

# *The Buckhead South Homeowner's Club, Inc. Newsletter*

*Serving the Hampton, Keller Crossing and Tranquilla Hall communities*

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## *President's Message*

Dear Neighbors – There's a lot happening at Buckhead South! The pool season is in full swing with full WIFI access now, and you can see the basketball court and shade pavilion construction is currently underway. I'll notify you by email when they're ready for use.

The Revised Covenants & By-Laws passed with a majority-plus vote and efforts will continue to keep our covenants enforced. If you have received a note from BSHC about a covenants infraction, please don't take it personally. Let us help you get back into compliance. We have many ideas and solutions that others have used that can help you. All our efforts will help maintain our neighborhoods and preserve your home investment. A huge thanks goes out to the vast majority of our residents that maintain their properties above and beyond expectations. Thank you for helping keep Buckhead South beautiful.

Are you interested in a volunteer opening for a Vice President due to a pending relocation? Please apply.

This issue of our Quarterly Newsletter is chock-full with information, so please take a moment to read it through. As always, feel free to send your thoughts to me at [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com). Have a fun and safe summer,  
*Keith Spitznogle, BSHC President*

## *News from the Committees*

The **Social Committee** plans another annual Fall Festival for October 25, 2-5pm, by the pool. Save the date! Volunteers are needed to help plan as well as on the day of these events. You're welcome to join the Social Committee too, phone/text me 912-596-5636.

*Karen Dannett, Social Committee Chair*

The **Welcome Committee** delivers Welcome Packets to new residents, providing a fast and helpful start to living at Buckhead South. Summer is always a busy time for moves and this past quarter we delivered 5 Welcome Packets with more to come. We rely on a haphazard network of newspaper property transfers, lawyer/bank closings or realtors to learn of new residents and don't always hear in a timely way, especially with home rentals. We apologize if we've missed anyone. If you know of a new neighbor who needs our Welcome Packet or if you've been missed yourself, please let us know and we'll hop on it. The Welcome Committee also produces this BSHC Quarterly Newsletter and we're pleased that it's become a useful fixture here. Contact [shea29v@comcast.net](mailto:shea29v@comcast.net) with your input. *Sue Shea, Welcome Committee Chair*

**Recreational Amenities** – The basketball court and shade pavilion are under construction and we'll email you directly when ready. The ball fields have been treated for fire ants and the soccer goals will be restored, plus some other future items planned. The vandalized fence has been repaired

*An important reminder that ALL our recreation amenities including pool and parking lots, close at 9:30pm. Fence jumping, loitering, and other illegal activities on our properties, including our parking lots, will not be tolerated, with trespassers prosecuted. We review the expanded video surveillance tapes in each case and go from there.*

The **Pool Committee** notes that our pool is getting a lot of use, and the new tables and loungers are a welcome addition. The kitchen has been reserved 3 times recently for private parties and everyone was pleased with the use of these amenities. The WIFI code is operational at the pool and is posted on the window there. You should be receiving your monthly pool gate codes by email if your dues are paid up and your signed pool forms are on file with the HOA. Contact [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com) if you've been missed. A reminder that this gate code should not be given out to anyone outside your household, even a neighbor. Tell your neighbor to contact the HOA direct. See you by the pool, *Alec Breen, Pool Committee Chair*

A BSHC **Garden Club** is forming and we welcome members. The Garden Club will formulate goals once organized, but for starters they are looking for donations of daylilies for the pool parking lot island. These showy, drought tolerant perennials are perfect for showcasing our new island bed, and are easy to divide. If you have extras, please think of us. To join the club, contact [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com).

## *Keep Buckhead South Beautiful*

*To help you spruce up your homes and yards, BSHC has negotiated a 20% discount on paint & stains at Home Depot. Contact [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com) for details. Between sprucing up our common areas, an ongoing task, and your own property work, we can keep Buckhead South looking stellar!*

Of particular concern when it comes to Covenants Enforcement is the curb appeal of our homes. Regular attention should be given to mailboxes, lawn encroachment, algae stains, driveways and fence painting, not just when a house is for sale. We live here daily as neighbors and want our neighborhoods to look good. On this same subject, a reminder that boat parking is permitted in driveways over the weekend but must be returned to storage through the week, either behind your own privacy fence, or to a storage lot. Cleaning and maintenance exceptions are

understandable, but not every week, all week long. Please cooperate with us, your neighbors.

Per our former and also newly revised covenants, campers, Travel/Camper trailers, and RV's cannot be parked on private property here, even behind a privacy fence. There are many storage facilities nearby. ALL trailers (landscape, work, or vehicle carriers) cannot be stored in driveways or visible from the street, but rather behind a privacy fence or in a garage.

For all the above items, temporary (1 week or less) allowances can be made for cleaning, packing, hauling work or moving, and you must contact a BSHC officer for an exception request.

