



# Walnut Ridge

## Community Newsletter

*Third Edition - Fall 2009*

*Walnut Ridge Community Association*

*Newsletters are also available online at [www.walnutridgeonline.org](http://www.walnutridgeonline.org)*

### **Back To School Time**

*Is a Great Time for Recycling*

As those lazy summer days move toward school days, here are a few tips to help you and your students [Re-cycle.More.Often](#) throughout the school year.

Buy school supplies made of recycled products.

Many items such as notebook paper, binders and even pencils contain recycled contents. Don't forget to recycle the paper or plastic bags that carry these school supplies home.

Pack lunches in reusable bags or boxes. Remind your students that many of the containers in their lunch boxes, including canned fruit containers, pudding tubs and milk or juice cartons/boxes should be recycled. If your students' schools don't have recycling programs, they can bring home recyclable items in their lunch boxes or bags and add them to your home recycling. Better yet, work with your students and interested parents to establish in-school recycling programs.

Recycle that paper. School time means more paper from homework assignments, school updates and activity calendars, which can be recycled along with all your other paper, plastic, metal and glass.

**New! - New! - New! - New!**

Sign up on-line for periodic e-mail bulletins, news, announcements, updates and information about your Walnut Ridge Community. Send an email to [subscribe@walnutridgeonline.org](mailto:subscribe@walnutridgeonline.org) and add the words "Sign Me Up" in the subject line. You will receive an email from mailing list manager [majordomo@ml.1and1.com] requesting confirmation of your subscription. Make sure you've unblocked both ml.1and1.com and walnutridgeonline.org in your spam filter software.

### **Welcome New Homeowners!**

The Board of Directors would like to welcome all the new homeowners to Walnut Ridge! We are happy that you have chosen Walnut Ridge for your new home. Be sure to check our website [www.walnutridgeonline.org](http://www.walnutridgeonline.org) for valuable information about our Community Association, news and events, past newsletters, A&E guidelines forms and more!

### **Board of Directors' Meetings**

Board meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of the month beginning at 6:30 pm. **Homeowners** are welcome to attend the public portion of the monthly Board Meetings to share suggestions and concerns. If you plan to attend a meeting, **please call D.H. Bader Management Services (301-953-1955) to verify meeting dates, times and locations.**



### Daylight Saving Time Ends

Reminder— Daylight Saving Time ends and Standard Time begins at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 1st. Remember to set your clocks *back* one hour. Don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke detectors too!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Fall household hazardous waste (gasoline, kerosene, solvents, chemicals, cleaners, etc.) collection days are:

September 12 at Sudley Convenience Center  
 October 17 at Glen Burnie Convenience Center  
 November 14 at Millersville Landfill & Resource Facility

### My Anne Arundel Website

The *My Anne Arundel* website allows you to search on a specific address in Anne Arundel County and find out what county facilities are available in that neighborhood. Currently two reports are available: general information and crime statistics. Go to: <http://aacoprod.aacounty.org/MyAnneArundel/welcome.do> and click on the tab "Search by Address." For additional crime statistics also see <http://dpscs.md.gov/onlineservs/socem/default.shtml>.

### Mailbox Posts

While it is generally acceptable to post notices on our mailboxes for such things as yard sales, missing pets, items for sale, etc., please be sure to **remove** these signs once the date has passed for your event or the information is stale. This also applies to signs on posts pushed into the ground or taped to community road signs.



### Editor's Corner

Autumn or fall - however you choose to call it, autumn or fall marks the transition from summer into winter. The children return to school. The days become cooler. The nights become crisp and the frost settles on the pumpkin. The leaves turn those beautiful shades of golden and orange and eventually fall to the ground. Then before you know it, the trees are bare and the leaves wait to be raked, piled and bagged.



