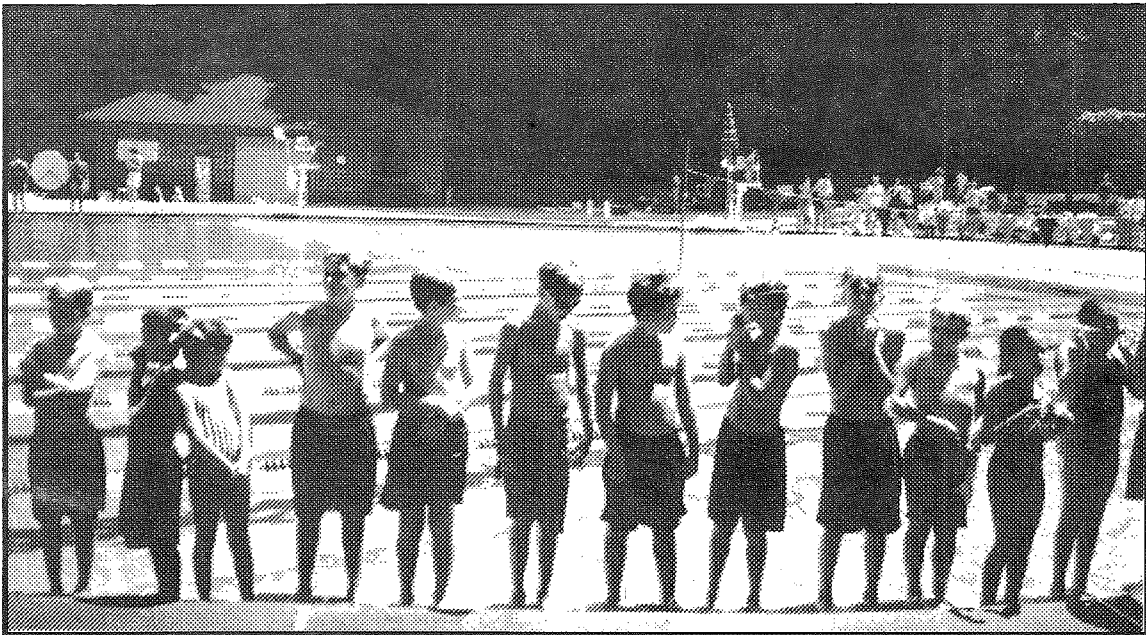


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FAIR WEATHER AND FUN FOR THE 4TH



No Peeking! Caroline Nadal has a hard time keeping her eyes forward as the lifeguards prepare for the coin toss.

by Betsy Crosby and Deirdre Stiles

At 5:00 a.m. on the morning of July 4, alarm clocks rang throughout the neighborhood, calling runners to the starting blocks of the Peachtree Road Race. Two hours later the sound of news helicopters overhead reminded the slug-a-beds that it was time to stake a place on the sidewalk to spot their loved ones. Conquering Heartbreak Hill were **Frank Aitcheson** with daughters **Trish** and **Beth**, **Gene Murphy**, **Randy Coley**, **Sheree Boyd**, **Fred Burke** and his son **Parker**, **Mac Irvin**, his daughter **Kate Irvin**, and **Dave Forquer**. (The many other neighbors who ran the race were obviously too fast for *Brooknotes* to spot.) Cheering on the runners at the corner of Huntington were **Mary Barrett** and **Xavier Duralde** and crew, **Kathy** and **Scott McCune** with **Jake** and **Katie**, and **Rob Donovan** towing **Callan**. On the corner of Brighton Road, **Carter** and **Ann Sample**, decked out in red, white and blue, waved flags as mother **Nancy** (similarly dressed) sipped her coffee. **Adam Horton** rode back and forth with his flag flying high on the back of his bike.

