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Village Defense App Available to Brookwood Hills Residents

By Gregory Fiore, Security Chair

The smartphone application offers a new way to help Brookwood Hills stay connected and safe.

For the past few months, thirty or so BWH neighbors have been testing a security-related application called Village Defense. This app gives neighbors the ability to:

- 1) Group Chat (with the option to share photos) in real-time when there is suspicious activity or an incident in the neighborhood.
- 2) Send immediate urgent messages with the Send Alert feature.
- 3) Notify participating neighbors without smartphones of urgent alerts via phone calls and/or emails.

VillageDefense

We are now offering the free version of the Village Defense to all neighbors. If the application continues to be effective, our security patrol may utilize the full Village Defense application suite in the future.

Key learnings from the past few months:

- The **Group Chat** feature is similar to sending a “reply all,” so please use for security issues only.
- The **Send Alert** feature is for outgoing alerts only; you can’t reply. The Group Chat feature is for communication between neighbors.
- Like most mobile apps, Village Defense continues to evolve so we expect new features and improvements.

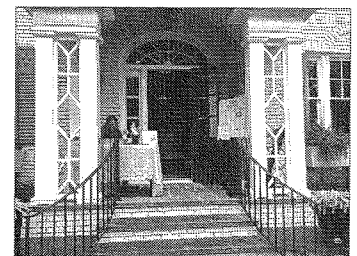
The Village Defense application is available in the App Store for iPhone and on Google Play for Android.

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2015 Home Tour: A Huge Success!

By Wendy Lewis, Brookwood Hills Friends

The rain held out, and it was a successful day for the Brookwood Hills Tour of Homes on April 18th!



Organized by the Brookwood Hills Friends of Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, the biennial event gave guests the opportunity to get a firsthand look at the unique architecture, interior design and landscaping of five spectacular homes in the neighborhood.

This year’s tour, presented by K2 Construction and Pieces, raised \$32,000 for specialized care and equipment, as well as cutting-edge research, at CHOA!

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2015 Brookwood Hills Home Tour Co-Chairs

Evangeline Walker, Lainie Powell, & Wendy Lewis



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Contribute to BrookNotes

BrookNotes welcomes articles, artwork, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of BrookNotes is **Friday, June 20th**.

Submissions may be dropped off at **18 Palisades Rd.** or e-mailed to brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com.

Mark Your Calendar!



July 4th Parade, Cookout & Pool Fun

Details to follow in the June issue of *BrookNotes* and on the BWHCC Facebook group.



Tell Us About Your Graduate!

We will highlight our neighborhood graduates in a future issue of *BrookNotes*. If your family has a new graduate, please share your announcement by sending it to brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com by June 20th.

A Huntington neighbor has grown weary of the unwelcome presents on his lawn and would like to remind dog owners to clean up after their pets.



Atlanta 311

Dial 311 on landlines City of Atlanta's non-emergency customer hotline.
Dial 404-546-0311 on mobile phones Call for water leaks, downed trees, trash pick-up, etc.
 Weekdays 7 am to 6 pm **ATL311.com**

Brookwood Hills Security

Security Signs at the BWH Entrances? A security incident has occurred in the neighborhood. Call the BWH Security Info Hotline for details.

BWH Security Information Hotline (404) 325-5114

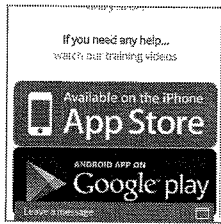
Neighborhood Patrol Cell Phone (404) 242-3321

BWH Security Chair security@brookwoodhills.com
 (657) 229-4728 (text or call)

Village Defense Application: Getting Started

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1. Go to villagedefense.com/app to link directly to the App Store or Google Play download.



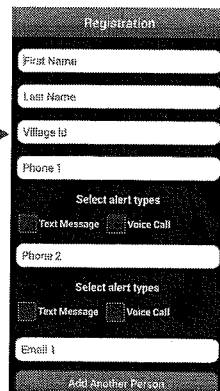
2. Install the Village Defense application on your smartphone.



