

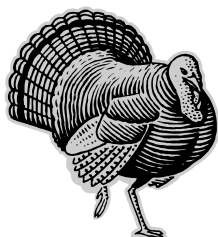


BURKHART RIDGE NEWS

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*Have a
Happy
Thanksgiving!!!*



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EQUAL HOUSING
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Happiness Is...Not Being a Turkey In November!

Thanksgiving
November 27, 2003

We've been waiting all year for fall and the holidays and now it's that time of the year again. What could be better than being with family and friends, eating some great food and watching a little football or maybe playing a game of football with family and friends in weather that's not too hot or too cold.

This is also the time of year we honor the veterans who have fought to keep and restore peace around the world, and still continue to do so.



So, whether you are out visiting relatives or just staying at home this year, take time to reflect on the past year and be thankful for our many blessings. It's a wonderful time to say "I'm proud to be an American!"

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!!!



BON APPETIT!

Holiday Chocolate Pie

- 4 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup Hershey's syrup
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1 & 1/2 cups frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1 9oz. packaged crumb crust



Additional whipped topping and Hershey's syrup
Beat cream cheese until smooth in large bowl. Gradually add syrup and milk, beating until blended. Fold in 1 and 1/2 cups whipped topping. Pour mixture into crust. Freeze several hours or overnight. (Wrap pie after partially frozen.) Serve with additional whipped topping and chocolate syrup. Garnish with chocolate chips or curls, cherries or strawberries if desired.

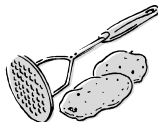
Cranberry Salad

- 1 pound cranberries, finely ground
- 2 cups white sugar
- 1 can crushed pineapple, drained
- 1 package miniature marshmallows
- 1 cup chopped pecans {optional}
- 1 pint whipped cream, beaten stiff

Mix together the cranberries and sugar; cover and refrigerate over night. The next day, combine the cranberry mixture with the pineapple, marshmallows, pecans and whipped cream. Mix well. Pour into a 3 quart dish, cover and refrigerate or freeze until ready to serve. Makes 6 to 8 servings. Can be served frozen or chilled.

Fancy Mashed Sweet Potatoes

- 6 sweet potatoes
- 1 cup canned, crushed pineapple
- 3/4 cup of pineapple juice
- 1/4 stick of butter or margarine, melted
- 1/3 teaspoon ground ginger, cinnamon and nutmeg
- 1 cup walnut pieces, optional
- 10 marshmallows



Peel and mash baked sweet potatoes. Add pineapple, juice, butter and spices blend together. Mix in nuts and pour into baking dish. Top with marshmallows and bake for about 40 minutes at 350 degrees. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Chuckle & Grin...

Shoppers Delight

An older woman was cruising the busy parking lot just before the holidays in her Mercedes Benz. Looking in vain, she finally saw someone loaded with packages heading for a car, so she followed him, put on her blinker and waited patiently until he pulled out. Just as he pulled out a young man in a sleek black Porsche zipped into the space ahead of her. She was dumbfounded and furious. She jumped out of her car, shouting at him!

"How could you do that? Didn't you see me waiting there with my blinker signal on?" she yelled.

"That's what happens when you're young and fast," he laughed as he headed toward the mall.

As the young man was just about to enter the store, he heard the hideous crunch of metal striking metal. He ran back out to the parking lot, horrified to see his beautiful black Porsche. He cried out to her, "How could you do that?"

She calmly replied, "That's what happens when you're old and rich!"

My Snowball Friend

I made myself a snowball as perfect as could be. I thought I'd keep it as a pet and let it sleep with me. I made it some pajamas and a pillow for its head. Then last night it ran away, but first – it wet the bed.

We Don't Mean to be Corney

But ...guess the number of candy corns in our jar in the office and you could win a great prize!

Drop by the office between November 1st and November 21st and enter your guess of the number of candy corns in our jar. The person with the closest guess will be the winner of a Thanksgiving Day Turkey. Hey kids, don't feel left out because if you stop by and guess how many candy corns are hiding in the jar of candy, you will win the jar of candy corn.

From the Managers...

On-Street Parking

Although we have had mild weather thus far, snow is still in the forecast. As always, be sure that all vehicles are parked in your drive at all times. Not only does it make it easier for your neighbor to back out of their drive, but it will also allow for the streets to be plowed in a timely manner. If vehicles are parked on the street, we cannot be responsible for any damage that snowplows and salt spreaders may cause. In addition, we cannot be responsible for any inconvenience you may be caused if your vehicle were to get plowed in due to being improperly parked. If you need additional guest parking, please ask a neighbor if you may park in their drive. Also, remember, it is your responsibility to see that your walk and drive are properly cleared of snow and ice. Improperly parked vehicles **WILL** be stickered and **WILL** be towed at owner's expense.



