

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 – I send you our heartfelt season's greetings and hope everyone has a great start to the New Year. I will be having surgery shortly and have arranged full coverage of all BSHC duties by our BSHC Officers for the duration. You can continue to send your email requests to buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com or Phil Gore, BSHC VP can take your emergency calls at (912)445-5508. Any stray calls to my phone will be speedily forwarded along to the covering Officers.

We had another successful community yard sale this fall, and if anyone wishes to spearhead another one for 2016, we have banners & signs we can lend out.

Annual dues notices will be sent out in February and payment is due by March 31 as usual. Our annual meeting is set for the evening of Tuesday, April 12, 2016, so please mark your calendars now. We'll send a reminder of time & place before that. We hope you will attend this very important Annual meeting that elects Officers, covers budgets & expenditures for the past year, and other timely BSHC agenda items. Best wishes to you all as we start another great year at BSHC,
Keith Spitznogle, BSHC President

News from the Committees

The **Social Committee** thanks everyone who helped with this year's Fall Festival. We are limited on volunteer help & participation for our events, so we may be scaling back to one major yearly event, possibly held on the spring opening day of our pool. We are open to ideas on how to continue to bring our community together, making this a great place to live and play. Please email me at kdannett@gmail.com with your ideas.
Karen Dannett, Social Committee Chair

The **Welcome Committee** delivers Welcome Packets to new residents, providing a quick helpful start to living at Buckhead South. 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're glad it's found to be useful. Contact shea29v@comcast.net with your input, and Happy New Year,
Sue Shea, Welcome Committee Chair

Recreational Amenities – We're pleased to see that our new basketball court is seeing some regular play with good stewardship going on by participants. The ballfield restoration work continues and we're grateful for the volunteers spearheading these efforts.

An important reminder that all recreation amenities including pool, parking lots, playgrounds & athletic areas 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.

The BSHC **Garden Club** welcomes members to continue to spruce up our common areas with plantings, such as seen in the Pool lot & other islands. To join in the fun, contact buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com.

The **Pool Committee** is working to get everything set for the 2016 spring (April) opening. When this date is established, you'll receive your new pool gate code by email monthly. A reminder that new residents must have signed pool forms on file with the HOA President in order to get these monthly pool access codes. You only have to submit your form once when you move here, unless the forms change. As always, 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. Happy New Year,
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!

With all the rain we've had in recent months, we've cut back on the irrigation of our common areas to avoid overwatering and fungus growth. You will probably want to do the same, especially as excess lawn water can overload your septic leach fields when it cannot drain quickly enough.

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:

Matthew Pursely and family of 393 Lou Page Ln, joined us in December. 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

Safety & Security at Home

Vandalism of yard decorations this season may seem like holiday hijinks, but damage occurred. When coupled with more serious recent night-time trespassing around our homeowners' doors and windows, apprehension of every trespasser is in order. Lawn damage done with illegally-operated motorized carts continues. Improved video security at the pool and parking lot has cut down, but not eliminated, the vandalism & trash there. Tell everyone in your household what's at stake: a moment of hijinks by anyone, BSHC resident or not, can have a long and costly aftermath. 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. These costly repairs come out of all our pockets and BSHC fights for full restitution.

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: for So. Bryan Cty Animal Shelter, Rt. 144 Spur - your extra pet (cat/dog) supplies: wet/dry food, bowls, leashes, toys, bedding & towels for an ongoing collection drive, drop off any time at 29 Victors Ct front porch. We just delivered some bags of dog & cat food, bedding, toys, & a carrier. Thanks!

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, Tuesdays 2-7pm: RH Farmers Market at JFG Park. Local produce, food, crafts, more!

THURS: 1st Thurs, monthly Richmond Hill History Museum local history series, 7pm, free (912)756-3697

FRI: May-Sep, Friday on the Train, 3rd Friday, monthly at Richmond Hill Station Exchange, across from JFG Park. Free music & more. Bring lawn chairs.

SAT: Mar-Oct, 1st Sat. monthly, 9-11am. Cars & Coffee at the RH History Museum. Share your cool car 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*****

1-1 New Year's Day

1-2 Bring One for the Chipper, JFG Park, 9am, free mulching of your (live!) 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

1/29-31 Annual Low Country Home & Garden Show, Savannah International Trade & Convention Center, Hutchinson Isl. \$8 adult, \$6 retiree, \$0 Ch & Active Mil.

2/1-21 Savannah Black Heritage Festival
www.savannahblackheritagefestival.com

2/6-7 Colonial Faire & Muster at Wormsloe State Park, Sav. Reenactments, period music, etc. 10-4 \$4.50 Fri, Free Sat & Sun www.gastateparks.org/wormsloe

2-7 Super Museum Sunday. Many local museums have free entrance fee today courtesy of Georgia Historical Society (912)651-2125

2/11-14 Savannah Book Festival, various venues.
www.savannahbookfestival.org

2-14 Valentine Wine & Chocolate Tasting Evening at Coastal Georgia Botanical Center (Bamboo Gardens). 7-9pm. Fee. Reservations (912)921-5460, tickets go quickly. www.coastalgeorgiabg.org

2-15 Presidents' Day

2-17 GA History Day Parade, Forsyth Park, Rain:2/19

2-28 Annual Dues notice sent out, payable by 3-31

3-13 Daylight Savings begins, clocks *spring ahead* 1 hr.

3-17 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah. Buses (fee) leaving & returning every hour by local bus companies via local parking lots including Fia Rua and Goody's. Details: Bryan Cty Chamber Of Commerce.

3/24-4/9 Savannah Music Festival
www.savannahmusicfestival.org

3-27 Easter

3-31 Annual Dues payment due by this date.

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

4-2 Civil War Trust Volunteer Day at Ft. McAllister, 9-4. Come help clean & beautify the fort. Volunteers get free entrance & lunch. (912)727-2339

4-5 Richmond Hill Farmer's Market begins for the season, JFG Park, every Tuesday 2-7.

4-12 Buckhead South Homeowner's Club Annual Mtg. Election of officers, budget info, more! Please attend this important meeting. Time & place will be emailed.

4/21-24 Vidalia Onion Festival: Celebrate the onion!

4-26 1st day of Passover

4-30 Last day to pay your BSHC dues without penalty.

BSHC Contacts

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President: Keith Spitznogle. **VP:** Phil Gore, Barb Clark, Paul 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 3-15-15 for the Apr issue.