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Brooknotes welcomes articles, art work,
photographs and story ideas. The
deadline for the next issue of

Brooknotes is Friday, May 17, 1996.

Submissions should be in writing and
should be dropped off at Betsy Crosby's
house, 34 Brighton Rd.

Pool Fence Off Limits

The Board has been informed that teenagers have been spotted climbing over the fence to the pool. This is strictly prohibited and potentially very dangerous. Anyone observing this behavior, please contact either of the Pool Committee Co-Chairs, Jim Porter, 355-8876, or Kathy McCune, 872-1177.

Come Hear Representatives From
Trammel Crow Residential
Developers on Thursday, May 9
at 7:30 p.m. at Rich Auditorium in
Piedmont Hospital. The topic will
be the proposed development of
the Jewish Community Center
Property.

FROM THE BOARD

The Trammell Crow Development

Representatives from the BWH Board of Directors and the neighborhood at large met Friday, April 12, 1996 with Warren J. Durkin of Trammell Crow Residential developers ("Trammell Crow") and the Trammell Crow attorney, Carl Westmoreland. The meeting had been called by Trammell Crow in an attempt to allay some of the concerns about its upcoming purchase of the Jewish Community Center property. Trammell Crow is a national apartment developer.

The contract price for the property is approximately \$7 million, with a closing date anticipated at the end of this year. The developer states that it plans to invest another \$33 million into construction of the property, which will take sixteen to eighteen months to complete. The purchase agreement is apparently contingent upon a rezoning of the property from its current status as single-family residences. There may be other contingencies, as well.

At the meeting, Trammell Crow unveiled its first proposed site plan of the property. The company plans to build a total of 425 units in two separate buildings. As proposed, the first building will take the place of the Jewish Community Center and will be four stories tall, including a first floor parking garage. The second building will replace the back lot, tennis courts and baseball field of the JCC. It will be a saw-tooth pattern of apartments forming a triangle, with four stories on the north side bordering homes on Huntington Road and six stories along the side that borders I-85 where the property drops off. The plans call for a four-story parking deck in the middle of the triangle with a proposed outdoor swimming pool and tennis court on the fifth floor.

Ingress and egress to the apartments will be at the light next to the International House of Pancakes. The developer stated that the project will not have an outlet onto Huntington Road and its intention is to sell the lot (included in the purchase agreement) that fronts onto Huntington.

The Jewish Federation Building on the corner of Huntington and Peachtree and the parking lot behind it has been sold to an attorney, David Joel. The construction of the Trammell Crow development will not affect Mr. Joel's property; however, Mr. Joel currently has an easement from the light at IHOP over to his parking lot. Board members were concerned that this easement conceivably could be used as a cut-through for apartment dwellers trying to avoid some of the lights on Peachtree.

The proposed tenant make-up of the buildings is singles and couples without children. There will be one-bedroom, two-bedroom and three-bedroom apartments, with an average monthly rent of over \$1000. Trammell Crow intends to market the apartments to the "younger empty nester types, 45 years old with the kids gone." The likely exterior of the buildings will be stucco with brick trim.

Trammell Crow will continue to meet with members of the Board to show them elevations of the proposed apartments and updated drawings as they are available. The developer will also make a presentation on the evening of May 9 at Rich Auditorium at Piedmont Hospital at 7:30 p.m. All neighbors are welcome.

The Board would like to solicit advice and input from neighborhood residents who are experienced in zoning and legal issues, land planning and traffic control. Please call Zoning Chair Nick Sears at 355-5104 if you can be of assistance.

BULLETIN BOARD

Security Issues

This may be dogwood season, but a number of recent security incidents remind us that springtime is also the season for theft. Several cars have been broken into this past month and car phones have been stolen. A month's usage can be billed to the owner of a stolen cellular phone before service can be cut off--remember to remove your phone when you leave your car. On Sunday, April 14, a bike thief was spotted attempting to steal an unattended bicycle from the park. He was chased out of the neighborhood by attentive neighbors and the bike was recovered.

Block Captains Needed

More Block Captains are needed for delivery of security notices to ensure that a back-up is available for every primary deliverer. Please contact Judy Horton, 351-6257, if you would be willing to stuff mailboxes on one of your walks around the neighborhood.

