

### Beckett's Ridge Book Club

Second Sunday of every month at 2:00 p.m. Our next meeting is Sunday, April 14th at 2:00 at Amy Newton's house and the book is "Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya Sisterhood" by Rebecca Wells. If anyone would like to join or has any questions, please contact Winnie Reaves at 643-2578. Everyone is invited to attend.

### SUMMER POOL PASSES

Limited Number of SUMMER POOL PASSES available. CAMP NEW HOPE. \$290 per household for the summer season, Memorial Day through Labor Day. Olympic sized pool, Red Cross certified Lifeguard Staff 18+ years. Bathhouse, playground/picnic tables. Call 942-4716 or E-mail campnewhope@bellsouth.net for information. Leave mailing address to receive pool packet.

### Southern Living at Home

Now you can bring the pages of Southern Living to life in a relaxed, fun filled environment you'll love. The merchandise you'll find in the catalog mirrors the look of the Southern Living magazine-those special touches that make a house a home. Great benefits for hosting a party and for customers as well. Call Wendy Burns at 644-0780 or E-mail at burnsfam@mindspring.com to learn more about hosting a party and to obtain a catalog.

### Attention Mothers of Small Children (and those who love them!)

Are you a wonderful, patient, loving mom (or know one) who has small children? Would a little visual humor help you put things in perspective? I am a mom and a clinical social worker who has designed humorous baskets to meet the developmental needs of women who are also mothers....

**Udderly Amazing Mom** A fun goodie basket for nursing mothers who love this wonderful bonding experience and who may feel like a dairy truck! **Screaming Me-Me** This basket will bring a chuckle to a mom of either a newborn who enjoys testing their vocal cords or a mom of a tantruming toddler.

**A Fine Whine** Have a sip of sparkling cider and a slice of cheese in honor of the child you adore and who is making your hair stand on end!

Each gift is \$28.00. Baskets can be seen at 2605 Beckett's Ridge Dr. Call Terry at 643-2142 or E-mail Wattsup212@aol.com.

\*\*Half of all proceeds will go to assisting folks with mental health needs\*\*

### Vacation Bible School

Are you ready for summer? It will be here before we know it and so will Vacation Bible School. Children welcome to attend "God's Great Gallery" at Hillsborough United Methodist Church. The kickoff will be Sunday evening June 16th and will continue through June 21st.

Wendy Burns 644-0780  
burnsfam@mindspring.com

### PERENNIALS FOR SALE

Perennials for sale -- hollyhocks, foxgloves, delphiniums, lupines, and more. All proceeds to benefit Peace Covenant Church. Nothing over \$2. Call Dennis for details.

919-245-3569  
denandmel@juno.com.

### Advertise Here!

Do you know of a local business who may want to advertise in our newsletter? The BR Buzz is now accepting paid advertisements from area businesses. Please contact Marie Doklovic at 245-3176 or at brbuzz@nc.rr.com. Money paid for advertisements goes to the Beckett's Ridge HOA to cover publication costs of this quarterly newsletter.

This is a quarterly publication produced by Beckett's Ridge volunteers. Costs for production and duplication of the newsletter are funded by HOA dues. Submittals for the newsletter should be received by the end of the middle month of the quarter (i.e. end of Feb, May, Aug, Nov). Provide contact information for proofing and questions. As more information is submitted for publication, the newsletter will evolve in appearance and size. Comments and/or submittals can be sent to brbuzz@nc.rr.com or to Beckett's Ridge Buzz, 902 Kennesaw Court, Hillsborough, NC 27278.

### Gloria's Hairshapes

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.

732-6420

### Neighborhood News

#### Cleaning Lady *Cleans* House

Angela Wilkins, who has often distributed flyers for home cleaning services in Beckett's Ridge, was arrested and charged with two felony and one misdemeanor larceny counts for jewelry theft from two neighborhood clients. Ms. Wilkins has a prior record relating to theft.

#### Some Don't Stop for Stop Signs

Although stop signs have been placed at Woodbury and Beckett's Ridge Drive, some drivers are still ignoring them. Be careful when crossing!

