



The Buckhead Newsletter

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HELLO NEIGHBORS,

The following is extremely important to determine how and who will manage our neighborhood and our finances. Please give this your attention.

The Annual Homeowners Meeting has been rescheduled for Sunday, May 31st at 4:00 p.m.
The last meeting held on April 26th had to be postponed for several reasons.

To have a valid vote in the election of the Homeowners Association Board Members, there is a "quorum" that must be met. The quorum consists of 50% of the Buckhead homeowners, plus one, which comes to 157. That means that 157 homeowners must either attend and vote, or vote by proxy. You can even choose not to vote but send your proxy in for "quorum" purposes only.

You may have already received your Annual Packet for this meeting. In it, you will find instructions on how to vote a ballot or how to assign a proxy. If there are ANY questions regarding this, please contact the current Board at; www.board@buckheadhoa.com
If a "quorum" is not reached, then a 3rd meeting will be scheduled by the current HOA Board. And the process will be repeated until a new Board is elected by you, the homeowners.

Many of you have plans to go on vacation and will not be present for the meeting on the 31st. However, you can still help complete the election of a new 2009-2010 HOA Board by following the instructions and submitting your proxy.

Please stay safe, happy and healthy,
Lea Clements

WELCOME

We have new neighbors in Buckhead and I'm sure you all join me in a great big "WELCOME" to them.

Andrew Dixon of Laurenburg Ct.

Kurt & Joanne Gergle of Tralee Ct.

Ralph & Allison Hillmer of Tralee Ct.

Christopher & Heather Mahaffey and Geoffrey Sherwood of Windsong Dr.

GREEN CORNER

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Refurbish, Repair, Rebuild, Refinish, or Resell.

I know this is s a reoccurring reminder but we need to become more environmentally protective and friendly.

The local Land Fill on the 144 Spur has bins for everything recyclable except glass. I have to wonder how much smaller our piles of trash and garbage would be if more and more people began recycling, or any of the "R's" to help cut down on our waste.

Even Publix, Wal-Mart & Kroger have bins to recycle all those plastic grocery bags we end up with. Of course, they also sell the reusable canvas bags, which by the way, hold a lot more than the plastic ones. And some dry cleaners will take back the wire hangers if you aren't using them. **LET'S ALL DO A LITTLE TO HELP A LOT.**

UPCOMING EVENTS FROM YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Tastings of the Month

Margaritas!
Saturday June 6, 5-7 p.m.

There will be 5 different stations making 5 different kinds of Margaritas. And, there will be a SALSA tasting contest which is open to anyone that has a favorite salsa recipe. A nice gift basket will be given to the winner. Chips as well as other foods will be provided. We will have plastic cups this time so you don't need to bring your own this time. The cost is \$15 per person. There is a 40 person limit. Signing up ahead of time is absolutely necessary and NO tickets will be sold at the door. If you would like to attend make certain the Social Committee gets your name and check made payable to Cash BEFORE June 6.

Beers of the World!
Saturday July 11, 5-7 p.m.

Jeff Nielsen who did the Italian wine tasting for us before will bring a selection of Beers from around the world for sampling. Pretzels, chips and munchies will be provided. The cost is \$10 per person with a 40 person limit. Signing up ahead of time is absolutely necessary and NO tickets will be sold at the door. If you would like to attend make certain your name and check, made payable to cash, gets to the social committee BEFORE July 11.

Garden Club Meetings

Saturday May 30, 9:00 a.m.

Bryan Co. Park Ranger, Issac Strickland, will present a talk on snakes and other wildlife that we have in the area that could be dangerous. He will be bringing non-poisonous snakes as well as small alligators to the presentation and

will discuss how to deal with and recognize wildlife that could be dangerous. All residents are invited! The presentation will be geared to young people so bring your family. We would like everyone that is interested in a garden club attend. There will be more meetings of anyone interested in the garden club this summer. Possible things a garden club could do are: beautify common areas, plant sale, yard of the month, etc.

Saturday July 25, 9-10 a.m.

Mark Wonderlic one of the residents of Buckhead will be on hand to discuss issues dealing with fertilization, weed control and insect control. You don't want to miss this.

SIT AND SEW

Sunday June 14, 2-5:30 p.m.

Do you: knit, crochet, embroider, sew, cross-stitch, or quilt? Would you like to be with like minded people? Bring whatever you are working on and share your works and problems! There will be project kits available for those of you that need a project.

SCRAPBOOK CROP SESSION

Sunday June 7 2-6 p.m.

“How much fun is it to scrapbook alone? Come join us and scrapbook with friends. Bring whatever project you are currently working on or maybe work on something for Dad for Father's Day. Amy Smedley and Jennifer Mock will bring some of their Creative Memories Shape Makers, Trimming Tools for you to use. When you RSVP, and you would like to make the Father's Day project, please let us know. The Creative Memories Father's Day project is a cut paper album that can be easily sent in the mail. There will be a fee of \$17.12(that is including tax) for the Father's Day paper album project. The Galaxy Micro Maker and pens will be available for you to use.”