**Did you know** that on-street parking is not allowed for any of our neighborhoods, except for an occasional visitor or service person? Our fluted driveways were designed by the builder to accommodate multiple cars in your household, and juggling the order of these cars in your driveway is your responsibility. Vehicle parking on your lawn is also not allowed. These are not new rules but have been in place as covenant restrictions since these houses were built.

We are getting increasing complaints of roaming dogs & cats in our neighborhoods. These pets often track back to our own residents, which results in HOA fines. Many houses have established backyard sanctuaries, and roaming cats are harming birds we attract here. Also, please clean up after your pet: "scoop your poop."

Many exterior home improvements such as additions of fences or outbuildings **must** be approved by the Design Review Committee first. Go to our website [www.buckheadsouth.com](http://www.buckheadsouth.com) to see the Architectural Review Guidelines and download the forms. Questions? contact any Officer *before you start*.

## Welcome Our Neighbors ♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥

*A heartfelt welcome to our newest BSHC neighbors:*

**Amy Pearce** of 33 Moreton Dr. South joined us in March from Trussville, AL. Welcome!

**Sarah & Jordan Johnson** of 80 Still Meadows Bend, arrived in June from nearby, and Augusta GA before that. We're glad you're here!

**Heather & Brian Carr** of 371 Beaulieu Drive, children **Michaela** (9), **Brian** (5), **Suzanne** (3) and baby **Robert** joined us in June from Charlottesville VA. We're so happy to welcome you!

*Although complete information was not available at press time, we welcome these new neighbors as well:*

**Danyel & Donald Scott** of 180 St. Martin's Circle came to us in May. We're glad you chose Buckhead South!

**Maria & Chris Nauman** of 444 Victors Ct joined us in May also. Welcome!

*Are you new to Buckhead South and have not been listed here or was your listing incomplete? Please let us know and we'll print it in the next issue. We also have a great Welcome Packet for you. Contact Sue Shea: [shea29v@comcast.net](mailto:shea29v@comcast.net)*

## Safety & Security at Home

Our enhanced video security at the pool and parking lot have cut down on vandalism & trash in these areas, but not entirely. Lawn damage done with illegally-operated motorized carts continues to be a problem. We pursue these crimes through the use of our surveillance cameras and the help of our neighbors. Please call 911 whenever you suspect that damage is being done, as these are costly repairs that come out of all our pockets. We fight for full restitution in each case.

**Other news** Send news to [shea29v@comcast.net](mailto:shea29v@comcast.net)

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** and always welcome for the various BSHC committees or for just a small specific seasonal project. We know we have a lot of energetic neighbors with various skills and there are many opportunities to contribute your talents, large and small. Please join in. [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com)

**WANTED:** your extra pet (cat/dog) supplies: wet/dry food, bowls, leashes, toys, bedding & towels for an ongoing collection drive for the South Bryan County Animal Shelter on Rt. 144 Spur. Thanks to all that contribute items, especially the 2 big bags of dog food this qtr. That was heartily welcomed at the Animal Shelter! Drop off at 29 Victors Ct. front porch anytime and we'll deliver!

**WANTED:** The Richmond Hill Area Tennis Association (RHATA) asked us to post that they are looking for players for league play for the fall season (Sep thru Nov, Sunday eves). RHATA is approved for both the USTA Section and the National office as a registered community tennis assoc and offers both competitive play and a fun, relaxed atmosphere for all levels. Contact [gjdurante@aol.com](mailto:gjdurante@aol.com) or visit [www.richmondhilltennis.com](http://www.richmondhilltennis.com)

**Calendar** Got something for the calendar? [shea29v@comcast.net](mailto:shea29v@comcast.net) While we love to print community events, this is not an endorsement by BSHC, and times/dates may change.

\*\*\*\*\*STANDING DATES\*\*\*\*\*

**TUES:** Apr – Oct 6, every Tuesday 2-7pm: RH Farmers Market at JFG Park. Local produce, food, crafts, more!

**THURS:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs of every month, RH Historical Soc. local history series, 7pm, free (912)756-3697

**FRI:** May – Sep Friday on the Train, 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month at Richmond Hill's Station Exchange, across from JFG Park. A free community event of music & more. Bring lawn chairs.

**SAT:** Mar – Oct, 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of each month, 9-11am: Cars & Coffee at the Richmond Hill Historical Soc. Museum. Share your cool car and/or see others. Buy coffee there & you help the Historical Society. (602)397-5300.

**SAT:** Apr – Dec, every Sat 7:30-9:30pm; Movie Night Under the Stars @ Ice Cream Stop, Publix Plaza. Bring lawn chairs or car tuned to 88.5. G movies.