3. Click to register for an account. Look for "Need an account? Register Here."



4. Enter your information and preferences. Enter 20524 for the Village ID and complete your registration.



BWHCC Facebook Groups

BWHCC Facebook Group

This private Facebook group is fair game for whatever you want to share with your fellow Club members & neighbors.

Post photos, ask for recommendations, talk about your kid's new neighborhood business, share a new restaurant, whatever you like!

Go to facebook.com/groups/bwhcc/ and click Join.

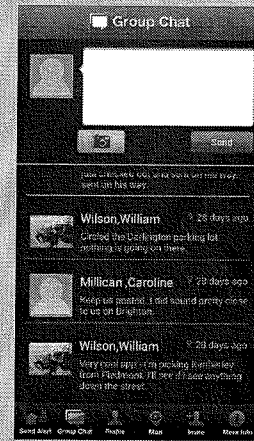
BWHCC Exchange

Want to sell your baby gear? Has your kid outgrown his bicycle? Want to unload that furniture in storage?

The BWHCC Exchange is an online yard sale that enables you to offer items for sale to our convenient and trusted community of neighbors and nearby Club members.

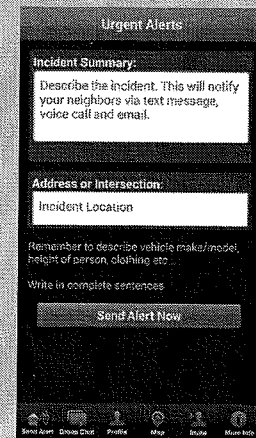
Go to facebook.com/groups/bwhccexchange/ and click Join.

Key Features



Group Chat

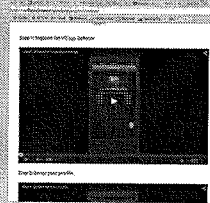
Real-time live chat for participating neighbors with the application on their phones.



Urgent Alerts

Sends immediate urgent messages to all participating neighbors.

Get Help & Learn More



If you need help with registration and/or want to get the most out of the Village Defense app, please try their simple training videos at: villagedefense.com/training.

2015 Pool Schedule

May 15 to May 22

Friday	4:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday	11:00 am to 9:00 pm
Monday to Thursday	4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

May 23 to Aug 16

Monday to Saturday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday	11:00 am to 9:00 pm

Aug 17 to Sept 6

Monday to Thursday	3:30 pm to 8:00 pm
Friday	3:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday	11:00 am to 9:00 pm

Sept 7 to Sept 13

Monday, Labor Day	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Tuesday to Thursday	Closed
Friday	3:30 pm to 9:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday	11:00 am to 6:00 pm

Dog Swim & Ice Cream

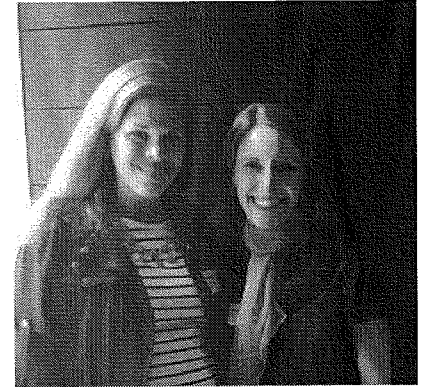


The Ice Cream Social kicks off around 3:30 pm, and the dogs hit the water around 5:00 pm. *Final details to follow.*

2015 Home Tour

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The Tour would not have been possible without our other amazing sponsors: Two Men & a Truck; Architect Stan Dixon; Capital Investment Advisors; Dorsey Alston Realtors/Patti Junger; Legg Mason/Lainie & Pete Powell; ESD Homes; Everything But the House; Mercedes-Benz of Buckhead; McGriff, Seibels & Williams, Inc./Anna Cate & Matt Little; and Revival Construction. A special thank you goes out to our patron sponsors, homeowners, volunteers and other donors who all had a part in making the event a record-breaking success!



