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BWH Home Tout

Contributed by Amanda Baxter and Robin Fisher 2016-2017 BWH Friends' Co-Chairs Lisa Katz, Sponsorship Chair

On behalf of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Brookwood Hills Friends, we are enclosing information regarding sponsorship opportunities for Brookwood Hills: Tradition Meets Today, the 2017 Brookwood Hills Home Tour. This signature biennial event is the group's largest fundraiser and draws hundreds of attendees from both in and outside of the neighborhood.

The Tour is scheduled for Saturday, April 22, and the Patron Party is on Thursday, April 20, at the home of Brookwood Hills residents Lee and Kevin Kleinhelter. The tour, featuring several homes, gives attendees the chance to explore the unique architecture of the neighborhood while walking through the beautiful Brookwood Hills tree canopy in full bloom. This year promises to draw a big crowd, with the personal homes of two premier architects on display, Stan Dixon and Keith Summerhour.

The event is organized through volunteers with the Brookwood Hills Friends group, which is one of more than 33 community volunteer groups supporting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA) through fundraising and service projects. Your support makes an important difference in a child's life by helping Friends raise funds for many essential programs.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this important and worthwhile cause. Please help us reach our goal of raising \$30,000 for CHOA! You can pay online at https://giving.choa.org/brookwoodhillstour.

Should you have any additional questions, ideas for potential sponsors we could contact, or wish to pay your sponsorship by check, please contact Lisa Katz at guldinkatz@gmail.com or 404-449-3786.

Sponsorship commitment deadline is February 28, 2017 to ensure inclusion in all signage and materials. Please see page 3 for sponsorship levels.



Brookwood Hills: Tradition Meets Today

2017 Home Tour



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BrookNotes welcomes articles, photographs, and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue is Wednesday, 3/1/17. Please email the BrookNotes co-editors at brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com.

Mark Your Calendar!



BWHCC Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 7pm in the Rich Auditorium at Piedmont Hospital

BWH Friends Yard Sale

Saturday, February 25th Details listed in the CHOA Corner (page 6)

BWH Home Tour of Homes

Saturday, April 22nd



Brookwood Hills Security

Neighborhood Patrol Cell Phone (404) 242-3321

Going Out of Town?

Call or email BWH Security at Brookwoodhillspatrol@gmail.com or (404) 325-5114. Please make sure you provide your name, address, phone number and the dates you will be away.

BWH Security Chair security@brookwoodhills.com

(657) 229–4728 (text or call)

Greg Fiore

2017 Brookwood Hills Home Tour Sponsorship Levels

PRESENTING sponsor - \$5,000

{one available}

Opportunity to have home on tour {if applicable}

10 Patron Party Tickets

15 Home Tour Tickets

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Opportunity to speak at Patron Party

Logo on Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Brookwood Hills Home Tour website

Logo in premiere placement on all tour signage, marketing materials, etc.

GOLD sponsor – \$2,500

{four available}

Opportunity to have home on tour {if applicable}

8 Patron Party Tickets

10 Home Tour Tickets

Full page in program

Logo on Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Brookwood Hills Home Tour website

Logo in premiere placement on all tour signage, marketing materials, etc.

SILVER sponsor - \$1,000

{six available}

4 Patron Party Tickets

6 Home Tour Tickets

Half page in program

Logo on Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Brookwood Hills Home Tour website

Logo in premiere placement on all tour signage, marketing materials, etc.

PATRON sponsor -\$300

{eighteen available }

2 Patron Party Tickets

4 Home Tour Tickets

Listing on all tour signage and marketing collateral

BWHCC Annual Meeting Reminder

The Brookwood Hills Community Club's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 22nd at 7pm in Rich Auditorium at Piedmont Hospital. All BWH neighbors who are current members of the BWH Community Club are invited to attend.

Our City Councilmember Alex Wan and Fulton County Commissioner (and BWH neighbor) Lee Morris will both be there to provide brief updates on city and county issues. The Board will report on the past year's activities, present the proposed slate of 2017 Board members, and provide a look ahead into plans for 2017 - including the plans for our park renovation project.