MOVIE NIGHTS

Saturday June 27, 8:30 p.m.

Bring your family to the first movie night of the year. Bring a chair to sit on or a blanket and a few munchies for you and your friends. Shrek 3 (PG) will be the movie tonight.

Saturday July 18 8:30 p.m.

Same deal as before but tonight the movie Bedtime Stories (PG) will be shown.

****REMEMBER THERE IS A PER PERSON COST FOR THE TASTINGS AND YOU MUST SIGN UP AHEAD OF TIME!! ALL OTHER EVENTS ARE FREE!**

Social Committee:

George Moravek (756-6150), Julie Dobson, Angie Freund, Christina Buerger (756-7786), Lea Clements

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We are always open for ideas!!

MARKET SNAPSHOT

The Buckhead Real Estate Market Snapshot is as follows as of 5/15/09. There are currently 69 homes on the market (including Buckhead North and Tranquilla), with 10 of the 69 homes being under contract, and 3 homes closed since April 15th.

Buyer traffic remains steady while homes entering the market continue to outpace sales. For additional information on the Buckhead or any local real estate feel free to contact me anytime.

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OUR TOWN

BY Christy Sherman

In 1941, Henry Ford built the plantation Commissary on Bryan Neck Road (Hwy. 144) near the seaboard tracks. It was an important shopping facility for both the Ford plantation employees and the Richmond Hill community at large. The Commissary sold a variety of groceries and general merchandise, including dry goods, fresh produce, and choice cuts of meats. The building currently houses the Coastal Community Church (across the street from Plantation Lumber).

There were two housing developments built by Ford for his employees. The Bottoms Village, (located near the current Richmond Hill Elementary School) and Blueberry Village (located near our new Kroger store). No rent was charged for the two and three bedroom houses until 1945, and then only \$15 per month was charged.

To find out more about the early development and heritage of Richmond Hill and Bryan County, visit the Richmond Hill Museum. The museum is on the corner of Ford Avenue and Timber Trail Road.

Sources: Images of America, Richmond Hill by Buddy Sullivan

SHOW US YOUR GARDEN

In August, the Buckhead Garden Club would like to organize a Buckhead Tour of Gardens. We can only do this if those of you with nice gardens, or beautiful landscaping are willing to share the beauty with us. If you can and will, please contact either:

George Moravek at g.moravek88@comcast.net or Lea Clements at gclements77@comcast.net
Don't be shy; there are a lot of homes with great landscaping and gardens here in Buckhead. Let's get a closer look at some of them. You know you want to!

POOL NEWS

NEW POOL ATTENDANTS

We have hired two new pool attendants for the season. They will be on duty daily from 12:00 -6:00 p.m. All rules are to be followed and everyone needs to remember that these two are in charge.

One of the attendants is Tosha Quick. Tosha has 2 children and lives in the Hamptons. The other attendant is Brooks May, a college student living in Richmond Hill.

Both are looking forward to working at our pool and getting to know the people of Buckhead. Please help us to welcome them to the job!!!

REMINDERS:

Children must be at least 13 to attend without a parent. Starting this year, ALL VISITORS will be required to sign in along with the resident that they are visiting. This is to prevent so many "unofficial visitors" from just showing up. Everyone must use their key fob to enter the pool area. No one is to use the exit button to just let people into the pool.

TIKI HUT / SANDBAR

If you go to the pool, you are probably aware that the Tiki Hut – Sandbar has not been open. The current owners are not going to be able to open it due to health issues.

However, if anyone is interested in purchasing the Tiki Hut / Sandbar, please call Tammy Pike at: 224-7653 for more information.

I'VE LEARNED...

I've learned that saying "hi" to somebody today can result in a new friend tomorrow.

I've learned that you should keep an open mind, but don't be so open-minded that your brains fall out.

RECIPE CORNER

Pesto for Pasta:

From George Moravek

2-3 cups fresh basil leaves
1-2 cloves garlic, sliced
1 cup nuts (I use pecans as I always have them on hand) If you toast them first it's better but not necessary.
1 cup grated parmesan cheese (use the real thing not the stuff in the green can)
1 Tbls butter
1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil
Salt & Pepper

Throw everything into a food processor and process a minute or two. The Pesto can be made an hour or two ahead of time but the basil leaves start to darken later. Cook pasta till al dente and drain saving some pasta water. Mix pasta with pesto and some pasta water (1/2 cup?). Serve with crusty Italian bread and a salad.

ENJOY!

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Home remedy

Gnat (no-see-ums) repellent that works for a lot of people is Avon Skin So Soft, or rubbing the skin with dryer sheets. Do you have a home remedy of some type that you can share with us? Email to: gclements77@comcast.net

TRIVIA, AGAIN...

By an 1893 Supreme Court decision, the tomato was declared a vegetable, not a fruit.

In a lifetime, Americans spend an average of 49 hours seeing doctors, while spending 64 hours waiting to see them.

Superman's birthday is February 29.

On an average day, Americans drink a total of three million gallons of orange juice.