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Cleaning out the garage? Post your sale items or announce your garage sale! We are all new here and many of us are first time home buyers so we could use some of this stuff! E-mail a description of your item and contact information to brbuzz@nc.rr.com.

Does anyone have a lead on a good, reliable cleaning person or cleaning service? I would like to find someone who is already working in Beckett's Ridge and can offer good references. Please email me with any leads --kcleaver@da.org or call Kathy Cleaver at 245-0401.

Hello! Are you searching for a beauty salon? Are you tired or walking into salons and taking what you can get? Are you tired of looking for your own personal master stylist who can work with you and your hair? Do you feel like you have to hire a babysitter just to get your hair cut? Or maybe you have to make your appointments weeks in advance and drive to Durham or Chapel Hill just to pay outrageous prices all because you are afraid of getting an inexperienced stylist.

Well, no more agonizing about this frustrating situation. The perfect person for you is right around the corner in "Wildwood Development" at Gloria's Hairshapes. Gloria has a private salon built onto the back of her home with a separate entrance. She's worked on Franklin Street, and in Durham at Mantrap Haircutters. She has over 15 years experience. Since the salon is in a residential location without walk-in traffic you can get an appointment within the week. Given that she holds the salon down alone, her machine is the receptionist. The message is in English and Spanish since she has a bilingual clientele, so leave a message and she will return your call when she gets a break in the day.

Gloria's Hairshapes
732-6420

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Did You Ever Wonder?

What are the words to the famous New Year's song everyone sings at midnight? Auld Lang Syne written at least partially by Robert Burns is presented below as downloaded from www.wilstar.com/xmas. Auld Lang Syne means "old long ago" or "the good old days". Several versions of the song exist and it is sung by nearly every English-speaking country in the world at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Day.

Auld Lang Syne

Should auld acquaintance be forgot
and never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
and days of auld lang syne?

For auld lang syne, my dear,
for auld lang syne,
we'll take a cup of kindness yet,
for auld lang syne.

Should auld acquaintance be forgot
and never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
and days of auld lang syne?

And here's a hand, my trusty friend
And gie's a hand o' thine
We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet
For auld lang syne

Other New Year's Tidbits:

- The early Babylonians may have started the tradition of making resolutions. Unlike today's resolutions to loose weight and quit smoking, the Babylonians made resolutions to return borrowed farm equipment.
- The tradition of using a baby to signify the new year was begun in Greece around 600 BC. It was their tradition at that time to celebrate their god of wine, Dionysus, by parading a baby in a basket, representing the annual rebirth of that god as the spirit of fertility. Early Egyptians also used a baby as a symbol of rebirth. Although the early Christians denounced the practice as pagan, the popularity of the baby as a symbol of rebirth forced the Church to reevaluate its position. The Church finally allowed its members to celebrate the new year with a baby, which was to symbolize the birth of the baby Jesus.
- Some say what you eat on New Year's Day will determine your luck for the rest of the year. Good luck foods across the world include black-eyed peas, hog meat, donuts, cabbage and rice. Eating these foods symbolizes "coming full circle" or prosperity, among other things.

THE BECKETT'S RIDGE buzz



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Welcome to the fourth *Beckett's Ridge Buzz* neighborhood newsletter! This newsletter will hopefully become an informative source of neighborhood news and events to which everyone can contribute. Your input is essential to making it worthwhile. Please submit your topic ideas and/or announcements. A special E-mail address has been created for your comments: brbuzz@nc.rr.com. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue.

NOTICE AND REMINDER

2002 association dues are late after January 15, 2002
Dues will remain at \$168 per year

Our transition meeting will be held at 7 PM on Monday, January 14, 2002 at the Sunrise Church on New Hope Church Road & I-40. This is an important meeting as management of the homeowner's association will be turned over to us. Our bylaws require appointment of, at a minimum, a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Nominating Committee. In this transitional meeting, five directors will be appointed. One will serve for one year, two will serve for two years and two will serve for three years.

Contact Charleston Management if you have not received a billing statement for the 2002 dues, notice about the upcoming meeting or to request discussion about a certain topic at the meeting.