If you are interested in getting involved with the Friends group, which hosts social and fundraising events for CHOA (including the next Best Butt in Brookwood Hills!), please contact Eva Walker at evangeline.walker@gmail.com or Lainie Powell at lainiepowell@gmail.com.



*Nearby & Notable***Keep Atlanta Beautiful
Community Recycling**

For a more convenient recycling option, Keep Atlanta Beautiful holds a recycling event on the first Saturday of each month in Buckhead. Friendly volunteers help you dispose of paint, electronics, Styrofoam and more.

For more information:
[www.KeepAtlantaBeautiful.org/
community-recycling-centers/](http://www.KeepAtlantaBeautiful.org/community-recycling-centers/)

1st Saturday each month

10:00 am to 3:00 pm behind the Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church
2715 Peachtree Road, NE*
at the corner of East Wesley and
Bolling Roads

Sample Selected Electronics:

Personal Computers • Monitors •
Flat Screen Monitors • *TVs •
VCRs • Radios • DVD Players •
Microwaves • Power Supplies •
Telephones • Pagers • Networking
Equipment • Laptops • Key-
boards • Mice • Power Cables •
Printers • Copy Machines • Fax
Machines • Cell Phones & more...

Fees (cash only)

TV: \$10.00 • Wooden console/
Plasma/Projection TV:
\$30.00 • CRT Computer Monitor:
\$5.00 • Cracked screen LCD/
LED Monitor: \$5.00 (no fee for
undamaged monitors)

Not Accepted: Mercury Contain-
ing Devices • Hazardous Chemi-
cals • Light Bulbs • Florescent
tubes • Bio-Waste

Onsite, Secure Paper Shredding

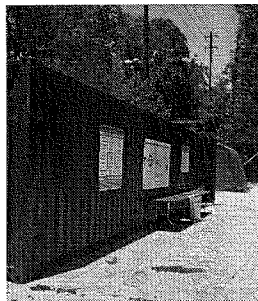
All documents are shredded and
will be 100% recycled. First box of
shredding is free, \$3.00 each addi-
tional box.

CHaRM Facility Opens in Atlanta

Excerpt from buckheadview.com, Contributed by Katy Fransen

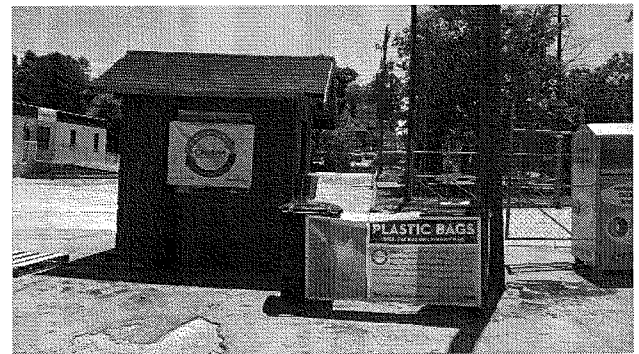
CHaRM (Center for Hard to Recycle Materials) is a permanent facility that will encourage reuse while diverting thousands of pounds of household hazardous waste, bulky trash and other hard to recycle items from Metro-Atlanta households, water supplies, and landfills.

Construction on the three-quarter-acre center started in November 2014. It cost about \$150,000 to build, was paid for with private donations and is leasing the property from the city of Atlanta for \$1 a year, according to Peggy Whitlow Radcliffe, executive director of Live Thrive Atlanta.



“In only 5 days we have diverted over 12,500 pounds of paint and chemicals from our water system and landfills!”

