



# Benjamin Church Manor

## Independent Living

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### Direct Extensions

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### Hours of Operation

Mon —Thurs:  
8 am to 3:30 pm

Fri: 8 am to 1 pm

### Board of Commissioners

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*Executive Director*

### Important Dates

#### July 4th—Monday

- Independence Day
- Office Closed

#### July 12th—Tuesday

- BCM Resident Association Meeting
- Community Room 1:30 PM

#### July 20th—Wednesday

- Resident's Association Members Only  
Pasta Dinner
- Community Room 5 PM
- See column on p. 5  
if you would like to join!

From the Desk of the Executive Director



**Reminder: We will be closed Monday, July 4, 2022**

**If you have an emergency call the emergency number.** There will be lots of people on the property: do not buzz anyone into your building unless you know who it is! Have a SAFE and HAPPY Fourth of July!

Hope you all enjoy the parade and enjoy these “lazy, hazy days of summer”!



*Happy Fourth of July from the staff and commissioners  
at the Bristol Housing Authority!*

*Candy*



## MOE'S CORNER

### For Your Information

My office hours are

**Monday through Thursday  
8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.**

**Work from home on Fridays.**

You can leave me a message at

**(401) 253-4464 Ext 12**

Please be specific with your questions, issues, or complaints so I can research the answer and I will return your call.

My email address is

[mhorton@bristolhousingri.org](mailto:mhorton@bristolhousingri.org)

It's been a tough few weeks designating smoking areas that promote the likelihood of success. We want it to work for EVERYONE, so let's give it a good faith effort. I really would like to convey the importance of caring for each other. In simple terms, it's showing respect for someone even when you do not agree with them. I've listed below a checklist of tips on Being A Good Neighbor. Score yourself a point for each tip you can honestly answer yes. I'd love to hear your scores. These are but a few ways we can all show that we are good neighbors. What are your thoughts?

	Observe and respect your neighbor's personal space.
	Be mindful if you borrow anything. Return the item immediately after using it. If you break the item, pay to fix it or replace it.
	Don't be the neighborhood gossip. Your silence in the discussion could be seen as your acceptance.
	If you have an issue with a neighbor, go directly to that person and discuss it in a polite manner.
	Not everyone is a dog or cat lover, so show responsibility for your pets. Clean up after your pet immediately.
	Avoid noisy projects like hammering, moving furniture, and loud volumes on the television past 8 p.m. at night. It can wait until the next day.
	Remember that your sleeping schedule may not be your neighbors, so walk quietly in the hallways.
	Smoke in designated areas only.
	Asking politely for someone to put out their cigarette if you are joining them in the gazebo.

# Help Corner

## MEALS ON WHEELS



The Meals on Wheels program is available for lunch delivery to you. For information, please contact the Senior Center at

**401-253-8458**



## Air Conditioner Installation

If you need an air conditioner installed, call the front desk in the office at Extension 10.



Linda will give you the phone number of someone who can install it for you for a reasonable fee.

## Grocery Shopping Transportation

The Senior Center offers transportation to the grocery store for the residents of Benjamin Church Manor on **Thursdays**.

For reservations  
Call the Senior Center  
**401-253-8458**



If you are calling in a work order,

**Dial extension 10**

So that your work order will be handled quickly.

If you call another extension, and the person is out, the message will not get to us and your work order will not be reported.

**For immediate assistance with anything,**

**Dial Extension 10.**



**The work order request must be made with the office.**

**Please do not ask a maintenance worker directly when you see them on the property.**

**The maintenance staff will not directly address or schedule any work order request.**

## Benjamin Church Resident Association

### EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!!!!

- Welcome to our news page. Here you will find information for meetings and events that will take place in the upcoming months.  
Our first meeting on June 14th was a success. The officers and I feel that we are making progress, and we will continue to do just that!
- Thank you to our officers for setting up and cleaning up for the meeting.  
We would also like to thank one of our new members Rosemarie Pike for cleaning up.  
Thank you to the Bristol Housing Authority for the generous donation presented to us by Candy.
- Hooray!! We congratulate Jan Dupere for winning our 50/50 raffle!
- Our next meeting is  
July 12, 2022  
1:30 PM  
In the community room.  
There will be a 50/50 raffle.  
There will also be a sign-up sheet for our pasta dinner on July 20th.
- FREE PASTA DINNER.  
July 20, 2022  
5:00 PM  
In the community room.