As the unseasonably cool and dry morning wore on, more and more neighbors joined the crowd, coffee in hand. Mingling among the many neighborhood dogs were greyhounds in racing colors and party hats, whose owners represented the Adopt-A-Greyhound Club. Having spent a lifetime racing, these dogs seemed content to be mere onlookers. In front of Harry's, a flat-bed truck provided the perfect viewing stand for those outsiders who recognized our neighborhood as a choice spot for watching the race. The newly opened Caribou Coffee did a booming business, offering its customers a place to sit and watch the race, complete with "running" commentary from a local radio station. *More about the 4th on page 6.*



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Next month, tell us about your Olympic experience. Did the relatives eat you out of house and home? Did you experience the thrill of victory, or the "agony of the feet?" What were the best and worst parts of the Atlanta Olympic Games from your point of view? Drop *Brooknotes* a line at the mailbox at 77 Wakefield (top of the pool steps) or at 34 Brighton Road (after Aug. 1) to let us know your thoughts.

ZRB Sends Trammell Crow Back to Drawing Board

The Zoning Review Board voted July 9, 1996 to defer action on Trammell Crow's request to rezone the Jewish Community Center property. The result may prove advantageous to Brookwood Hills and its fellow opponents Brookwood Neighbors and Ardmore-28th Street. Voicing deep concerns about the project's compatibility with Brookwood Hills and other historic properties nearby, the ZRB requested Trammell Crow to go back to the drawing board before the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 15 to address the major issues raised by the neighborhoods.

The ZRB specifically instructed Trammell Crow to reconfigure the greenspace fronting Peachtree to eliminate the proposed driveway and to landscape the area commensurate with its proximity to a residential area. The Board stated that the proposed planted buffer of 25 feet in the setback bordering Huntington should be increased to 40 or 50 feet. The Board also urged Trammell Crow to produce a design with a "smaller footprint," one that would be less dense in terms of square footage. While stopping short of recommending a reduction in the number of units to 270, as proposed by Brookwood Hills, the Board did suggest to the developer that it would like to see some net reduction in the density.

Said Clifford Altekruze, Chairman of the ZRB, "I'm not persuaded by the plan as presented tonight. However, done right this development could be a benefit for the neighborhood, the city and the developer." Of the seven ZRB members present, at least two spoke in favor of Brookwood's position, with Altercruse openly straddling the fence. Stated Board member John Whitney, deferral would do little to rectify his concerns with the project: "I am not thoroughly convinced that we have compatibility between what is proposed and what has been there historically. Compatibility is the guiding star in our decisions."

Board member Chuck Marietta stated the contrary position, posing that the back lot of the JCC could not realistically be developed as R-4 (single family residence) because of its proximity to the railroad tracks and I-85. Persuaded by Trammell Crow's artistic renderings, Marietta stated "I don't see anything better" for the vacant JCC property.

The ZRB was undoubtedly impressed by the tremendous turnout of Brookwood residents. Eighty-three hands were raised when the board requested a hand-count of those opposed to Trammell Crow's proposal. Those in favor totalled 8, all of whom were employed by Trammell Crow. At least sixty of the opponents were Brookwood Hills residents; the remainder were from Brookwood Neighbors, Ardmore-28th Street, and Huntington Arms apartments. Brookwood Hills also presented 103 letters from other residents unable to attend the meeting who expressed their opposition to the density of the project.

One of the more persuasive speakers at the meeting was Mrs. Dorothy Levine, lifelong resident of Huntington Arms, who spoke eloquently about the effect increased traffic would have on the pedestrians and children who stroll, jog and play on Huntington. Brookwood Neighbors representative Mark Reese pointed out to the ZRB that the proposed parking deck was roughly the size of a four-story football field. Bob Enholm, Ansley Park resident and chairman of our Neighborhood Planning Unit, spoke persuasively about the obvious desire of Trammell Crow to capitalize on the charm of our area, while at the same time proposing a project that could erode much of that charm.

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Neighbor Ann Sapp proved an effective secret weapon on the issue of traffic impact. An attorney who specializes in condemnation for the DOT, Ann poked holes in the heretofore impenetrable traffic report submitted by Trammell Crow. Deciphering the traffic statistics in layman's terms, Ann quietly garnered the ZRB's full attention, leading Chairman Altercruse to question Trammell Crow's claim that the project would not adversely impact the traffic situation. "On Peachtree Street we're seeing a level of development that is injurious. Whether the difference between 370 units and 270 units will minimize the impact is a factor to discuss at the next meeting," he remarked.