If you have some neighborhood news to share, please submit to brbuzz@nc.rr.com!

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## New Beckett's Ridge HOA Board Members

Charleston Management hosted the Beckett's Ridge Home Owners Association (HOA) transitional meeting on January 14, 2002. The attending residents selected a seven member board from several nominees as presented below. Meet our new board!



#### President - Paul Newton

Paul is a supervisor and network engineer for LabCorp in RTP.

Paul and wife Amy moved from Raleigh in 2000 with their two cocker spaniels, Mattie and Daisy, and a tabby cat named Roman.



#### Vice President - Pamela L.A. Barkett Communications Committee

Pamela relocated from Maryland to North Carolina in 2001. She is employed at UNC Chapel Hill and lives with her husband Jake and two cats. She has five grown children and two grandchildren.



#### Secretary - Rick Freeman

Rick works for the Orange County Board of Education and lives with his wife Lynn. He has two grown children who reside in Georgia.

Dear Beckett's Ridge Residents,

First, I would like to say welcome everyone to the all-new Beckett's Ridge Home Owners Association. In January, the association was transitioned from Centex Homes to the residents of Beckett's Ridge. The



Beckett's Ridge HOA is now governed by seven of your neighbors including myself with Charleston Management being retained as our property management company. At our first HOA Board Meeting, I volunteered to serve a one year term as HOA President. I want to let everyone know that I am excited about being able to work for you and want to do whatever I can to help protect the value of what, for most of us, is our largest investment ... our homes!

With that in mind, I would like to share with you some of the "goings on" in and around the Town of Hillsborough and specifically near our subdivision.

The South side of Hillsborough is a very attractive zone for many developers. We all are able to reside in Beckett's Ridge because in 1998, the Town of Hillsborough approved a zoning and annexation request by Centex Homes. Similarly, in 2000, the Town of Hillsborough approved a zoning and annexation request for the parcel of land in between us and Wildwood, soon to be known as "The Summit". This year, another request has been made to re-zone and annex the parcel of land that backs up to Beckett's Ridge along the Beckett's Ridge Drive extension between us and the Old Mill Business Park (proposed named to be Old Mill Ridge).

Also on the horizon, is the possible Waterstone development. Waterstone would be a mixed use development that stretches

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from the back of Beckett's Ridge all the way to Old-86 then all the way to Interstate 40. If developed, Waterstone would contain retail, office, single family, multi-family, community college, and town homes. In addition, a road connecting Old-86 to New-86 would be constructed. This is a very large development by anyone's standards. The current plans have a single family neighborhood backing up against Beckett's Ridge (all along Woodbury all the way down to Ingram Court).

While there is likely to be much debate within Hillsborough and Orange County communities regarding this possible development, it is important that everyone understand that Beckett's Ridge is right next door to an Economic Development District. That means that even if Waterstone is not developed, something, at some point, will be developed on that land. It is a matter of "what", "when", and "how" ... not "if".

If you have concerns about the future developments around Beckett's Ridge and Hillsborough, there are a few things that you can do to keep yourself informed and to voice your opinions:

- You can always contact our Mayor or one of our Town Commissioners.
- You can always contact our Town Manager or Planning Director.
- You can attend Public Hearings. Your "voice" carries a whole lot more weight than you may realize!
- You can attend Town Board of Commissioners meetings that are held the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:00pm in the Town Barn.
- Or, you can get involved! Hillsborough is your Town too! There is a Volunteer Application on the Town of Hillsborough's website (a link from - <http://www.beckettsridge.com/>) and the Town can use all of the help it can get!

In closing, I want to once again mention that I am excited about being able to serve all of you as a member of your Home Owners Association and would also like to say that I look forward to working with you over the coming years.

Sincerely,  
Paul D. Newton, President  
Beckett's Ridge Home Owners Association  
Email: paul@paulnewton.com

## The Recipe

### Blueberry Crisp a la Mode


Note: You can use almost any combination of fresh berries in this dessert.

