



BURKHART RIDGE NEWS

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April Showers

Bring May

Flowers!!!



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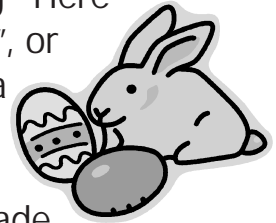


Celebrating Our 5th Year

Happy Easter

Sunday, April 11TH

Whether you're singing "Here Comes Peter Cottontail", or "Easter Parade", it's a fun day, as well as, a religious one. Actually, there is an Easter Parade in New York on Fifth Ave. and an Easter egg hunt every year on the White House lawn. Traditionally, people get up early and the children look to see where the Easter Bunny has hidden their Easter baskets. It's always fun to see what goodies he has left for them. It's a great day for a family outing, visiting friends and family, or staying home and having a nice dinner with your family. Easter Sunday is always a good day to go to sunrise services, color eggs for an Easter egg hunt or maybe deliver some Easter lilies to a special person. However you spend your Easter Sunday, we hope you have a great day!



HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!



**BON
APPETIT!**

Asparagus Beef Roll-ups

- 1 and 1/2 cups water
- 36 fresh asparagus spears, trimmed
- 1 carton (8 ounces) spreadable chive and onion cream cheese
- 3 to 5 tablespoons prepared horseradish
- 2 packages (5 ounces each) thinly sliced roast beef



In a large skillet, bring water to a boil. Add asparagus, cover and boil for 2-3 minutes or until tender-crisp. Drain and immediately place asparagus in ice water. Drain and pat dry. In a small mixing bowl, combine cream cheese and horseradish. Pat beef slices dry with paper towels. Spread each slice with a thin layer of cream cheese mixture; top with an asparagus spear. Roll up tightly. Refrigerate until serving. Makes 3 dozen.

Banana Cream Dessert

- 4 medium bananas, sliced
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- 1 and 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/4 cup sugar 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 package (3.4 ounces) instant vanilla pudding mix
- 1 carton (12 ounces) frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1/3 cup chopped pecans or walnuts



Toss bananas with lemon juice, drain well and set aside. In bowl combine the cracker crumbs, sugar and butter. Press into a greased 9-inch spring-form pan. In a small mixing bowl, beat the sour cream and pudding mix on low speed for 2 minutes. Fold in bananas and whipped topping. Pour into prepared crust. Chill for up to 6 hours. Sprinkle with nuts.

Hot Artichoke and Cheddar Dip

- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
 - 3/4 cup mayonnaise
 - 2 tablespoons minced onion
 - 1 (6oz.) jar marinated artichokes, drained & chopped
- Mix all ingredients and spread into an ovenproof dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Use as a dip for nacho chips or crackers or for a spread on French bread.



CHUCKLE & GRIN...

Signs You Are Broke

1. American Express calls and says "Leave home without it!"
2. Your idea of a 7-course meal is taking a deep breath outside a restaurant.
3. You've rolled so many pennies, you've formed a psychic bond with Abe Lincoln.
4. Long distance companies don't call you to switch.
5. You look at your roommate and see a large fried chicken in tennis shoes.
6. You rob Peter...then Paul.
7. You finally clean your apartment, hoping to find change.
8. You think of a lottery ticket as an investment.
9. Your bologna has no first name.
10. McDonald's supplies you with all your kitchen condiments

Barbershop

A priest went into a Washington barbershop and got his hair cut. He then asked how much he owed the barber. "No charge, Father," said the barber. "I consider it a service to the Lord." When the barber arrived at his shop the next morning, he found a dozen small paper booklets on the stoop along with a thank you note from the priest. A few days later, a police officer came in. "How much do I owe you?" the cop asked after his haircut. "No charge officer," the barber answered. "I consider it a service to my community."

The next morning the barber found a dozen donuts on the stoop along with a thank-you note from the police officer. A few days after that, a Senator walked in for a haircut. "How much do I owe you?" "No charge," the barber replied. "I consider it a service to my country." The next morning when the barber arrived at the shop he found a dozen Senators waiting on the stoop.

Tax Relief

- Okay, it's tax time again. We thought we would try and cheer up a little tax humor....
- A dollar saved is bound to be taxed
 - People who complain about paying their income tax can be divided into two types: men and women.
 - What's the difference between a tax collector and a taxidermist? A taxidermist only takes the skin.
 - The difference between death and taxes is death doesn't get worse every time Congress meets.

WELL.....DID IT WORK?

From the Managers...

Pets



As the nice weather is approaching we have noticed more people out walking their dogs. Please remember your pets must be on a leash. Also,, please be considerate of the other residents when walking your dogs and make sure to keep them off of others' lawns. Please carry something with you to pick up any messes made by your pet. We also must ask that you keep all pets away form the clubhouse, pool and playground areas.

