registration is required.

A Swim club meeting will be Wednesday 5/27 6pm And Saturday 5/30/ 11 am at the pool deck. Please see flyer in the office for further information or contact Ann Clark 2072489544

7 Treasury Report / Peter D' Agostino in Michael Collins Absence

8 Presidents Report / Peter D' Agostino

1) No ASSESEMENT will be necessary for the recent snow storms

2) Everyone including myself would like to have a perfect lawn. We now spend \$ 33 per house for lawn service; in order to have perfect lawns we would need to increase the maintenance \$ 100 per month.

3) The Stones by the golf course have been replaced

4) The Wall at the Entrance to the development has been repaired. It now will be Power washed and Painted

5) We plan to replace 50 chairs & 10 lounge chairs needed at the pool, for a cost of \$15,000

6) The trusses in the back of the building needed to be replaced to support the new AC unit, at a cost of \$17,900.

7) 147 ACC Permit applications to be approved

8) We are working on getting the Greenbriar bus fixed

9) Memorial Day Party is Sunday 5/24 This is a free event to Residents Only

Willow Springs is supplying the Food; Picture Perfect is supplying the DJ & Federal Irrigation is supplying the Bever-
ages. Please make sure to wear your badges

10) Motions to be approved

1) Accept 2025 Audit

2) 50 chairs & 10 lounges for the pool area at a cost of \$15,000

3) 147 acc permits to be approved

4) Trusses to be replaced for \$17,900

All Motions passed

Toni Miello asked for volunteers for the craft show in November

Open for Questions

John Mikulik wanted the questions at the open meetings to be included in the minutes

The Board members think it is a good idea to include the questions that are asked at the open meeting, in the Green-
briar Times. So that residents that are unable to attend or view the meeting at home, are aware of what was discussed.
This will be handled by Doreen Campbell

Meeting Adjourned



Residents Q&A Time #1

Submitted by Doreen Campbell

Q: Why are the public comments no longer included in the meeting minutes?

A: The Secretary said she only records the official meeting minutes, not the back-and-forth during public comments. Peter then asked residents whether they wanted to see the comments and responses. By a show of hands, we saw residents support the idea. Therefore, we decided to add a Q&A column to The Greenbriar Times. Doreen has offered to record the Q&As for the column.

Q: Will residents and guests be required to wear their new blue badges at the lake? This will make it easy for Patrol to recognize people who do not belong there. Also, signage is needed to indicate the lake is for residents and their guests only.

A: As with all Greenbriar amenities it is expected that residents wear their badge. Signs will be posted indicating that you must be a resident or an accompanied guest of a resident to use the lake area and fishing piers.

Q: What is going on with the Greenbriar bus? The air isn't working and the ride is uncomfortable. Many people rely on this bus. Also, will someone be covering for the regular bus driver while he is on vacation?

A: The a/c on the bus has been fixed. Danielle, our Property Manager, is checking on vacation coverage for the bus driver.

Q: Does anyone want to volunteer to help our residents in need of weeding and small tasks that they can no longer manage?

A: If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Tony Mento.

Q: What is being done about the potholes throughout the streets in Greenbriar?

A: It was recommended by a fellow resident at the meeting that residents contact the Township for potholes. It was also recommended that residents contact utility companies for issues such as streetlights being out, broken phone boxes, cable boxes, etc. Residents at the meeting said they have experienced quick response times when they call these agencies on their own. You can contact the office as well however your first call should be to the township or utility company depending on the nature of the problem.

Q: Was the Board made aware of the Blake Circle recommended traffic changes prior to the official announcement?

A: No, the Board found out the same time as the Greenbriar residents via reading it in the Newspaper or seeing it posted online.

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# GAZEBO SHOWS 2026



## GREENBRIAR LAKE GAZEBO



**SUNDAYS 1:30PM - 3:00PM**



- 
- JULY 5TH - BRIAR CONNECTION (POP )**
  - JULY 12TH - KEVIN MCGOWAN & GRANDSON (POP)**
  - JULY 19TH - SCOTT BRANDT (POP)**
  - JULY 26TH - SECOND TIME (POP & ROCK)**
  - AUG 2ND - TONY PILEGGI (ROCK & COUNTRY )**
  - AUG 9TH - BRIAR CONNECTION (POP)**
  - AUG 16TH - SCOTT BRANDT (ROCK/POP)**
  - AUG 23RD - CIRCLE ROUND THE SUN (POP)**
  - AUG 30TH - SECOND TIME (POP & ROCK)**

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**BRING A CHAIR - WEATHER PERMITTING**



# Greenbriar



Your right-hand opponent opened with a preemptive three heart bid. What action should you take with each of these hands?