Live Thrive Atlanta's Facebook page, 4/30/15



Accepted household waste and electronics: Paint (latex and oil-based), household chemicals, electronics (TV's and monitors \$10 fee), tires (city of Atlanta residents only), mattresses, toilets, propane tanks, large appliances, thermometers and smoke detectors

Accepted recyclables: Plastic bags,, clean and dry plastic food containers, paper products, food-grade glass bottles and jars, metal, aluminum cans, cardboard, furniture in good condition, printer cartridges, textiles, styrofoam, bulbs, batteries and household fats/oil/grease.

Items for re-use: shoes, books, musical instruments, sports equipment, bikes, textiles, and building materials



CHaRM
1110 Hill Street
Atlanta, Ga 30315

Regular Hours

Tuesday 9 am- 4 pm
Thursday 9 am- 4 pm
Saturday 8 am- 4 pm

livethrive.org/charm

[facebook.com/pages/Live-Thrive-Atlanta](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Live-Thrive-Atlanta)

Atlanta 311: One-Stop City Customer Service Line

Excerpt from Creative Loafing Article, Oct 2014



ATL311, the city's new non-emergency call center, finally goes live

On the fourth floor of the Municipal Court of Atlanta, roughly 60 full-time phone operators wearing blue-collared shirts and hands-free telephone headsets sit in cubicles and answer a barrage of calls from residents. One person calls in a possible water main break on Beecher Road. Others are asking about code enforcement violations, business permit inquiries, and trash pickup requests.

Until last week, 911 operators received calls those kinds of calls in addition to reports of fatal car accidents, fired gunshots, and other life-threatening matters that required immediate responses. Now there's ATL311, the city's new customer service hub that will handle these non-emergency complaints, service orders, and other information requests over the phone. Complaints will also be handled through a new website, **ATL311.com**.

The new customer service center will be open on weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Atlanta residents and visitors will also be able to submit requests and track changes online at all hours at **ATL311.com**. You can call **311** from a home phone or **404-546-0311** from a cell phone to use the service. Major emergencies should still be phoned into 911. ATL311 employees will lend a hand to the city's response efforts as needed.

See the full article:

<http://clatl.com/freshloaf/archives/2014/10/27/atl311-the-citys-new-non-emergency-call-center-finally-goes-live>

ATL311 provides the citizens with a single contact number for The City of Atlanta non-emergency requests.

- Launched October 2014.
- Monday to Friday, 7 am to 6 pm
- Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.
- Landlines call **311**.
- Mobile phones call **404-546-0311**.
- ATL311.com
- [Facebook.com/ATL311](https://www.facebook.com/ATL311)

Recommendations & Services

The Boxx Beauty Bar



Eva Walker and Libby Barge recommend The Boxx Beauty Bar nearby at 1831 Peachtree. Services include blow-outs, makeup, massage, mani-pedi, body waxing, brow sculpting, and personal shopping. theboxxbeautybar.com/

Absolute Dryer Vent Services

Karen Grice highly recommends Neil Mullins of **Absolute Dryer Vent Services** who helped her recently with a dryer vent issue. Karen says, "He is very knowledgeable and fair. He even offers before and after photos to illustrate his repairs." Contact Neil **(770) 866-1301** or emullins2011@gmail.com; or find out more: aabsolutedryerventservices-com.webs.com/ or [facebook.com/AAbsolutedryerventservice](https://www.facebook.com/AAbsolutedryerventservice)

Seeking a Carriage House

A friend is looking for a one- or two-bedroom carriage house in Brookwood Hills or nearby Buckhead to rent beginning this summer. Great tenant! If you have a lead, please contact Amanda Baxter at **(404) 805-1230** or aczabor@gmail.com.

Pressure Washing

Henry Kreimer of Camden is available for pressure washing decks, driveways, steps, sidewalks and other areas you may need. Henry is 16 years old, and has all his own equipment and hoses. Each job is different, so the cost is totally negotiable! Contact Henry via email henry.kreimer@student.lovet.org or via text or call **(678) 995-2030**.