Behind the scenes, we've been making great progress on the park renovation project and we'll be sharing some big updates at the meeting. Tired of seeing a flooded park? Curious how the renovation will improve the space for members of all ages? Want to see the renderings and hear more about the project timeline? All this and more will be covered so be sure to attend for this substantive update.

We are still looking for neighbors to fill a few open Board positions as well as to take on some other roles relating to specific projects. If you're interested, please contact Alli Richardson at avrichardson@gmail.com or 404-641-1536.

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Brookwood Hills Security

Contributed by Gregory Fiore, Security Chair

Brookwood Hills is providing a free video camera sign for those neighbors that have installed video camera's in their homes. Please contact security@brookwoodhills.com if you have video and haven't received a sign.





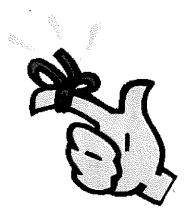
Security Bonus Reminder

For those new to neighborhood, we ask neighbors to consider a contribution to our security patrol holiday bonus. They've done an amazing job this year keeping us safe.

You can contribute in one of two ways:

- 1. Log-in to PayPal and use the code Bwhbookkeeper@gmail.com
- 2. Or, if you prefer, drop a check off to Gregory Fiore at 111 Brighton Road N.E. Please make checks payable to BWHCC.

Thank you in advance for your support! If you have any questions, please email security@brookwoodhills.com



New Entrances at Palisades and Huntington

Contributed by Ramsay Battin

As everyone knows, we have now (mostly) completed the work on the neighborhood entrances at Huntington and Palisades roads. I thought it might be useful to provide a review of these projects for the neighborhood. The original drawings for both of these entrances (as well as the Brighton entrance) were created back in 2007 by neighbors Esther Stokes and Stan Dixon. Esther's focus was on the landscape design side of the project while Stan's focus was on the columns at the entrances. The Brighton Road entrance was completed in roughly 2010 but we did not have the funds at the time to complete the Palisades and Huntington entrances.

Palisades Project

In the summer of 2015, we assembled a Palisades Road entrance committee comprised of roughly 12 neighbors to review the original plans and, most importantly, come to an agreement on the exact placement of the new island. Once that work was completed, we started to think about a budget for the Palisades project. We approached Silverman Construction, who managed the Brighton Road entrance project in 2010, to get their thoughts on how much the project would cost. They came back to us with a rough estimate of \$190,000 – needless to say, that was a number that wasn't going to work for us.

We then shifted our focus to how we could get the work done at a much more reasonable cost. The first thing we figured out was that the City would install the granite curbs at a far lower price (\$14k) than what Silverman expected (\$41k). After some sweet talking, we also got the City to agree to take out the old bricks/stonework in the middle of islands at no cost as the City wanted to reuse the bricks in another project they were undertaking. We had originally expected this work to cost us approximately \$12k. We also decided to see if we could undertake the project without Silverman's help in getting permits, gathering bids, and overseeing the actual construction. Silverman's original quote for this work was \$22.5k which we ultimately were able to do on our own at no cost.

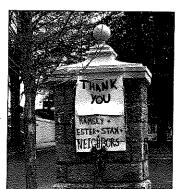
We also started to think through how we could find other sources of money and in-kind services to help pay for the project. At the end of the day, we were able to raise cash and in-kind donations that covered more than 50% of the cost of the project. The Brookwood Hills Garden Club was a major source of support donating \$21,600. Approximately \$14,600 of this amount was raised through the "Fund A Need" program during one of the Club's annual spring fundraising events. These funds were raised from individual neighbors specifically for the Palisades Road project.

