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2013 Home Tour: Inspiration in Brookwood Hills Benefitting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

by Donna-Marie Clemons, BrookNotes Co-Editor & Liz Davies, BWH Friends











Home Tour

The Friends group is planning for what will be another spectacular Brookwood Hills Tour of Homes on Saturday, March 23, 2013 from 10 am to 4 pm.

The tour will be led by a panel of local experts in design, art and architecture. Come be inspired by touring each of the five beautiful homes:

- 32 Huntington Road, SCAD House
- 225 Camden Road, home of Diane & Roland Johns
- 45 Brighton Road, home of Zoe & David Zelby
- 89 Brighton Road, home of Caroline & David Milican
- 35 Palisades Road, home of Jane Wheeler



Save the date for what will be a fabulous event with all the proceeds going to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta! Look for an email by March 1st with how to buy tickets online for the Home Tour and Patron Party. Spread the word to your friends.

Can't make the tour and still want to contribute? Consider a donation to help Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Contact Liz Davies at liz@esdhomes.com.

Patron Party

To kick off the tour, we will have a Patron Party on the night of **Tuesday, March 19th** at our favorite neighborhood watering hole—Watershed! Come meet the Inspiration Tour's panel of experts and taste the signature cocktails that Watershed is creating for the tour.

Additional details for the event and ticket purchase information will be emailed by March 1st—so look for this in your inbox. The Patron Party will be open to all sponsors and neighbors.

Sponsorships Available Now

Sponsorships are available at three levels. Contact Liz Davies at <u>liz@esdhomes.com</u> to confirm your interest.

Sponsor Level	Benefits
\$200 Neighbor Level ·	Two tickets to the Home Tour
\$500 Community Level	 Two tickets to the Home Tour Two tickets to the Patron Party Name in the tour program
\$1,000 1922 Level	 Four tickets to the Home Tour Two tickets to the Patron Party Name and company logo in the tour program Name and company logo on all signage & marketing



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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 Hotline 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**.

Mark Your Calendar!

2013 Home Tour: Inspiration in Brookwood Hills

Patron Party at Watershed Tues, Mar 19th



WATERSHED

ON PEACHTREE

BWH Home Tour: Sat, Mar 23rd, 10 am to 4 pm

Spring Fling in Brookwood Hills Park Sunday, Mar 24th



BWH New Neighbor PartyFri, May 3rd

BrookNotes welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of BrookNotes is Friday, March 8.

Submissions may be dropped off at 40 Woodcrest Ave or e-mailed to <u>brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com</u>.

Tree Care Corner

By Edward Katz, Tree Chair

Water Your New Trees!

Although we've had a wet winter, all trees need regular watering. This is especially true for trees that have been planted in the last 2 years.

Urban trees require an average of fifteen gallons of water a week. The best time to water is either late evening or early morning, and the ideal interval is to water weekly.

For more details on watering, check out the Trees Atlanta website:

http://treesatlanta.org/all-about-trees/how-to-care-for-your-tree/

Calling all Tree Huggers

Our old trees are dying. Our precious tree canopy shields this tranquil neighborhood from the growing metropolis of Midtown.

Would you rather not see that Invesco sign?

Do you love hearing birds in the morning?

Do you like the shade on 95 degree days?

Plant a tree!

If you are interested in specific tree planting before the annual organized effort this fall, contact Edward Katz.

"The planting of a tree, especially one of the long-living hardwood trees, is a gift which you can make to posterity at almost no cost and with almost no trouble, and if the tree takes root it will far outlive the visible effect of any of your other actions, good or evil." — George Orwell

Stump Program

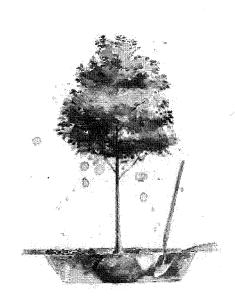
As a result of old trees that are dying, new stumps continue to appear in the neighborhood. These stumps are unsightly and occupy precious space that is ideal to plant new trees at next year's tree planting.

There are now about 20 of these stumps in the neighborhood, which means we have that many potential places to plant new trees this fall.

Last year we started a program with non-profit Keep Atlanta Beautiful (KAB) where folks could pay to have their stumps ground via a tax deductible contribution to KAB. Subsequently, the City of Atlanta decided that they would officially reactivate its tree-grinding program.

Not surprisingly, the city hasn't ground any stumps, and there is no sign that they will soon. So, we are urging neighbors to consider the KAB program.

Notify Edward Katz to request a stump grinding quote and the associated paperwork.



For more information about these topics or other topics relating to BWH trees:

Contact Edward Katz at edwkatz@gmail.com.

Membership

Time to Pay Annual BWHCC Dues

by Mary Long, Membership Chair

Please Pay Before March 15th

It is that time of year to pay your annual dues to the Brookwood Hills Community Club. Your financial support is crucial to the safety, appearance, improvement and maintenance of our jewel of a neighborhood. Please support the neighborhood and all of our property values by paying annual dues before March 15.

You may pay your dues with a check payable to "Brookwood Hills Community Club." Please write "Annual Dues" in the memo section of your check and mail it to our secure lockbox at the following address:

BWHCC Membership 2870 Peachtree Rd. #920 Atlanta, GA 30305

Please include your full contact information with the check so that we can match your information to our existing records.