Babysitter List

As a service to the mothers of young children in the neighborhood, *Brooknotes* is planning to compile a list of available babysitters. If you would like to be included, please leave a note in the Community mailbox by May 17 at 77 Wakefield listing your name, phone number, age and hours available for sitting. You may also include references if you desire.

Olympic Pool Privileges

At the April 1 meeting of the BWH Board of Directors, a resolution was passed regarding use of the pool by those renting homes of "A" or "C" members of the Community Club. Though these tenants may use the pool, they may not bring in guests. If you are renting your home for the Olympics, please make sure the name of each one of your tenants is on file with the Pool Committee.

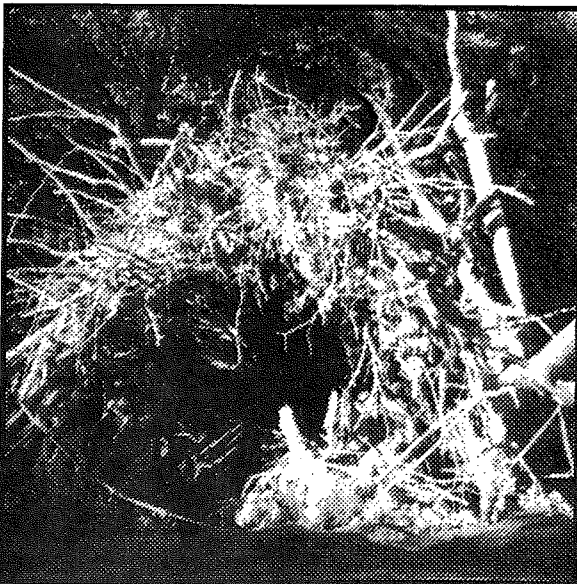
Synchro Swimming

Anita Bryant will once again be teaching synchronized swimming classes at the Brookwood Hills pool this summer. Classes will be held Wednesday and Friday, 12:15 to 1:00 p.m., June 14-28. Call Anita at (404) 607-7082 to register your water ballerina.

Free at Last

Peachtree Christian Church Preschool is taking fall registration for children ages 2 mos. to 4 years for its Mothers Morning Out program and its Preschool program. The focus of the Preschool curriculum will be the arts. Hours will be 9 to 12, with an option of Lunch Bunch which runs from 12 to 2. Mothers Morning Out runs from 9 to 2. Tuesdays and Thursdays a group drop-in program is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Call Wendy McGee, 876-5535 for more information.

"Standing Long an Oak . . . To Fall at Last a Log"



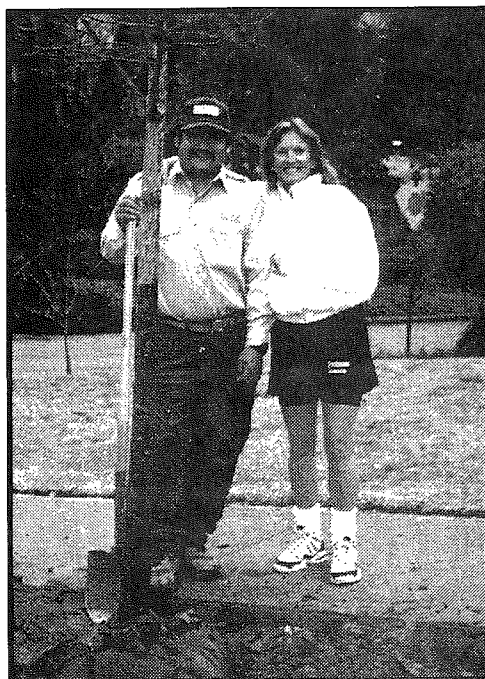
When Hurricane Opal ripped through Brookwood Hills, it also felled one of our favorite landmarks: the 100-foot-tall white oak tree that towered over the front lawn of Piedmont Hospital. Neighbors and fellow Atlantans mourned its loss and yearned for a way to keep the tree's legacy alive. Piedmont Hospital has responded in a creative manner to the many suggestions it received from patients, friends and passersby.

The hollowed out trunk is now a natural perch for the free-flying birds in the wildlife show at Zoo Atlanta. The six-foot tall, five-foot diameter trunk was transported to the zoo free of charge by Arboguard Tree Specialists. Ironically, the same strong winds that uprooted the historic oak also destroyed the zoo's previous wildlife perch.