Blowing in the Wind....

We are strongly suggesting to those of you who have no garbage cans with tight fitting lids to invest in them. We are getting complaints from residents about other people's garbage blowing over into their yards. Dirty diapers are among those items mentioned. It is not the responsibility of our maintenance people to go through the community and clean up after the residents; it is your responsibility to clean up your own trash. It is not fair to your neighbors or the Community when your homesites are not kept neat.



School Days —Horse Play!

Parents, please inform your children that the bus pick-up areas are not play areas. We have had calls to the office from people that are being disturbed at 7:00 in the morning with all the noise and horse-play that is occurring. Many of these people work the night shift and are sleeping. The pick-up areas happen to be by people's homes who have no children



and are finding kids playing in their yards and on their driveways. As we all know, kids will be kids, so to speak, but please ask them to keep the noise down to a low roar and stay off others' lawns.

Shine On Harvest Moon....

Hopefully, many of you have had a chance to get out in the evenings to admire the fall full moons we've been having. As many of you may have noticed the color change is beautiful and there is a great deal of wild life wandering around in the evenings. We want to inform all residents that although we have an abundance of deer, deer shining is prohibited in the Community. We have had reports of people violating this rule and want them to know that we will notify the DNR or call the police if we catch them. Again we must stress that there is no hunting allowed on this property.



Violations...Rules Are Not Meant to be Broken!

We seem to be having a problem with written violations being taken seriously. Everyone is expected to follow the rules to the best of their ability. We thank and commend those of you who do. On the other hand we do have some who don't think the rules apply to them. In order to keep our community an attractive place to live, we must enforce the fact that if you receive 3 written notices and do not comply, we will be forced to take further actions which could result in an eviction.



Water Bills

Please see that your water bills are paid directly to D & B Billing Services. The Burkhart Ridge Welcome Center will not accept any water payments. Remember, water bills are deemed part of rent. If they are not paid within the specified time, eviction proceedings will be filed and any filing fees and court costs will be added to your account.



We would like to take this time to extend our wishes to you and your families to have a very happy Thanksgiving Holiday.

Did You Know...?

- Only male turkeys gobble, females make a clicking noise.
- The country that eats the most turkey per year per capita is Israel.
- Corn was unknown to Europeans before they met Native Americans. The Native Americans gave them the seeds and taught them how to grow it, Today more farm land is used to grow corn than any other grain.
- Zachary Taylor, the 12th president of the U.S., didn't vote until he was 62 years old and didn't even vote in his own election because he was a soldier and moved so often he couldn't establish legal residency until he retired.
- Today's young men are beginning to view themselves first as fathers and then as workers. Four-fifths of men ages 20-39 said having a work schedule that allows them to spend time with their family is more important than doing challenging work or earning a higher salary.
- Americans prefer regular mail to e-mail or voice-mail—42% look forward to checking or reading regular mail compared to 29% for e-mail. Regular mail is more private and secure per the survey and letters from relatives are saved by 76% compared to 29% e-mail from that same person.



In Remembrance









In 1921, an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. This site, on a hillside overlooking the Potomac River and the city of Washington, became the focal point of reverence for American Veterans.

Similar ceremonies occurred in England and France, where an unknown soldier was buried in each nations highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey, in France the Arc de Triomphe). These memorial gestures all took place on November 11th, 1918.

Realizing that world peace was equally preserved by veterans of WWII and Korea, two more unidentified American war dead (one from W.W.11 and one from the Korean War) were brought from overseas and interred in the plaza beside the unknown soldier of WWI. In 1973 a soldier from the Vietnam War was interred. (This soldier was later identified and returned to his family for burial.)

To honor men and women who have given their lives in war, the memorial is guarded by an Army honor guard day and night.

November 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 RENT DUE Office Closed
2 Office Closed	3  Sandwich Invented (1762)	4  Election Day	5	6 LATE FEES ASSESSED FOR ALL LATE RENTS	7	8 Office Closed
9 Office Closed	10  Motorcycle Patented (1885)	11  Veteran's Day	12	13	14	15 Office Closed
16 Office Closed	17	18  First Teddy Bear's Birthday (1902)	19	20  Traffic Light Patented (1923)	21  World Hello Day	22 Office Closed
23 Office Closed	24 Brady Bill Passed (1993)	25	26	27  Thanksgiving (USA)	28	29 Office Closed
30 Office Closed						