Trash Cans

Although we realize that many of our residents work and cannot put their trash cans away after trash is picked up on Monday morning, we do, however, expect them to be picked up when you get home Monday evening. We are finding that not everyone is doing this. So, in order to stop people from ignoring this rule, our maintenance crew will go through the community on Tuesday mornings and any trash cans that have not been put away will be picked up and disposed of. This could be a costly investment if you are one of the ones who repeatedly leaves them out. We have tried writing violations for this rule infraction and have been ignored. If you are going to be away from home please ask one of your neighbors to do this for you.



X-mas Lights

As there is no such thing as Christmas in July, we are once again asking those of you who have not taken down your X-mas lights, to please do so. If they are left up after this month is over, there will be a written violation in your file.



Water Bills

When paying your water bills, send the payment to D&B Billing Services and not to Burkhart Ridge. The only time we accept water bill payments is when you've been to court over non-payment. D&B now accepts credit card payments for anyone who might be interested.



Gutters and Downspouts

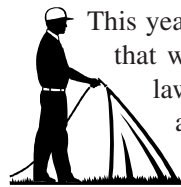


It is a requirement of the community that all houses must have gutters and downspouts. There are several houses that do not have them or have broken ones. If you are one of these residents, please see that you take care of this matter as soon as possible. We will be going through the community to check on these to make sure they're completed. Also, at this time, we would like to mention that many of you have siding or trim missing on your shed or home, please repair these right away. Remember, all exposed wood trim is to be painted or more preferably covered in aluminum. The key to an attractive community is that everyone keeps their homes and homesites clean and well cared for.

Clubhouse Update

As many of you are aware, the Community Office has now moved to the clubhouse. Please stop by and visit some time and feel free to take a look around the building. We still have plenty more to do before we officially open the building to the residents. We hopefully will be able to begin issuing assess cards in the next two weeks. We will most likely be calling residents to schedule a time to have their picture taken for their I.D.. Burkhart Ridge Management would like to take the opportunity to thank all residents for their patience during our Community Clubhouse construction. We hoped to make it one of the best manufactured home community clubhouses and we hope our Residents think so. As our way of saying thank you, Burkhart Ridge would like to welcome all residents and guests to our Community Clubhouse and 5th Year Anniversary Celebration which will be May 15th and 16th, noon to 4 P.M.. We will have plenty of food, lots of prizes and hopefully fun for all.

Lawn Care



This year we are pleased to inform all residents that we will once again be offering seasonal lawn fertilization, weed control, grub control and web worm control from Tru-Green/Chemlawn. The cost for this service is only \$95.00 which is well below the price it would cost if purchased directly from Tru-Green/Chemlawn as well as below what it costs Burkhart Ridge to offer this service. All homesites are required to be maintained in a healthy manner and fertilaztion is an integral part. Please stop by the Community Office to sign up.

Did You Know...?

- For the first 17 years Life Savers candy was made, there was no hole in the center.
- The average child by the time they graduate high school consumes 1500 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.
- The most popular flavor of Jell-O eaten is strawberry.
- Martha Stewart, who is so much in the news these days, wasn't always a domestic maven. She started out in modeling at age 13.
- The names Shirley, Beverly, Vivian Ashley were all originally given to boys.
- People buy cars according to their lifestyle, not their incomes.











Make Hay While the Sun Shines

Daylight Savings Time Begins at 2:00 am on April 4th

Benjamin Franklin was among the first Americans to discuss the idea of Daylight Savings Time. He proposed the idea when he was U.S. Minister to France to help conserve the cost of lighting shops. The purpose was to use more of the daylight hours in the Spring and Summer for daytime activities. DST was generally adopted by countries around World War 1 and in fact, during World War II the U.S. implemented "double" daylight savings time by moving the clock ahead TWO hours.

Enjoy the Sunlight and Don't Forget to Set Your Clock Ahead One Hour!

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 RENT DUE | 2 | 3 Office Closed |
| 4 Office Closed | 5 | 6 LATE FEES ASSESSED FOR ALL LATE RENTS <i>Passover</i> | 7 | 8 | 9  <i>Good Friday</i> | 10 Office Closed |
| 11  <i>Happy Easter</i> Office Closed | 12 | 13 | 14  Webster's Dictionary Published (1828) | 15  Taxes Due | 16 | 17 Office Closed |
| 18 Office Closed | 19  Revolutionary War Began (1775) | 20 | 21  Secretaries' Day | 22  Earth Day | 23 | 24 Office Closed |
| 25 Office Closed | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30  Louisiana Purchase (1803) | |