### **This dinner is for all members of our association.**

This is our way of thanking you and welcoming you to our association.

Bring your smiles and your appetite. We will also be doing raffles.

**Membership sign up is always available.**

**ALWAYS REMEMBER YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

**Liz Patton, President**

**401-516-6265**

**Jody Archamabault, Vice President**

**401-649-3081**

**Pat Earley, Secretary**

**Paula Ferreira, Treasurer**

## Resident Association Membership Appreciation

### Pasta Dinner

**Who's Invited: Resident Association Members ONLY**

**When: July 20, 2022**

**5:00 PM**

**Where: In the community room**

**Sign up Required by July 12**

**Sign up on the sign-up sheet**

**at the Resident Association meeting on July 12**

**If you cannot make the meeting,**

**call one of the officers by July 12!**

**(see officers in the list below)**

**Not already a member?**

**Please join!**

**Call Madge Chianese for more information.**



### BCM RESIDENT ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name	Title	Email	Apt	Phone
Liz Patton	President	Lizp730@aol.com	J-9	401 516-6265
Jody Archambault	Vice President	Bucko5958@gmail.com	E-9	401 649-3081
Pat Earley	Secretary	pear09@yahoo.com	L-10	401 374-5640
Paula Ferreira	Treasurer	ferreirapc@verizon.net	X-3	401 290-7069
Madge Chianese	Membership Secretary	mchianese1222@gmail.com	P-5	401 465-9401
Joe Nenna	Sargent of Arms/ Board of Directors		N-6	401 402-9083
Gwen Dube	Board of Directors	gwenmacdube@gmail.com	J-1	401 253-4771
Richard Hunter	Board of Directors	Brandyhunter@fullchannel.net	E-6	401 489-5751

## BCM SMOKING AREAS



Each building bulletin board has a posting of the Benjamin Church Manor Designated Smoking Areas map.

Please observe the smoking policy guidelines and smoke in the designated smoking areas only.

Thank you for your cooperation!

## ANSWERS TO THE CROSSWORD

### ACROSS

2. Philadelphia
3. Great Britain
4. Thomas Jefferson
5. Continental Congress
7. George
8. thirteen
9. Truths
10. Fireworks

### DOWN

1. George Washington
6. John Hancock

Just A Reminder

**For Any After Hours Emergency**

Call

**(401) 253-6522**



## AUTOMATIC DOOR NOTICE DO NOT TAMPER WITH THE DOOR SWITCH



We want you to use the automatic doorpost with your key for entering and exiting the buildings—  
however:

**Please do NOT tamper with the switch above the automatic door opener.**

Tampering with the switch will cause the doors to malfunction and not open properly. The maintenance staff then must continually use their valuable time to readjust the mechanism, taking them away from the important jobs of completing your work orders and conducting other building repairs and grounds maintenance.

**Violators**

**will be fined \$25!**

Please Note:

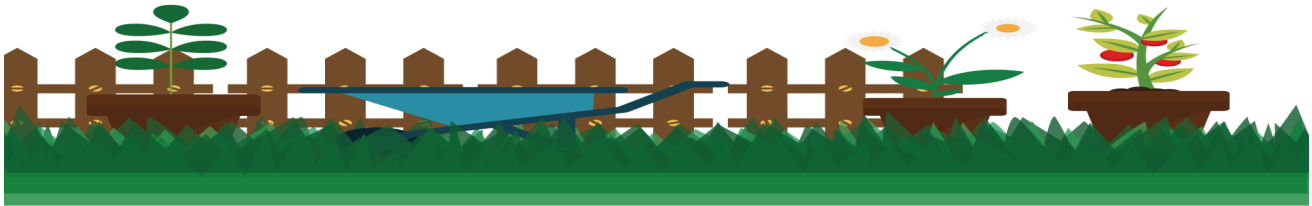
We have security cameras and will be checking them!

