

BrookNotes

November / December 2019 The Newsletter of the Brookwood Hills Community

Brookwood Hills Annual Halloween Party in the Park



Mother Nature smiled on the trick-or-treaters of Brookwood Hills this year! Neighbors mingled in the new park while enjoying pizza and libations before heading out for the festivities. Adults and children alike look forward to this annual gathering, as it's one of the many sweet traditions of our special neighborhood.

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BrookNotes welcomes articles, photographs, and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue is April 15th. Please email the BrookNotes co-editors at brooknotes@brookwoodbills.com

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Find Brookwood Hills on Facebook

Brookwood Hills has two Facebook groups. These groups are great for sharing news, alerts, photos, babysitting notices, etc.

Brookwood Hills Neighborhood

facebook.com/groups/BWHneighborhood
This is **only** for residents of Brookwood Hills.
This group is to be used for neighborhood security alerts, lost dogs, and other neighborhood-related issues for your convenience.

Brookwood Hills Community Club

facebook.com/groups/bwhcc This is for **only** for members Brookwood Hills Community Club.

This group is to be used primarily for pool and social event updates, and other news as it pertains to Club memberships.

Brookwood Hills Security Always call 911 First

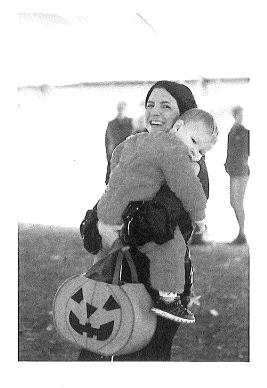
Neighborhood Patrol Cell Phone (404) 242-3321

Going Out of Town?

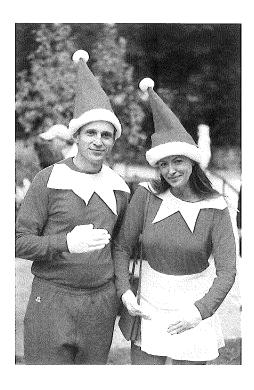
Email BWH Security at brookwoodhillspatrol@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at (404) 325-5114

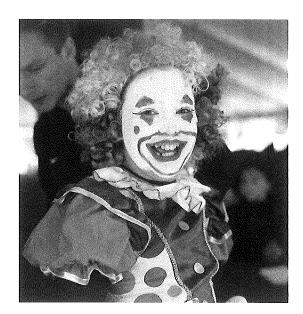
BWH Security Chair: Andrew Wamberg security@brookwoodhills.com

The Best Halloween Party in Atlanta









And The Winner Is...

Halloween Contest Winners

5 and Under:

Winner: 2 Lobsters in the Pot, Elizabeth

Connell

2nd Place: Scooby Doo, Waller Bazzel

3rd Place: Baby Goat, Aurelius

6 and Above

Winner: Dandelion, Covington Baumann

2nd Place: Pennywise, Finn Parker 3rd Place: Jellyfish, Emerson Baumann

Kids Group

Winner: Dalmations, Maiya Tomlin, Vivian

Shippey, Grace Schmidt, Bridget Valls,

Jolie & Janie Aaronson

2nd Place: Hass Avocados, Julia Dierdoff

and Caroline Chase

Halloween Contest Winners

3rd Place: Top Gun Squad, Holden Kleinhelter, Charlie Schaeffer, Ezra Malino,

Walker Kenna and Charlie Jones

<u>Family</u>

Winner: WICKED The Musical, The

Ermentrout Family

2nd Place: Georgia Tree Frogs, The

Lumpkin Family

3rd Place: Bob Ross, the TV Painter, The

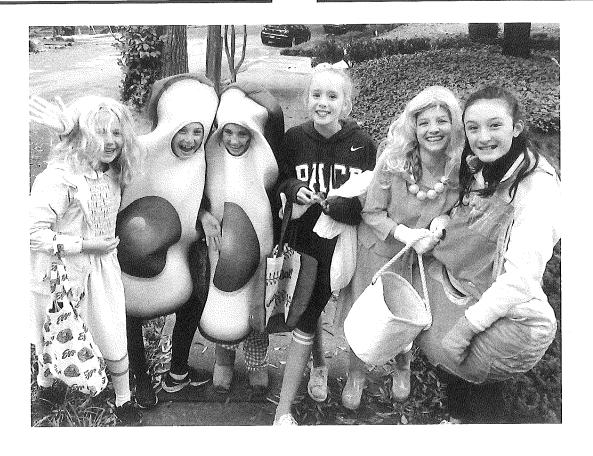
McGee Family

Adult Couple

Winner: The King and Queen Buildings at

Perimeter, Colin & Annie Jennings 2nd Place: Elves on the Shelf, Chris &

Audra Meduri



Amazing Costumes!

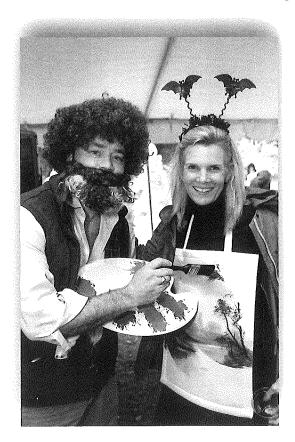








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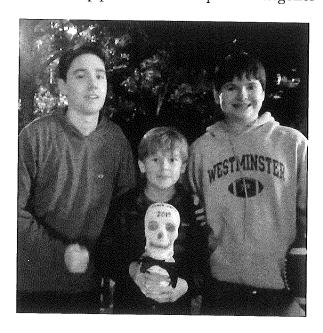


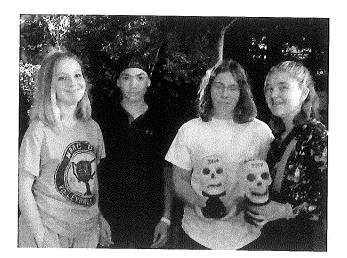


Fright Fest Success

After rescheduling due to rain, the 3rd Annual Brookwood Hills Fright Film Fest took place on Friday, October 25th. Neighbors gathered in the Pool Pavilion to watch this year's masterpieces and re-screen some from previous years. Producers Vee Fisher and Joe Jackson, who have both entered the contest all three years, took home the top prizes in their respective categories

(PG and PG-13), with Fisher also winning this year's Grand Jury (Best in Show) Prize. Arden Silber (a second year contestant) walked away with 2nd & 3rd place prizes for her two entries. There is nothing more fun than seeing the creativity of these budding film makers up on the big screen! Congratulations to all our participants!





Winners

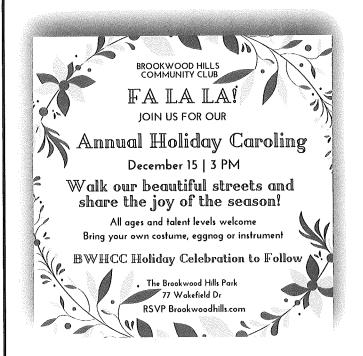
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PG13 (1ST PLACE) Produced by: Joe Jackson Starring: Alex Carter, Robert Clarke, Walker Hardesty, Joe Jackson, Johnny Jackson, Taft Meredith, Levitt Mosely, Sullivan Seydel, William Spangler, Mack Thompson and Jane Wheeler

Michael is Back & Big Mouths (PG13 2nd & 3rd PLACE) Produced by: Wallace Juliano, Kylee Mullinax, Arden Silber and Evan Speer

<u>PG and Grand Jury Prize Winner:</u> Producer: Vee Fisher; starring: Caroline Fisher, Amelia Dierdorff, Emerson, Janie Fisher, Julia Dierdorff, Mary Bowes Dierdorff, Leighton Herbert

The Best Place on Earth Brookwood Hills







Membership

All homeowners in Brookwood Hills are eligible to apply for membership in the Brookwood Hills Community Club (BWHCC) at any time. For information on how to apply for membership, please send an email to membership@brookwoodhills.com including your contact information and desired membership level. The current Membership Chair will then guide you through the application process.

