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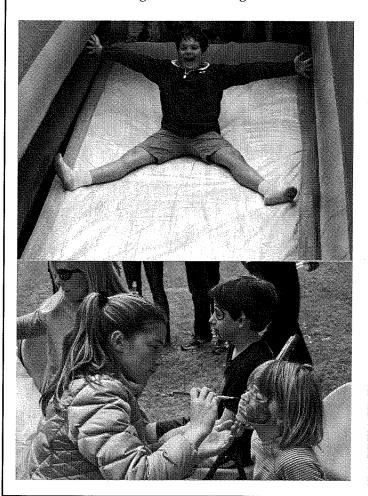
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Annual Spring Fling

By Kirsten Boehner and Jennifer Webster, Social Chairs

Thanks to everyone who defied the predicted wind storm and came out to enjoy the BWH Spring Fling in the park. A big thank you to our sponsor Patti Junger of Dorsey Alston Real Estate and a shout out to all our face painters extraordinaire.

Highlights of the Fling included face painting and bubbles, the petting farm and the large inflatable slide/mosh pit. If your little ones fell in love with the baby goats, you can visit the farm in their North Georgia location - see http://www.wildlifewonders.org/index2.html for more details! Warning: sometimes the goats are for sale...







Summer Camp in BWH!

By Libby Barge, Brooknotes Co-Editor

Tired of fighting the carpool line and traffic? Did you know that many kids in Brookwood Hills attend camp just down the street on Huntington or Palisades? I sat down with Savannah, Charlotte, and Graham Lee of 82 Huntington as well as Khaki Loughran of 38 Palisades to learn about the camps they offer and what motivates them to provide such a fun environment for our neighborhood!

Savannah, a sophomore at GA Tech, and her sister Charlotte, senior at Lovett, started Camp Cupcake in 2011. At the time, Savannah was only in 9th grade and Charlotte in 7th. When asked what motivated them, they said they loved babysitting and teaching children crafts and remembered attending a camp in the neighborhood when they were young. After talking with their mother, Kem Lee,

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BrookNotes welcomes articles, photographs, and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue is **Friday**, **6/11/16**. Please email the *BrookNotes* co-editors at brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com.

Mark Your Calendar!



Pool Schedule

Pool opens Friday, May 13 at 4pm!

May 13-May 26

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

May 27-August 14

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

August 15 - September 4

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Monday to Thursday	3:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Friday	3:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Sunday	11:00 am - 9:00 pm
Labor Day September 5	10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Labor Day, September 5

September 6 - 11
Tuesday to Thursday Pool Closed

Friday 3:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Sunday 11:00 am - 6:00 pm

Sunday, September 11

Dog Swim



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(404) 325-5114

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BWH Dive Team Update

Contributed by Deena Greene

We are excited for another great summer of diving with the Brookwood Hills Dive Team! Please join us! Our coaching staff is fabulous: McKenzie Richards, freshman at Duke and former year-round diver at ADA and Marist is our head coach this year! Davis Waln, rising senior at Galloway, Mary Anglin Toole and Stuart Ingram, rising juniors at Lovett, Charlie Greene, rising junior at Westminster, and Drew Sheldon, rising sophomore at NAHS round out an awesome staff of high school divers that love their sport and love to coach your kids! Practice begins Monday, May 16. We will have hard copy registration forms for dive team on April 24 during the Swim & Dive Team Meet & Greet from 12 noon - 3 p.m. at the Pavilion. Go Bullfrogs! Questions? Feel free to call Deena Greene at (404) 754-1434.



BWH Swim Team Update

Contributed by Dea Canova

Coach Tim and the BWH Bullfrogs are gearing up for another fun swim season. Registration is open for new and experienced swimmers from ages 4 - 18. The first practice is May 2nd at 4:00pm. Visit the swim team website, http://bwh.swim-team.us, for details. Volunteer sign ups will open soon, watch for an email so you can secure the perfect job for you! It takes dedication from our parents to help our events run smoothly and quickly. The volunteer coordinators for 2016 are Alli Richardson, Mary Clancy Peak and Kevin Peak.