The remaining parts of the tree are being put to various uses. Some of the branches have been transformed into Christmas tree ornaments. Master wood turner Ed Moulthrop is at work crafting one of his renowned bowls from a portion of the tree. Gavels for future board chairmen, a park bench and other pieces are in various stages of completion. Finally, a twenty-foot-tall white oak now stands proudly in the place of its noble predecessor.

Awards For Historic Homes

Does the addition on your house compliment the original 1920's architecture? If you're proud of your addition, submit your home for the First Annual Historic Homes Awards sponsored by the Atlanta Preservation Center and *Atlanta Homes and Lifestyles* magazine. The contest offers categories for whole house restoration, historic landscape, sympathetic addition, exterior restoration, bed and breakfast, and special projects (such as kitchens, baths, outbuildings or built-ins). Winners may be featured in an upcoming issue of *Atlanta Homes and Lifestyles* magazine. Residences may be entered in the contest by either the homeowners and/or project professionals. Deadline for entries is June 7, 1996 at 5:00 p.m. For more information call (404) 876-2041.



Sandra Player offers assistance to a member of the crew from Post Residential Landscapes who planted fourteen new trees on Camden Road on April 1.

Camden Road Greens Up

A committee of sixteen neighbors from Camden Road celebrated the planting of elm and maple trees on April 1 to replace the trees felled by Hurricane Opal. Anxious to take advantage of the spring planting period, these neighbors have contributed their own funds toward the reforestation of Camden. A donation of \$1,000 by Karen Mullinax of Harry Norman Realtors to the BWH Garden Club has been earmarked to help defray the expense of these trees. Other donations are welcome. The Camden Road neighbors will be watering and caring for their trees as per a schedule from Post Residential Landscapes, who provided the necessary landscape service free of charge.

Calendar

The **Garden Club's Acorn Auction** will take place next **Friday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m.** at the home of Katie Bollman at 84 Wakefield. Come enjoy Greek food and the patter of auctioneer Mal Phillips, who will entice you with antiques, get-away weekends, Olympic tickets, gift certificates and more. Proceeds will go toward reforestation of the neighborhood. If you have not received an invitation and would like to attend, please contact Celeste Porter, 355-8876. Tickets are \$25 per person.

The next meeting of the **BWH Board of Directors** will be on **Monday, May 6 at 7:15 p.m.** at the home of Kathy and Scott McCune, 44 Huntington Road. If you would like to attend, please call Kathy or Scott at 872-1177. All Community Club members are welcome.

Trammel Crow Residential Developers will be at the Rich Auditorium on **Thursday, May 9 at 7:30 p.m.** to discuss its proposed plans for the Jewish Community Center property. All interested neighbors are encouraged to attend. See article on page 2 highlighting the basics of the proposed development.

The **Second Annual New Neighbor Party** will be held **Sunday, May 12 at 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.** at the home of Alison and Wright Caughman, 200 Camden Road. This informal gathering is sponsored by the Brookwood Hills Board of Directors to welcome our new neighbors. Anyone who is new to the neighborhood during the last two years is welcome. If you are interested in attending, please call Nancy Bramlett, 351-3609, or Elaine Moynihan, 351-5479.

Sunday, May 19, join your neighbors and friends for an evening in Provence. This year's annual **"Party With a Purpose,"** benefitting the American Cancer Society, will be held from **6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** on May 19 at the beautiful Mediterranean-style home of Larre and Doug Holladay.

Paris Market will provide a light buffet dinner in the style of the south of France, with the compliments of your host committee. Donations to the American Cancer Society will be welcomed at the door.

Invitations to the party will be delivered to every Brookwood Hills neighbor in early May. Please contact Katrina Newton (355-6574) or Elizabeth Hale (350-0847), party co-chairmen, with any questions.