Growing up in northern Harford County, autumn not only meant returning to school, raking leaves and cooler temperatures, but it also meant visiting the orchards in York and Lancaster Counties in Pennsylvania for fresh apples. Upon arriving at the orchard, we would feast our eyes on baskets and baskets of beautiful yellow and red apples of all different varieties, shapes and sizes. We were also treated to some of the orchard's hot apple cider, candied and caramel apples freshly made right on the premises. Mom would choose her special basket of apples just for making pies, apple sauce, cobblers and crisp.

We always looked forward to visiting the orchards. It makes an enjoyable family day trip. For more information and a listing of Maryland orchards, visit <http://www.allaboutapples.com/orchard/md.htm>

## Coming Soon!

Watch for landscaping enhancements and sprucing for Peach and Tanook in October!

**Visitor parking spaces are just that— For Visitors.**

**Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors of Walnut Ridge Community Association consists of homeowners who volunteer their time to serve Walnut Ridge.

Contact the Board by email at: [board@walnutridgeonline.org](mailto:board@walnutridgeonline.org)

**Officers**

President: Ed Rose  
Vice President: Laura Richardson  
Treasurer: Vacant  
Secretary: Anita Ramundo

**Members at Large**

Michelle Henderson  
Ziggi Nickel  
Gloria Petit Clair

**Property Management**

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D.H. Bader Management Services  
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**Twisted Signs**

*Submitted by Michelle Henderson*

Has anyone noticed how a handful of our community signs have been vandalized lately? It seems as though some are getting a rise out of bending, twisting and cutting our community signage.

Every time something of this unfortunate nature occurs, it costs our community money AND it makes our community appear as though we lack care and respect for our beautiful but aging subdivision.

If anyone witnesses delinquent activity of this nature, please call the police to report it immediately. If anyone knows who is responsible for the damage already done, please report to John Sheehy of D.H. Bader Management at (301) 953-1955.



We recently have discovered that someone has been removing the decorative river cobble stones from the common areas/islands and throwing them onto Walnut Ridge Drive. Please, if you should observe this action, **contact police immediately** as this is considered to be destruction of property.

**Your Newsletter**

The Walnut Ridge Community Newsletter is published quarterly and is a volunteer effort by residents of Walnut Ridge. If you would like to submit an idea for an article, please send an email to the Editor at [editor@walnutridgeonline.org](mailto:editor@walnutridgeonline.org). The Editor reserves the right to print and/or edit all text.

**Did you know that Maryland law** requires that when a school vehicle is stopping or has stopped on the roadway, and is operating the alternating flashing red lights and/or barriers, all vehicles must stop **at least 20 feet** from the front or rear of the school vehicle? No one can proceed until the alternating flashing red lights have been turned off. Drivers should continue to exercise caution once the flashing lights (and barriers) have been turned off. Vehicles are not required to stop **when they are on a divided highway** and the **school vehicle is on the other side** of the divided highway.

## Reminder to All Pet Owners

Good neighbors leash and clean up after their pets. If your pet should defecate in your own yard, in your neighbor's yard, or in the Community's common areas, please promptly pick up its waste. Remember, this applies to **CATS and all pets**, as well as **DOGS**.



Article III Section B, Paragraph 22 of the Architectural and Environmental Guidelines of our Community states:

“Leash laws within the state of Maryland and this community expressly prohibit free-roaming dogs, cats and other domestic animals. When animals are walked outside the unit, they must at all times be leashed and curbed. All pet feces must be removed from the common areas by the walker.”

**PLEASE KEEP YOUR PET ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES WHEN IT IS OUTSIDE OF YOUR HOME.**

## Community Watch

Be observant when entering and leaving our Walnut Ridge Community.



If you see any unusual, suspicious or illegal activity, please call the Police Department.

Notify the Police Department immediately if you see a crime in progress!!

### DID YOU KNOW....

That our *Community Documents* are available on our website? Visit [www.walnutridgeonline.org](http://www.walnutridgeonline.org) and click on Documents.