- |                                                 |                                                  |                                                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| (1) ♠ A 8 7 6<br>♥ J 4<br>♦ A Q 9<br>♣ 9 8 7 4  | (2) ♠ A Q J 8 7 3<br>♥ 9<br>♦ A Q 9 8 7 6<br>♣ — | (3) ♠ K Q J 10 9 8 6<br>♥ 7<br>♦ 8 7<br>♣ A 10 8 |
| (1) _____                                       | (2) _____                                        | (3) _____                                        |
| (4) ♠ K Q 9 5<br>♥ 7<br>♦ A Q 9 6<br>♣ K J 10 5 | (5) ♠ A K J 7 3<br>♥ —<br>♦ K Q J 7<br>♣ A Q J 9 | (6) ♠ A 8<br>♥ K J 7 3<br>♦ K Q 8<br>♣ A J 10 7  |
| (4) _____                                       | (5) _____                                        | (6) _____                                        |
| (7) ♠ Q J 8<br>♥ A<br>♦ A K Q J 8 7 4 3<br>♣ 7  | (8) ♠ K Q J 10 8 6<br>♥ 7<br>♦ A K Q 4<br>♣ 9 2  | (9) ♠ A 7 3<br>♥ K J 9 8<br>♦ Q 9 7 6<br>♣ A 4   |
| (7) _____                                       | (8) _____                                        | (9) _____                                        |

(1) Pass — you will bid strongly if partner can balance. (2) 4♠ (or cuebid 4♥ to show a good major-minor two-suiter). (3) 3♣. (4) Double. (5) Double. (6) 3NT. (7) 3NT — you are gambling that partner can stop clubs. With a heart lead, you should have nine quick tricks. It is possible that you can make six diamonds if partner has the ace of clubs and the king of spades, but the preempt has made it difficult to check on this. (8) 4♠. You need very little from partner to make game. (9) Pass. You often must pass holding both length and strength in opponent's suit.

What do you bid with each of these hands?

- | OPPONENT                                         | YOU                                               |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 4♠                                               | ?                                                 |
| (10) ♠ A J 2<br>♥ A K<br>♦ K Q 9 7 3<br>♣ Q 10 3 | (11) ♠ —<br>♥ A Q J 6 2<br>♦ K Q 9 4<br>♣ A K J 3 |
| (10) _____                                       | (11) _____                                        |
|                                                  | (12) ♠ 7<br>♥ A K Q 10 9 7 4 3 2<br>♦ 6 2<br>♣ 5  |
|                                                  | (12) _____                                        |
- (10) Double (penalty). (11) 4NT. (12) 5♥.



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Complete the grid so that every row, column, and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

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| 4 |   |   | 5 |   | 9 |  |   |   |
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| 1 | 2 |   |   |   |   |  | 6 |   |
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dancing shoes and a friend and join  
us for a fun Friday night with the  
community.**

# The Greenbriar Bulletin

## **JULY 2026**

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NO BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

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AT THIS TIME, WE DO NOT HAVE A NOTARY

### **Trustee Election Coming in October**

There will be 2 openings for the January 2027 - December 2029 term in the upcoming Trustee Election which will take place in October 2026. If you are interested in running for a position on the Board of Trustees be sure to fill out a Candidacy Declaration form which will be mailed out to all residents in August 2026.

### **GREENBRIAR JULY EVENTS**

**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING – Tuesday, July 14th @ 10:00 AM**

**PODIATRIST APPOINTMENTS – Thursday, July 9th @ 9:00 AM**

**TRAVEL CLUB MEETING – Thursday, July 2nd @ 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

**SELF-DEFENSE CLASS – Tuesday, July 7th & July 16th @ 4:00 PM**

**GAZEBO CONCERTS – Sunday, July 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th @ 1:30 PM**

**LIBRARY – Tuesday, July 9th & July 23rd @ 11 AM**

**STRONGER TOGETHER: CANCER SUPPORT GROUP – Friday, July 24th @ 10:00 AM. This supportive gathering is designed for those surviving and thriving after cancer. More details to follow.**

### **RECYCLING PICKUP DATES FOR JULY:**

**Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup>**

### **GARBAGE PICKUP DATES FOR JULY**

**Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**AUGUST 2026**

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# Greenbriar Sewing Club Gives A Generous Donation To Hospice

*Submitted by Pat Hurley*

Our Sewing Club and the Crochet Club continue to demonstrate a true spirit of community through the recent donation of handmade items to Hospice. With dedication, creativity and compassion, club members work tirelessly to create a wide range of much-needed items designed to provide comfort and support to patients.

