

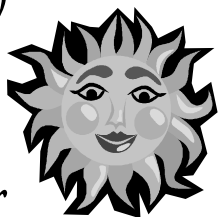


# BURKHART RIDGE NEWS

A Community Publication

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*Have A Happy  
Safe and Fun  
Filled Summer*



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## ***“AMAZING AUGUST”***

Although August seems to be a long, hot and dry month, sometimes called the “dog days of summer month”, there are actually some interesting events going on as well as a few very special appreciation days. The following list names just a few of these days.

“National Friendship Day”, August 3, a day to remember that special person we call “friend”.

“National Sisters Day”, August 4, a day to enjoy with our sister’s, maybe to have lunch or talk on the phone with her just to say “Hi” I’m thinking of you!”

“Howell Melon Festival” weekend, August 22 through 24<sup>th</sup>. A fun filled weekend with lots of entertainment, arts and crafts, sidewalk sales, beer tents, good food and luscious Howell melons.

“Community Yard Sale”, the last yard sale of the year. A chance to get rid of all of those items no one ever uses any more.

“First day of School” August 26<sup>th</sup>. This day is always appreciated by parents as well as SOME of the kids.

So everyone should try and enjoy those lazy days of summer as it won’t be long before it’s over and fall is right around the corner.



**Bev's Barbecued Beans**

- 2 (16 oz. cans) cut green beans
- 6 to 8 slices bacon cooked (save one for top)
- 1 medium onion
- 1 cup catsup
- 1 Tbs. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup water

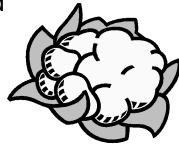


Fry bacon & sauté onion. Drain and add next 4 ingredients. Simmer 2 minutes, then pour over green beans. Crumble 1 slice of cooked bacon over top. Bake at 325° for 30 minutes.

(Submitted by Beverly Denyes)

**Layered Cauliflower Salad**

- Layer in a 3-qt. Bowl:
- 1 medium head cauliflower cut into bite size pieces
  - 1 medium head of lettuce torn in bite size pieces
  - 1 medium red onion chopped
  - 1/2 lb. bacon fried crisp and crumbled



Combine and mix well:

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 3 tablespoons sugar

Spread over top of salad right to the edges of bowl. Sprinkle with 1/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese. Cover tightly and chill 8 hours. Toss gently before serving.

**Hot Artichoke and Cheddar Dip**

- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
- 3/4 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoon minced onion
- 1 (6 oz.) jar marinated artichokes, drained & chopped



Mix all ingredients and spread into an ovenproof dish. Bake at 350° for 20 minutes. Use as a dip for nacho chips or crackers or for a spread on French bread.

**Chuckle & Grin...**

**Silly Tourist!**

These are real questions that people actually asked of Park Rangers around the country.

Grand Canyon National Park

- Was it Man-made?
- Do you light it up at night?
- I bought tickets to the elevator to the bottom...where is it?
- Is the mule train air-conditioned?
- So where are the faces of the presidents?

Everglade National Park

- Are the alligators real?
- Are the baby alligators for sale?
- Where are all the rides?
- What time does the two o'clock bus leave?

Denali National Park

- What time do you feed the bears?
- How often do you mow the tundra?
- How much does Mount McKinley weigh?

**Facts of Life...**

- And you thought you knew it all...
- The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because by then your body and your fat are really good friends.
- Just when you get used to yesterday, along comes today.
- Age doesn't always bring wisdom. Sometimes age comes alone.
- When stuff hits the fan, it will not be evenly distributed.
- If at first you don't succeed, see if the loser gets anything.

**Witticisms**

- Shotgun wedding: A case of wife or death.
- A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.
- A hangover is the wrath of grapes.
- Once you've seen one shopping center, you've seen a mall.
- The short fortune teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
- A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blown apart.
- The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered.
- A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.
- If you don't pay your exorcist, you get repossessed.
- When a clock is hungry it goes back for seconds.

# From the Managers...

## Community Yard Sale

This is your last chance this year to unload all of those items you no longer use. The last yard sale of the season will be held on August 22nd & 23rd. The sale runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and noon-4 p.m. on Sunday. Please remember to clean up all areas when the sale is over. It is your responsibility to arrange for garbage pick-up for large items. Burkhart Ridge will post signs and advertise the sale.



## Lose A Pet?.....



The Burkhart Ridge office is receiving many complaints on pets running loose in the community. We have no other option but to have them picked up by animal control.

