



BrookNotes

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Another Round of Trees for Brookwood Hills

By Andrew Whitney

This year we had our second round of tree replanting in conjunction with Trees Atlanta, as was the case last year, about 35 new trees were added to our neighborhood streets and front yards. The work was car-



ried out by Trees Atlanta, a large contingent of volunteers from other neighborhoods and caring Brookwood Hills neighbors of all ages.

Of these one must point out the efforts of Katrina Newton and Eve Goldstein, who put a lot of time and effort in to contacting Brookwood Hills residents to offer trees and then coordinating with Trees Atlanta to obtain the trees and getting them planted. Additionally, this year like last, we received help from Mark and Sharon Williams in the form of a loaned bob cat, which was not only fun to drive, but very helpful in moving the larger trees. Also, Downey Trees' Jason Chester and Lucas Ball took time out of their day to help locate trees, the day before the planting.

I also would like to thank all of those neighbors who have donated money to Trees Atlanta for the trees they received.

This one day in the year helps us to continue the efforts to replace the trees that we have lost and will continue to lose over the years. It is my hope that we are able to continue these efforts and over time a new canopy will be created for Brookwood Hills. For this I am very grateful to all of those who in any way have helped with this ongoing program.



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Security Alert Signs

When you see the **Security Alert signs** posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the **Brookwood Hills Security Information Line 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.

Save the Date
BWHCC Annual Meeting
Sunday, January 29th
7:00 PM
Rich Auditorium
Piedmont Hospital

Security Holiday Bonus

It's the time of year to consider giving a monetary gift to our BWH security team. The money will be divide among our six patrol officers. These officers are truly devoted and conscientious men. The add value by providing additional security to our wonderful neighborhood.

From monitoring parking during a swim meet, to helping a neighbor change the state tag on a car, to extra eyes at Halloween these men have made themselves available when needed. Please let them know how the families of Brookwood Hills value their services as their work often goes unnoticed. Thank you in advance for your support.

Make checks payable to BWH Community Club.

Please mail or drop off contributions to:

Lisa Barnhart

310 Camden Road

Atlanta, GA 30309

Call Lisa at 404-355-3707 with any questions.

Tree Recycling—drop your trees off at the Huntington Road entrance of the nature trail after Christmas. Please remove ornaments and lights (they do not do well in the chipper).

BrookNotes welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of BrookNotes is Wednesday, January 11th, 2006. Submissions may be e-mailed to brooknotes@yahoo.com or dropped off at 49 Huntington Rd.

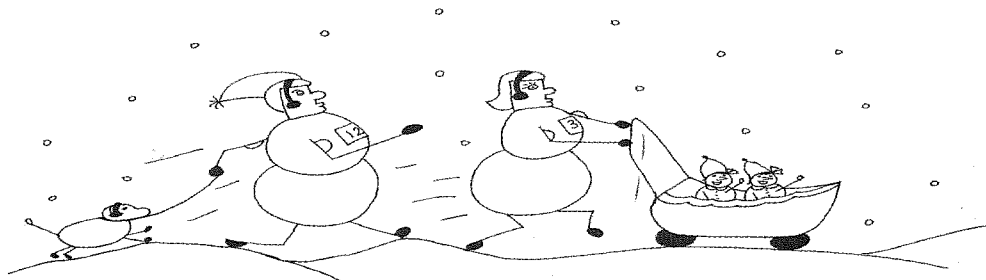
N e i g h b o r N e w s

- Congratulations to Lora and Geoffrey Fishman of 121 Huntington who welcomed twins Helen and Will on October 20th.
- Please welcome Paula and Glenn Wallace and their family to 64 Montclair Drive. Paula is a co-founder and currently serves as president of the Savannah College of Art and Design.
- Mary and Frank Brannen have recently relocated to 52 Brighton Road from their former home in Garden Hills. They have two children, 6 year old, Mary Bryce and 4 year old Franklin. Frank is an attorney at King and Spaulding, LLP.
- Welcome to Stacey and Pearson Beardsley who have moved to Atlanta and to 222 Camden Road (the Granot's have moved to 24 Northwoods). Stacey is an interior designer and Pearson is an attorney, they are looking forward to moving in after their renovation is complete in the spring.
- Please welcome Matt and Kara Guidry to 220 Brighton Road.
- Former neighbor, Triff Phillips who lived at 51 Palisades, has recently joined local full-service flooring company Simply Floored. Brookwood Hills neighbors you can get \$200 off any flooring order over \$1000 if you mention Triff's name. She can be reached at 1-800-Floored. You can get more information on the company and their products at www.simplyfloored.com

Brookwood Hills Website Update

The new Brookwood Hills website is nearly ready! The new website will have all the information you are accustomed to seeing plus enhanced functions like paying membership dues and reserving community club facilities on-line. Details and instructions for the new brookwoodhills.com are coming soon!

