

Chadds Ridge Newsletter

October / November 2011

Letter from the vice president.....



Fall is here and with it constant reminders of the number of days left to shop before Christmas. There are other notable activities that come with the change of seasons; put up the warm weather clothes for the cold weather clothes, prepare to either travel for the holidays or receive family and visitors and get ready to fight the shopping crowds. We have some tips to help during the holiday season; a. it's a great time to donate those lightly used summer or winter clothes to your favorite charity, b. let your neighbors know if you'll be going away or receiving guests for the holidays to ensure they are aware of either increased or decreased activity around your home, and c. take a break from shopping and the mall crowds by visiting a new establishment in downtown Woodstock that a Chadds Ridge resident is a majority owner in and has just opened.

Welcome all new residents to Chadds Ridge. We hope you'll become an active member in our community. If there is anything our home owners association can do to assist in your transition as a new neighbor please let us know. Notice; the giant old oak behind the pool is missing. Anyone seen it? Yes, the dead tree has been removed and for those needing and willing there is some great firewood where it was taken down.

A couple of personal notes -

- Welcome home Kyle Beatty, son of Randy and Lisa Beatty of Chadds Ridge. Kyle just returned from Afghanistan with his Army unit. Kyle will be visiting Chadds Ridge soon and then returning home for good in early 2012.
- Congratulations to Danny and Peggy Snow, the Chadds Ridge residents who are involved with "Wink", a new business concept in downtown Woodstock. Grand opening was October 28th. They make a "mean Martini".

Enjoy the change of seasons but be aware of the importance of taking care of our children and our property. Our newsletter provides tips this month on how to do both.

We wish everyone the best during the upcoming holiday seasons, keep your family and friends safe and be a great Chadds Ridge neighbor.

Thank you,

Eric Hill
Chadds Ridge HOA Vice-President
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**School News & Calendar
Cobb County for -**

- Nicholson Elementary
- McCleskey Middle School
- Kell High School



OCTOBER

- **October 24-28** Conference Day/Report Cards - Elem. & Middle

NOVEMBER

- **November 8** Student Holiday/ Professional Learning Day
- **November 9** Report Cards - High School
- **November 21-25** Thanksgiving Holiday
- **November 30** Progress Updates – Elementary /Middle Schools



Neighborhood Watch Update

Neighborhood Watch Stickers are now available from Board Members. We encourage **ALL** neighbors to actively participate in our watch. Please contact a Board Member to get your stickers and place them in a noticeable area of your home.



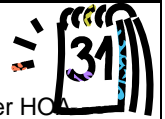
Fall Yard Preparation

Now that fall is upon us here are a few suggestions to prepare for the winter season;

1. Now is the time to aerate your lawn. If you use a landscape company they likely will do the aeration for you for a fee. If not, aerators are available from both Home Depot and Lowe's. Suggest you might want to visit with neighbors and share the cost and the work involved. It won't take long and will make a huge difference when your lawn greens up in the spring.
2. It's also a good time to over seed your lawn. Suggest you only over seed the area planted in fescue only. You can consider using fescue or rye grass or a blend of both. They are both cold season grasses and you will be amazed at how green your lawn will be during the winter months.
3. You might also consider putting lime on your lawn to neutralize the acidity caused by all the pine trees in the area. It will ensure all the nutrients available will reach your lawn.
4. A light fertilizer on your fescue grass will also help strengthen it through the winter months. Use a fertilizer designed for fall and put it down lightly after you have over seeded and limed. Be sure to water it in good when first applied.
5. Place protective covers over your exposed water spigots. You can find very inexpensive spigot covers at any hardware store. They can save you plenty should we get a string of freezing temperatures that might cause water lines to freeze. If you know where it is, also drain your outside spigots. The valve is likely located near where the source of your water runs into your house.

Take a few steps to prepare your lawn for spring and to protect those exposed outside spigots.

Calendar of Events



Thursday, October 13 Chadds Ridge October HOA Meeting @ TBD, 7pm

Thursday, November 10 Chadds Ridge November HOA Meeting @ TBD, 7pm

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR ADDITIONAL & UPCOMING CHADDS RIDGE EVENTS!

Monthly HOA Meeting

Our monthly HOA meeting is held every 2nd Thursday of the month at a Board Members Home (TBD) at 7pm unless otherwise noted. Please be on the lookout for postings at the community board at the entrance of the neighborhood. All members are invited to the monthly meetings and to be involved!



Parking

Please remember to avoid parking Boats, Large RV's and Commercial Vehicles on your property and in the street. These type of vehicles are not supposed to be stored in the neighborhood. Thank you!



Slow Down

As the time will be changing soon, and the days getting shorter – means it will be getting darker earlier! Please use caution and slow down when driving through the neighborhood. Be sure to keep the speed limit low and watch for your neighbors walking pets, etc. and children who may still be out at play in the evening hours.