People are tired of having to pick up waste out of their yards from other's pets. Cats are becoming a major problem. They not only eliminate in people's yards, they dig holes under skirting and create a mess under people's homes. Cats are not allowed out of your home unless on a leash just like a dog. If we call animal control to pick up your pet, your pet will not be allowed back into the community. YOU, the pet owners are expected to take care of your pets and pick-up after them not your neighbors!

## Let's Go For A Swim...

As you may have heard, the swimming pool is now open. All of the residents that have used the pool seem to really be enjoying themselves. Please, if you have not picked up and signed for your copy of the pool rules, stop in the office as soon as possible to do so. You must sign a pool acceptance form before you use the pool. Also, remind your children that there is no rough play or running in the pool area. We will not be responsible for someone getting hurt. Remember too, that the pool is for everyone's enjoyment, so please be courteous of others and please see that your children under 14 are properly supervised.



## Lawn Service

For those residents who paid for Tru-Green lawn service, we have contacted Tru-Green to let them know that their weed killer is not doing the job. They assured us that they will spray this week and again in two weeks if necessary. After speaking with the management at Tru Green, they informed us that if people do not water their lawns thoroughly the fertilizers they use will do no good. Even the best lawn care maintenance program does little good without proper watering. Remember, the same grass used at the Community Entrance is the same grass used on your homesite. The entrance has also received the same Tru-Green applications as your home site however it is watered nightly by an automatic irrigation system.



## If You Were A Tree...

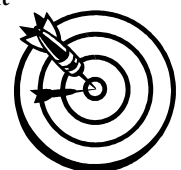


As many of you have noticed, the trees in the Community are beginning to lose their leaves. This is not the sign of an early Fall but more so a lack of water. Even though the tree on your home site may have been planted years ago, it still needs to be watered with a garden hose. With the drought we are having, even the biggest of rain showers does not penetrate the soil making it to the trees thirsty roots. It is recommended that trees be watered at least three times a week with a garden hose set to a small pencil size stream of water for at least two hours per watering.

## Targets For the Month

This month, Community management will be targeting several rule violators for the following reason:

- Excessive Weeds
- Oversized Kiddy Pools
- Oil Stains from Leaky Vehicles
- Unpainted Shed Doors and Door Trim



To ensure that you do not receive a violation for one of the above reasons, please correct these matters as soon as possible. Thank you.

# Did You Know...?

- Bottled water isn't safer or healthier than what comes out of the tap. Tap water has been found to consistently have lower bacterial counts than bottled samples and tap water contains fluoride to protect tooth decay.
- Want to get someone's attention fast?
- According to a recent poll 68% said e-mail is the most effective with voice mail 27% and fax 13% the next best way.
- Eight times as many unmarried couples live together than did in 1970.
- America's wealthiest 1% have an average annual income of \$675,000 with a net worth averaging \$4.2 million. There are over 1 million households that fit into this category.
- 21% of internet users have searched on-line for religious or spiritual information compared to 15% who used on line banking. 15% who have participated in on-line auctions and 15% who have used online dating services.
- Your body has a funny spot and its not your funny bone. According to experts the brain has a funny spot – a small region of the frontal lobe which is critical to the ability to understand jokes.
- For one million dollars, 2 out of 10 of us would climb a high rise building; 1 out of 10 would wrestle an alligator, 3 out of 10 would bungee jump from a hot air balloon and 3 out of 10 would swallow 10 live goldfish.



## Woman's Equality Day August 26<sup>th</sup>







On July 13, 1848, five women met for tea in upstate New York. Having commiserated about the lot of women in American society, they did something brash and wonderful ...they sent off a notice to the local newspaper announcing "a convention to discuss the social, civil, and religious conditions and rights of woman" to be held just six days later in Seneca Falls. And...the Women's Rights Movement was born!

Perhaps inspired by the sovereignty of Iroquois women, convention participants drafted a Declaration of Sentiments which began: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, That all men and women are created equal..." One of the resolutions called for universal women's suffrage. One hundred women and men from all walks of life signed that Declaration. Only one, nineteen-year-old Charlotte Woodward, lived to see women win the vote.

On August 26, 1920, after a 72-year struggle, the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution of the U.S. was finally ratified, granting women the right to vote nationwide.

President Carter designated August 26<sup>th</sup> as Women's Equality Day, as a reminder of women's continuing efforts for equality.  
*YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY!*

# August 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 RENT DUE	2
3 National Friendship Day Office Closed	4  National Sisters Day	5	6 LATE FEES ASSESSED FOR ALL LATE RENTS	7	8	9  Smokey the Bear's Birthday (1944)
10 Office Closed	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Office Closed	18	19  National Aviation Day	20	21	22  Howell Melon Festival	23  Community Yard Sale Howell Melon Festival
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