The meeting showed that the tradition of neighborhood advocacy remains strong in Brookwood Hills. Those residents unable to attend the July meeting are invited to come to the August 15 hearing. Please call Hank Harris at 872-0119 or Nick Sears at 355-5104 if you will be able to attend. As the City Council is the final decision maker on these issues, it may be well worth your while to share your views of the project with our city councilman, Lee Morris. His address is Atlanta City Council, 55 Trinity Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. His phone number is 330-6030.

WORD OF MOUTH

VIP'S (Very Important Petsitters)

Samantha Montague (404) 303-5861

I would like to recommend this pet sitting service which we have used and found to be excellent--prompt, reliable, caring and reasonable.

Nancy and Tom Richey, 355-5412,
209 Camden Road.



Very Important Petsitters

BROOKWOOD BUZZ

Maureen O'Connor, daughter of **Mary and Dan O'Connor** of 24 Northwood, graduated in June with her Ph.D. in History from Harvard University. Maureen grew up in Brookwood Hills and received her undergraduate degree from Yale. She has accepted a position as a research associate with Morgan, Angel & Associates Public Policy consultants in Washington D.C.

Mitch Saunders, son of **Mary Mac and Rick Saunders** of 67 Palisades, graduated from William and Mary in accounting and will be going to work for Arthur Anderson (the Atlanta office) in September.

New neighbors Kenan and Lisa Loomis moved from right around the corner in Ansley Park to Northwood Avenue this spring. Kenan is a native Atlantan and graduate of Westminster, while Lisa hails from Kentucky. They have a son Kenan who will be three years old in August, and are expecting a baby in October. Both Lisa and Kenan are attorneys: she is with Hawkins & Parnell, while he practices with Alston & Bird.

CLASSIFIEDS

- **Carpool for Peachtree Presbyterian.** We are looking for one more child to join our two-family carpool to Peachtree Presbyterian Preschool in the fall. Please call Patricia Perano 607-7539 or Deirdre Stiles 249-9544 for more information.
- **Positions Available.** Preschool Director; Parents Morning Out (PMO) Director; preschool assistant teachers and PMO workers needed for Oglethorpe Presbyterian Preschool. A rewarding part-time opportunity. Located in Brookhaven just off Peachtree Road at Oglethorpe University. Please call Rod Stone, Oglethorpe Presbyterian Church at (404) 233-5469. Brookwood reference, Cathy Miller, 134 Huntington.
- **Westminster Shuttle.** The 1996-97 Westminster Shuttle for 6th -12th graders is now in the process of being organized. If you did not participate in the Shuttle last year and would like to join this year, call Alison Caughman at 355-7662. If you know of any Westminster families living in the Ardmore/28th Street area or on the south side of Bobby Jones Golf Course, please pass their names on to Alison so she can invite them to participate.
- **Homes Needed.** Homes are needed for exchange students from Europe for the 1996-97 school year. Families are obligated to provide the students room and board. Students would attend North Atlanta High. If interested call Jinx Ratcliff at 770-477-1376, or call Alison Caughman at 355-7662 for more information.
- **Apartment Wanted.** I am looking for a guest house or garage apartment, for a single girl, preferably in Buckhead, but any place close-in to Buckhead will do. Please call Patti Junger at 872-3652 (home) or 237-5227 (office).
- **Nanny Share.** Preschooler seeks a playmate! Let's share a nanny in our home and/or yours. Please call Nancy Putney at 355-0656.
- **Nintendo For Sale.** Great working Nintendo system. Complete with 18 games, two controllers and one gun. \$70. Call Sam Crosby at 351-8821.
- **Computer Problems?** Need a new computer? Just want an upgrade? Call Chet Burgess of Flash Automation, one-stop shopping for all your computer needs. 4 Montclair Drive. (404) 892-2559 or (404) 40-FLASH.

Olympic

Though Brookwood Hills can't boast of any Olympic contenders among our neighbors, it can take pride in the number of Olympic "helpfuls."

