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Office Condos to Rise in Brookwood Area

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More bricks are on the way to Brookwood.

Developers plan to build an 11-story brick office building on Peachtree Road next to Huey's restaurant and across the street from Café Intermezzo. When the development sign went up, neighbors saw it as the latest indication that more changes are in store for the stretch of Peachtree between the Amtrak station and Piedmont Hospital.

"It's just another step toward making this area cleaner, fresher, more active, more vital," said Café Intermezzo owner Brian Olson.

The new building would replace a Wendy's restaurant. The burned out Mayflower apartments next door on the corner of Peachtree and 28th Street are not part of the development property. The future of the apartments, a row of historic brick buildings facing 28th Street, is in limbo, and Fire Department officials say an arson investigation is ongoing.

The office building's exterior, "brick with precast limestone accents," borrows its style from "the classic architecture that's found throughout the Brookwood area," said Marc Fritz, vice president of the Griffin Co., an office developer. The traditional, brick look is consistent with the area's historic apartment buildings, the Amtrak station and the Brookwood Place mixed-use, residential and commercial development alongside I-85, Fritz said.

Another similarity with Brookwood Place is the inclusion of street-level storefronts. The developers hope to attract a bank branch and a coffeehouse with an outdoor patio. Over the past year, Brookwood Place has added to its street space a Kroger, Borders bookstore, Spa Sydell, Viking Culinary Arts Center and Wolfgang Puck's Express Cafe.

"It's just more synergy in the area for everyone," Fritz said.

But some area restaurateurs see a future in which the rising real estate values may eventually squeeze out neighborhood institutions such as Huey's, a Cajun restaurant, and R. Thomas Deluxe Grill, a 24-hour health food restaurant, both in business for more than 20 years.

"It's going to be an issue when this lease expires in a number of years," said Scot Rittenbaum, a partner in Huey's.

The developers say they hope the colorful, local restaurants survive.

"We're glad they're in the neighborhood," Griffin Vice President Kirk Demetrops said. "They've all been there since as long as I could remember."

The developers say they must pre-sell about 35 percent of the office building to secure financing and

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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.

Your Neighborhood Garden Club Needs You!

Please help us raise money for neighborhood improvements by donating to the

Acorn Auction

April 24, 2004

Wonderful items which have been donated previously by your generous neighbors include:

<i>Consumer items</i>	<i>Vacation Homes</i>
<i>Event Tickets</i>	<i>Antique or New Furniture</i>
<i>Paintings</i>	<i>Autographed Sports Equipment</i>
<i>Gift Baskets</i>	<i>Adventure Trips (rafting, golf outings, etc.)</i>
<i>Catered Meals</i>	<i>Services (photography, landscaping, design, etc.)</i>
<i>Garden Items</i>	<i>Restaurant, Hotel, & Spa Certificates</i>
<i>Children's Items</i>	<i>Fine Wines</i>

See the enclosed flyer for additional details!

Want to Reserve the Park?

To make park reservations call that general neighborhood number, (404) 351-0327. It is listed on page #20 in the new directories. You will be directed to press prompt 2 to get the park reservations answering machine. You should leave a message and your call will be returned within 48 hours.

Brooknotes welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of Brooknotes is Wednesday, February 4, 2004. Submissions may be e-mailed to brooknotes@yahoo.com or dropped off at 122 Huntington Rd.

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break ground.

Griffin could have aimed higher than 11 stories, Fritz said, but stuck with a size that meets the estimated demand.

"It just needed to be a smaller, boutique building to sell it," Fritz said.

The company specializes in office condos, a niche market, and does not intend to lease space, he said.

Buyers could include stable businesses such as law firms, accounting firms and medical practices, Fritz and Demetrops said.

A parking deck would be built beneath and behind the

building.

The driveway would line up with the Palisades Road traffic light, a plus for entering and exiting in the congested area.

Griffin hopes to break ground around March and deliver office space in the middle of 2005.

A year of construction could hurt business at Huey's, which serves half its customers on the patio, Rittenbaum said.

"If there's a jackhammer pounding, I don't know how many people are going to want to sit on the patio," he said.