DRIVING FAST CARS FAST

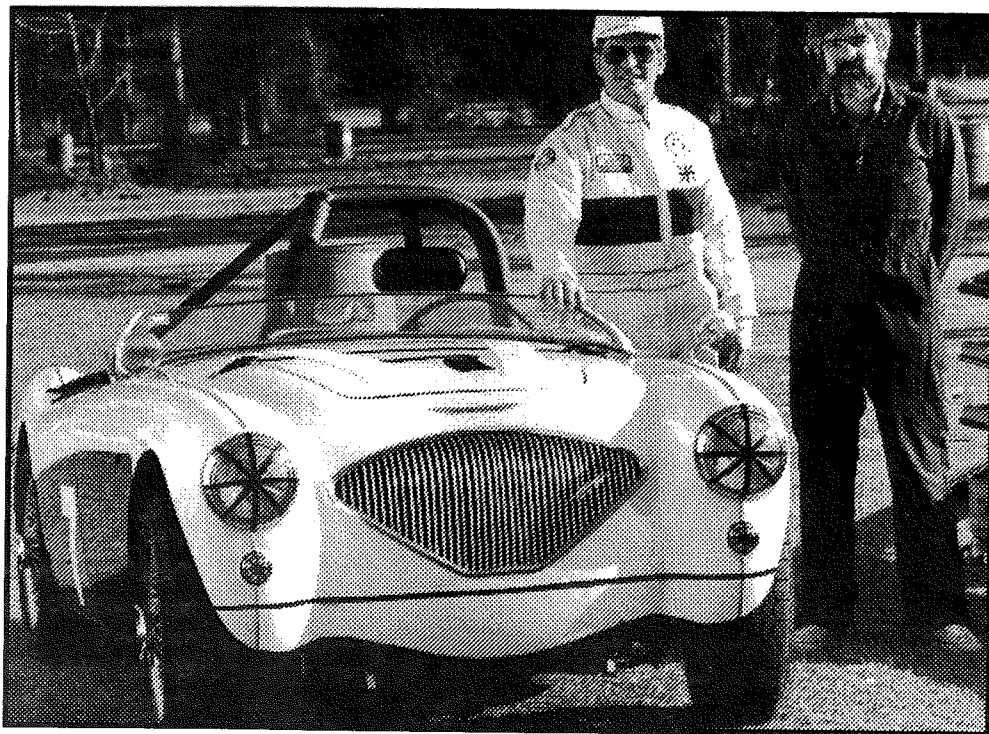
by Kathy Bernhardt

The weekend of April 27 will find Fred Burke not only driving a fast car but driving a fast car fast. The Wakefield resident will be at the wheel of his vintage small bore sports racer, a 1957 Elva Mark II, racing at Road Atlanta in the Walter Mitty vintage sportscar races. This event recreates road racing from the late '50s when small bore sports racers had a 1.1 liter engine and full body works differentiating them from Formula One cars which had a 2.2 liter engine and open wheels. Famous drivers of the era such as Sterling Moss and Phil Hill raced small bore sports racers in the Saturday race; for the feature Grand Prix race they would drive Formula One automobiles.

The sport, which is regulated by the Federation of International Sport Automobiles (FISA), requires full street equipment, a windshield, and 2 seats. Of course, as with so many rules, the mark of a creative person is how one interprets the definition. Fred's Elva has the smallest of windshields and the "passenger" would need to be a very strange shape.

One of Fred's most exciting moments was in 1993 at Road Atlanta when he had a brake problem in turn one and crashed his

Elva Mark VI. Fred is quick to point out that at 137 mph all of his safety items, a 6 point harness, roll bars, and a fire system, worked. (Sara Jean adds that she was assured "this sport was for old men with old cars.") The car is just about fixed and Fred is looking forward to taking it back on the circuit. The season begins in March in Florida at Sebring and ends in October at Road Atlanta. In between, races are held at Roebing Road in Savannah, mid-Ohio in Ohio, Watkins Glen in New York, Road America in Wisconsin, and all the other great tracks. Fred races mostly at Sebring, Roebing Road, and Road Atlanta.



Each car has a provenance that follows it. When you buy a car you know exactly what its history is. Fred's Elva Mark VI was originally delivered to Jim Hall's famous racing team in Texas.