Among the donations were 63 hospital gowns crafted from men's shirts, 60 adult bibs made from soft and absorbent bath towels, and 12 comfort pillows designed to bring ease during difficult times. In addition, the group created 20 wheelchair bags and 19 small bags to offer convenience and practicality for patients and caregivers alike.

Adding to this generous effort, the Crochet Club contributed 27 beautifully crafted afghans, providing warmth and comfort to those in need. Together these items represent not only hours of careful handiwork but also a deep commitment to helping others.

We are always willing to provide our Greenbriar residents with free walker or wheelchair bags. If you have any questions please feel from to call Mary at 732-890-0618.



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| JULY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                               |
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| SUNDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | MONDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | TUESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                     |
| <div>  <div> <b>Pickleball Open Play</b><br/> <b>Monday-Friday 8AM-10PM</b> </div>  </div> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>5</b><br>12-1:30 PM GAZEBO CONCERT<br><br>2:00 PM 4TH OF JULY PARTY                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>6</b><br>MONDAY BUS - STOP & SHOP<br>PT PL<br>9:30 AM PAID EXERCISE CLASS<br>10:00 AM SEWING CLUB<br>11:00 AM TAI CHI<br>12:30 PM WATER AEROBICS<br>1:00 PM CRIBBAGE CARD CLUB<br>6:00 PM SHUFFLEBOARD<br>6:30 PM YOU TUBE AEROBICS                                                                                                       | <b>7</b><br>MALL BUS TRIP<br>8 AM GENERAL GOLF<br>9:30 AM ZUMBA (VIDEO)<br>10 AM BLOOD PRESSURE<br>11:00 AM LIFETIME FITNESS<br>4:00 PM SELF DEFENSE<br><b>6:00-9:00 PM BILLIARD CLUB MEMBERS ONLY</b><br>6:30 PM MAH JONGG | <b>1</b><br>WEDNESDAY<br>WALMART<br>8:15 AM STRENGTH & CHAIR YOGA<br>9:00 AM BOWLING<br>10:00 AM ZUMBA<br>11:00 KNIT & CROCHET<br>12:30 PM WATER AEROBICS     |
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| JULY 2026                                                                             |                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                    |
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| WEDNESDAY                                                                             | THURSDAY                                                                                                                | FRIDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | SATURDAY                                                                                                                                           |
| BUS - ALDI /<br>STRENGTH EXERCISE<br>LINE DANCING<br>A<br>CROCHET<br>AEROBICS         | <b>2</b><br>8:00 AM LADIES GOLF<br>11:00 AM TRAVEL CLUB<br>12:30 PM DUPLICATE BRIDGE<br>6:00 PM BOCCE                   | <b>3</b> <u><b>GARBAGE DAY</b></u><br>FRIDAY BUS - SHOPRITE<br>BRICK<br>8:15 AM STRENGTH EXERCISE<br>9:30 AM PAID EXERCISE CLASS<br>11:00 AM LIFETIME FITNESS<br>12:30 PM WATER AEROBICS<br>2:00 PM PING PONG<br>7:30 PM LINE DANCING                                | <b>4</b><br>9:00 AM YOGA<br><u><b>HAPPY 4TH OF JULY</b></u><br> |
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meetings on July 2nd @9:30am & July 16th @ 9:30 am  
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## **Copy And Photos For The Greenbriar Times**

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## **CALLING ALL GREENBRIAR PHOTOGRAPHERS!**

Would you like to see your photos featured on the cover of The Greenbriar Times? We invite you to submit any images you'd like to share with the community to the Clubhouse. Each month, the editor will select one photo to be featured on the cover. If you submit multiple photos, they'll be added to our photo library for possible use in future editions. We look forward to seeing your creativity!

# Greenbriar Book Discussion Group

*The Bullet That Missed* by Richard Osman

Penguin Random House 2022

*Submitted by: Patricia Gigon*

*The Bullet That Missed* is the third book in the Thursday Murder Club series, which follows a group of seniors living in the retirement community Coopers Chase in England. The members gather each week in their retirement community to investigate unsolved murders. The Thursday Murder Club members are Elizabeth, Stephan, Victor, Bethany, Joyce, Connie, and Ibrahim.