Look for longtime BWH resident **Mary O'Connor** to be dressed in green at the Olympics. In a first step towards her dream of one day being the U.S. ambassador to Ireland, Mary was appointed attaché for the Olympic Council of Ireland. This prestigious position requires a vote in Ireland by that country's Olympic Council. Her duties include facilitating any issues that arise for the Council and athletes during their stay in Atlanta. (Maynard Jackson is the U.S. attaché). She is currently busy preparing the Decatur Court House to be the home of the Olympic Council of Ireland during the games. She will help the Chairman of the Council host the many events that will be part of Ireland's participation in the 1996 Games. Over 100 athletes will make up the Irish Olympic team; according to Mary, the team has strong contenders in track and field, equestrian events, swimming and gymnastics. Given Mary's ability to take another dream - SciTrek- and make it a reality, we may one day be able to claim an ambassador lives in BWH.

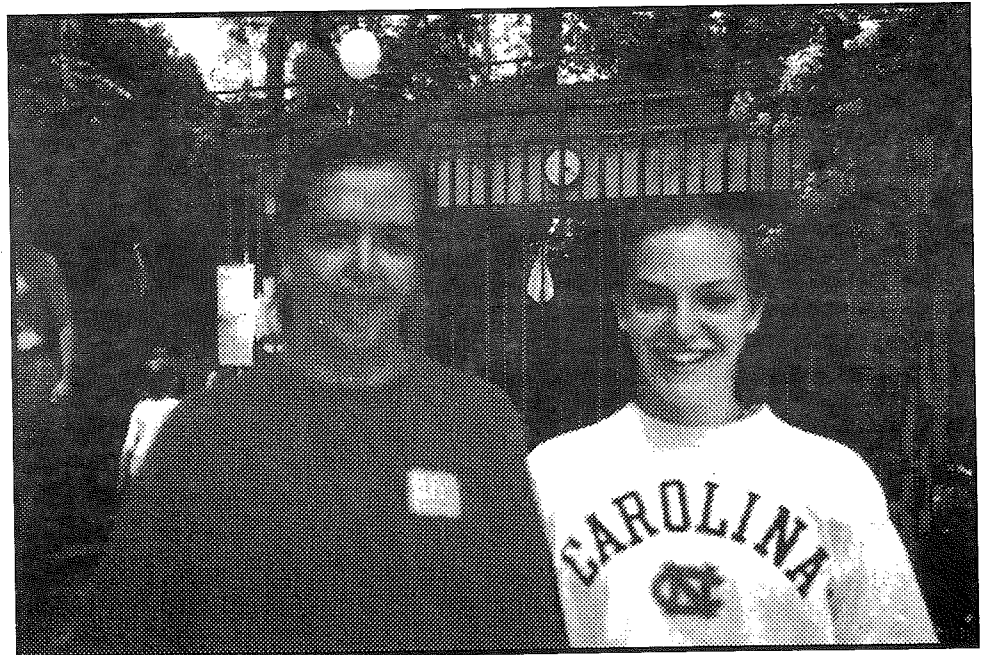
Belinda Donovan will be sitting down to dinner with the Olympic athletes in the next few days. Her job in public relations for Aramark, the food service provider for the Olympic Village, entitles her to mingle in the dining hall with the athletes. Aramark has developed a world menu of 550 recipes for athletes from the 197 delegations. The company has tried to appeal to as many diverse appetites as possible.

"Athletes need to eat things familiar to them before competition in order to keep their systems balanced," said Belinda. Aramark has hired 1300 students from colleges and universities to act as the wait staff. The company will also handle the concession stands for the Olympic Ring. Belinda has already had to pass through the security lock-down. To enter the Olympic Dining Hall, she will have to show her palm print.

Kay Summers is in charge of the 700 volunteers for the Rings exhibit at the High Museum, part of the Cultural Olympiad. She has run the speakers bureau this past spring, arranging talks about the outstanding exhibit for special interest groups. Her volunteers will be dressed in High Museum T-shirts, khaki bottoms and comfortable shoes. Among them will be daughter **Kathleen**, but not until the Olympics and the Paralympics

have passed. Kathleen will be working on the stage and prop crew for the opening and closing ceremonies of the Olympics. Though her duties are still a little vague, she does know that she will be on the field "doing anything they want me to do." Kay claims that her daughter has been very secretive about the props being used for the opening ceremonies, although Kathleen does admit to spending an afternoon painting PVC pipe green. During the Paralympics, Kathleen hopes to be helping at the shooting venue.

