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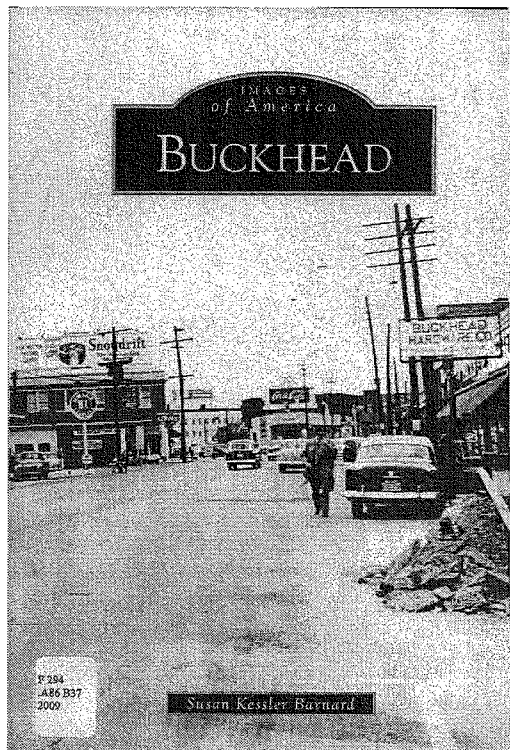
## Community Club and Garden Club to Sponsor Neighborhood Book

*By Betsy Crosby*

This past spring I was asked to write a short piece for *Brooknotes* about the Garden Club Auction's theme—a Celebration of the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of Brookwood Hills in 1922. The project led me to re-read the histories compiled by our neighborhood Elaine Luxemburger, along with some articles we'd co-authored for *Brooknotes* in the 1990s. I then decided to explore the Legacy Project files at the Atlanta History Center, three boxes of historic material gathered from past and current residents by the Brookwood Hills Legacy Ladies in 2009. I thought to myself, "What a great story. Somebody should write a book."

On November 20, 2012, Elaine Luxemburger and I signed a contract with Arcadia Publishing Company to produce the book entitled *Brookwood Hills* for its "Images of America" series. Arcadia is the leading local history publisher in the United States, with a catalog of more than 7,500 titles in print, including books on Inman Park, Grant Park, Buckhead, Sandy Springs, Avondale Estates, and Marietta, to name a few. Instead of "coffee table" books with color photos, the series uses approximately 200 vintage photographs in black

and white with extensive captions in a photo essay format. We believe that this format will make a book about our neighborhood's significance timeless, accessible to all ages, and fun to read for years to come. Arcadia books are respected as carefully documented histories, and as such can be found on the shelves of many libraries. They are printed on environmentally certified paper, and are also available in an E-book format.



The Brookwood Hills Community Club and the Brookwood Hills Garden Club have generously agreed to underwrite the publication costs of the book, which we hope will be published by December 2013 in recognition of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the Garden Club (2013) and the Community Club (2014). We also look forward to letting a wider audience in Atlanta-- and across the country-- know how our green, walkable neighborhood can be viewed as a model for healthy living and sustainable community design.

Our book will tell about the early Native Americans in our area, the Civil War Battle that raged across our borders, and the fashionable homes that once lined this section of Peachtree Road. Our primary focus, however, will be how this streetcar suburb retained its character, architectural integrity, greenspace and community vitality in

*One of the books from the "Images of America" series produced by Arcadia Publishing Company*

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## BROOKNOTES

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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 at 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. The cell phone number for the neighborhood security patrol is **404-242-3321**.

## A Letter from Brooknotes Co-Editor Nathalie Fuson

Dear Readers,

With this issue of *Brooknotes*, my three-year term as co-editor of *Brooknotes* comes to an end. It has been a terrific experience. I have loved serving on the BWH Board and getting to know the wonderful people who work so hard to ensure that Brookwood Hills continues to be the exceptional community that it is.

So much has happened in our neighborhood during these past three years! The pool and park have undergone major renovations, the Clear Creek Nature Preserve and its trails were developed, we survived Snowmageddon of January 2011, the neighborhood banded together successfully to fight the rezoning of E. Rivers and Sutton Public Schools, and our own neighborhood tennis program was launched. We have said goodbye to beloved friends and welcomed new ones. Through it all, it has been a privilege to write and edit stories about the events that shape our community.