The main case the Thursday Murder Club is investigating is the disappearance of Bethany Waites, a journalist who uncovered Value Added Tax VAT fraud and is presumed dead. The Club members meet and compare notes and brainstorm who would want this somewhat famous journalist murdered. Joyce, whose diary entries are included throughout the novel, suggests that the club investigates the disappearance of Bethany Waites. Bethany was a newscaster at *South East Tonight* television news program, and she is presumed to be murdered because her car was found below Shakespeare's Cliff. The members of the murder club begin their investigation by going on the *South East Tonight* show to talk about Coopers Chase and meet Mike, who is the show's cohost, and Ron the show's makeup artist and begin to talk about Bethany. Mike tells the murder club that Bethany was receiving threatening notes at work, most likely because of her work on the Value Added Tax VAT fraud case. Bethany is presumed murdered but, can the murder club solve this case?

As Bethany's mystery unfolds, the second mystery involves a member of the club, Elizabeth, being threatened and kidnapped by someone who wants her to kill a former KGB agent who opposes cryptocurrency. Elizabeth receives threatening text messages and is kidnapped along with her husband, Stephen, for investigating the disappearance of Bethany Waites, the journalist who uncovered VAT fraud and is presumed dead.

Elizabeth's kidnapper, who is referred to as the Viking for most of the novel, wants Elizabeth to kill Viktor, a retired KGB spy. Stephen takes note of the books in the Viking's library where they are being held. The Viking threatens to kill Joyce if Elizabeth doesn't kill Viktor.

Stephen, whose dementia is worsening, investigates the books and discovers the kidnapper is Henrik, who works in cryptocurrency, which Viktor opposes. Elizabeth and Stephen break free from their capturers.

Elizabeth is now faced with seeking revenge. Elizabeth takes Joyce and the gun to Viktor's building in London. Out of Joyce's sight, in the bathroom, she pretends to kill Viktor and has Joyce destroy her SIM card. This keeps the

Viking from tracking her. After they sneak Viktor out in a body bag, the Viking visits Viktor's place and sees the bullet in the ceiling. The Viking then attempts to kill Joyce.

While plotting her murder, Elizabeth makes a rare mistake. Would Elizabeth commit murder for her friend Joyce or because of her relationship with Victor? The Thursday Murder Club has their work cut out for them. Will they be up to the task? Will the friendship of the club members be able to sustain itself while solving two murders one that involves tax fraud, a retired KGB spy, a member of the club presumed dead all the while living in a quaint English retirement community? If you are up to the challenge, follow along with the Thursday Murder Club to see how they manage to solve or not solve two distinct cases.



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# SNIPPETS FROM THE PATCH

*By Gail Winsor*



As Spring approached, it was time for Greenbriar Patch Gardeners to share their Winter Sow results. A variety of flowers and vegetables germinated from seed into thriving plants. Members met at the patio in the garden to swap and/or get what was available such as Butterfly Weed, Early Sunflowers, Wild Bergamot, New England Aster, Anise Hyssop, Purple Coneflower, Golden Alexander, and Lavender. Next, the planting began!

On May 20<sup>th</sup>, some members of the Greenbriar Patch Garden had the pleasure of visiting the Sister Mary Beth Burns Arboretum at Georgian Court College.

We were given an enjoyable and informative tour by Michael Gross, Associate Provost for Academic Program Development and Professor of Biology, who lives in Greenbriar. Thank you, Michael! We had the pleasure of

visiting four historic themed gardens of the former George Jay Gould Estate ... the Italian, Formal, Sunken, and Japanese Garden. In addition to these, we saw several smaller gardens. The arboretum is definitely worth a visit!



## GEORGIAN COURT COLLEGE TOUR



**The Kiwanis Club of Greenbriar  
Join us on a bus trip to Atlantic City  
Submitted by: Patricia Gigon**

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# Where Art Thou Mister Softee

By Bill Pane

The familiar jingle floats through the air like a siren song to the kid in all of us. It's Mister Softee and he's here ..... somewhere.

The first time I wasn't ready. Before I could grab my wallet and put on shoes he was past the house. I ran down the street after him, yelling and flailing my arms like some kind of demented man-child completely under the hypnotic spell of soft serve. He never stopped and I hoped no one had seen this embarrassing display but knew they probably did. So much for the dignity that's supposed to come with getting older.