If you have any questions please contact swim team moms, Katie Crites (<u>katiegage@aol.com</u>) or Dea Canova (<u>dealcanova@gmail.com</u>).

See you at the pool and GO BULLFROGS!

Concession Stand App

Don't let another summer get away without downloading the concession stand app. You can place an order with the concession stand from the comfort of your poolside table and avoid waiting in line. The interface is easy to use from your smartphone or tablet and will even text you when your order is ready for pickup. It requires a credit card to place an order, but there is no additional cost to use the system. All of your information is stored by Square, our point of sale vendor, and not by BWH.

Direct your smartphone/tablet web browser to https://squareup.com/market/bwhpool. Now you are ready to order! If you wish, you can save the website to your smartphone "desktop" as an app tile for ease of future use. Any questions should be directed towards your



Any questions should be directed towards your pool chairs, Ian Zabor (zabori02@yahoo.com) or Mike Jones (bigmike_j@hotmail.com).



2016 BWH Swim Team Schedule of Events

- April 24 Meet and Greet
- May 2 First Practice
- May 7 First Saturday Morning Practice and New Parent Orientation
- May 22 Kick Off Cookout
- May 24 Mock Meet/ Time Trials
- May 31 1st Meet Hanover West @ BWH
- June 2 Team Pictures and 6 & Under Movie Night
- June 4 Swim A Thon and Tie Dye Party
- June 7 2nd Meet BWH @ Garden Hills (away)
- June 9 7/8 and 9/10 Movie Night
- June 11 Kids for Kids Meet @ Marist
- June 14 3rd Meet BWH @ Venetian Pools
- June 16 11 & Up Fun Night @ Main Event
- June 21 4th Meet Chastain @ BWH
- June 27 5th Meet Mill Glen @ BWH (MONDAY MEET)
- June 29 Pasta Dinner
- July 1 ASA Divisionals @ Georgia Tech Natatorium
- July 2 ASA Championships @ Georgia Tech Natatorium

Summer Camp in BWH

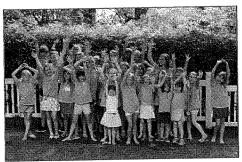
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they decided to go for it! The camp ran for 1 week twice a summer and campers ranged from ages 4-10 years old, arriving promptly at 9am and leaving at 1pm. Savannah and Charlotte set up different stations and campers would rotate between them. Some of their favorites included: bead making, baking, tie dying t-shirts, and making a human sundae out of Savannah.

The entire camp took place in their home. As for their mother, Kem, many wonder how she would stay calm having up to 25 campers for one week taking over her house. The sisters assured me she loved it and campers left the house cleaner than it was before! If only we could establish these rules at our own homes.

Looking back, Savannah and Charlotte said they learned a lot from the process. Learning how to control 25 children at their home was a challenge; however, they found the most effective way was through positive feedback and encouraging the girls. Serving as a counselor also taught them how to take the focus off themselves and simply enjoy playing with the kids and helping them build friendships. Their favorite quote was from a little girl who said, "Charlotte and Savannah, you are so lucky because you get to live at Camp Cupcake all year round." Unfortunately, with Savannah's college schedule and Charlotte's travel this summer, Camp Cupcake is no longer running! We know they will be missed.

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Group shot from Camp Cupcake



Human Sundae

BWH Community Club Membership

Contributed by Washington Dender, Membership Chair



New neighbors, if you haven't already, please consider joining the Brookwood Hills community club. Below is the membership breakdown. 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.

A Members

Brookwood Hills Residents with park, pool and year-round tennis privileges.

Annual Dues - \$995 Initiation - \$4,750

S Members

Brookwood Hills Residents over the age of 60 on January 1, 2016 with park, pool and year-round tennis privileges.

Annual Dues - \$615 Initiation - \$2,400

B Members

Brookwood Hills Residents with park privileges and security benefits.