We also accept Visa, Master Card, Discover and American Express. Credit card payments will incur a \$20 processing fee. You can pay by credit card at our website brookwoodhills.com. Click on the Membership tab, then click "Pay Your Membership Dues."

Dues Schedule

A Members with park, pool and year-round tennis privileges:

Annual Dues - \$810 Initiation Fee - \$4000

B Members with park privileges, nature trail privileges and security benefits:

Annual Dues - \$320 Initiation Fee - None

S Members for residents over the age of 60 with park, pool and year-round tennis privileges:

Annual Dues - \$525 Initiation Fee - \$2200

Renewal dues payments received after March 15 and before April 1 will incur a \$100 late fee. If you would like to join the Community Club as an A or S member and have not yet paid an initiation fee, please check the Brookwood Hills website for details.

Please direct any questions to our Membership Chair, Mary Long at membership@brookwoodhills.com.

Thank you for your support of Brookwood Hills!

Brookwood Hills Security Procedures Refresher

by Katherine Dierdorff, Security Chair

The Brookwood Hills website has a <u>Security & Emergency</u> page under Contacts with these security procedures.

Suspicious Activity

- 1) Always call 9-1-1 if you observe suspicious activity. Tell the operator your name, address and that you live in Zone 2. All 9-1-1 calls are placed in a seriousness priority order, so you are not clogging up the system when you call.
- 2) After calling 9-1-1, you can also call the shared neighborhood patrol phone **404-242-3321** that the police officers keep on them while patrolling. Please remember, you may reach an officer working in a nearby neighborhood so always advise you are in Brookwood. Hills when you call.
- 3) Call Katherine Dierdorff, BWH Security Chair at 404-606-0039 to report the incident.

Security Alert Signs

- 1) In the case of an incident, the Security Chair will place the Security Alert signs at the three BWH entrances to alert neighbors.
- Yellow security alert signs indicate multiple petty, noninvasive crimes have occurred in a week.
- **Red** security alert signs indicate that there has been an armed crime or a home invasion.

Security Information Hotline (404-325-5114)

The security hotline is NOT used to report crimes. There are two reasons to call the hotline:

- 1) To notify the security patrol that you would like security surveillance while you are out of town;
- 2) To listen to the recorded incident report after the Security Alert signs are posted.

Security Update

Take Advantage of Excellent Resources on the Atlanta Police Department Website

by Katherine Dierdorff, Security Chair & Officer Jeff Baxter

Update at Annual Meeting

Each year our terrific security team provides a security update for our neighbors at the Annual Meeting. This year, Barry Miller and Jeff Baxter did a wonderful job answering questions and sharing safety tips. They also shared a number of security resources for our benefit.

Atlanta Police Department Website

The Atlanta Police Department has put significant resources into their website to make it more user-friendly and useful for citizens. The web address is atlantapd.org.

Officer Baxter highlighted three resources in particular:

- 1) Citizen Alert Sign Up
- 2) Smart 911
- 3) Weekly Crime Reports

The Citizen Alert and Smart 9-1-1 resources require citizens to go to the site to register for the service. Registration can be completed online. It is secure and easy to use.

The weekly crime reports are updated each week and are not sent out as alerts, therefore you must check the website each week for these reports.

Security: Quick Reference

BWH Security Information Hotline (404) 325-5114

Neighborhood Patrol Cell Phone

(404) 242-3321

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Katherine Dierdorff, security@brookwoodhills.com

BWH Security Chair (404) 606-0039

Atlanta Police Department 911 for emergencies

Non-emergencies: (404) 848-7231

Zone 2 Station, 24/7

atlantapd.org



Atlanta Police Department Website: atlantapd.org.



1) Citizen Alert Sign Up

Get alerted about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for the Atlanta Police Department Notification System. This notification system enables the City to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuation of buildings or neighborhoods.



2) Smart 911

Sign up for Smart 911 and create a free Safety Profile to provide critical, lifesaving data to 9-1-1 in the event of an emergency call. It is 100% private, secure and used by 9-1-1 centers across the country.

3) Weekly Crime Reports

View crime reports each week for the area. Go to APD Online > Crime Data Downloads

CLASSIFIEDS

Seeking a Brookwood Hills Rental

A Coca-Cola family is looking for a BWH rental available spring or early summer. Please contact Alissa Anderson at <u>alissa.b.anderson@gmail.com</u> or (404)351-8136.

Sullivan Island Beach Rental

Tom and Sandra Player would like to offer their vacation home for rental.

Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath vacation home 100 yards from the beach on Sullivan's Island, South Carolina. The house sleeps 9, huge fenced yard, 2 blocks from the beach, 9 miles from Charleston. Please contact Cannon Sayers for more information at (404) 808-1134 or cannon@myatlbookkeeping.com.

Upcoming Brookwood Hills Events	
Mon, Mar 11	BWHCC Board Meeting Home of Sara Jean Burke, 30 Wakefield Dr.
Tues, Mar 19	Patron Party for 2013 Home Tour Watershed Restaurant, 1820 Peachtree Rd (details to follow via email)
Sat, Mar 23	2013 Home Tour: Inspiration in Brookwood Hills 10 am to 4 pm
Sun, Mar 24	Spring Fling at the Brookwood Hills Park
Fri, May 3	BWH New Neighbor Party Pool Pavilion



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