Thank you to all of you who contribute to our newsletter every month! Please keep those contributions coming. It is thanks to all of you that *Brooknotes* has been in circulation for over thirty years!

Sincerely,

Nathalie Fuson

*BrookNotes* welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of *BrookNotes* is Friday, January 11. Submissions may be e-mailed to [brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com](mailto:brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com) or dropped off at 118 Brighton Road.

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the face of enormous urban pressures, while staying very much a part of the City of Atlanta.

Please help us tell this story by combing your files, your scrapbooks and your photo albums for pictures and other documents that illustrate our neighborhood's history. Let us know about anything you think might be important. (That picture of your son in the front yard might offer a great illustration of our street tree canopy at its height.) While Arcadia prefers that the majority of photos pre-date 1980, we will also include a few more recent pictures, especially those of major events such as Hurricane Opal and the opening of the Clear Creek Nature Trail. We need pictures of life at the pool and park, street parties, play groups, neighborhood clubs, Halloween, Fourth of July, Christmas activities, the Peachtree Road Race (especially the early days), block parties, Community Club meetings, tree plantings, Christmas tree recycling, the New Camden flood, Officer Barry and his men, maps, vintage pictures of houses and early street scenes of our section of Peachtree Road. We're particularly interested in photos of "Brookwood Hills Heroes"—those who have had a significant impact on our neighborhood, and also pictures and stories of residents important to the history of Atlanta. We can even include photos of memorabilia and graphics from scrapbooks.

We are looking for nearly any type of image: whether tiny, or large; pasted to an album page, or loose; in color, or black and white; printed film, slide or negative; faded and of poor quality, or easily readable. The Arcadia staff stands ready to help restore and sharpen these images to their best quality, and can transform color pictures into black and white.

We ask you to allow us to copy the original images ourselves with our scanning equipment in order to meet the publisher's reproduction requirements. We can bring our scanner to you, so you do not have to part with your original pictures, and can even scan a photo pasted in an album. If you find something you'd like to share, please contact Betsy Crosby at 404-352-3165, [egcrosby@aol.com](mailto:egcrosby@aol.com). If you have contact information for other early residents (or their descendants) who might also be able to contribute, please share that with us as well.

All of the people and accomplishments that have formed this remarkable neighborhood should be noted and celebrated, and Elaine and I sincerely hope that this book will do just that. Thank you in advance for helping us accomplish our task.

### **Saltyard Restaurant Coming to the Brookwood**

The new *Saltyard* Restaurant, owned by Christian Favalli and Kristy Jones-Favalli, is scheduled to open in the spring of 2013 in the Brookwood condominium building, across Peachtree Street from Brookwood Hills. *Saltyard* is designed by Square Feet Studios, and will feature plush banquettes, wood rafters, an open kitchen and industrial accents, as well as a patio facing Peachtree Road.

Christian Favalli is the son of *La Grotta* owner Sergio Favalli and has managed various Atlanta restaurants including *La Grotta*, while Kristy Jones-Favalli has nearly fifteen years of restaurant experience.

"Saltyard will be a true social house where guests come for dinner but stay for the spirited and engaging atmosphere," says Favalli. "We strive to make the human connection between what is on the plate and in the glass, between the long-standing relationships between friends, farms, artisanal purveyors and our Atlanta neighbors."

Saltyard's hours will be Monday through Thursday, 5 to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 5 - 11 p.m. and Sunday, 5 - 9 p.m.

## Life in the Preserve

By Amanda Baxter

Without the overgrowth and vicious mosquitoes, this time of year is a great time to enjoy our amazing forest. In fact, we urge you to visit as your foot traffic helps maintain the trail. And while you are enjoying the trail, please help us keep it clean by picking up trash and pushing any fallen limbs out of the way.