BWHCC members should have a login and be signed up for the new BWHCC website. All current members have been registered in the system with a "Primary" and "Secondary" member. Primary members receive invoices and all BWHCC related communications. Secondary members receive all BWHCC related communications. The new website is set up so that all members have the ability to update their individual member profiles. It is solely up to the member to keep their profile current. This is the only way we have to communicate with you and invoice you for the coming year.

2020 Dues will be invoiced in February and due by March 15, 2020. Payments made between March 15th and April 1st will incur a \$100 late fee. **Membership will be dropped if payment is not received by April 1, 2020.**

-Tish Wilson and Tom Carr



Brookwood Hills tennis program is in its 7th year. We have over forty kids participating every week. We also have ladies morning and evening groups, and Tuesday night is men's night!

New students enjoy a free 30 minute evaluation. Email <u>brookwoodhillstennisprogram12@gmail.com</u> for more information



Security Update

The overall safety and security of Brookwood Hills remains a top priority for the Board. For many years, we have made continued investments in providing private security patrol which has had an impact in many ways -- a consistent element of community policing, active deterrence toward both petty and major crimes, as well as added attention and focus when bad things do happen.

We are constantly polling other in-town neighborhoods and actively seeking feedback from our long-time Atlanta Police partners on ways we can improve our overall security posture. To that end, the Board has recently approved moving forward with two significant enhancements that will bring added safety and security for club members, facilities, and assets.

Flock Safety

For the past few years, automatic license plate reading (ALPR) systems have become more prevalent across the city and have proven to be one of the most effective ways of catching criminals. In addition to the Atlanta Police video cameras that are already installed, we will soon be adding ALPRs at each entrance to the neighborhood. This technology is integrated directly to local law enforcement using information provided by the FBI's National Crime Information Center and will alert law enforcement within seconds if a reported stolen car (often used by criminals) or car registered to anyone with an outstanding warrant enters Brookwood Hills. This same technology provided by Flock is used in many surrounding neighborhoods throughout Atlanta and other ALPR technology has been installed by the City of Atlanta on major thoroughfares around town. Given the limited ingress/egress to our neighborhood and the adjacency to Peachtree, this technology will have direct impact in overall deterrence and also catching criminals in our neighborhood before they act.

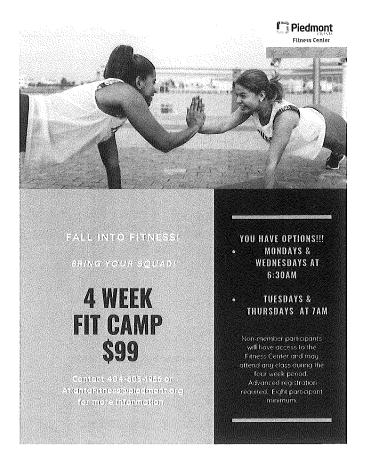
Video Monitoring to Protect our Club Facilities

As we continue to make significant capital improvements in our club facilities, it is important we take steps to protect these assets and the club members that use them. While an unfortunate reality of owning and maintaining property in a major city, our club facilities are equally susceptible to trespassers, vandalism, and venue for undesired activity (criminal or not). With much of the physical infrastructure now upgraded (e.g. electrical, improved lighting, etc), the Board has also now contracted with National Video Monitoring Corporation to install video cameras throughout our club facilities. This will provide the ability to actively detect and deter unwanted visitors (e.g. late at night, pool in the off-season).