Sarah Thompson is now the current point of contact for the subdivision. Her E-mail address is sthompson@charlestonmanagement.com. President Brian Wessler can also be contacted if desired. His E-mail address is bwessler@charlestonmgmt.com. The 2001/2002 Budget is on the web site for folks to view along with updated contact information for Ms. Sarah Thompson.

Happy
New
Year!



The Recipe

This issue features a delicious recipe submitted by Lori Slack...

Chicken Noodle Salad

- 1 head cabbage
- 5 green onions, tops included
- 1 cup celery
- 2 packages Ramen Noodles
- 1 small package slivered almonds
- 1/2 cup sesame seeds
- 2 cups chopped chicken, cooked
- Butter

Brown noodles, sesame seeds and almonds in butter. Cool. Chop cabbage, onions and celery.

Dressing:

- 1 cup salad oil
- 2 T. soy sauce
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup cider vinegar

Toss salad with dressing one hour before serving. Chill.

Serves 6

Neighbor Spotlight

Due to the holiday and poor planning, I was unable to find some willing participants! Neighbor Spotlight will hopefully return next quarter. Don't be bashful in volunteering!

Around Town

On December 3rd, a developer approached the Town Board about building a 90 acre subdivision in between Beckett's Ridge and Millstone Business Park along the newly built extension. This has not been approved yet and will require a public hearing and Town Board vote. It is still in the early stages so we will all have an opportunity to express our thoughts on the project to the Town Board.

The Hampton Pointe Shopping center was approved by a 4-1 vote of the Hillsborough Town Board. Construction is expected to begin approximately six months from now. Significant improvements to Highway 86 will be constructed that include synchronized traffic signals at both entrance/exit ramps of I-85, NC-86 and Business 70, and at the entrance to the shopping center. In addition, extra turn lanes and a landscaped median will be built to allow for improved traffic flow. The first store is expected to open a year from now and is speculated to be a Super Wal-Mart which will include a grocery store component.

The old Southern States building has been bought by a family from Roxboro and will be converted into a steak restaurant named Heartland Steakhouse. It is expected to open by March 15th. A December 4, 2001 article in the Chapel Hill Herald states that the mid-upscale restaurant will seat between 330 - 350 people and will have a full-service bar and a separate space for banquets or meetings. Offerings besides steak will include pasta, pork, lamb, sautéed seafood as well as salads. The family has owned and operated two other area restaurants, Homestead Steakhouse in Person County and Mariner's Cove in Durham.

Social Hour Anyone?

The Beckett's Ridge Book Club got off to a great start. Two books have been read and discussed. The next meeting is Sunday, January 6 at 2:00 p.m. This month's book is The Rapture of Caanan by Sherri Reynolds. If you are interested in joining, please contact Winnie Reaves at (919) 643-2578 or by email at Winnie_2@msn.com. Everyone is welcome to join!

Amy Newton has started a Beckett's Ridge Social Committee to plan socials, neighborhood yard sales, holiday activities, etc. There is also a notice posted on the Beckett's Ridge web site. Her E-mail address is amy@paulnewton.com and phone number is 245-3623 if you wish to be involved.

Neighborhood News

On December 3rd, 2001, the Town Board approved turning the intersection of Beckett's Ridge Drive, Woodbury Drive and Baycourt into a 4-way stop. In addition, the speed limit in the Becketts Ridge Drive extension was reduced to 25 mph. It is also likely that the Town Board will be turning the intersection of Beckett's Ridge Drive, Woodbury Drive and Oakhurst into a 4-way stop also.

Fall Fest 2001

On September 29, 2001 the 2nd Beckett's Ridge neighborhood party took place. There was an excellent turn out as evident from the pictures. The party featured games, music, great food and good company. A special thanks goes to the Social Committee for the planning. No pressure for a bigger and better party next year!



Afternoon Crowd



A Little Chilly Out!



Game Time



Evening Crowd L-R: Sergi Rabinovich, Sergio Rabinovich, Sophia Mann, Mikayla Mann, Paula Mann, Lauren Aucoin, Donna Aucoin, Candace Marles, Ben Sallard, Benjamin Sallard.



Dave and Sandy Beal



Beckett's Ridge 2001 Social Committee

Left to Right:

Winnie Reaves
Marie Doklovic
Don Charland
Dina Charland
Tracy Demianenko
Dan Demianenko
Amy Newton
Paty Wright
Shirley Valle
Wilma Alford