

# *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 –

The thermometer may be regularly hitting ninety or above, but cooler temps and the holiday season really are right around the corner. There is a lot happening this fall and winter in our area for everyone to enjoy, check out the calendar at the end of this newsletter for details on specific events.

School is back in session and as the days shorten through the fall and winter months, please be extra mindful of our kids walking to/from and waiting at bus stops and be extra cautious driving through our neighborhood roads to keep everyone safe.

We've had another wonderful pool season, with minimal issues – thank you to all doing their part to make sure this amenity continues to be enjoyed by everyone. We're happy to announce that our pool will again remain open to accommodate the fall school break! This means, the pool will be open until October, 16<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting.

Halloween falls on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> this year and our trick-or-treaters will be making their way through the neighborhood from 6-8pm. Please have your exterior lights off, if you are not participating. We do hope our neighborhood will have a nice group of houses for the kids to visit.

Comments? Questions? You can always reach me at [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com).

Have a great autumn,

*Keith Spitznogle, BSHC President*

## *News from the Committees*

**Recreational Amenities** – We've seen several improvements to our amenities this summer, such as timed-play lights for the basketball courts, pressure washing and fresh paint at the playground, as well as replacement of the climbing wall handholds and toddler slide. Soon we will also see the addition of two whirly seats for our kids to enjoy.

The Pool Committee reports that we've had a great pool season, which will end on 10/16 this year to accommodate the fall school break. We're thrilled to have these few extra weeks of pool use again this year!

BSHC was pleased to again host the RHHS Band After-Camp pool party in July. These teens (some ours) are working out in the scorching heat for a week and this party is a welcome conclusion to their grueling week. As in previous years, the pool does remain open to all during this event. Band Parents provide all the food and chaperoning and leave our pool and lounge area in even better shape than they found it.

Please remind your household not to operate any wheeled apparatus on the basketball and tennis courts. These special surfaces can't withstand the abrasion of bikes, scooters, skates, skateboards or the like.

*Please remember 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, is not tolerated and trespassers will be prosecuted. Our 24/7 video surveillance system is helping here.*

Happy Fall, *Alison O'Malley, Pool Cmte Chair*

The **Welcome Committee** delivers Welcome Packets to new residents for a helpful start to living at Buckhead South. We rely on newspaper property transfer notices, 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 contact us.

This summer proved to be very lively as usual for home changes. We delivered 12 Welcome Packets to our newest residents and there's still more to come.

We are pleased to welcome Melissa Elledge of Tranquilla Hall as the new editor of our BSHC newsletter, beginning with this issue. We're so thankful for getting this new energy and perspective on board. As always, we welcome your input too, c/o [buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:buckheadsouthhoa@gmail.com).

Enjoy fall, *Sue Shea, Welcome Committee Chair*

## **Welcome Our Neighbors**



**A heartfelt welcome to our newest BSHC neighbors:**

**Alan Hays & family** of 413 Beauly Dr moved here in June. Welcome!

**Bethany Wingo** & family of 371 Beauty Dr also arrived in June and we welcome you!

**Kimberly & John Lester** of 398 Dalcross just joined us in late August and we're glad you're here!

**Loida Quintana & Edgar Niebla** of 67 Forest View E deserve a belated welcome here, having arrived in December but we just learned of it recently. Welcome to Buckhead South!

**Maria & Michael Galley** of 66 Lou Page Ln moved here in July from Kansas and we welcome you!

**Sabrina & Adam Croft** and family of 453 Lou Page Ln moved here in July from Savannah. Welcome!

**Mark & Georganna Flynn** and sons **Micah & Bryce** of 529 Lou Page Ln arrived in May and we welcome you!

**Tyler Hulsey** and family of 44 Moreton moved here in July. Welcome to Buckhead South!

**Tonya Poole** of 49 St. Martin Circle arrived in May. Welcome!

**Melissa & Timothy Macomber** of 341 St. Martin Circle moved to Buckhead South in August and we welcome you!

**Jamie & Michael Snyder** of 411 St. Martin moved here in July and we welcome you!

**Carey & Andrew Bancroft** and daughters **Elizabeth & Allison** of 223 Victors Ct moved here in June and we welcome you!

A very belated welcome to **Shira Jones** and family of 492 Victors Ct who moved in a while ago and we are just catching up. Welcome always!

*Are you new to Buckhead South but haven't 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)*

## ***Keep Buckhead South Beautiful***

As we head into the fall season, please ensure your lawn is receiving the appropriate care to set it up for health in the spring. One of the most common issues that can plague lawns in our area is the brown patch disease, which thrives in our high humidity and mild overnight temperature environment. Excess soil moisture, extended leaf wetness, and/or high levels of nitrogen increase severity of the disease. Best practices to combat this fungal disease are to correct water problems – over watering and/or insufficient turf drainage; minimize fertilizing; increase the grass cut height; increase air circulation; minimize shade; irrigate

turf early in the day to allow the foliage to dry as quickly as possible; reduce thatch; and remove dew from turf early in the day. Recommended fungicides can also be helpful in preventing further infection while the above corrective measures are taken.