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Broken Sidewalks

Contributed by Amanda Baxter

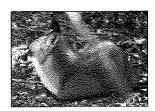
42 days. That is the time it took the City of Atlanta to fix our sidewalks. Only after speaking to our neighbor Ramsay Battin did I even realize that the City might fix our broken and uneven sidewalks. Based on Ramsay's suggestion, I called the City's Customer Service Center at 404-546-0311 and told the person that our sidewalks were uneven and broken due to tree root damage. Being cynical of City government, I did not expect much to happen because of my phone call. But 42 days later, I have brand new sidewalks and a new driveway apron at no cost to me. The City emailed me to say that they "will repair sidewalks, curbing, and driveway aprons in the City's right of way that are the result of tree root damage or create imminent danger to the traveling public." If you are looking to make your case, the City seemed to be concerned with "tripping hazards" and difficulty navigating a sidewalk by someone who is disabled or elderly. According to the City, the repairs "are funded by the City or the citizens depending on who is the responsible party. The citizens are responsible for sidewalk repairs to their adjacent property. If the damage is caused by a tree root in the city's right of way then the City is responsible." I am pleased with the work even though there was no communication or warning from the City when they were going to perform and complete it. If you have sidewalk damage, I urge you to make the call and be sure to use the buzz words above.

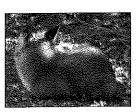
What does the Fox say?

Contributed by Grace Richardson

Grace Richardson, 9 years old of Montclair Drive, received a camera for Christmas and was testing it out on Sunday, January 9th. She saw the fox in a yard on Montclair Dr. She thinks it was a White Tailed Fox! Have you spotted any wildlife in your yard lately? Please send to brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com. Thanks for sending, Grace!







CHOA Friends Corner

Contributed by Amanda Baxter and Robin Fisher 2016-2017 BWH Friends' Co-Chairs

There are lots of exciting ways to get involved with Brookwood Hills Friends this Spring.

Thursday, February 2

Lifetime Member Wine Tasting event at Sherlock's Wine Merchants (7:00-8:30). There is still time to become a Lifetime Member and join this event. Please visit https://giving.choa.org/friendsmember to join. If you have not received our evite, please email Amanda Baxter at aczabor@gmail.com.

Saturday, February 25 - BWH Friends Yard Sale

It's time to clear out your closets, attics and basements to benefit Children's Healthcare! Don't run everything over to Goodwill just yet - you can sell your items in this neighborhood-wide yard sale and donate a portion—or all—of the proceeds to Children's Healthcare. Stay tuned for more information from Rachele Mock about this event and how to get involved!

Saturday, April 22nd - BWH Tour of Homes

We are looking for docents to help volunteer the day of the event. Pease contact Colleen Stevens at colleen915@aol.com or 646-737-4609 for more information. We are looking forward to an amazing event.



New Entrances Continued

The following table outlines the final accounting of the sources and uses of funds for this project.

| Source of Funds/Services | Cash | In-Kind | Total | Use of Funds/Donated Services | Amount |
|--|--------|---------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| BWHCC | 41,487 | | 41,487 | Pavers in Street | 20,160 |
| Brookwood Hills Garden Club | 21,600 | | 21,600 | Granite Curbs on Existing Islands | 14,502 |
| Trillium Properties | 7,660 | | 7,660 | Construction of New Island | 11,330 |
| Palisades Office Building | 5,000 | | 5,000 | Cobble Bands around All Islands | 9,500 |
| Carroll & Weiss (Jamie & Leslie Carroll) | 1,000 | | 1,000 | New Sidewalks | 7,660 |
| Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) | 350 | | 350 | Construction of Central Pier | 6,550 |
| K2 Construction - Kevin Kleinhelter (top soil) | | 3,000 | 3,000 | Irrigation and Lighting System | 4,875 |
| BWH Volunteer Day | | 3,000 | 3,000 | Installation of Plants | 3,000 |
| Gunnison Tree Service | | 1,000 | 1,000 | Top Soil | 3,000 |
| Hastings Tree Service | | 1,000 | 1,000 | Plants | 1,976 |
| Joe & Kit Cottone (use of their bobcat) | | 500 | 500 | Removal of Existing Magnolias | 1,000 |
| | | | - | Trimming of Existing Holly Trees | 1,000 |
| | | | | Bobcat | 500 |
| | | ** | | Miscellaneous | 544 |
| Total | 77,097 | 8,500 | 85,597 | Total | 85,597 |

The above table also omits the valuable in-kind services that Esther Stokes and Stan Dixon provided to get this project across the finish line. It also omits all the time and effort that neighbors Bruce and Jane Hunecke (10 Palisades) contributed to the project (including allowing us to temporarily connect up to their irrigation system for the new island) as well as Brad and Marty Whitcomb, who allowed us to permanently connect the lights on the new island to their electrical system.

