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## Welcome to New Beckett's Ridge Residents

The BR HOA Board extends a warm welcome to new residents! You should have received the Beckett's Ridge covenants and architectural guidelines at your closing. Contact Sarah Thompson at Charleston Management if you have any questions about these documents. We hope that your neighbors have introduced themselves and that you are getting to know your way around Hillsborough.



*Chandler Court:* Patrick & Katherine Brooks  
*Woodbury Drive:* Adam & Holly Buchanan, Robert Sumner



## Halloween Safety

Don't forget a flashlight when you are out trick or treating. Please be alert when you are walking, especially if you are with younger children, on our neighborhood streets without sidewalks and at all intersections. The Community Watch group is considering ways to manage the anticipated increase in car and pedestrian traffic through Beckett's Ridge on Halloween. Contact Sergio Rabinovich at [srabinovich@earthlink.net](mailto:srabinovich@earthlink.net) or 245-3248 if you'd like to help.

### Community Watch Home Safety Hints

- Keep doors and screen doors locked
- Install a peephole and use it
- Put timers on your interior lights
- Regularly turn on exterior lights
- Lock cars parked in the driveway
- Call 911 if you see anything suspicious

### HOA Board Meetings

7:00 p.m.

Colonial Insurance Bldg.  
Millstone & Old 86

Remaining Meetings in 2004

October 20  
November 17  
December 15

## Homeowner Announcements



- Baby and Pet Sitter** I am 13 years old and have experience with babysitting kids ages 2 thru 11. I charge \$4 an hour. I have also completed the 'safe sitter' course. I can also pet sit, but my fees vary for this. I have experience with cats, dogs, birds, fish, and hamsters. My name is Alex Mann and my phone number is (919) 622-7305. Please leave me a message! My email address is [alexkool2000@yahoo.com](mailto:alexkool2000@yahoo.com). You can call or email me with jobs. Hope to sit for you soon!
- Babysitter Available** A responsible 8<sup>th</sup> grader and Beckett's Ridge resident who is great with kids is looking for baby sitting jobs in the neighborhood. Contact Becca at 644-1018.
- Mother's Helper and Babysitter** I am an 11 year old mother's helper and charge \$3 an hour for this service. I also have experience babysitting children ages 3 thru 7. I charge \$3.50 an hour for this. My name is Mikayla Mann and my email is [actingmikayla@yahoo.com](mailto:actingmikayla@yahoo.com). My phone number is (919) 622-7305. I look forward to your call.
- Interested in joining a neighborhood Bible study?** Please contact Paul or Liz Meggett at 732-7219. We are interested in hosting a neighborhood Bible study at 2205 Beckett's Ridge Drive on Friday evenings around 7:00 starting October 1, 2004. Singles or couples are welcome. Very low key study--no need to have a master's of divinity to come. Let's get together and share what God reveals to us in His word.
- "Hey Neighbor!"** Send information about your home-based service or organization to [brbuzznewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:brbuzznewsletter@yahoo.com) and we'll print it in the next newsletter.

## HOA Board Notes



**Woodbury Speed Bumps – Update:** Sarah Thompson of Charleston Management sent a letter to the Town of Hillsborough asking for speed tables on Woodbury Drive. As soon as the HOA hears back from the Town, the Board will proceed with the petition.

**New Street Light:** A street light was installed at the Beckett's Ridge Drive "extension" entrance to the neighborhood as a safety measure and to help deter vandalism.

**Tot Lot Fences- Update:** The broken tot lot gates and fences were replaced in mid-September.

**Retention Pond Landscaping:** The contracted landscape architect is working on plans for all retention ponds for the Board to review this fall.

## Around Town

**Election Month:** November is ELECTION MONTH!

Early voting will occur October 14-October 30 at the Orange County Board of Elections office at 110 East King Street. Election Day is November 2 and our voting poll precinct is at Grady Brown Elementary School (across the street from Cedar Ridge High School). Do your part – get out and vote!



**Hampton Pointe:** The Town Planning Board will have a public hearing on October 26<sup>th</sup> that includes the discussion of a special use permit for a Goodwill Community Foundation store on the fourth outparcel in the shopping development.

# Neighborly Reminders



- **Holiday Decorations:** Outside seasonal decorations may be displayed up to three weeks before or after the holiday season.
- **Parking:** The streets of Beckett's Ridge were not intended to accommodate regular on-street parking. While everyone will have an occasional need to park on the street, please fill your driveway first and encourage your guests to park in your driveway. Parking a car in the right-of-way area on the side of the road (typically the grassy area in between the road and sidewalk) is a violation of town ordinance and HOA covenants.
- **Garbage Cans & Recycling Bins:** After the weekly trash & recycling pick up occurs, garbage cans and recycling bins need to be properly stored out of view. Please do your part to help keep our neighborhood looking nice.
- **Dogs!:** Whether you are on a walk or your dog strays into another yard, pick up after your dog. Please keep our neighborhood sidewalks and boulevards a clean and pleasant place of others to walk and jog. What more can be said?




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## Newsletter Publication and Submissions

This is a quarterly publication authored by Beckett's Ridge volunteers. **Volunteers to help with newsletter content are needed.** HOA members may submit announcements and articles for the newsletter by the 10th of each publishing month (March, June, September, December). Ads for BR homeowner owned businesses and services will be included as space allows (business card size). Send inquiries to [brbuzznewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:brbuzznewsletter@yahoo.com) or to Beckett's Ridge Buzz Newsletter c/o Beckett's Ridge HOA, PO Box 97243, Raleigh, NC 27624. The BR Buzz paid advertising policy is available upon request or at <http://www.beckettsridge.com>. Costs for the publishing and distribution of the BR Buzz newsletter by The Monthly Metropolitan are funded by HOA dues and advertisement revenue.




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- Mix into egg mixture: 2/3 cup pumpkin, 1 tsp lemon juice,
- Sift together and fold into pumpkin mixture: 3/4 cup flour, 1 tsp baking powder, 2 tsp cinnamon, 1 tsp ginger, 1/2 tsp salt
- Spread into greased & floured cookie sheet and bake at 375 degrees for 15 minutes
- Turn out on smooth towel sprinkled with confectionary sugar -- Allow to cool 3 minutes and spread filling on cake and roll up
- Filling: 1 cup confectionary sugar, 2 -3 oz packages cream cheese (softened), 4 tbs butter or margarine, 1/2 tsp vanilla -- Beat until smooth.

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