A 1967 Austin Healey 3000 was Fred's first sports car. Indiana/Mississippi roadtrips in the winter wore this car out but he had been bitten by the bug. He sold this car to buy a Jaguar and later also bought an Aston Martin from its original owner, the wife of the President of Aston Martin. This '61 Aston Martin DB-4 is a street car. Despite the James Bond reputation, Fred says, "it really drives like a modern car with disc brakes, independent suspension, a double overhead cam, and, since it is made of aluminum, it is light." Compare this description to its contemporary, a '60 Buick. Since those early days, Fred has bought or traded a number of cars. He has been the proud and excited owner of a '67 Jaguar XKE, a '53 Jaguar XK-120, and a '57 Morgan +4. He currently owns a '67 Austin Healey 3000, a '56 Austin Healey 100M, a '61 Aston Martin DB-4, and the 2 racing Elvas. The Austin Healey 100m is probably the most versatile car. It is a street car but you can also take it to the track, take off the bumpers, tape the headlights, strip it down as far as you can and race with the best of them.

Bunny Leaves Eggs

Grey skies and wet grass didn't dampen the fun at the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Brookwood Hills park on Saturday, April 6. All the eager egg hunters who attended were amazed and delighted at how generous the Easter Bunny had been. As always, the highlight of the day was the search for the prize eggs. The three winners for the younger children were **Harrison Marsteller**, 1st prize; **Ben Ross**, 2nd prize; and **Everett Nadal**, 3rd prize. In the older division, **Cole Holladay** ferreted out the 1st prize; **Katie Long** secured the second; and **Charles Slick** unearthed the third.

Parks Committee Co-Chairs Harvey Ross and Laranne Oser would like to thank all of their helpers, including Anne and Charles Slick, Lucy and Allen Inman, and Joel Withrow. Once again, a big thank you to **Patti Junger and Buckhead Brokers** for generously sponsoring the event. Patti provided colorful balloons, scads of candy and the special eggs and prizes.

If you need to reserve the park for your child's school party or other event, please call Harvey Ross at 897-1077.

Pictured on first page (clockwise from top right) Harrison Marsteller, Ben Ross, Everett Nadal; Karla and Taylor Morris; Katie Long, Cole Holladay, Charles Slick; David Pless (in center).



Lee King Sets Tennis Clinic Schedule

Lee King will be teaching children's tennis clinics again down at the courts this summer. The lessons will be 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. The cost is \$45.00 per child per clinic. Please call Lee at 261-8643 to sign up your child or if you have any questions. The schedule is as follows:

June 3-7 4 and 5 year olds

June 10-14 6 and 7 year olds

June 17-21 8 and 9 year olds

June 24-28 10 and 11 year olds

July 1-5 12 and 13 year olds

July 8-12 14 and 15 year olds

BROOKWOOD BUZZ

Barry and Karen Wabler have moved into 356 Camden with their two daughters. Jacqueline (6) is in kindergarten at Christ the King and and Katherine (4) attends the Cathedral Preschool. Barry is the VP-CFO of Frosty Acres Brands, Inc., a food service buying group. Karen is a part-time CPA and full-time carpooler. She states that her hobby, if she ever gets a second, will be home improvement.

Walter and Mary Stuart Bland announce the birth of their first child, **James ("Jay") Walter Bland IV**. Jay was born on March 13, 1996 and weighed a husky 9 lbs, 1 oz. His appetite has not diminished since his birthday. "He's eating like a monster," said Mary Stuart.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES (and proud parents): Let us know what your graduation plans are so we can publish them in Brooknotes. Submissions are due by May 17 in order to be published in the May issue.

CLASSIFIEDS

- **Flute for Aids Victim.** A person living with AIDS for whom music brings great joy had his flute stolen and needs a replacement. Do you have an abandoned flute in the closet that you would like to donate? (Tax forms are available.) If so, please call Kathy Bernhardt, 874-5067, or Jeff Peterson-Davis at Atlanta Interfaith Aids Network, 874-6425.
- **Cleaning Service Wanted.** If you can recommend a cleaning service (weekly or bi-weekly), please call Nancy Bramlett at 351-3609.
- **Binoculars Found.** Pair of binoculars in leather case found on Palisades. Please call Mary Dillingham, 892-1998, to identify.
- **Lost: Miniature Schnauzer.** Name Beau. 14 years old. Last seen 4/10/96 at 67 Brighton Rd. If found, please call Mary Ann Massey at 352-1808.



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