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Brookwood Hills Community Club Annual Meeting

The Brookwood Hills Community Club will hold its annual meeting on January 27, 2013 at 7:00p.m. in the Rich Auditorium at Piedmont Hospital.

The agenda will include a review of 2012, priorities for 2013 and guest speakers from the community, including an update from the BWH Security team.

Directions to Rich Auditorium:

- Park in the North Parking Deck behind the hospital
- Take the North Parking Deck elevator to the Bridge Level
- Once inside, follow the signs to the 77 Building

Rich Auditorium is around the corner

• Take elevator D to the Mezzanine Level (Floor M)

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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**.

Security Team Bonuses

It's not too late to donate to the annual bonus fund for our security team!

Donations will be accepted online and by check through January 31st. Log on to the Brookwood Hills website to make a secure donation via PayPal or deliver your check to Katherine Dierdorff @ 22 Woodcrest.

Happy New Year from the Alliance Theater!

Ring in 2013 with the Tony Award nominee for Best Play, *Good People*. The Broadway hit is at the Alliance Theatre from January 16th through February 10th. Brookwood Hills members receive \$5 off all tickets by using promo code NEIGHBOR5 online at alliancetheatre.org/goodpeople or by calling the Box office at 404.733.5000. And Tuesday evenings are BOSTON BEER NIGHT, where all ticket purchases are good for a free Sam Adams Winter Lager.

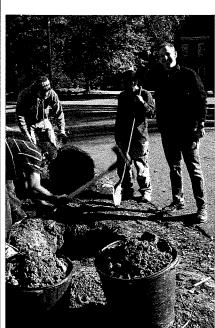
Brookwood Hills members can also receive \$5 off tickets to Bike America, a World Premiere and the 2013 Alliance/Kendeda National Graduate Playwright Award Winner. Bike America is a hilariously dark comedy for mature audiences only. Just use promo code NEIGHBOR5 online at alliancetheatre.org/bike or call the Box office at 404.733.5000 for your discount.

Your national theatre with a local address — The Alliance Theatre

BrookNotes welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of BrookNotes is Friday, February 8, 2013. Submissions may be e-mailed to brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com or dropped off at 102 Wakefield.

Tree Planting Continues Long History of Success

Led by Edward Katz our BWH Tree Chair and Trees Atlanta, neighbors and volunteers planted 31 trees during the annual neighborhood tree planting event in November. Since 1997, there have been 560 trees planted as the neighborhood continues to work toward restoring the canopy. Thanks to all of our volunteers!







New Language-Focused Preschool Opening Near BWH

The Spanish Academy, a daily preschool and Mothers' Morning Out founded in Atlanta in 2001, will be opening a third location this coming Fall at Covenant Presbyterian Church, just north of the Peachtree Battle Shopping Center. The Academy offers total immersion Spanish academic programs for young children ages 2 through 4. "Numerous studies have shown that the ideal time for a person to learn a new language is from birth to about age 8," states Peachtree Hills resident DeShea Brooks, who is the founder and director of the preschool. "Our total immersion program mimics how we all learn our native languages, by active exposure through conversation, songs and written words, rather than rote memorization." Brooks will be hosting an open house at Covenant (2461 Peachtree Road) on January 29th from 10 - 11 a.m. Parents are welcome to bring their children with them. Free parking for the open house will be located on the top deck of the Peachtree Battle Shopping Center, immediately south of the church on Terrace Drive. To learn more about The Spanish Academy check out its website at http://thespanishacademy.com/.

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Town Car Service: Have you ever needed a car to, or from, the airport? Ray's Limo Service will take or pick-up from Hartsfield for a flat \$60 rate (versus apx \$50 after tip for a taxi). Ray, a fireman, and his wife Annette have operated their business for over twenty years and have hundreds of "private clients" just like you! If you need something a little larger than a Town Car they have access to SUVs and also have a six person Limo for hire (slightly higher rates for the larger cars). They also book for parties, proms, or just that special night on the town. Ray and Annette come highly recommended by the Gentry's – mention us when you book! Annette can be reached at 770.294.5460, or limopil@bellsouth.net.

Nanny Available: Edita Britto has been our nanny for four years. She has become part of our family and we have cherished our relationship. It is with heavy hearts that our needs have changed as our boys almost 3 and 4 need to be driven to and from school. We found Edita through a neighborhood blog. She had worked for our pediatrician for 4 years also. We couldn't think of a better endorsement than to have worked for a pediatrician! In the beginning we did a nanny-share with a good friend. Edita managed the demands of 2 babies at once - a five month old girl and our six month old son. She adhered to our schedules and helped both moms feel comfortable with the transition to going back to work. We did the nanny share for 2 years and then with the birth of our second son, Edita worked for just our family. She has helped to raise our children and has done it with love. From the time my boys began eating solids, she would make them the most delicious homemade applesauce, other veggies and fruits and yummy mashed potatoes. As my oldest son aged, she introduced him to Peruvian foods and helped cultivate his love of ethnic foods. Edita is very hands-on. She plays constantly with the boys and takes them to the park and on other adventures. We always hear from our neighbors how she is so engaged with our children. She's always playing with them and never off chatting on her cell phone or sitting on the sidelines with other nannies. When home with the boys, she paints with them, reads stories, builds legos, plays puzzles, and loves them like they are her own. Edita has also taught our boys Spanish. Along with Edita comes her wonderful husband, Oscar, who is like a grandfather to our boys. They love playing with him when he comes over in the late afternoon to pick up Edita. Sometimes I even think Oscar gets a better welcome than when I come home from work. Whenever my husband and I need to go away on a trip, Edita and Oscar take care of our boys. The boys go on lots of adventures with them and don't have time to even miss us. Edita also has an incredible work ethic. She has never been late in 4 years and has never missed a day of work. Her only fault is that she will even come to work when she's picked up a sickness from my kids! She's 100% devoted. Edita is a part of our family now and we look forward to having her in our lives and our boys lives forever. Please call Jane Nagle at 404-667-8456 for more information.

DVD/VHS Storage: 6 sets of black attach to the wall holders of 16 DVD/VHS tapes each. 10 acrylic racks holding 24 DVD or 8 VHS tapes each. Call Kathy Bernhardt, 404-874-5067.

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