Many exterior home improvements such as additions of fences or outbuildings, or significant changes to street view **must** be approved by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) first. Go to our website [www.buckheadsouth.com](http://www.buckheadsouth.com) under the "documents" tab to see the Architectural Review Guidelines and download the ARC application form. Questions? Contact an Officer *before you start*.

## ***Safety & Security at Home***

In light of increasing incidents of dogs roaming the neighborhood and a recent dog bite, it is important to note the safety of Buckhead South residents is of utmost importance. Many of our residents are pet owners and undoubtedly love their pets, so to protect the safety of our fellow residents and their pets, BSHC upholds Bryan County's laws and regulations regarding domestic animal care and responsibility. As a reminder, it is the duty of animal owners to ensure the protection of people and property from their animal's behavior with proper and sufficient restraint. The full Bryan County Animal Ordinance pertaining to leash laws ([Chapter 6, Sec. 17](#)) is available for viewing online.

Of late, our HOC parking lots have been experiencing after-hours trespassing. Please be aware these areas close at 9:30pm and persons or vehicles spotted in these areas after such time will be asked to leave. Help keep our community secure by reporting after-hours violations and kindly remind family members and guests that these areas are not after-hours hang outs.

***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:** for South Bryan County Animal Shelter – pet supplies (cat/dog): wet/dry food, bowls, leashes, toys, bedding & towels for an ongoing collection drive. Drop off at 29 or 406 Victor's Ct front porch or use the Animal Shelter's 24/7 drop bin at 250 Dog Lane (Rt 144 Spur, 2<sup>nd</sup> dirt road after dump). Thank you!

**WANTED:** List your BSHC groups here if you're looking to add members – whether it's a toddler playgroup, card group, book club, or special interest (astronomy, boating, golf...). New residents will welcome the invitations and some longer-term residents who have been too busy to meet their neighbors will benefit too. Contact the newsletter [shea29v@comcast.net](mailto:shea29v@comcast.net) to list here.

# 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. Times/dates can change, check ahead.

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

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

**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:** Saturday Picket at Ft. McAllister State Park 10-4. The fort's main house is be open and a Civil War soldier reenactor entertains topics ranging from fort history to civil war medicine. (912)727-2339.

## \*\*\*\*\* UPCOMING DATES \*\*\*\*\*

**9-2** Ft. McAllister Labor Day Fun, 9-4. Entrance fee or discount park pass.

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**9/7-9** River St BaconFest, Savannah

**9/17-24** Savannah Jazz Festival.  
[savannahjazzfestival.org](http://savannahjazzfestival.org)

**October -- Every Fri & Sat, 7:30 pm.** Live performance at Davenport House Museum, Savannah. This year covers the infamous 1820 Yellow Fever Epidemic. Res. (912)236-8097. Features Tranquilla Hall's own John Leonti! \$16 advance/\$19 door.

**10/4-6** Oktoberfest, Savannah Riverfront 4-10pm. Bratwurst, Weiner dog racing, Oompah dancing, music.

**10-5** Pumpkin Patch Kids Fest, 9-1, JFG Park, RH

**10-6** Picnic in the Park, Forsyth Park, Savannah, 5:30-8:30 pm. Food, music, competitive tables

**10-10** Annual Tybee Island Pirates Fest

**10/14-15** Bryan County Schools fall break

**10-14** Columbus Day

**10-16** BSHC Pool closes

**10/18-20** The Great Ogeechee Seafood Fest @ JFG Park, (F)5-11pm; (S)10-11pm; (Su)11-5pm. RHBC Chamber of Commerce (912)756-3444

**10-27** Shalom Y'All Jewish Food Fest, Monterey Square Savannah 11-3.

**10-27** Diwali Hindu holiday.

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

**11/2-3** Savannah Rock N 'Roll Marathon

**11-3** Daylight Savings Time ends, clocks *fall back* 1 hr

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

**11-28** Thanksgiving

**11/29-12/24** 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 & sweet treats.

**12-6** Annual Chili Cook-Off, 6:30 pm, JF Gregory Park. Food, music, crafts, fun.

**12-7** Richmond Hill Christmas Parade, 10am.

**12-7** Lighted boat parade & fireworks, Ft. McAllister Marina, 5:30 pm.

**12/7-9** Savannah Christmas on the River, music, crafts, Illuminated boat parade Sat night at dusk.

**12-14** Winter Muster Reenactment, Ft McAllister State Park, demonstrations 9-6, battle at 5pm. Normal park fee or discount Park Pass. (912)727-2339.

**12-21** First day of winter

**12-23** Chanukah begins at sundown

**12-25** Christmas

**12-26** Kwanzaa begins.

**12-31** New Year's Eve. Goodbye 2019, Hello 2020!

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**Secretary:** Sue Shea. **Cmte Chairs:** **Pool:** Alison O'Malley;

**Welcome:** Sue Shea; **Newsletter:** Melissa Elledge.

*Got news? Next newsletter deadline is 12-15-19 for the Jan. issue.*