“AROUND PEACHTREE BATTLE” 3rd ANNUAL CHARITY 5K ROAD RACE



**BRAVE THE SLEET AND SNOW TO BENEFIT ATLANTA UNION MISSION'S EMERGENCY SHELTER
AND RECOVERY PROGRAM FOR WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN!**

- **Date/Time:** Saturday, January 14th, 2006 at 9:00a.m. EST
- **Distance:** 5K / 3.1 miles around the Peachtree Battle neighborhood (once again you get to go down, not up, Manor Ridge!)
Runners, walkers, baby strollers, dogs encouraged and welcome
- **Course:** Start / Finish at 531 Westover Drive – neighborhood loop course
- **Parking:** Please park on West Wesley Road or Normandy Drive as parking on Westover will be limited
- **Entry Fee:** \$25 check payable to the Atlanta Union Mission or cash
 - More is gladly accepted!
 - Receipts will be provided
 - Phantom “participants” are welcome

Any canned goods/clothes you would like to donate will be collected at the Start/Finish line (receipts provided)

Race #'s will be picked up on race day prior to start

- **Amenities:** Feeling good about yourself, a cheap T-shirt and best of all the free donuts and Starbucks coffee again!

Questions / entry forms to: Vanessa/J.T. King, 531 Westover Drive, Atlanta, GA 30305
404-355-0525 or jtness@bellsouth.net

Entry Form (complete and mail with check to above address - please enter early so we can gauge T-shirt needs):

Name (Last name, First name, Middle initial)

T-Shirt Size (s, m, l, xl)

Address - Number & Street; Apt #; City, State, Zip

Phone: Area Code - #

Waiver release: I know that running a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained to complete the course in less than 1.5 hours. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I understand that the course will be closed once runners doing a 1.5hr pace have passed. I assume all risks associated with running in the 2006 “Around Peachtree Battle” 5K including but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effects of weather, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I, for myself and anyone on who's half I am entitled to act, waive and release JT and Vanessa King, Atlanta Union Mission, all city, county and state governments, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participating in this event. I understand that all entries are final with no refunds. The official race director reserves the right in any event of emergency or local or national disaster to cancel the race or to change the day and or time to a later day and that in the event of cancellation or change there is no guaranteed refund of entry fees.

Date

Signature (if under 18 yrs old, signature of parent/guardian required in addition to participants)

Zoning Frequently Asked Questions

Understanding the rules and regulations around building, renovating and/or remodeling can be confusing. In an effort to demystify the process, Brooknotes will periodically run answers to frequently asked questions. These will also be posted on the Brookwood Hills web site starting in the first quarter of the new year.

How do I know if I need a building permit?

Basically, if you are undertaking any renovation/remodel project on with your house or garden that goes beyond routine maintenance, the City of Atlanta requires you to get a permit. While most contractors are familiar with the permitting process and are willing to get the necessary permits on behalf of their clients, it is the homeowners responsibility to make sure that all required permits are obtained and that any neighborhood requirements are met. When you present your plans to the City for a permit, they will inform you if you are required to obtain any variances (Note: step by step procedures for obtaining variances will be posted on the Brookwood Hills web site in the first quarter of 2006). For more information on obtaining permits or variance procedures call the Bureau of Buildings at 404-330-6150 or go to <http://apps.atlantaga.gov/citydir/DPCD/DPCD%20Web/Buildings/BOB.htm>

What is meant by the term "set back" lines?

Set back lines are established from each of the 4 borders of your property. The zoning laws prohibit any structure from being built over the set back lines without first obtaining a variance from the Board of Zoning Adjustments. The set back requirements for R-4 residential properties are 35' for the front yard, 7' for each side of the lot and 15' for the rear yard.

Be a Better Neighbor!