Another mother-daughter volunteer team will be working in the synchronized swimming venue. **Kathy Bernhardt** and daughter **Karen** will be performing crucial roles at the Aquatic Center. Karen will be working in sports equipment management for the team, setting up underwater speakers and lane lines to mark the course, as well as



Helpfuls

making sure the bulkheads and touch pads from the swimming events are removed. During the event, she will act as a runner, perhaps between the judges and the scoring table. Her mother Kathy has the important-sounding title of Secretariat Assistant. She will be keeping track of the results and statistics of the synch swimmers; she also will be keeping an ear glued to the weather tracking station. Just like at Brookwood Pool, thunder results in a 20 minute delay.

The Stacy family will be well-represented at the Olympics as Beverly, David and their daughter Elizabeth will each have a role. Beverly will be working 12 out of the 17 days as an Olympic Greeter and in Guest Services at the Olympic Family Hotel, the Marriott Marquis, which is the home of the International Olympic Committee. Elizabeth has volunteered to pass out water or provide other assistance to visitors who take a break from the heat at All Saints Episcopal Church, across from the Varsity. David, a pathologist at St. Joseph's, has set up the Laboratory for the Olympic Village. Having solicited donations of \$550,000 worth of medical equipment, David then recruited medical technologists and another pathologist to run the lab. Should an athlete become ill during the Olympics, blood chemistry tests will be handled by this lab. David informs us that his lab will not be doing drug testing or gender testing, the latter now being required thanks to some suspicious looking East German girls at earlier Olympic competitions.

Things haven't heated up yet for the Paralympics, but Lindsay Irvin will be ready and waiting when they do. Lindsay, who has grown up riding horses with her mother Jan, has been assigned to the Equestrian venue. Right now she is diligently xeroxing and collating in the Paralympic offices.

Hopefully our neighbors won't experience any medical emergencies during the Olympics, because most of the neighborhood doctors will be donating their time to Olympic venues. Xavier Duralde is the Medical Director for the Field Hockey Venue. According to Xavier, field hockey is the second most popular sport world-wide, after soccer. It is especially big in Pakistan and India. The American men's field hockey team is not expected to do much, but the U.S. women's team may be a medal contender. Xavier will be in charge of twenty teams, covering 14 days and 72 events.

Rob Frederick will be handling the medical care at the Gymnastic Venue. There are 132 female gymnasts and 131 males competing from 33 countries. Rob will be at every event, caring for the gymnasts from all the countries. Rob will also assist at the Marathon. Word has it that Mike Bernot, Steve McCollam and Carl Fackler will be offering their services to athletes at the Georgia Dome.

Not surprisingly, the entire Bankoff family will have an active role in the Olympics. Joe Bankoff has been busy negotiating the broadcasting contracts all over the world for the Atlanta

Olympics, and also for Sydney in the year 2000 and Salt Lake City in the year 2002. Joe's work has given the entire family the chance to travel and make friends overseas. During the games, the Bankoffs' son Christopher will be working as a "go-for" for the International Broadcast Union, the "NBC" of Europe.