## Community Garden is Growing

Garden plots are being tended by our residents, and the plants are beginning to grow.

Since we planned on growing an organic garden, we had rabbits eating the broccoli.

The maintenance dept installed additional fencing to help keep out our furry friends, so let's keep our figures crossed.



*Happy Farmers are Happy Residents*

### Senior Center Sponsored Trip Coming Up This Summer:



Atlantic City from August 28 to 30

Check out the July Senior Center newsletter, page 2, for details!

### FIRE ALARM INSPECTION JULY 21



The next fire alarm inspection date is  
July 21.

We have no list for a schedule. The inspectors randomly select buildings and are here between 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

When the inspectors must go into a unit, a maintenance man will be with the inspector.

If you want to be home while they enter, you must be at home when they arrive.

### Package Deliveries

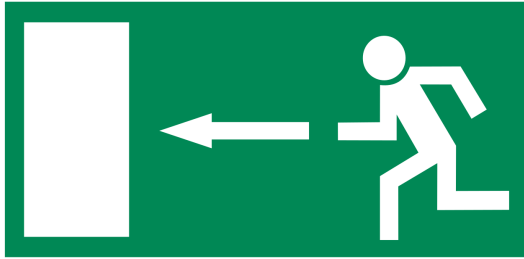
For mail and packages that are being delivered, please be sure to



**include your apartment number**

to ensure that they will arrive at your apartment instead of at the office.

Thank you!

**Reminder:****When Fire Alarms Go Off**

**Please  
Exit the Building**

**SLOW DRAINS?****PLEASE REPORT IT!**

If your bathroom sink, kitchen sink, or shower drain is running slowly, please call the office to have it cleared before the drain is completely clogged!



**Enjoy letting the fresh air in through the hallway and apartment windows during the warm weather, but please remember to close and lock them later on.**

To Help Reduce Damp Air and Rainwater Leaks.



Thank you!

**Guest and Away Policies****Planning to Be Away?**

If you are planning to be away for a couple of days, please let us know.

**Please call the front office to notify us.**

If you are in the hospital or another medical facility and cannot notify us yourself, please have a family member call us to notify us.

It is important to know who is on the property in case of an emergency.

**Overnight Guests  
Guests Are Welcome!**

**Per BHA Overnight Guest Policy, there is a limit of 21 days per calendar year for overnight guests.**

**Please Register Your Guests  
Before They Arrive:  
Call Extension 10**

Overnight guests may park on Chestnut Street. It's important that we know who is on the property in case of emergencies.

Thank you!

### Safety Considerations Related to Receiving Visitors During the Holiday Festivities

Remember we are at a location which is crowded with people during the Fourth of July season.

Keep these things in mind:

- Be sure that your apartment door and the front and the rear doors of the building are locked and closed securely.
- If someone comes to your door, ask them to identify themselves. If you do not know them, **DO NOT BUZZ THEM IN!**
- If the visitor persist in ringing your intercom



Call the Bristol Police Department  
401-253-6900

### Grilling on the Grounds

Propane barbecue grills— one in the grove behind the main building, one in Tom's Grove, one in the gazebo area opposite S Building, and one behind Buildings J,K,and L— are available for everyone's use. The gas is provided for you. Please patiently wait your turn and be courteous to others. Share; do your grilling and make the grill available for others as soon as possible!



Bring your own utensils, chairs and tables if needed, and remember to take them home.

Be Safe and Have Fun!

### Holiday Parking



Reserving visitor parking is not allowed! Visitor parking is available on a first-come, first-serve basis only.

### Note Regarding Someone "Stealing" Your Parking Spot

If a visitor occupies your parking spot while you are out shopping or running errands, keep in mind that we cannot do anything about it.

Keep in mind also that if you call the police, they have no enforcement authority here, because the parking lots are private property.

Please obey the rules and have a pleasant and safe Fourth of July.