Annual Dues - \$365 Initiation - N/A

As a reminder, we encourage ALL Brookwood Hills neighbors to join the community club at some level. If you do not wish to have pool and tennis privileges, please join as a "B" member which gives your family access to the park, the Clear Creek greenspace, our great social events, and also supports neighborhood beautification initiatives like the planned Huntington and Palisades entrances and tree planting programs. Importantly, "B" level membership dues support our neighborhood security initiatives, including the recent installation of cameras at our entrances and the continued use of off-duty police personnel to patrol the neighborhood. "B" membership also gives you access to website and email security updates and our security personnel. This level of membership is only \$365 per year with no initiation fee.

Summer Camp in BWH

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Another successful BWH camp was started by Khaki Loughran, a sophomore at Pace Academy. 2016 marks the 5th year of Camp Superstar. She has worked at Camp Cupcake as well. Khaki never attended a camp in Brookwood Hills growing up but loved babysitting and being a mother's helper so was inspired to do something more. She was only 13 when she started. Superstar has a similar schedule as Camp Cupcake with stations ranging from crafts to baking to dancing. Campers learn a choreographed dance throughout the week and perform on the last day for parents! The entire camp is hosted at the Loughran's home. Kahki's first year, she had 13 campers for 1 week. The demand for Camp Superstar has grown four-fold, so this year she is offering two weeks with 22 girls per session! She has some help from junior counselors and fellow neighbors, Frances & Chloe Wilburt and Ava Grannot.

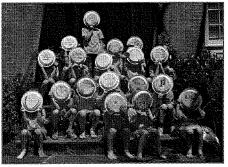
Khaki has learned the art of being prepared. She preps everything the night before—all the crafts, the baking, and lunches so she is ready when her campers knock on her door. Khaki loves watching how happy the kids are and it brings back memories of how much she loved growing up in Brookwood Hills.

Girls don't have all the fun! Graham Lee, an 8th grader at Sutton and Junior swim Coach, has the boys covered. He followed in his sisters footsteps and began "Camp Summer Splash" in 2015. Instead of jewelry making or baking, his stations include water gun games, water balloon fights, Popsicle stick boat making, and a duct tape station! He also liked babysitting and once he saw how his sisters created Camp Cupcake, he decided to take the challenge. Graham has 10 campers in each of his two sessions that will run each day from 9am-1pm. When asked what he has learned most, he said it was imperative that he was prepared and organized before the campers arrived. He has also learned that sometimes he needs to be strict in order to prevent a coup! Graham's favorite memory from last year was the ninja water balloon fight! His camp is full this year but he intends to do it again in 2017! Look for an email or flyer in January.

Parents and kids rave about the camps! Many campers sign up for both sessions and parents love the convenience of being able to walk their children down the street and know they are building long lasting relationships with other neighborhood children. One thing is for sure, Brookwood Hills is a special place to raise a family!



Camp Superstar





Water Balloon Ninja Fight at Camp Summer Splash

BWH Welcomes Two New Neighbors

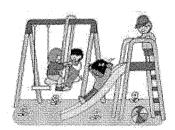
Please welcome Mitch and Ginny Ermentrout to 172 Huntington Road. Mitch is an interventional radiologist and Assistant Professor at Emory University School of Medicine. Ginny is a stay at home mom for their one year old daughter, Charlotte Jane. The Ermentrouts recently moved to Atlanta from Southern California. They are very excited about joining our active BWH Community.

The family of Stanislav (Stas) Emelianov and Noune Sarvazyan have moved to 237 Camden Road. They have relocated from Austin, Texas with their son, age thirteen, Alik Emelianov, who is in the 8th grade at the Westminster Schools. Their two grown children stayed in Texas. Stas, who was previously a faculty member at UT at Austin and the MD Anderson Cancer Center, now joined Georgia Tech and Emory University School of Medicine in the field of imaging, therapy and bionanotechnology. Nourne is a serial entrepreneur and an executive in the biomedical field. They are excited about their new beginning in Atlanta and are delighted to join the BWH Community.