While technology can help enhance the security and safety of Brookwood Hills, our greatest asset in protecting our neighborhood is YOU + that three digit code you learned at a young age. If you see something unusual, call 911. If you would like to report a crime in progress, call 911. If you would like to let someone know your quarters have been taken from your coin cup in your center console of your unlocked car, call 911. Calling 911 should always be your instinctual first action related to an incident that could impact the security or safety of you or your neighbors. Only once you have called 911 and an appropriate response is underway, can you call our Security Patrol cell phone and/or email Security@brookwoodhills.com -- there is no advantage to doing either of these before you call 911. It is important to note that neither of these mechanisms are monitored 24/7, so it is critical you ALWAYS CALL 911 FIRST. If Security Patrol is on-duty (in our neighborhood or elsewhere), they will hear the 911 dispatch and respond as well. We have seen this in action many times -- it works as designed!

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about these exciting initiatives, please reach out to Andrew Wamberg, Security Chair (security@brookwoodhills.com).

Fitness



Yoga with Kem

Did your doctor, physical therapist or good friend tell you that you should try yoga? It truly helps you manage stress, stretch the lower back and hips, and enjoy your life more because of the mind, body and spirit benefits.

Please reach out to me if you would like to enjoy all the benefits without leaving BWH. I have a dedicated home studio where I teach three public classes and privates in demand. References available.

Sunrise Yoga is on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 6-6:45am.

Athlete's Zen is on Sundays from 1-2pm.



Legacy Ladies

Submitted by Cathy Fox

One of the reasons we live in BWH is the sense of community. Legacy Ladies is an organization that fosters that connection for women who are 60 or over. We organize lunches, programs and biannual parties with spouses or significant others.

Our next event is a presentation, "Millennials don't Polish Silver: Personal Property in the 21st Century (or what to do with the stuff your kids don't want)" at Spalding Nix Fine Art on November 18. Coming up: our holiday party and a private lunch at one of Linton Hopkins' restaurants. Please join us!

Questions? Email Cathy Fox (<u>cfoxart@gmail.com</u>) or call at 404-874-6507. I will also collect your \$25 initiation fee. You may drop it at or mail it to 61 Palisades Road. Please include your email and phone number for future communications.

Real Men Wear Pink

Three of Brookwood Hill's finest residents and board members donned their pink the entire month of October as honorees of the American Cancer Society's Real Men Wear Pink Campaign.

Alex McGee, Andrew Wamberg and Matt Little collectively raised over \$32,000 to raise awareness and much needed funding for Breast Cancer research. The 2019 Atlanta Real Men Wear Pink Team consisted of 28 leaders from all over the city. They raised over \$300,000 and took 3rd place in the entire country.

We are so proud of their efforts to support a cause that touches the hearts of so many residents.



Announcements

In Memorium

We are sad to report that longtime Woodcrest resident Kenneth McKenzie passed away recently. He and his wife, Mildred, called Brookwood Hills home for over sixty years. His neighbors affectionately referred to him as "Young Ken." He'll be dearly missed.

Be sure to check <u>www.buckheadcouncil.org</u> to find ways to make an impact in our community!



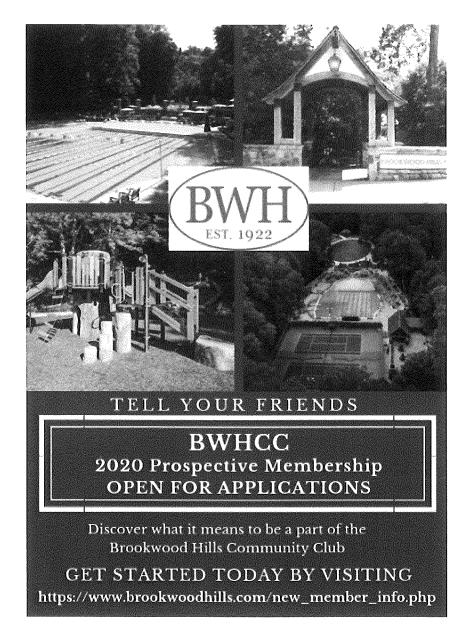


Please go online and be sure to fill out the member survey to help the board plan its agenda for the upcoming year. It was also emailed.

Please remember to control your leaves this time of year, as it presents a hazard for all of our many pedestrians.



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