- 6 cups blueberries
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 2/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup regular oats
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 4 1/2 tablespoons chilled butter or stick margarine, cut into small pieces
- 2 cups vanilla lowfat frozen yogurt

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees
2. Combine first 4 ingredients in a medium bowl, spoon into an 11x7-inch baking dish. Lightly spoon flour into a dry measuring cup, and level with a knife. Combine 2/3 flour, 1/2 cup brown sugar, oats and cinnamon and cut in the butter with a pastry blender or 2 knives until the mixture resembles coarse meal. Sprinkle over the blueberry mixture. Bake at 375 for 30 minutes or until bubbly. Top each serving with 1/4 cup frozen yogurt.

Yields 8 servings (288 calories & 8 grams of fat)

Submitted by Karen Pendergast - Kennesaw Court



## Around Town

*Tupelo's Tavern opened a couple of weeks ago. Its small, its quaint, but its nice! They are open Wed-Sat in the evenings (open later on Fri and Sat). When I have been in there, they have had live music (mostly of the smooth jazz type). Tupelo's Tavern is in downtown Hillsborough on Churton Street right next door to Tupelo's (on the corner of Churton and King Street).*

*-Online Forum Post by Paul Newton  
March 26, 2002*

## Old Mill Ridge Subdivision Proposal

Before the Town of Hillsborough is a proposal to rezone the land that surrounds the Beckett's Ridge Extension to R-10 (Residential). The developer intends to put clustered units on that land. This past Wednesday night (March 20, 2002), the Beckett's Ridge Home Owners Association Board of Directors voted to voice our opposition to the Old Mill Ridge re-zoning to the Hillsborough Town Board for the following reasons:

1. The existing 100 foot buffer between Beckett's Ridge and the proposed subdivision could be removed. The re-zoning is for R-10, however, the lot sizes are between 5,000 and 8,000 square feet which means the proposed subdivision will be clustered housing. Having clustered homes immediately next door to Beckett's Ridge will adversely affect some of our HOA member's property values.

2. The development is "land locked" to any arterial or collector streets which means that one of the three possible ways to exit the subdivision will be through Beckett's Ridge on Beckett's Ridge Drive (a road that is already very busy because of the connection it creates between Old and New 86). This will pose as a safety concern for all HOA members who live along Beckett's Ridge Drive.

3. In order to build homes on the portion of the property between Cates Creek and Beckett's Ridge, an incredible amount of grading will have to be performed because of the steep grade of the land. This will result in a disruption of the natural flow of water runoff which could possibly have adverse affects on those HOA members whose homes will border the proposed development.

If anyone has any other items to add to the list, please let me know. There will be two upcoming meetings that you may want to attend:

Tuesday, April 2, 6:30pm at the Town Barn – Planning Board Meeting – At the meeting, the Planning Board will vote to decide whether or not to recommend that the Town Board approve the re-zoning.

Monday, April 8, 7:30pm at the Town Barn – Town Board Meeting – At this meeting, the Town Board will vote as to whether or not to approve the rezoning

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at paul@paulnewton.com

Paul D. Newton, President  
Beckett's Ridge Home Owners Association

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**Treasurer - Ira Simon**

Ira is the Director of Dining Services for UNC. He resides with his wife Trish. His son Josh is currently a freshman at the University of Alabama.



**Dana Risely  
Architectural Review Committee  
Communications Committee**

Dana resides with wife Marianne, daughter Sarah and their two dogs Nikki and Baron. He is employed by Duke University in the Information Technology field.



**Sergio Rabinovich, Jr.  
Architectural Review Committee Chair**

Sergio works in the Emergency Department at UNC hospitals in Chapel Hill. He lives with wife Holly and son Sergi.



**Brad Williams  
Architectural Review Committee  
Communications Committee**

Brad and wife Wendy Novicenskie were recently married. He works for IBM in Research Triangle Park.

## Waterstone Development Proposal

The Beckett's Ridge HOA Board of Directors will be meeting with the Cornwallis Hills HOA Board of Directors, the Hillsborough Town Manager and the developers of the possible Waterstone development in mid April.

This meeting will be an informational meeting for the developer to show us his idea and to field questions from the two boards. If anyone has any specific questions they would like answered, please forward them to Paul Newton via email at paul@paulnewton.com by April 17th.