The next time I was even less prepared. Having just gotten out of the shower I wasn't yet dressed. I watched from the window as he went past, deciding against throwing away that tiniest remaining shred of dignity by running after him in a bathrobe. The music mocked me in a *Seinfeld* kind of way: "No ice cream for you."

Then for a while I'd hear him but not see him. The music grew neither louder nor fainter but came at you from every direction at equal volume. It was near impossible to pinpoint his location and the streets of Greenbriar became a cruel prank on the senses, a house of mirrors for the ears, and a Don Quixote-like quest for the elusive ice cream man.

Yes I know people post his location on our web page but I'm just not online at all times. I'm kind of old school, I still read. I know that makes me kind of a dinosaur these days but I'm too old to change now.

I'd imagine this overpowering lust for ice cream is just an extension of the sugar rush we became addicted to as children of the 60's. Back then it was a bowl of Cap'n Crunch in the morning to send us off to school hopped up on sugar. Now it's Mister Softee to quell that irrepressible urge.

Interestingly the Mister Soft franchise has been involved in a dispute with a rival ice cream vendor for over 10 years. It began when a former Mister Softee driver left the company and went on his own. Calling his new business

Master Softee he was sued for copyright infringement and forced to change the name. Things degenerated from there.

The New York Ice Cream Co, as they're now known, began employing tactics that would make an organized crime family proud. They vandalized trucks, threatened drivers and formed human barricades around Mister Softee trucks to keep customers away. Drivers began carrying baseball bats for protection and there is an unwritten understanding that any Mister Softee truck entering Manhattan between 34th and 60th street does so at their own peril.

Mister Softee fought back with private investigators to spy on their rival. One investigator, a former Marine who worked for the Secret Service, compared it to a mafia turf war. Who'd have ever thought ice cream was such a dirty game or would have "goon squads" to intimidate the competition?

Fortunately this turf war is limited to the midtown Manhattan market.

We are small potatoes in Greenbriar so you don't need to worry about a gangland shootout happening here or some big hairy Luca Brasi type telling you it wouldn't be a good idea for you to buy that cup of vanilla.

At least these days he's easier to find. With regular visits to the pool and clubhouse it usually requires just a leisurely stroll across Darley Circle to his truck. Hopefully this eliminates any need for ice cream junkies like myself to have to make that mad, flailing your arms dash down the road after him.

On the other hand he does go to other neighborhoods so he's not just gonna sit there all day waiting for you to head over at your convenience.

He may very well leave at any moment, possibly necessitating that wild, flailing your arms dash up the Boulevard at the cost of your dignity and your self respect. Hey a demented man-child's gotta do what a demented man-child's gotta do.



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# Recipes

Submitted by Carolyn Rubino

## VEGETABLE FRITTATA

I love a frittata. They're easy to make, you can put anything in them, or nothing but a little parmesan cheese and you have a tasty easy meal. Sometimes, especially if it's dinner I add a salad.

SERVES 4 ♦ ACTIVE TIME: 20 MINUTES ♦ START TO FINISH: 40 MINUTES

*Make this veggie-loaded egg dish as a hearty breakfast or a light dinner. It's a perfect thing to cook up with fresh ingredients bought at the local farmer's market.*

6 eggs

3 tablespoons butter

½ onion, minced

2 cloves garlic, minced

2 carrots, sliced thin

½ small zucchini,  
sliced thin

½ red pepper, seeded  
and sliced thin

⅓ cup parsley, chopped  
fine

Salt and pepper to taste

1 teaspoon red pepper  
flakes, if desired

1. Preheat the broiler to low.
2. In a bowl, whisk the eggs until combined.
3. Heat the skillet over medium-high heat. Melt the butter in the skillet. Add the onions and garlic and cook, stirring, until onions are translucent, about 3 minutes.
4. Add the carrots and zucchini slices, lower the heat to medium, and cook, stirring occasionally, until softened, about 5 minutes. Add the red pepper and continue to cook, about 5 minutes. Add the parsley.
5. Pour the eggs over the vegetables. Shake the skillet to distribute evenly. Season with salt and pepper, and sprinkle with red pepper flakes if desired. Cover and cook until eggs are set, about 10 minutes.
6. Put the skillet in the oven and cook for a few minutes to "toast" the top. Remove from the oven and let sit for a few minutes before serving.