Reminders



Respect all our neighbors by not allowing pets to run free through the neighborhood. If walking pets please clean up after them.



Fall and winter temperatures make cause icing and slippery roads. Please pay special attention to weather reports and drive slow and safely at all times in the neighborhood.



Landscape Company

We are in the process of hiring a new landscape company for the common areas / property. Please be patient, a decision should be made early next week.

Newsletter

To submit articles or information to the Chadds Ridge Newsletter, please email your submission to Mendie Langford at newsletter@chaddsridge.net



Anything you would like to be included in the newsletter must be submitted by the 15th!

The views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the editor.

Keep in touch!



Please follow us on our new "Chadds Ridge HOA, Woodstock, GA" Facebook Page and be on the lookout for our new and improved Web Site! www.chaddsridge.net

Tennis Update

Congratulations to our Spring Men's ALTA won their division and made it to city finals. Our Spring and Fall Ladies ALTA team won their division 2 seasons in a row!



For T2 Summer Singles, Erika Hill and Maribeth Unger won their divisions.

T2 Summer Doubles, Tashi Todoroki / Mike Barfield won their division and Carrie Reynolds/Debbie Peek made it to City finals. While Peggy Stein / Maribeth Unger won their division and made it to City Finals. In Ultimate Doubles – Dale Stein / Boyd Lott made it to city finals!

The Fall Alta Women's teams won their division and are moving on to playoffs.

If you would be interested in joining any of our teams or would like information about tennis in our neighborhood, please email chaddsridgetennis@yahoo.com.



Fall Child Safety

With the fall and winter months comes reduced hours of light. With all the children in our neighborhood we need to ensure the safety of all children. Please be aware when driving through the neighborhood that children may be out playing after dark. If your children are out dress them in light or reflective clothing to help them be more visible. Dress your children appropriately for trips to and from school. Make sure they wear warm clothing when waiting for or returning from bus stops. Teach your children to wash their hands frequently to prevent those winter colds and viruses that are so typical. Clean hands reduce the chance our children will pick up bacteria that may make them sick. Enjoy the changing scenery that comes with the fall and winter seasons, but take the necessary steps to always keep children safe.

Favorite Recipe's to Share

Going forward we will publish a recipe from residents within Chadds Ridge. If you have a recipe you would like to share with your neighbors, please send to newsletter@chaddsridge.net by the 15th. Recipes will be picked at random for each newsletter.

With Fall upon us, how about a wonderful recipe for Easy Chicken Pot Pie! Brought to us by the Food Network's, Quick Fix Meals with Robin Miller!



Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons olive or vegetable oil
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 4 boneless chicken breast halves cut into 1 to 2-inch cubes, about 4 cups
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- Pinch dried thyme
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 2 carrots, peeled and chopped
- 2 celery stalks, chopped
- 4 medium red potatoes, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 (14 1/2-ounce) can crushed tomatoes
- 1 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 1/4 cup dry white wine
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 cup frozen corn kernels
- 1 (9-inch) refrigerated pie crust
- 1 egg, lightly beaten

Directions

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F.

Heat oil in a large Dutch oven or oven-proof stockpot over medium heat. Add onion and sauté for 2 minutes. Add chicken and sauté for 5 to 7 minutes, until browned on all sides. Remove 1/2 the cooked chicken for later in the week, cover and refrigerate. In a small bowl, combine flour, thyme, salt, pepper, and paprika. Add flour mixture to the chicken and stir to coat. Stir in carrots, celery, potatoes, tomatoes, chicken broth, wine, and Dijon mustard and mix well. Bring mixture to a boil. Cook until vegetables are tender. Transfer stew to a clean 2-quart casserole dish and stir in corn. Place pie crust on top of casserole and pinch around the edges to seal the crust to the dish. Brush the top with beaten egg and prick the surface 1 or 2 times with a sharp knife or fork to allow steam to escape during cooking. Place casserole dish on baking sheet and bake for about 8 to 10 minutes, until crust is golden.

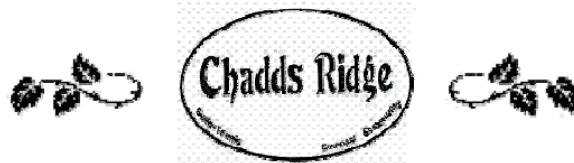
Block Captains

These individuals volunteer their time to help our Associations make Chadds Ridge a unique place to live. If you would like to learn more about volunteering your time, please contact Victoria Barrella at blockcaptain@chaddsridge.net.

Farm Valley	Maggie Kelavkar	farmvalleydrive@chaddsridge.net	(770) 926-1573
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