The Park Needs Your Help!

Contributed by Bryan Kenna Park, Tennis, and Common Areas Chair

As most of you know, beginning several years ago Brookwood Hills began the process of long-range planning related to one of the neighborhood's most valuable and central assets - the park. Since that time, the neighborhood and BoD have taken a thoughtful approach to understanding and addressing short-term issues (maintenance and safety), while soliciting input and developing plans for longer-term fixes and enhancements. The membership and Board have worked with architects HGOR to develop plan options that address the bigger issues (e.g., drainage) as well as options to significantly enhance the utility and enjoyment of the space by community members of all types. We now have a vision with accompanying plans that give us options - from major upgrade to significant redevelopment - and we need make several key decisions to move the project from concept to execution. As such, Bryan Kenna and the Board are seeking to form a Park Steering Committee to help define the path forward and provide oversight over key decisions and process steps along the way. Overall commitment should not be onerous - the role is more advisory than execution. If you are interested in helping in this capacity, please email Bryan at bryankenna@gmail.com.



Morning Workout Group

Contributed by Mike Jones & Ian Zabor, Pool Chairs

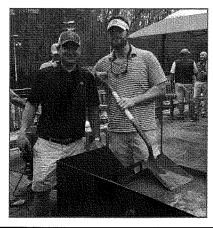
If you are looking to do more before 7am than most do all day, come join us Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30am! RRLANTA is a group of 25 neighborhood men that get together for a good workout, community bonding and some laughs before the world wakes up and the day gets busy. For the past four years we had been working out at Chip Lusk's garage on Wakefield, but sadly, Chip, Joy and the kids are moving to DC this summer and so RRLANTA is relocating to the basketball/fitness area adjacent to the tennis courts.

We typically have 6-12 guys show up on any given day, and the ages range from mid 30's to mid 50's, with varying levels of athletic ability and fitness. Workouts include a proper warm-up and range from basic bodyweight exercises (push-ups, pull-ups, sit-ups, etc...) to weights (compound movements with barbells & dumbbells) and cardio. Focus is on functional movements that are constantly varied at high intensity. All workouts can be scaled to your level of fitness, so anyone can participate. We even hold family fitness events on holidays, though these are held at a more reasonable hour!

Please consider joining us and making RRLANTA an even bigger part of Brookwood Hills. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mike Jones (bigmikej1974@gmail.com) or Ian Zabor (zabori02@yahoo.com).

2nd Annual Oyster Roast

Thank you to the Powell and Jones' families for hosting the 2nd Annual Oyster Roast on Saturday, March 19th. A little rain didn't prevent us from having a great time shucking oysters and listening to music! Many thanks to all the neighbors who made the day a success.







Crime Update

Contributed by Gregory Fiore, Security Chair

Spring and warm weather is upon us, and not surprisingly, the warmer weather can often increase crime rates. In speaking with a Zone 2 police officer, he mentioned the APD expects an uptick in crime when the weather changes for the better.

We've made a lot of neighborhood improvements to security in 2015, and I am pushing for even more changes this year. However, my main goal as Security Chair this year is to get more neighbors to adopt home security cameras. Prices and products are plentiful and inexpensive. Having a home camera system is not only an excellent deterrent but also provides valuable evidence for our officers.

I've listed two products that are affordable and have been used by neighbors. Feel free to email me if you want to see any of the products in action.

NETGEAR Wireless Camera System:

One, Two, three camera system. Price with installation is \$365-\$796. For consultation please contact <u>michaelwagoner@me.com</u>. Great product and allows you to keep your traditional doorbell.

RING.Com (new smaller product available): Replaces your doorbell. Price is \$180-\$249 if you install yourself. www.ring.com. Use "ATLANTANEIGHBORS" discount code. For installation please contact Marco Gonzalez at (404) 667-7794, marco.gonzalez002@gmail.com.