Huntington

While the Huntington entrance was not nearly as complex as the Palisades project, it's worth highlighting a few aspects of that project. Most importantly, the entire project was paid for entirely by Pruitt Healthcare, the owner of the property at Peachtree and Huntington. When Pruitt had asked the neighborhood for our approval of a variance on their project several years ago, the BWHCC board required that they pay for the new entrance in order to gain our approval. While we don't have exact visibility into how much Pruitt paid for the project, we had initial quotes to do it on our own for roughly \$25,000.

The Huntington entrance project is not 100% complete at this time. Over the next several weeks, we plan to have "Brookwood Hills" bronze plaques placed on the new 2 new columns. We hopefully will find a way to have those columns illuminated as well. Once Pruitt completes their construction project (timing unknown but likely 2-3 years out), Pruitt will also pay to complete the original drawings from Esther Stokes, which call for more planting and hardscaping between Peachtree and the new columns recently installed.

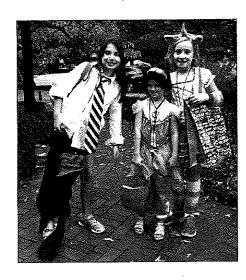
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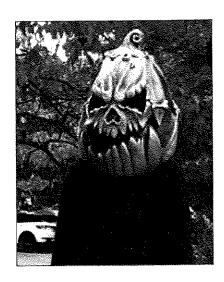
It's been a long road getting these two projects off the ground and (mostly) completed. It couldn't have happened with a ton of involvement and support from the BWHCC, the Garden Club, individual neighbors like Esther Stokes and Stan Dixon, service providers like Hastings/Gunnison who have loyally served the neighborhood through the years, the commercial property owners on Peachtree/Palisades, and all the neighbors who provided financial support and volunteered their time on our 2 planting days this fall. Thanks to everyone!

Halloween at 95 Wakefield Dr. Brookwood Hills, 2016

Contributed by Linton Hopkins

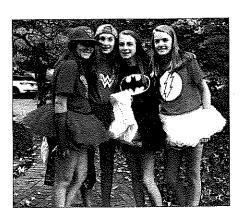












100 visitors recorded, but we missed 20 or more! Here's the list.

Little RR Hood, Steph Curry, Ingrid, Baseball Team (6), Georgia Cheerleaders (3), Iron Man, Cheeseburger, Lightning & Struck by Lightning, Zombie Queen, DJ, Banana, Pink Lady, Rainbow Skeleton, Madeline (2), Pippi Longstocking with? baseball player, Fifties Girl and friend in striped dress (black & shiny chartreuse), Hermione (2), Harry Potter, Cat-In-A-Hat, 4 Superheroes in tutus! – Superman, Wonder Woman, Bat Girl and Flash.

Hunger Games, Two Dinosaurs, Henry Danger, Beautiful Witch, Peppa Pig Ballerina, Batgirl, Wonder Woman, Flash, Supergirl, Capt. America, My Little Ponies (2), Rey, Hogwarts, Waffle, Chara, Doll Pirate, Lego, Princess, Fireman, Stormtrooper (2) and Rapunzel.

Snow White, Kylo Ren & "I'm carrying the weapon," Skeleton, Knight, Witch, Groom Zombie, Jester, Trump, Cam Newton, Jasmine, Unicorn, PBoy Max, Superman, Witch (2), Ninja, A Devil with a Smile, Pumpkin Head, Ghost Buster (2), Princess, Buzz Lightyear, Shrek, Lion, Lollipop Fairy, Belly Dancer, Nerd, Grecian Goddess, Dr Pepper Commercial, Jester, Big Bird?, Fireman, Rabbit, Wednesday, Hunger Games, Robin Hood, Care Bear, Minion, Egg and Powder Puff Girl.

