

The Buckhead South Homeowner's Club, Inc. Newsletter

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President's Message

Dear Neighbors – Autumn is here and with that comes many local festivals including our own BSHC Fall Festival by the pool Oct 25, 2-5pm. Check the Calendar of Events on the last page of this newsletter for all the happenings.

The recreational amenity enhancements are done, including the new basketball courts open to play, and the shade gazebo at the playground. Many thanks to the volunteers who got that gazebo up.

We continue to have overnight street parking issues and we ask that you please comply with our covenants rules. Always use your driveways with exceptions only for the occasional visitor overflow, or for short-term service workers such as lawn care companies. Approval for any other temporary extenuating circumstances should be sought from the Buckhead South Homeowner's Club.

Meanwhile, I wish you a glorious fall season as the weather becomes milder and we all get outdoors again.

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.

Keith Spitznogle, BSHC President

News from the Committees

The **Social Committee** will hold the BSHC Annual Fall Festival on October 25, 2-5pm, by the pool. There will be bouncy houses, snacks and more! Please stop by with your family. Volunteers are always 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.

for 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 13 Welcome Packets. 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 you've been missed. Please let us know and we'll hop on it. The Welcome Committee also does this BSHC Quarterly Newsletter and we hope it's useful. Contact shea29v@comcast.net with your input.

Sue Shea, Welcome Committee Chair

Recreational Amenities – The basketball court and shade pavilion are finished and open for your use!

Don't they look great? The ball fields are under restoration and we're grateful for the volunteers spearheading these efforts.

An important reminder that even though the pool is now closed for the season, all other recreation amenities including parking lots, still close at 9:30pm. Fence jumping, loitering, or other illegal activities on our properties, including our parking lots, will not be tolerated, with trespassers prosecuted. In every case, we review our video surveillance tapes and pursue.

A BSHC **Garden Club** just formed and welcomes members. A recent project was planting a showcase of daylilies at the pool parking lot island. To join in the fun, contact buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com.

The **Pool Committee** had another successful season and the pool is now closed until next spring. A reminder that new residents must have signed pool forms on file with the HOA President in order to get pool access codes via email monthly. You only have to do this once now, upon your arrival to BSHC, unless the forms change. Contact buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com if you've been missed. A reminder that gate codes shouldn't be given out to anyone outside your household, even a neighbor. Have them contact the HOA direct.

Alec Breen, Pool Committee Chair

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 for details. Between sprucing up our common areas, an ongoing task, and your own property work, we can keep Buckhead South looking stellar!

Just a reminder on our parking covenants: 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 our houses were built. 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.

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 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:

Michele & Michael Evans and daughter **Madison** (3) of 420 Beaully Dr. joined us in June from Palm Coast FL. Welcome!

Stephanie & David Hooper and sons **Jace** (4) & **Landon** (2) and daughter **Alexa** (3 mo.) of 20 Lou Page Ln arrived here in August from Dublin OH. Welcome!

Kerri & Ben Starkey and children **Kaden** (8), **Landen** (6) and **Dakx** (1) of 304 Lou Page Ln arrived in July from nearby. We're glad you chose Buckhead South!

Kim & David Paul and children **Eli & Haven** of 421 Lou Page Ln arrived in August. Welcome!

Ashley & Joel Harrison of 39 MacBeth Ct. came to us from North Carolina in July. We're glad you're here!

Stefanie & Stephen Brim and daughters **Hope** (20) and **Madeline** (17) of 43 Moreton Way N arrived in August from Jacksonville FL. Welcome!

Dawn & Carl Holt and children **Lachlan Connor** (14) and **Carsyn Delaney** (10) of 44 Moreton Dr N. arrived from Germany in July. We're glad you're here!

Cassandra & Kurt Breckenrige of 65 William Hall Way arrived in September from Las Vegas, NV. Welcome!

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

Joann & Brian Callahan of 283 Lou Page Ln arrived in August. Welcome!

Nathan Gustavson of 484 Lou Page Ln joined us in July. We're glad you chose Buckhead South!

Theron Hunt of 18 MacBeth Ct. also joined us in July. Welcome to BSHC!

Ivy Palmer and family of 32 MacBeth Ct S joined us in August. Welcome!

Kate & Bert Flather of 117 Victor's Ct were another July arrival. Welcome to BSHC!

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

Safety & Security at Home

Recently, Buckhead South, along with some of our neighboring HOA's, experienced car break-ins in driveways. It's always wise to lock your cars on your property, and not leave tempting items on display such as purses, electronic items, or cash. These are crimes of opportunity and unfortunately we are not immune, so be wise. This latest group of incidents has resulted in one arrest with hopefully more to come. Keep your eyes out and call 911 if you suspect anything.

Our enhanced video security at the pool and parking lot has 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

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

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 again this qtr. That was very welcome at the Animal Shelter! Drop off at 29 Victors Ct. front porch anytime and we'll deliver!

WANTED: One of our Tranquilla families, Nikki & Andy Ballentine of 269 Victors Ct is looking for members for a weekly play group age 2 and under. Contact Nikki or Andy 265-368-3129.

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 or visit www.richmondhilltennis.com

Calendar Got something for the calendar? 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 – Nov, every Tuesday 2-7pm: RH Farmers Market at JFG Park. Local produce, food, crafts, more!

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

FRI: May – Sep Friday on the Train, 3rd 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, 1st 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*******

October -- Every Fri & Sat, 7:30 pm. Stranger than Fiction live performance at Davenport House Museum, Savannah. \$22 advance/\$25 door, reservations. Features Tranquilla Hall's own John Leonti!

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

10/8-11 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.

11-24 Last day for RH 2014 Farmers Market, 2-7pm. Back next April (but there's a Holiday Market on 12/12).

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 magical walking tour with over 150,000 colorful lights, music & sweet treats.

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

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

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

12-14 Winter Muster Reenactment, Ft McAllister State Park, demonstrations 9-4, battle at 5pm. Normal park fee or discount Park Pass.

12-22 First day of winter -- so what, we live in paradise!

12-25 Christmas Day

12-26 Kwanzaa begins.

12-31 New Year's Eve. Goodbye 2015, Hello 2016!

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

1-1 New Year's Day

1-2 Bring One For The Chipper, JFG Park, 9am, free mulching of your Christmas tree.

1-16 Annual Resolution Runz, JFG Park, RH 8am www.georgiagamechangers.com

1-18 Martin Luther King, Jr Day. Local events listings: www.mlksavannah.com

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Mazer. **Treasurer:** Karen Krupp. **Secretary:** Cyndi Castle.

Cmte Chairs: **Pool:** Alec Breen. **Social:** Karen Dannett.

Welcome & Newsletter: Sue Shea.

GOT NEWS? Next newsletter deadline is 12-15-15 for the Jan issue.