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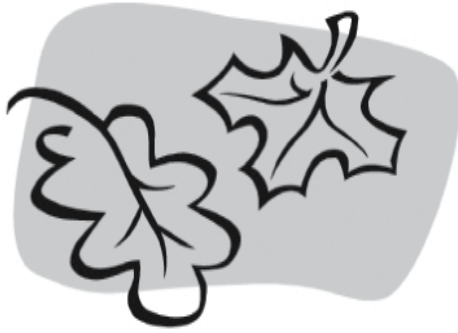
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# Retail Theraflu

by Terry O'Rourke

"My Momma Told Me, You Better Shop Around . . . " - The Miracles (1960)

I prefer a personal shopping experience ... in Shop Rite - if there's one other customer in the pretzel aisle, for example, I'll avoid that munchies corridor and return when things have calmed down. Meanwhile, I'll waste some time staring at a wall of orange plastic jugs deciding which of the 13 varieties of Tide liquid detergent is precisely right for my particular laundry needs. Who remembers when a new Maytag washer came with a box of Tide powder inside?

I favor the new, shorter grocery shopping carts ... superb turning radius and that eye appealing, sporty design catching the ladies' glances. I firmly believe that most stores are quite poorly merchandised; I expect every product I seek to be prominently placed ... eye-level, front of the shelf

In the delicatessen ... the Deli nowadays ... buying that funky olive- stuffed bologna.

The slicer must paste a huge sticker - weight, price, sell by date, every imaginable nutrition fact, my horoscope and the Yankees-Orioles box score - *over* the plastics baggie's flap so it's impossible to open the bag without mangling it. Cynicism ebbing, I no longer believe that our current supermarkets resort to the sneaky tricks of the old days; like at the Two Guys deli where the boiled ham loaves were soaked in water overnight to deviously increase their avoirdupois count.

It's been a while since I'd gnaw off a corner of the Nestle Toll House Semi-Sweet Morsels package, chugging its contents in the aisle. So, for old time's sake, I did it the other day at the Acme.

Due to social anxiety, and fearing isolation, I never use fitting rooms. No problem at all with buying otherwise identical garments in a range of sizes, trying them on at home, tag attached, so I can return the others. On my last few trips to Kohl's, I exited empty handed. The Mens' buyers there must think the average American male is 5'6", with a 34" waistband, and wears a size Medium golf shirt .... explains why the clearance racks there are so densely populated Point of Sale? If available, I always use the Self-Checkout. The narcissist in me likes to occasionally look up at the CCTV screen above the transaction activity. Insert, never swipe, my debit card into slot. The screen tells me to enter a PIN and asks questions: Do you want to round up your purchase amount to the nearest dollar to benefit ALS research? The local Little League?

Do you want to contribute to the Lithuanian Medical Association? What is your favorite color?

Do you want to tip the staff? Do you want your receipt emailed to you? *No, I should use my own ink, paper and electricity to do your job? And, then, I'd have no paper receipt to show the vigilant, dedicated sentry at the Walmart exit!*

Didn't need the gym today: got ample exercise wrestling the Walmart shopping cart from its jammed nest before shopping for shampoo. But it's locked up in a glass case - how 'bout we lock up the thieves and leave the merch accessible to customers? Anyway, have to push a button for service. No sound, so I don't even know if the device actually works. Nor do I know if any employee actually even received the signal; then jumped right on it? So I must wait ... and wait.

Security cameras ... you must have noticed some big box stores - Target, the Leader of the Pack - have domes in the ceiling at every aisle intersection. It's a psych-out, 90% of them are dummies. Do you think that a retailer's Security Office is equipped with a wall of expensive multiplexers capable of showing 150 monitors? And payroll for several Security "team members" to constantly view them all? Here's where the live cameras are: Over *some* of the registers, over Fine Jewelry, in Receiving, and at all exit doors.

Online shopping? I am examining your product descriptions and prices but you deem it necessary to interrupt by filling my screen with a TAKE 10% OFF offer, you just lost a sale!

Time Machine: my grandfather gave me a dollar bill to walk to the corner store for two packs of Pall Malls ... buy something for myself, keep the change. That something was always a NeHi orange soda. I'd return the empties to buy baseball cards that smelled like bubble gum.

After buying a few cans of Ken-L Ration and Chun King Chow Mein, a stack of Swanson's TV dinners, the Chef Boyardee Pizza-In-A-Box and a jar of Ovaltine at the A&P, we'd get some S&H Green Stamps to lick and stick into that little trading book. Because I always helped load the groceries into the DeSoto Firedome trunk and put them away at home, I was rewarded with the stamps. After collecting a zillion, I redeemed them for an Emerson transistor radio to sneak inside my desk at Our Lady of 223rd Street Elementary School during the World Series.

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