Sam Richardson of Monclair is a recent Lovett grad and has a pressure washing business with a fellow graduate. They can pressure wash patios, decks, driveways, porches, sidewalks, etc. Sam has his own equipment. Please text or call Sam at **(404) 824-7672** or email: sam.richardson@student.lovet.org.

Scenes from the 2015 Spring Fling

Photos by Virginia Davis, Katy Fransen, & Jennifer Webster

Brookwood Hills welcomed spring to the neighborhood with our Annual Spring Fling on the afternoon of Sunday, March 29th in the BWH Park.

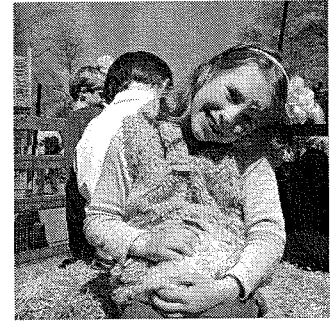
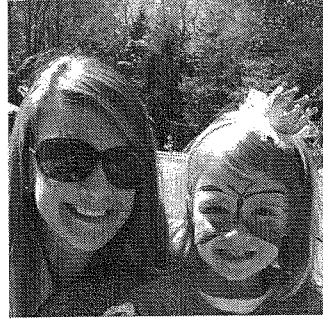
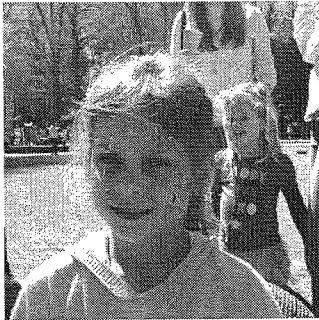
The weather was beautiful, and there was no sign of spring showers.

Taking a break from our usual timed egg hunts, the children enjoyed a bounce house, crafts, a Golden Egg hunt, a petting farm, face painting, and more.

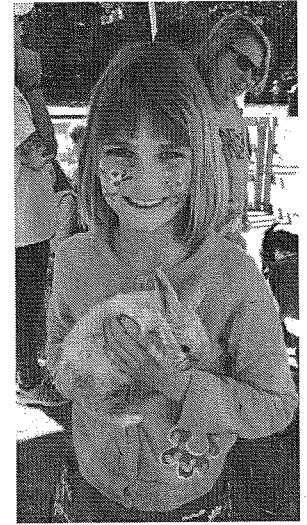
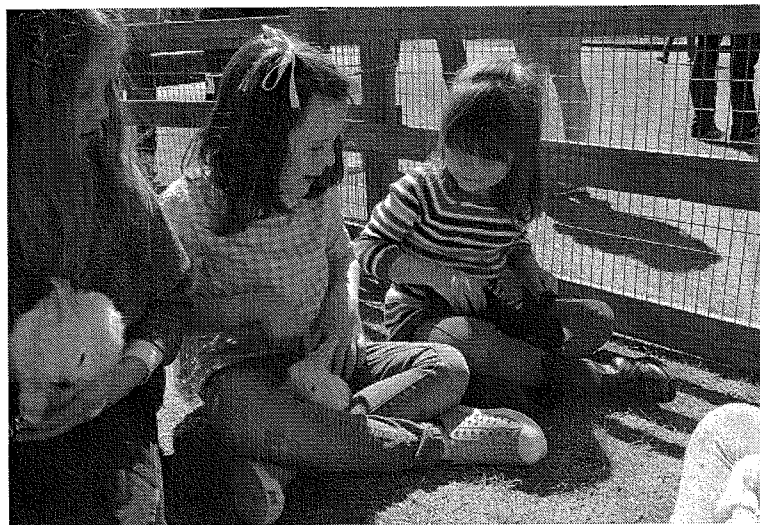
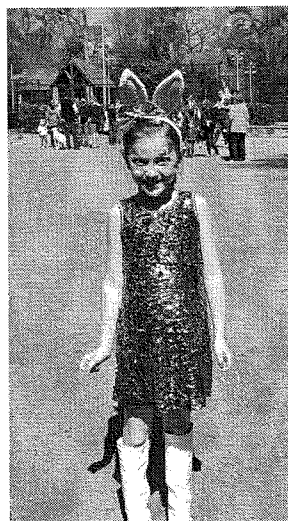
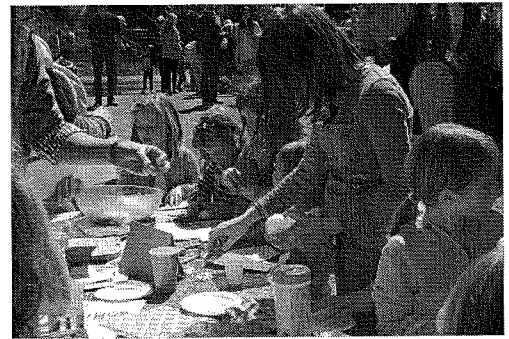
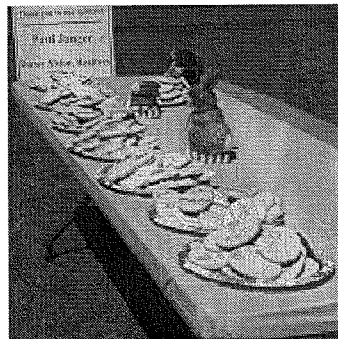
Thank you to our Social Chairs Jennifer Webster and Kirsten Boehner and to the volunteers for wonderful event!