In addition to the yearly maintenance, Brookwood Hills has several upcoming projects for the Preserve. Really, work in the Preserve is never complete. This winter we will be planting thirteen new hardwoods along the trail. We will also be cleaning up a notoriously rough area of the Preserve along Clayton Drive in the Armour Drive Industrial Area and planting pine trees for screening. Did you know that Brookwood Hills is the largest landowner in the Armour Drive Industrial Drive area? Over the course of many years, the neighborhood has worked to keep our property clean of illegal dumping. Part of these efforts include planting a natural screen between the businesses and the neighborhood. The work this winter will add to this screening. Finally, in 2013, we hope to improve the entrance to the trail at Palisades and continue our invasive species efforts (the Japanese hops and kudzu will not defeat us!).

It has been wonderful to see neighbors out at the trail. As always, if you see anything of concern in the Preserve, please let a board member know.

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### Jogger Attacked by Owl

(This appealing story was submitted to *Brooknotes* by Pamela Watson of Huntington Road. Pamela belongs to a group of six joggers who run regularly at 5:45am. They have seen lots of things in the wee hours of the morning -- fox, deer, etc. But now they can add this crazy wildlife encounter to their list!)

I was out alone jogging in the neighborhood this morning around 6am. I was finishing up running down Huntington when all of a sudden I felt a smack and grab at the back of my head! I let out a huge scream and turned around flailing my arms, thinking I was being attacked! But I saw no one! I had a fleeting thought it was one of my jogging partners coming up from behind me and then thought an attacker hid in the bushes! Scared, I started jogging quickly home and AGAIN -- another knock/grab at my head! I screamed again and turned to see what I thought was a hawk flying to the tree across the street from the Nadals near the Watsons. I couldn't believe it! I started running towards home and here it comes at me again! I started yelling jumping up and down saying "I'm a person I'm a person!" It landed in a tree in front of Deborah Gephardt's house. I started running toward home again and then got brave and ran back to see what kind of bird it was -- a barred owl!! I concluded by the time I got home the owl thought my ponytail was a squirrel.

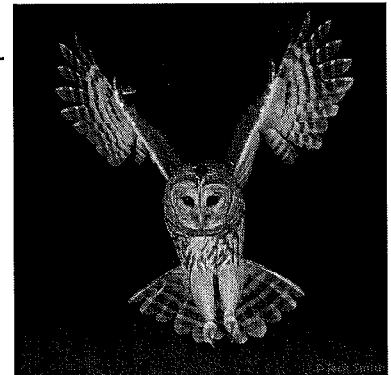
Funny, because Carter was just asking me on Sunday if I had seen the barred owl out lately. We usually see it in the fall when the leaves are down.

David told me to goggle it and lo and behold I am not alone in an "Owl thinking a jogger's ponytail is a Squirrel attack"!

<http://www.runnersworld.com/running-tips/look-out-owls>

<http://www.wtop.com/41/3056439/Owls-attacking-runners-in-DC-area>

<http://www.outdoorpressroom.com/outdoorpressroom/2012/09/dive-bombing-owls-think-joggers-ponytail-is-squirrel.html>



## Brookwood Hills Welcomes New Neighbors

**James and Wendy Lewis** moved to 246 Camden Road from Candler Park, where they lived for eight years. They have a son, Jett, who is two and a half and attends Wieuca Road Day School. James is a graduate of Louisiana State University and received his MBA from Georgia State's J. Mack Robinson College of Business. He is in business development with Gilbane Building Company. Wendy also is a graduate of LSU and received her MBA from Georgia State's J. Mack Robinson College of Business. She is in marketing with SPANX.

**Krystina Madej and Jim Budd** moved into 251 Huntington Road at the end of summer. Jim is Chair of the School of Industrial Design and Krystina is a visiting professor at the School of Literature, Media, and Communications at Georgia Tech. The couple divide their time between Atlanta and West Vancouver, where they lived for ten years before moving to Atlanta two and a half years ago. They have three children: Michael, who is in his third year at SFU and Nicola who just graduated this past spring. Daniel, their youngest, is at UTexas at Tyler studying mechanical engineering and playing tennis for the Patriots.