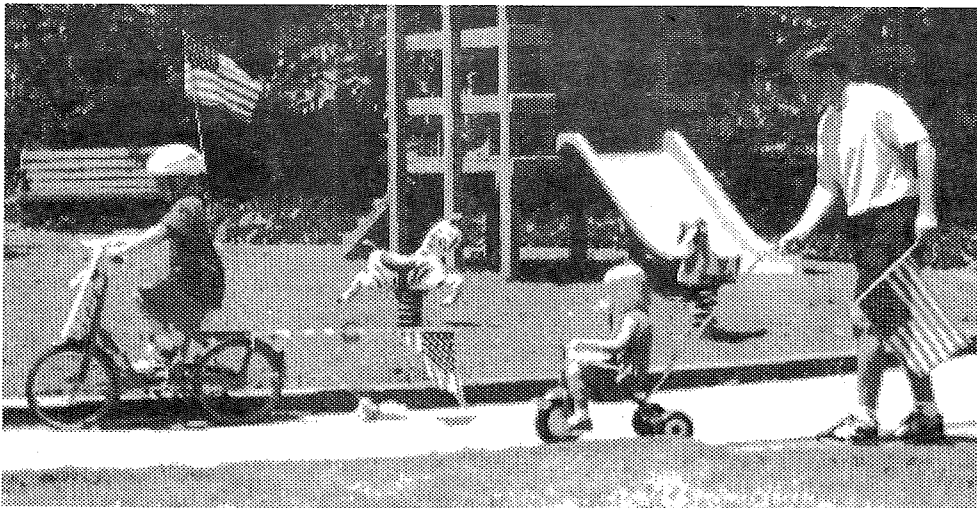
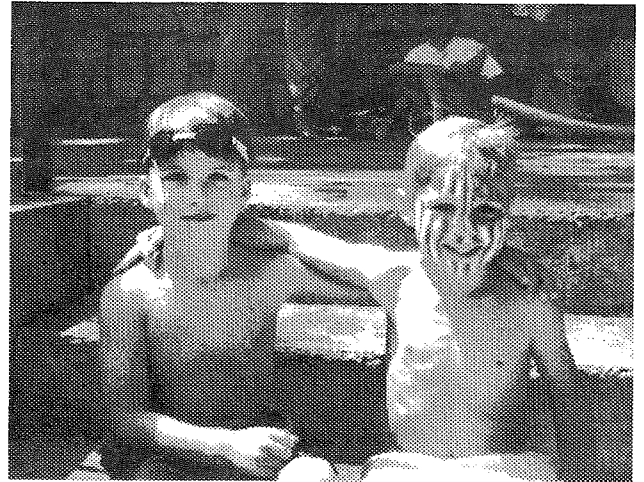
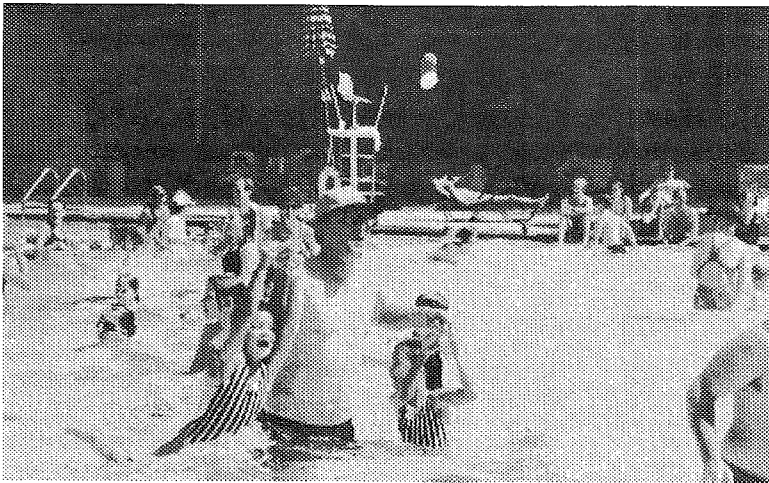
Lisa Bankoff's role is a glamorous one, although her self-bestowed title is not. Since she is in charge of the 700 mostly 8-year-olds who will be performing in the opening and closing ceremonies, she has dubbed herself Head Potty Monitor. Explains Lisa: "We've discovered that when you put water in one end of these kids it comes out the other. I've gotten real good at sticking my head in the men's room, saying 'Anybody in here?'" On the field with the children will be what Lisa describes as "midget teachers." "We advertised for teachers under 5'2." Daughter Margaret, 12, will be among the children performing at the ceremonies. When asked what her role would be, Lisa said "If I told you that, I'd have to kill you." When the veil is finally lifted on the opening ceremonies, Lisa assures us that there won't be a dry eye in the house.

A quiet but steady volunteer can be found in Marcia Abernathy. No Johnny-Come-Lately to the Olympic experience, Marcia has been volunteering for ACOG once a week for the past six years.

These neighbors and undoubtedly others have donated their time and talents to make the Atlanta Olympics a great success. We celebrate their community spirit.