**ONGOING:** Many family events at Ft. McAllister State Park, including re-enactments, celebrations, kids summer day camps. Call (912)727-2339 or stop by.

\*\*\*\*\***HAPPENINGS THIS QUARTER**\*\*\*\*\*

**7-3** 4<sup>th</sup> of July at JFG Park, 5-9pm, food, games & music; evening fireworks

**7-4** Star-Spangled Cars & Coffee at RH Historical Museum. Vintage cars & friends. 9-11, Free.

**7-4** Independence Day at Ft. McAllister, 10-4. Games, Living History, fun, games & food. Entrance fee or discount Park Pass.

**7-4** River St 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration, Savannah 4-10pm

**7/27-8/17** Savannah Voice Festival  
savannahvoicefestival.org

**8-22** Gazing in the Garden at Coastal GA Botanical (Bamboo Gardens) 8-10:30pm. Free astronomy.

**9-4** River St Bacon Fest, Savannah 4-10pm

**9-5** Ft. McAllister Labor Day Fun, 10-4. Entrance fee or discount park pass.

**9-7** Labor Day

**9-14** Rosh Hashanah

**9/20-26** Savannah Jazz Festival 5-10pm  
savannahjazzfestival.org

**9-23** Yom Kippur

**9/25-26** Effingham Oktoberfest, Noon-11pm; 9-11, 6755 Prosperity Dr, Rincon

**9-26** Youth State Parks Day, Ft. McAllister, 9-4. Cleanup Day, free entrance & t-shirt

\*\*\*\*\***A SNEAK PEAK AT NEXT QUARTER**\*\*\*\*\*

**10/2-4** Oktoberfest, Savannah Riverfront 4-10pm. Bratwurst, Weiner dog racing, Oompah dancing, music

**10-3** Pumpkin Patch Kids Fest, 9-1, JFG Park, RH

**10-4** Picnic in the Park, Forsyth Park, Savannah, 5:30-8:30 pm. Food, music, competitive tables

**10-6** Last day for RH 2014 Farmers Market, 2-7pm. Back next April (but many of the same vendors will be at the Holiday Market on 12/12).

**10/8-11** Annual Tybee Island Pirates Fest

**10-10** Candle Lantern Tour, Ft. McAllister State Park, 7-9 pm. Experience the fort at night guided by candlelight. Re-enactment of how confederate soldiers performed their duties & spent their evenings by the campfire. Entrance fee or discount park pass.

**10-12** Savannah Folk Music Festival, Ellis Square

**10-12** Columbus Day

**10/16-18** The Great Ogeechee Seafood Fest @ JFG Park, (F)5-11pm; (S)10-11pm; (Su)11-5pm. RHBC Chamber of Commerce (912)756-3444

**10/23-24** Coastal GA Botanical (Bamboo Gardens) Gardenfest, 12-4; 9-4. Rt 17. Fun seasonal events, plants & crafts sale, sugarcane syrup making, tractor tram rides, 9-4, \$5 per vehicle or \$3 per person walk-in.

**10/24-31** Savannah Film Festival, various sites.

**10-25** BSHC Annual Fall Festival, 2-5pm, pool.

**10-25** Shalom Y'All Jewish Food Fest, Forsyth Park, Savannah, all day

**10-31** BSHC Halloween Night Trick or Treating, goblins abound, especially 6-8! Please turn on your front porch lights if you are participating.

**11-1** Daylight Savings Time ends, clocks *fall back* 1 hr

**11-7** Savannah Rock N'Roll Marathon

**11-11** Veterans Day Observance at JFG Park, 11 AM

**11-14** Get Outdoors Festival at Ft. McAllister 10-4. Demos of outdoor activities, crafts show, hayride. Entrance fee or discount park pass.

**11-14** Savannah Children's Book Festival, Forsyth Pk, Savannah 10-4.

**11-26** Thanksgiving

**11/27-12/24** December Nights & Holiday Lights at the Coastal GA Botanical Ctr (Bamboo Gardens), 6-9pm. Wed-Sun prior to 12/16 then nightly. Rt. 17. \$5 per person. A festive walking tour with over 150,000 colorful lights, music and sweet treats..

**12-4** Annual Chili Cook-Off & Crafts Fair, 6:30 pm, JFG Park

**12/4-5** Christmas on the River, River Street Savannah, 4-10pm. Music, crafts, illuminated boat parade dusk Sat.

**12-5** RH Hometown Christmas Parade, 10AM

**12-5** Lighted boat parade & fireworks, Ft. McAllister Marina, 5:30 pm

**12-7** Chanukah at sundown, ends 12-14.

**12-12** Richmond Hill Holiday Mkt, crafts, food, music & Santa at JFG Park, RH, 11-3

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GOT NEWS? Next newsletter deadline is 9-15-15 for the Oct issue.