## Recycling Opportunity at Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church

*Submitted by Mary Long*

### Electronics, Latex Paint, and Styrofoam Recycling and Paper Shredding

Saturday, January 5, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, 2715 Peachtree Road, lower parking lot on East Wesley and Bolling

#### **Accepted Electronic Recyclables:**

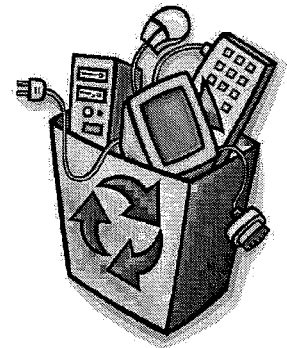
Personal computers, monitors, LCD screen/flat screen monitors, TVs, VCRs, radios, stereo, DVD players, microwaves, power supplies, vacuums, banking equipment, telephones, pagers, networking equipment, laptops, keyboards, mice, power cables, non-hazardous medical equipment, printers, copy machines, fax machines, cell phones, transformers, scanners, portable electronic devices, servers, HUBS, ink cartridges, toner cartridges, remotes, modems, projectors, cameras, shredders and small household appliances.

**Electronic Recycling Fees:** FREE except for a \$10 charge for TVs (cash only).

#### **Latex Paint Collection:**

Paint must be in the original, clearly labeled, non-leaking container, and cannot be mixed with anything including other paint. Please no oil or alkyd paints. Paint is recycled or donated for graffiti paint-overs by numerous city departments.

**Paint Recycling Fees:** 1 gal can: \$3, 1 qt can: \$1.50, 1 pt can: \$1, 5 gal bucket \$15 (cash or credit card)



**CALENDAR** - The dates and locations of the next board meeting and the BWH Annual Meeting were not yet confirmed at the time this issue went to print. Please check the calendar on the Brookwood Hills website for more information.



# C L A S S I F I E D S

**Offices for Rent** - Dan Granot of Joel & Granot has two offices for rent on a month-to-month basis at Joel & Granot's corporate office, located at 962 Howell Mill in West Midtown. An interior office is available for \$500 per month and large exterior available for \$800 and could fit 2 if needed. Plug n play. Please call Dan Granot at [\(404\) 869-2603](tel:4048692603).

**Pet Grooming** - Neighbors Claudia Jackson and Molly Jackson recommend "Wagging in Style Pet Salon" at 45 Bennett Street, Atlanta, [\(404\)549-2250](tel:4045492250), a full service pet grooming and daycare facility that offer full, mini, and express grooming. Julia Smoot has 13+ years of experience grooming and showing dogs. Please call or stop by for any inquiries. Refer to this ad and receive 10% off.

**House Cleaner Recommendation** - Alison Caughman recommends Canise Barriere for house cleaning services. "Canise has worked for us for over 10 years. She not only takes careful and thorough care of our home, but she also is one of the most conscientious and principled persons I know." Canise can be reached at [atclashayb@yahoo.com](mailto:atclashayb@yahoo.com) or [\(404\) 838-5292](tel:4048385292). Please contact Alison at [\(404\) 355-7662](tel:4043557662) or [alison.caughman@comcast.net](mailto:alison.caughman@comcast.net).

**Housekeeper, Nanny/Babysitter, Cook recommendation** - Cannon Sayers ((404) 808-1134) recommends Carmen Diaz as a housekeeper, nanny, cook, babysitter. "She is AMAZING and has worked for one of my close clients for the past 2 years. My clients are moving on December 25th and Carmen will be available then. She has her own car and is incredibly honest and dependable." Carmen's number is [\(678\) 973-6893](tel:6789736893).

**Babysitter Available** - Caroline White (19) is a freshman at the University of the South. She has babysat for many BWH families and will be available in the evenings December 16-24 and January 4-15. Feel free to call [\(404\) 617-4477](tel:4046174477) or email [whitecg0@sewanee.edu](mailto:whitecg0@sewanee.edu) if interested.

**Garage Needed** - Garage-less neighbor looking to rent 1 garage space in neighborhood on a monthly basis to store second car. Car is a vintage convertible that is driven and accessed relatively infrequently. Will only access car during business daylight hours. Please call Edward Katz at [\(404\) 291-9303](tel:4042919303).



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