**OFFICE CLOSED**

**MONDAY JULY 4**

**IN OBSERVANCE OF  
INDEPENDENCE DAY**



**If you have a maintenance emergency,**

**call the emergency number.**

**(401) 253-6522**



## July's Parade will Be Held On

**Monday, July 4th, 2022**

**10:30 AM**

Beginning at 7:00 a.m., Chestnut Street, Naomi Street and Sherry Avenue will be closed to traffic. Hope Street, including Poppasquash Road, will be closed off beginning at 8:00 a.m. A parking ban along the parade route goes into effect the night before the parade.



### **On Chestnut Street**

The parade forms at Mt Hope High School, 199 Chestnut Street. See the floats, the costumed characters, and the horses as they assemble on Chestnut Street, starting around 5 or 6 AM.

This location tends to be a bit less crowded than the actual parade route.

### **On Hope Street**

The parade steps off at 10:30 AM at the intersection of Chestnut Street and Hope Street and ends on High Street, between State Street and Bradford Street.

It is more crowded here on Hope Street than it is on Chestnut Street, since it is the actual parade route.

**Congratulations to the Chief Marshals  
of the 237th Bristol Fourth of July Parade:**

**Joe and Rosa DaPonte**





# July Fourth Word Search



ADAMS  
AMERICA  
BARBECUE  
COLONIES  
CONGRESS  
DECLARATION  
EQUALITY  
FIREWORKS

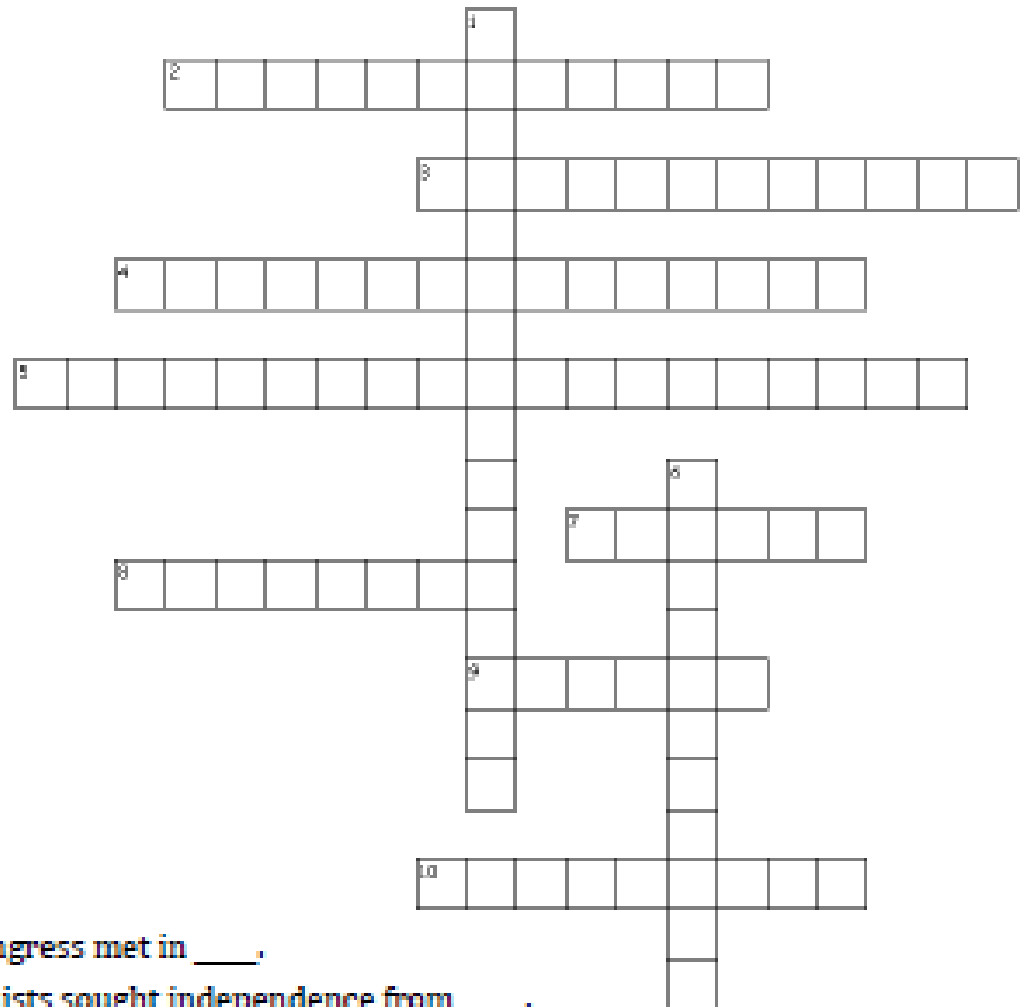
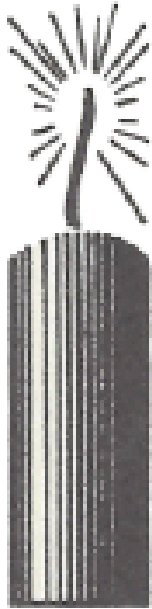
FOURTH  
FREEDOM  
HOTDOGS  
INDEPENDENCE  
JEFFERSON  
JULY  
LIBERTY