## Peach and Apple Crumb Pie

- 1 (9") unbaked pastry shell
- 5 c. sliced apples (about 8)
- 1 can sliced peaches, drained
- 1/4 c. granulated sugar
- 1/4 c. brown sugar
- 3 1/2 tbsp. flour
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. nutmeg
- 1/8 tsp. salt
- Cinnamon and nutmeg to taste

### Topping:

- 1/3 c. softened butter
- 3/4 c. flour
- 1/4 c. granulated sugar
- 1/4 c. brown sugar

Mix all ingredients and spoon into pie shell. Cover with topping and bake at 400 degrees for about 40 minutes. TOPPING: Mix all ingredients and sprinkle over top of pie. Yield: 1 (9") pie.

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Active Listings:

- 1354 Tanook Court
- 1358 Tanook Court
- 1322 Hazel Nut Court
- 1375 Hazel Nut Court
- 1366 Almond Drive
- 1363 Hazel Nut Court
- 1346 Hazel Nut Court
- 1341 Hazel Nut Court
- 1355 Hazel Nut Court
- 1358 Almond Drive



Average List Price \$264,005

Recent Home Sales:

- 1384 Hazel Nut Court - \$250,000
- 1386 Almond Drive - \$215,000
- 1380 Almond Drive - \$258,000
- 1357 Almond Drive - \$238,900
- 1361 Hazel Nut Court - \$239,000
- 1352 Almond Drive - \$248,000



Average Sales Price \$241,483

Statistics courtesy of : Ziggi Nickel, Long & Foster Realtors 410-544-4000  
and taken from MRIS (Metropolitan Regional Information Services)

## 2009 Holiday Curbside Collection



### During a Holiday Week

Your curbside collections for recycling, trash, & yard waste will occur as follows:



Anne Arundel County  
Waste Management Services

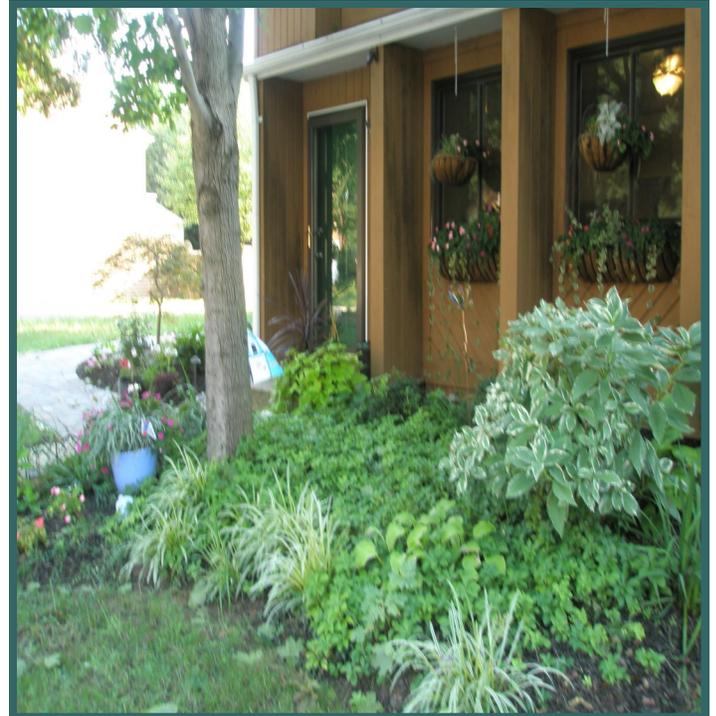
**Recycling Division**  
2662 Riva Road, Suite 490  
Annapolis, MD 21401  
(410) 222-7951

For more information or for tips to boost your recycling visit:

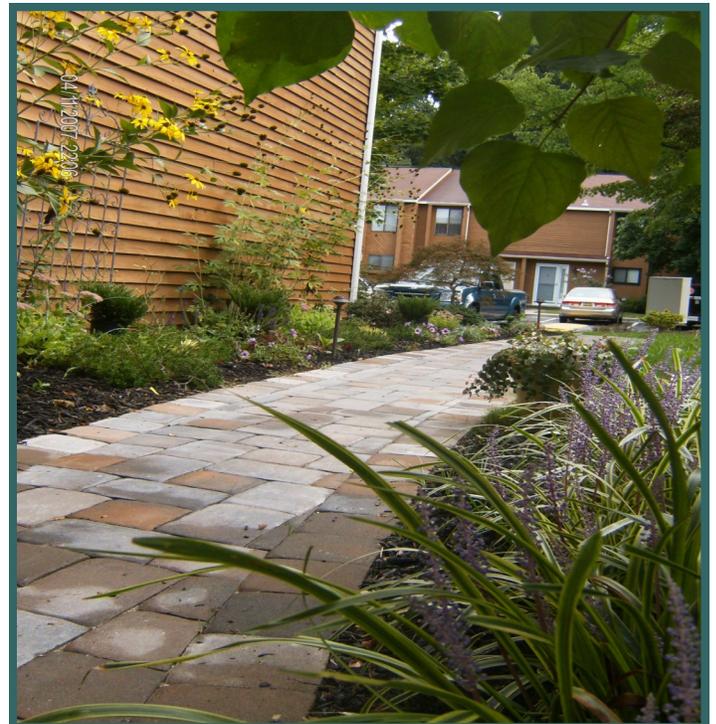
[Recycle More Often.com](http://RecycleMoreOften.com)

HOLIDAY WEEK	NEXT COLLECTION DAY	
<b>Week of New Year's Day</b>	Thursday	JAN 1
Thursday collections will occur	→ Friday	JAN 2
Friday collections will occur	→ Saturday	JAN 3
<b>Week of Memorial Day</b>	Monday	MAY 25
Monday collections will occur	→ Tuesday	MAY 26
Tuesday collections will occur	→ Wednesday	MAY 27
<b>Week of Independence Day</b>	Saturday	JUL 4
no collection changes		
<b>Week of Labor Day</b>	Monday	SEP 7
Monday collections will occur	→ Tuesday	SEP 8
Tuesday collections will occur	→ Wednesday	SEP 9
<b>Week of Thanksgiving Day</b>	Thursday	NOV 26
Thursday collections will occur	→ Friday	NOV 27
Friday collections will occur	→ Saturday	NOV 28
<b>Week of Christmas Day</b>	Friday	DEC 25
Friday collections will occur	→ Saturday	DEC 26





**Congratulations to our neighbor at 1342 Hazel Nut Court  
for having this edition's special curb appeal!**



**Anne Arundel County Recycles. More. Often. and You Can Too!**

*What happens to my trash?*

Curbside collection of recyclables, trash and yard waste is provided by private companies under contract to Anne Arundel County. Once collected, residential trash goes to regulatory compliant landfills that meet stringent requirements designed to protect the environment.

In Anne Arundel County we are focused on reducing waste and increasing recycling. Recycling is an important component of the County's integrated solid waste management plan because of the long-term environmental and economic benefits it offers. Additionally, it is a more resourceful choice to the dead-end alternative of burying waste. Landfills require large tracts of land and since undeveloped land has become scarce in our County, the Millersville landfill is a highly valuable resource. One way to protect that resource is through recycling. A landfill's life ends once all of the capacity is consumed. A recycling facility is not dependent on land disposal and allows for the reuse and preservation of many natural resources.

The County earns revenue for the recyclables we market for processing. If we had to treat the thousands of tons of material we recycled, as trash, it would cost us over a million dollars a year for disposal. Recycling minimizes the reliance on landfills and is vital to sustaining our quality of life for years to come.

Recycling also lowers energy consumption, reduces greenhouse gases and other air and water pollutants and provides jobs in the County and the State. Materials collected for recycling are manufactured into many useful products.