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CALENDAR

Sunday, February 1st—BWHCC Annual Meeting, 7:00 PM, Rich Auditorium, Piedmont Hospital

Monday, February 2nd—BWHCC Board Meeting, 7:15 PM, 10 Montclair

Tuesday, February 10 - Brookwood Hills Friends, 7:00 PM at the home of Kim Tuthill, 66 Huntington Road

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

- **Art Associates' eighth annual fundraiser, High Arts Day, will take place on Monday, January 26, 2004.** This exciting fundraising event will celebrate the blockbuster exhibitions, *After Whistler: The Artist and His Influence on American Painting* and *Verrocchio's David Restored*. Chaired by Kay Summers, and sponsored in part by Amy Butler Wealth Management LLC, a division of Raymond James Financial Services, Inc. (both Brookwood Hills neighbors) High Arts Day promises to be another elegant and festive occasion guaranteed to relieve the winter doldrums. Tickets to the event are \$115 per person. For more information or to make your reservation, call the Members Guild office at 404-733-4521.
- **Collecting old board games for Atlanta Youth Academy!** For our Girl Scout Bronze Award, we are collecting old board games and refurbishing them for the after-school program at the Atlanta Youth Academy, a school for underprivileged children. If you have any old board games you would like to donate, please drop them off at the home of Ginny Fahs, 247 Brighton Road. We will take any games, even if pieces are missing. Thank you for your cooperation, Ginny Fahs (Brookwood Hills Resident) and Catherine Cheatham.

Its Time to Renew Your Community Club Membership

It is time to renew your Community Club membership. The Community Club offers three memberships for BWH residents. The A membership provides access to the pool, park and tennis facilities as well as helping fund our neighborhood security patrol, maintain and protect our Clear Creek property, and otherwise support the Board's efforts to work on the neighborhood's behalf in zoning, traffic and beautification issues. The annual dues for an A membership are \$600. Along with the A membership, two reduced rate memberships are offered.

The B membership covers the costs associated with our security patrol, park maintenance, and other zoning and beautification issues, but does not include use of the pool and tennis facilities. Annual dues at this level are \$225.

The S (senior/grandparent) membership is available to neighbors 60 or older, and offers all the benefits of the A level membership at the reduced cost of \$400 per year.

You should have received your renewal forms in the last couple of weeks. If you would like to change your membership category please note the change on your renewal form and submit the correct dues amount.

Please remit your check, in the appropriate amount, to the Brookwood Hills Community Club in the envelope enclosed in your renewal package by February 15, 2004.

The BWHCC Board voted to begin the membership renewal process earlier this year as it gives us more time to determine membership levels, determine how many C memberships will be available and because we have had challenges with the timely submission of dues in the past, which can be a problem, especially before the pool season begins.

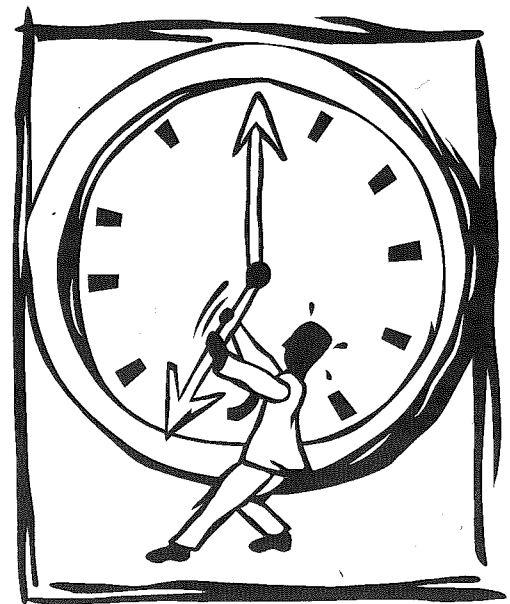
If you have any questions please contact Wendy Silliman, Membership Chair, at 404-870-0057 or wendy.silliman@att.net.

Security Update:

If you hear motorcycles racing on Armour Circle late at night please call 911, repeated reporting of this is one of our best deterrents.

Annual BWH Community Club Meeting

The annual meeting of the Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc. will be held on Sunday, February 1, 2004 at 7:00 PM in the Rich Auditorium in Piedmont Hospital. We encourage all members of the Community to Club to attend and participate in this election of new board members. You will find the slate for the board members as well as a proxy included in this issue. If you are unable to attend you can turn in the proxy.



Brookwood Hills Friends 2004 Meeting Schedule

Brookwood Hills Friends has lots of exciting things planned for 2004 including: the PIKES gift certificate sale, the Symphony in the Park (with exciting changes to this event to be made this year!) and the opportunities to help hands-on in the hospital,



whether pushing the Treasure Train or hosting a ICU Hospitality Dinner for patients in the ICU. Please come join us, whether you have the time to help a little or a lot!