NATION  
PARADE  
REVOLUTION  
RIGHTS  
STATES  
THIRTEEN  
UNITED



# Independence Day

Crossword Puzzle

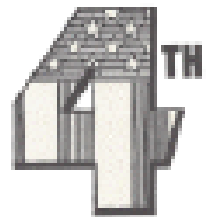


## Across

2. The Continental Congress met in \_\_\_\_.
3. The American colonists sought independence from \_\_\_\_.
4. The Declaration of Independence was primarily written by \_\_\_\_.
5. The Declaration of Independence was signed by members of the \_\_\_\_.
7. The British king at this time was \_\_\_\_ III.
8. There were \_\_\_\_ original colonies.
9. "We hold these \_\_\_\_ to be self-evident..."
10. Crowds gather to watch \_\_\_\_.

## Down

1. \_\_\_\_ led American troops in the fight for independence.
6. \_\_\_\_ was the first person to sign the Declaration of Independence.



Answers to crossword puzzle on page 7.

# Welcome



The community room is available for small gatherings—

Just call Ext. 10 to make a reservation!

Why not book for a coffee hour for your friends.

Bring your own treats.

Come on in and play cards,  
snack, and socialize!



*If You Are Fully Vaccinated,  
Masks are Optional*

## ROBO CALLS

These calls are very important.

We will notify you of any issues we may have in your building or involving our community, such as the following:

- Up and coming events, including rain date schedules
- Expected storms and storm preparedness
- Fire alarm inspections



**If you are not getting the calls,  
please let us know.**

**To hear the latest message again  
please call**

**(877) 333-9336**

It is so important that you stay updated.

**Stay safe and stay informed!**

## This Month's Recipe:

### Rosemary Ranch Chicken Kabobs

#### Ingredients:

- ¼ cup olive oil
- ½ cup ranch dressing
- 3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh rosemary (or dried)
- ½ teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon white vinegar
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper, to taste
- 1 tablespoon white sugar, to taste (optional)
- 5 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves, cut into 1-inch cubes

#### Directions:

In a medium bowl, stir together the olive oil, ranch dressing, Worcestershire sauce, rosemary, salt, lemon juice, vinegar, pepper, and sugar. Let stand for 5 minutes. Place chicken in the bowl and stir to coat with the marinade. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Preheat the grill for medium-high heat. Thread chicken onto skewers and discard marinade.

Lightly oil the grill grate. Grill skewers for 8 to 12 minutes, or until the chicken is no longer pink in the center, and the juices run clear.

If desired, add vegetables, such as onions, peppers, mushrooms, zucchini, to the marinade to round out the meal.



## One Last Word

People have an inherent right to liberty, and if the government doesn't fulfill its duty to protect that right, then it should be replaced..

The Fourth of July [sic] will be celebrated with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other.

—John Adams

# July 2022

# SUMMER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	 4 Fourth of July Office Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	 12 Resident Association Meeting 1:30 PM in the Community Room	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	 20 Resident's Association Members Only FREE Pasta Dinner 5 PM	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30