BROOKWOOD HILLS SUMMER TENNIS CLINICS—2017

Ms. Lee King will once again be conducting Junior Tennis Clinics and Women's Beginning Clinics. The clinics will run Monday through Friday for one hour each. The price per person is \$100 per week. Please call or e-mail Lee directly to sign up or if you have any questions: 404-261-8643; leekingtenpro@aol.com. The schedule is as follows:

| Private/Group Lessons | May 29th – May 31st | Contact me for available times |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Private/Group Lessons | June 5^{th} – June – 9^{th} | Contact me for available times |
| 3 and 4 year old | June 12 th – June 16 th | 9:45 - 10:45 am |
| Private/Group Lessons | June 19 th – June 23 rd | Contact me for available times |
| 5 and 6 year old | June 26th – June 30th | <u>9:45 – 10:45 am</u> |
| 7 and 8 year old | June 27 th – July 1 st | 9:30 – 10:30 am |
| Private/Group Lessons | July 3 rd –July 7 th | Contact me for available times |
| 9 and 10 year old | July 10 th — July 14 th | 9:30 – 10:30 am |
| Beginning Women | July 10th - July 14th | 10:30 – 11:30 am |
| | , | |
| Intermediate Women | July 17th - July 21st | 9:00 – 10:00 am |
| 11 and 12 year old | July 17th - July 21st | <u>10:00 – 11:00 am</u> |
| | | |
| | | |
| 5 and 6 year old | July 24 ^{4h} – July 28 th | 9:30 – 10:30 am |
| 7 and 8 year old | July 31st – August 4th | <u>9:30 – 10:30 am</u> |
| 3 and 4 year old | August 7th – August 11th | 9:30 – 10:30 am |



Babysitter/Nanny

Rachel Doman, age 12 ½, is a 7th grader at Westminster and available for babysitting. Rachel is very responsible, reliable, and terrific with younger children. Please call or text (404) 786-3782, if interested.

Recommendations

Wendy Lewis and Libby Barge recommend Define. Brookwood Hills Residents receive 40% off Month Unlimited at DEFINE: Atlanta and 3-Class Package Special for \$45 (\$15/Class)

DEFINE: Atlanta is a one-stop shop for fitness. With group fitness classes and private training offered in 5 different methods - barre, indoor cycling, yoga, hammock, and mini-trampoline, DEFINE covers all your fitness needs under one roof. Childcare is offered daily at select times for children ages 3-months+ and children's fitness classes are also frequently offered.

DEFINE body: is a perfect balance of strength, flexibility, and fun combining Pilates, ballet, yoga, and core strengthening to target all the major muscle groups in the body.

DEFINE revolution: is an indoor cycling class, combining isometric movements with high-intensity cardio for a fun and full-body workout on the bike.

DEFINE mind: is a soothing, restorative class focused on improving flexibility, decompressing the spine and

releasing tension utilizing a hammock and ball rolling techniques.

DEFINE bounce: is a fun, high-intensity, low-impact cardio and strength-building workout utilizing a minitrampoline and lightweights to achieve maximum results while prioritizing joint health.

DEFINE yoga: is a dynamic flow aimed at stretching and toning every muscle in the body, while connecting movement and breath and releasing stress in the body and mind.

DEFINE is located at the heart of Brookwood Hills, on the corner of Peachtree and Palisades Road - 1833 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30305, 404-351-8663, atlanta@DEFINEbody.com.

To view class schedule and register for class, please visit Atlanta.DEFINEbody.com or download the DEFINE body & mind App. For more information and to redeem your BWH discount, please call, email, or stop by the studio in-person.

Donations

Greg Fiore is collecting men's clothes for the Gateway Center. Shirts, socks, suits are most needed. He can pick up or they can drop of at 111 Brighton Road NE. Here is the link for the Gateway Center- www.gatewayctr.org



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