2004 BWH Friends Meetings

February 10 - 7:00 PM at the home of Kim Tuthill, 66 Huntington Road

March 16 - 7:00 PM at the home of Christy Payne, 210 Brighton Road

April 13 - 7:00 PM at the home of Terri Thompson, 46 Montclair

May 18 - 7:00 PM at the home of Sharon Williams, 47 Brighton Road

Its Not Too Late—To Contribute to the Security Bonus

We are still collecting a bonus for our patrol officers. Not only have the officers been working late night hours in our neighborhood but they have also been monitoring the CVS parking lot while they're making their rounds. Often their work goes unnoticed and unrewarded. Please let them know how the families of Brookwood Hills value their ongoing efforts. Thank you in advance for your support.

Make checks payable to: BWH Community Club.

Please mail or drop off checks to:

Lisa Barnhart

310 Camden Rd

Atlanta, GA 30309

Please call Lisa with questions (404) 355-3707.

You have until January 31st!

C L A S S I F I E D S

- Looking for a great chef to cook a dinner or cater a party? Neighbor Molly Gardner recommends Bryan A. Hartness, ACF Certified Culinarian. He teaches classes at Viking and does catering of all sorts. He is friendly and engaging, and very professional. If desired, he will actually let the guests go through the preparation process with him, basically like a cooking class. Bryan has cooked for several of the Buckhead Life Restaurants, including 103 West and Panos & Pauls. Contact Information: Bryan Hartness, CC, 770-256-1788, e-mail: hartness_2000@yahoo.com
- Babysitter/Nanny available. Maria Aguiue (former employee of the Bread Market for 6 years) is available for babysitting. I have known Maria for 6 years and she is wonderful with children, she is very responsible, she drives, and she speaks perfect English and Spanish. Maria is looking for work during the day and/or evenings. She may be reached at (404)-580-3236. Call Karla Morris if you would like a reference.
- Need a Winter Getaway?? Well, head South or West!!! Off-season specials!!! Santa Rosa Beach, FL on the beautiful Gulf of Mexico.. just miles from Seaside and Destin! Beach House in a private gated community, 6 bedroom, 6 bath, private pool, huge screen porch!! Great for families, friends and there is even enough room for enemies to go!!! Already booked June 1—Aug 15. Special neighbor discount applies!!! Please call Dina Woodruff @ 404 355-0735
- Telluride Colorado Ski in- ski out 3 bedroom, Loft with 2 bunkbeds 3 bath. Sleeps 10. In the town of Telluride, walking distance to great restaurants, shopping and the Gondola. Decorated with true Western Flair!! Flying Continental through Houston to Montrose is the best way... Spring Break, March 6-13, 2004 is already rented!! Special neighbor discount applies, too!! Please call Dina Woodruff @ 404 355-0735
- Looking for a back house or guest house in Brookwood Hills. Recent UGA grad. who will have a job in Atlanta. She now pet-sits and baby-sits for me (former neighbor, Francie Ladd) while she waits to move. I have known her for many, many years. Please call 251 473 1963 if you know of anything available.
- I am looking for a housekeeper two days a week—approximately 16 hours a week. If any neighbors have someone that they know of that is looking for work, please call Amy Mattingly @ 404-352-3571.
- I am looking for a nanny to provide full-time child care for an infant starting in June. If you know of anyone who might be interested please contact Laurie Hood @ 404-875-5452.
- Need a good pet sitter. Amy Mattingly would like to recommend my pet sitting service to anyone in the neighborhood that needs one. They are awesome. Buckhead Pet Pals has been taking care of Winston and Jasper whenever we are out of town for three years now. The animals are always extremely happy when we get home. Shannon is the owner and Marti is the sitter that we use. She is great. Jasper, my cat, has only loved on three people in his 13-year life and Marti is one of them. Their phone number is (404) 603-5355 and their website is www.buckheadpetpals.com.
- Dining room furniture for sale. Baker sideboard and table (double pedestal with two leaves, seats up to 12). Historic Charleston collection—made from mahogany with maple inlays. Eight antique (circa 1920) dining room chairs, (2 host & 6 side) completely refurbished. \$8,500.00 for all pieces. Call 404-355-6969 if interested.
- Going out of town and in need of a responsible adult to house or pet sit? Please call (404) 315-1072. Brookwood Hills resident references are available upon request.



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