Again, I strongly encourage everyone to look into these products. In my opinion, they are as important as having an alarm.

Security Phone Numbers

911 - You should call 911 for everything from solicitations to invasive crimes.

Security Patrol Cell Phone: (404) 242-3321

You can call this number for questions about security in the neighborhood or in the case of an incident, after you have called 911.

BWH Security Chair:

To report incidents or ask questions, email him at security@brookwoodhills.com.

Brookwood Hills Security

Contributed by Gregory Fiore, Security Chair

Security Concern/Request	Recommended Action
 There was a break-in or attempted break-in at your home or car. You see suspicious activity in the neighborhood. A solicitor has come to your door to try to sell something. 	 First, call 911. Call the Security Patrol cell phone at (404) 242-3321. Post incident on Village Defense (the fastest way to notify neighbors)
You are going out of town.	Contact Security at Brookwoodhillspa- trol@gmail.com or (404) 325-5114. Please provide your name, address, phone number and the dates you will be away Security will check on your home while you are away.
You need a BWH parking sticker for your car. (members only)	Gregory Fiore distributes parking stickers. Email him at security@ brookwoodhills.com.
Download Village Defense on your phone at www.villagedefense.com/ app	If you see something suspicious please send alerts to your neighbors via the APP. We have very high participation. Please only use the app for security issues. Lost pets can be posted on the BWH Facebook page.

Pick or Pocket or Two with Oliver Twist!

Contributed by Laura Doman

Lionel Bart's iconic musical Oliver! takes on a fresh, candid perspective April 21 - May 8 at 7 Stages Theatre in Little Five Points. Thirty-three students, ages 8 to 18 and representing 23 different schools, perform alongside a cast of 18 adult actors. One of Brookwood Hills' own, 11 year old Rachel Doman, will take to the stage in the lead role! For tickets and information, please visit http://fabrefaction.org/. Rachel will be performing as Oliver on the following dates: April 21 at 8 pm, April 24 at 3 pm, April 29 at 8 pm, April 30 at 8 pm, May 2 at 8 pm and May 7 at 2 pm.

Summer Babysitter/Nanny

Maureen Zent recommends Annabel Rothschild for a babysitter/nanny this summer. Annabel, a graduating Paideia School senior and former BWH swimmer would love to work for a neighborhood family this summer. She will be available as a full time nanny from May 23rd to August 15th. She is looking to work for a family/families during the day on a regular basis. She is also open to babysitting as needed or in the evening and can babysit on weekends between now and summer. She drives and has her own transportation. Maureen says "Annabel is a very responsible and fun young lady with a lot of babysitting experience." References available. Contact Annabel at rothschild.annabel@gmail.com.

Wine Store Recommendation



Photo by Thomas Spravka Photography

Libby Barge recommends Sherlock's Wine Merchant, which is set to open the week of April 15th at 1831 Peachtree Road. For more than 30 years, Sherlock's Wine Merchant has been engaging the Metro Atlanta area with the finest artisanal wines from its various locations around the city.

Birth Announcement



Brad and Evangeline (Eva) Walker are proud to announce the birth of their second daughter, Jocelyn Cole Walker on 9.15.15. She was 7lbs 6oz and 20 inches long.

The week before this family became a party of four, they moved from 238 Camden to 145 Brighton. Their new home is where Brad was raised. His parents (Betty and Steve Walker) moved from Brighton to the Reid House on 16th street. Emily Faye (4) has her dad's old room and is very much in love with her baby sister, Jocelyn. Brad and Eva are excited to be able to raise their girls in Brad's childhood home.

Recommendations

Make Outdoor Family Events Last Longer. Protect your yard from Mosquitoes All Summer Long!

Bug Busters mosquito reduction service is every three weeks from April - October. Bug Busters services is family & pet friendly while being beneficial to all plants around the home. Our certified and trained team will treat with both audulticides and larvicides going after all stages of the mosquito. For more info on our service check out our website or blog. www.BugBustersusa.com

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