As you know recycling is easy to do when you live in Anne Arundel County. With recent enhancements to our program you can recycle more items than ever before. You can put all your recyclable materials in the same container and there is no limit to the amount of recycling you can put out every week

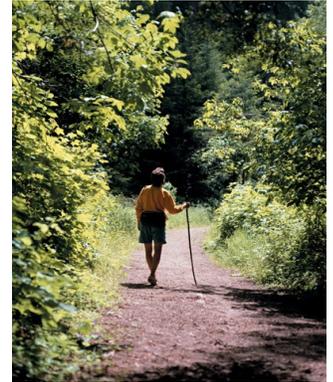
You make a choice with every item you throw away - a choice between throwing it in the recycling container or throwing it in the trash can. We encourage you to recycle at home, at work and on the go. Please visit our new website at [www.RecycleMoreOften.com](http://www.RecycleMoreOften.com) for tips to boost your recycling and to take the 50/50 Challenge.

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**A Word From The Walnut Ridge Wanderer**

*The Walnut Ridge Wanderer reports on various observations around the community. To preserve anonymity, the identity and gender of the Wanderer will not be revealed. (However, I will say that this Editor is not the Wanderer.)*



I'm feeling that little chill in the evening and morning air and noticing that special smell that comes when the calendar moves from August to September.

Relief from the heat is on the way. Already I see more people on the street. They're actually taking time to stop and talk to their neighbors instead of bolting from car to house and from front door to mailbox and back again. Cooler weather gives us a chance to share time together – to get to know each other.

Is it is my imagination, or are there a lot of toddlers who have grown into school aged kids. The playground is full of laughter and activity. What energy!

On that note, let's keep our children and our pets safe. (1) Dogs must be on a leash. Owners must clean up after their pets. No one wants to have their pet hit by a car or scare or hurt a child. (2) Children must continue to be supervised while they are out of doors. Know where they are. Check on them frequently. Make sure that they know the safety rules.

We want everyone in Walnut Ridge, both residents and pets to be safe.

*Walnut Ridge Wanderer*



**Visit us on the Web!**

[www.walnutridgeonline.org](http://www.walnutridgeonline.org)

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**Reminder: No parking is allowed in the Walnut Ridge Drive Cul-De-Sac.**  
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## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

AA County – Main Number .....	410-222-7000
AA County <b>Fire</b> – Emergency Calls .....	911
AA County <b>Fire</b> – Non-Emergency .....	410-222-8300
AA County <b>Police</b> -Emergency .....	911
AA County <b>Police</b> – Non-Emergency .....	410-222-8050
AA County Health Nuisance Complaints .....	410-222-7364
AA County Department of Public Works .....	410-222-7940
AA County Department of Public Works/Waste Management .....	410-222-6100
Animal Control .....	410-222-8900
Annapolis City <b>Police</b> .....	410-268-9000
Anne Arundel Medical Center .....	443-481-1000
BGE – All Calls .....	800-685-0123
BGE – Report Power Outage .....	877-778-2222
Broadneck Library .....	410-222-1905
Broadstripe Cable (formerly Millennium) .....	410-987-9300
Bulk Item/Waste Removal .....	410-222-6104
Cable – Broadstripe (formerly Millennium) .....	410-987-9300
Cable – Comcast Cable .....	800-266-2278
Cape St. Claire Volunteer <b>Fire</b> Department .....	410-757-3434
Comcast Cable .....	800-266-2278
CLT Utilities, Inc. ....	410-697-2026
D.H. Bader Management Services .....	301-953-1955 Ext. 11
Department of Public Works .....	410-222-7940
Department of Public Works/Waste Management .....	410-222-6100
Environmental Health .....	410-222-7364
Health Nuisance Complaints .....	410-222-7364
J&W Utilities .....	410-827-8516
Maryland State <b>Police</b> Headquarters .....	410-653-4200
North County Towing .....	410-255-4494
Post Office – Legion Avenue .....	410-573-0953
Poison Control .....	800-492-2414
Recycling & Yard Waste .....	410-222-6100
Salvation Army (Donated Items Pickup) .....	410-263-4019
Towing – North County Towing .....	410-255-4494
Trash Pickup Problems .....	410-222-6104
Water and Sewer Bills .....	410-222-1144
Water & Sewer Emergencies (no water) .....	410-222-8400