

BROOKNOTES

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A HOPPING GOOD TIME!



Clara and Grace McCollam have big hugs for the Easter Bunny .

This year's unusually cold spring warmed up just in time for the annual BWH Easter Egg Hunt: the weather on Saturday, April 7th was glorious. The Easter Bunny (a.k.a. Megan Feeley) was there to greet the children as they arrived, and at 4:00 the children eagerly took their places at the starting line. As soon as announcer Tom Davis gave the word, the children were off, gathering candy and searching for the coveted pink, blue, and gold eggs. In the four-and-under crowd, Lucy Richardson, Clifford Murphy, and Robbie Baker found the prize eggs. Connor Perkey, Alex Long, and Ben Ross won the prizes in the five-and-older crowd.

Patti Younger of Coldwell Banker/Buckhead Brokers generously sponsored the event. Many thanks to Patti, as well as to all the volunteers who helped make this year's Hunt such a success: Tom Davis, Anne Donaldson, Megan Feeley, Jill Perkey, Katie Simon, Erica Speed, Terri Thompson, Verpi VanBuren, and Sharon Williams. Special thanks to Diane John, social chair, who organized the Easter Egg Hunt, and to Megan Feeley, who gamely sweated out the event in her woolen bunny costume!



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When you see the Security Alert signs posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the Brookwood Hills Security Hotline 404-325-5114 for details concerning a recent security incident. These signs are a signal that an incident has occurred in the neighborhood and the information has been recorded on the hotline.

From the President:

By Pamela Watson

Traffic, Trees & Turnout! Three hot topics this last month.

First, traffic. We had a few neighbors attend our April board meeting to voice concern over speeding traffic through our streets. The speaker indicated that most of the speeders are neighbors and gave distressing testimonials of being pinned against the car by other neighbors speeding out of the neighborhood. Many felt that traffic had slowed down after all the attention and awareness brought to the issue last year, but that the slowdown was short-lived. Please look at your speedometer as you are leaving the neighborhood instead of your clock or cell phone. Let's all try to drive less than 25 mph.

Trees are constantly brought to my attention as I jog and walk along our streets. I marvel at their beauty and am saddened when they are brought down by age, disease, or storm. I am outraged however, when I see contractors drive heavy equipment over a tree's sensitive roots, mostly for convenience. I am told by our "tree experts" that it takes only three swipes over the roots with heavy equipment to kill a tree. If your are renovating, remodeling, or repairing your home, take a few minutes to talk to your contractor and make them aware of the fragility of these roots. It's sad to spend so much time and money improving our homes, just to loose a tree that was the most beautiful thing enhancing its value and enjoyment.

Finally, turnout! With regard to membership, many of you have faithfully "turned out" to continue to support the community club. The renewals are going even better than expected. Many of you have paid your dues in full! Thank you to all who have renewed or joined for the first time. The new "Senior A" level membership has been very well received. Our goal is still 100% neighborhood participation. Membership yard signs will be delivered in the next few days, and hopefully this will encourage everyone to join.

Feel free to call me or e-mail me with any issues that require the board's attention.

Update: BWH Community Club's Capital Improvements Plan

By Carolynn Cooper

The capital improvements committee, along with Hughes, Goode, O'Leary and Ryan, our landscape architects, and Stan Dixon, our neighbor and architect, are busy working on the detailed plans for our renovation. Our goal is to submit our plans to the city for approval by June 1. As many of you know from personal experience, getting building plans approved by the city can be a lengthy process. Currently, it is taking about three months. If everything is approved, we should be ready to start work at the end of the 2001 swim season. A number of neighbors have expressed their wish that the park remain open during the fall. We have requested that the work be scheduled so that the park will be closed for the shortest possible time. However, safety is our number one goal and we will likely have to close the park at some time. Please be patient with us. The final product will be worth the wait.

As part of renovation, the concession stand will be expanded. The larger space will allow us to add to the selection of items served. To assist us in planning the space, we would like to know what the membership wants. Are you looking for more adult selections or for more family/child friendly items? Would you purchase lunch while at the pool, or are you primarily interested in snacks and drinks? At one time we considered adding a grill to the snack bar, but we then learned that doing so would make us a restaurant-type establishment. Not only would this require us to meet extensive health department guidelines but would potentially increase our workplace accidents. However, we are looking into purchasing a portable grill that could be used for special occasions such as our July 4th party and swim meets. To expand our daily selections, we have discussed asking a caterer to provide sandwiches/salads for us to sell or working with a fast food restaurant to purchase items from their normal menu for us to sell at cost. Please send any feedback you have to cccamden@aol.com or to Implementation Committee, 38 Camden Rd.

Lee King will again offer her popular children's tennis clinics at the Brookwood Hills tennis courts this summer:

June 4-8: 4 and 5 year-olds

June 18-22: 8 and 9 year-olds

June 11-15: 6 and 7 year-olds

June 25-29: 10 and 11 year-olds

The clinics will take place from 9:30-10:30 am, Monday through Friday, and the cost is \$60 per child, per week. Please call Lee to register at 404-261-8643.



Pool News



The BWH Pool is *still* looking for a **Dive Team Parent** to help the Dive Team this summer. If you are interested — or willing — please contact Kathleen McKeon, Dive Team Head Coach at kathleenmckeon@yale.edu, or Sarah Armstrong, Pool Co-Chair, at 404-352-0110.