There are always a few things we all can do to be better neighbors, following are some suggestions:

- If your neighbor is out of town, pick up their newspapers and toss them by their back door.
- If you have a large pile of trash (household appliances, old furniture, etc.) call the city and arrange a special pick-up, our regular trash service will not take large items and they can end up sitting by the curb for weeks.
- Don't nail things to our beautiful trees, their lives are tough enough without our doing extra damage.
- If your street light goes out call Georgia Power and asked for it to be fixed, they are very prompt when they receive calls.
- If you are walking or running in the neighborhood after dark wear a reflective vest, drivers cannot see you!
- Clean up after yourself and your children in the park, this is a wonderful benefit of living in Brookwood Hills and we all share responsibility for taking care of it.
- Promptly report security incidents so information can be properly communicated to other neighbors.
- Keep track of your contractors and work people, make sure they and their equipment are parked safely and as out of the way as possible, and that they keep their worksite clean and orderly.
- Dispose of your yard trash properly and make sure it does not clog our street drains.
- Clean up after your pet, the amount of pet waste on our neighborhood streets and sidewalks is unsanitary.

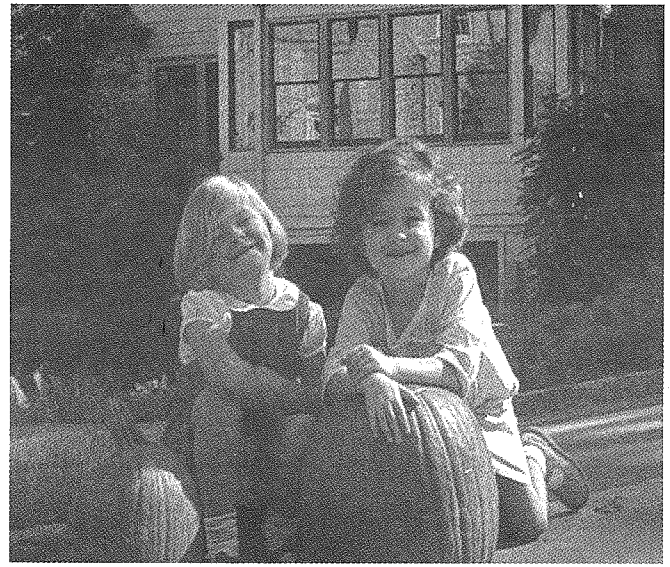
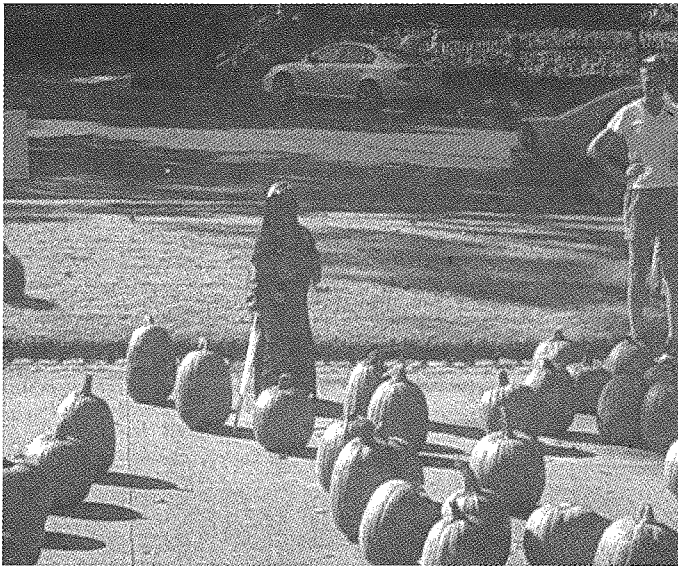
CALENDAR

Monday, January 9th — BWHCC Board Meeting,
7:30 PM, at the home of Lauren Whitehurst, 114 Brighton Road

Sunday, January 29th — BWHCC Annual Meeting, 7:00 PM, Rich Auditorium at Piedmont Hospital

Another "Great" Pumpkin Giveaway

Thanks to Sarah Hagood for again holding her annual Specialty Homes Pumpkin Giveaway in October. This event is a big treat for neighbors young and old!



C L A S S I F I E D S

- **Having Computer Problems?** I would like to recommend my friend, Jeannot Elissaint to help you. He is a graphic designer and a computer technician. He also has taught computer courses. He can be reached at 770-468-7504. You can also contact Mickie McKenzie at 404-874-7855 for a recommendation.

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