Thank You to Our Sponsor

Thank you to Patti Junger and Dorsey Alston for generously hosting the festivities again for us this year.



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Full-Time Nanny Available

"I have an excellent full-time (40+ hours per wk) nanny candidate She is college-educated, has raised 4 children of her own, and has great transportation." Contact Amanda Baxter directly at (404) 805-1230 or aczabor@gmail.com.

Babysitter | Pet Sitter | House Sitter

Eliza Granade of Camden is a rising senior at Vanderbilt University. She will be home for May and June and would love to babysit, pet sit, or house sit during that time. Contact Eliza at eliza.b.granade@vanderbilt.edu or (404) 431-1125.

Pet Sitter | House Sitter

Cannon Sayers of Wakefield recommends **Sally Harper** for in-home pet sitting and/or house sitting. "Sally has worked for my company for years and is looking for extra income. She lives in Buckhead and is extremely trustworthy." Please contact Sally at (678)427-5955.

Babysitter | Swim Lessons

Mary Frazier Greene of Huntington is available for babysitting this summer. She has experience with children of all ages and can be available for overnight stays. Mary Frazier, is a graduating senior and swimmer at Kenyon College. She is headed to nursing in the fall. Mary Frazier has also coached swimming at the Piedmont Driving Club for five years. Please text or call Mary Frazier at (404) 227-1828 for childcare or swim lessons.

Babysitter | Mother's Helper

Emily Payne, Brighton resident & rising 9th Grader at Pace Academy, is available for babysitting and/or working as a mother's helper. Emily has completed the Red Cross Babysitter's Training course, and she loves working with children! Emily has been swimming competitively for 10+ years and is a strong and experienced swimmer. She is available to take children to the pool. Please text or call Emily: (404) 539-4923.

Eliza Normark, rising 9th grader, and **Larson Normark**, rising 7th grader, are available for babysitting this summer. Both are experienced babysitters. They are also available to water plants and take care of pets when you travel. Call or text Eliza at (678) 428-6168 and call or text Larson at (404) 234-7175.

Pet Sitter | Dog Walker

Morgan Payne, Brighton resident & rising 8th Grader at Pace Academy, is available for pet sitting this summer. He enjoys taking care of animals. If needed, he can also water plants and bring in the mail! Please text or call Morgan (404) 263-9616.

Millie Normark, rising 5th grader, is offering a pet walking/sitting business this summer. Please contact her for pricing and more information. She can be reached at millienormark@icloud.com.



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