Be on the lookout for your “**pool packet**,” to be delivered in the next two or three weeks. The packet is chock-full of useful information on things such as swim and dive team tryouts, practices, swim lessons, and pool activities.



News from E. Rivers Elementary

By Liz Jacobs

The E. Rivers Lions have been busy this spring! Some upcoming special events in April and May include:

April 16-20 The International Festival will celebrate our rich cultural heritage through dance performances, special foods, and exhibits from every continent. We are fortunate at E. Rivers to have such a natural and wonderful way of teaching our children about diversity and respect for each person’s special heritage.

April 26 Kindergarten Kaleidoscope will be held from 3:30-4:30 p.m. This fun event is designed to make rising kindergarteners feel comfortable about entering school next year. The children will do a craft in each kindergarten teacher’s classroom, enjoy snacks, and meet new friends. Invitations have been mailed, so if you did not receive one, please let Liz Jacobs know by telephoning 404-350-9000.

May 9-11 Shopping at Barnes and Noble at the Peach during this month will benefit E. Rivers. Barnes and Noble has graciously offered to donate a portion of the proceeds to our school for these two days. Volunteers from the school will be at the store from 9-11 a.m. each day to assist you with your purchases. Look for our blue aprons and be sure to pick up your special bookmark at the cash register or from a volunteer when you come in the store. Thanks for your support!

The next meeting of the **Brookwood Hills Book Club** is April 26th. The group will discuss the book "Girl with a Pearl Earring." The book club welcomes new members. Feel free to join just to discuss one book that is of special interest to you or come on a regular basis, whatever fits your schedule. Currently we are a group of women, but a man’s point of view would be welcome. GiveCarolynn Cooper a call at 404.351.0555, if you are interested.

Do you have a new neighbor?

Please let us know! BWH has a Newcomer’s Committee. Call us with your neighbor’s name and address and we will provide them with a welcome gift and packet of information about the neighborhood. Please report new neighbors to Diane John at 404-870-0484.

4th of July Help Needed!

The Community Club needs a volunteer to help organize this year’s 4th of July party at the pool. (The Neighborhood’s Social Chair is going to be out of town.) Interested persons should call Diane John at 404-870-0484.

MORE EASTER PHOTOS



Elliot Landers



Jayne Cook



Quin and Eliza Waldrop

New Neighbor's Party

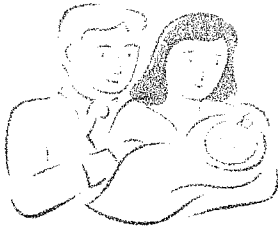
The BWH Board of Directors
would like to invite our newest
neighbors to
an informal get-together.

Anyone who has moved into the
neighborhood in the last two years,
or who will be moving in soon,
please join us
to have some fun and meet new
friends.

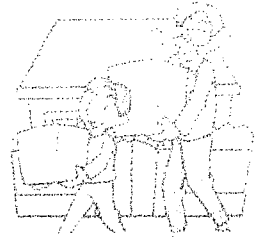
Poolside,

Sunday May 6, 4-6 p.m.

Questions? Please call Jean O' Halloran (404)
352-0802, Belinda Donovan (404) 817-7551
or Diane John (404) 870-0484.



New Faces By Sarah and Patti



Carolyn and Eric Kreimer welcomed a new baby girl into their family! Carter Jones Kreimer was born on April 2 and weighed 6lbs, 8oz. Big brother Henry is a big help with his new baby sister. Congratulations!

Dan and Wendy Granot, along with Avery their 9-year-old black lab, recently moved into 222 Camden Road. The Granot's are thoroughly enjoying their new home and neighborhood, and are eagerly awaiting the arrival of a baby girl in early May. Welcome to BWH!

Robert Withers, son of former Brookwood Hills residents, Dennis and Bibbie Withers, will graduate from Yale this spring. He plans to return to Yale next fall to further his education in Chinese Studies.

CALENDAR

There will be a **New Neighbor's Party** at the BWH pool, **Sunday, May 6, from 4-6 p.m.** All new neighbors are welcome.

The **Second Annual BWH Friends Symphony in the Park**, will be held **Sunday, May 20, from 5-8 p.m.**

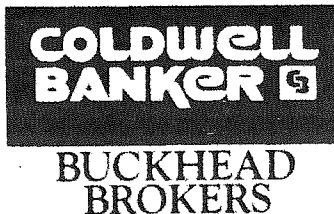
The **May meeting of BWH Friends** will be on **Tuesday, May 15**, at the home of Lisa Bankoff, 201 Brighton Road, **6:30 p.m.** All interested are welcome.

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CLASSIFIEDS

Brookwood Hills Plat for sale. Original, 1922, professionally framed Plat of Brookwood Hills. Includes Palisades, Northwood, Woodcrest and Huntington. Good Condition. Price: \$350 n/n. Contact: Celeste Porter 404-355-8876.

Childcare Opportunity. Huntington Road Mother with six-year-old son is seeking help two days a week this summer. BWH teenagers are welcome to apply. If interested, please contact Kim Tuthill at 404-881-0440.



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