Olympic Volunteers Kathleen Summers (l.) and Karen Bernhardt (r.) relax on the 4th in anticipation of many exhausting days to come.

The Fourth of July

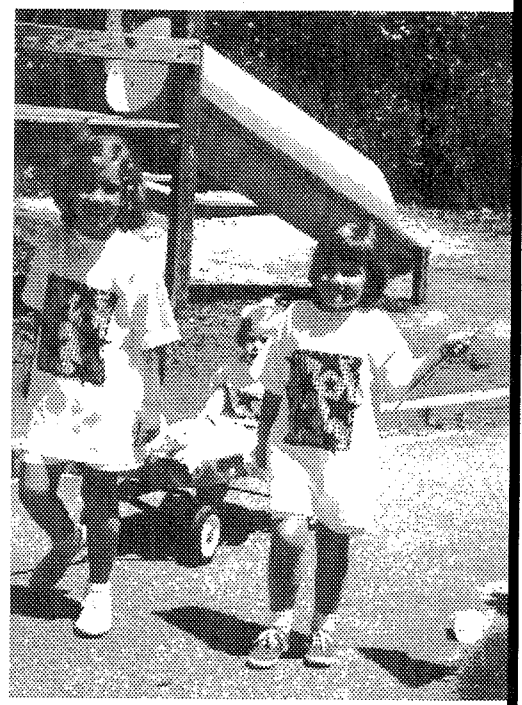
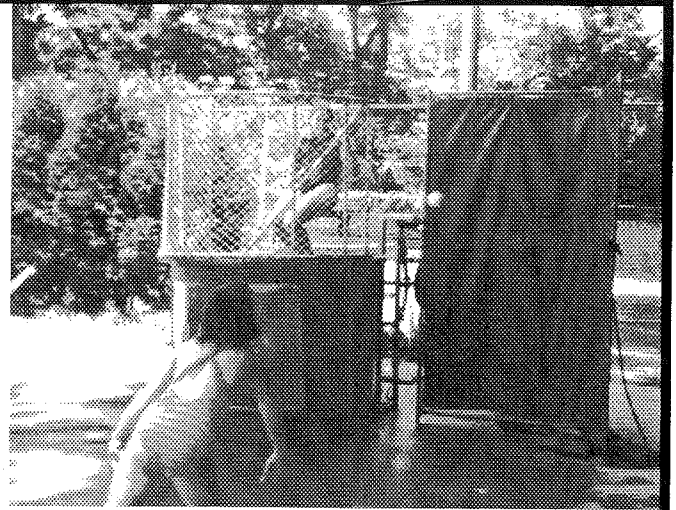
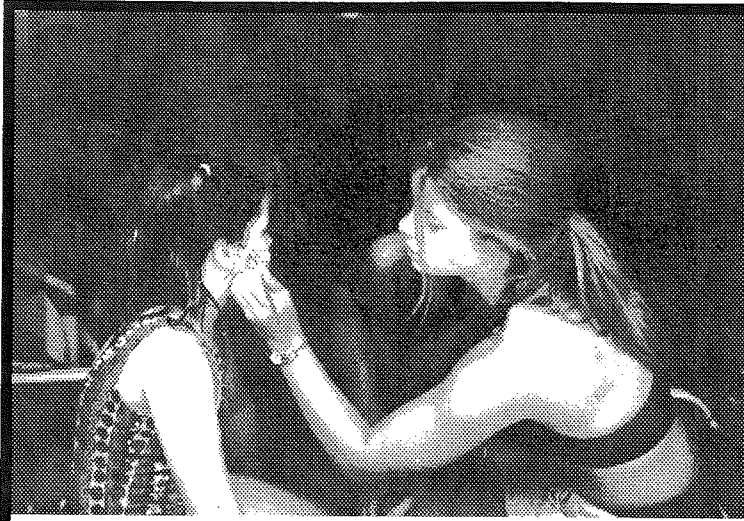


Clockwise from left: BWH President Hank Harris enjoys his yearly romp in the pool with daughters Carolyn and Helen during the Whirlpool; Pool pals Jake McCune and Carlos Duralde; Howell Burke leads off the parade with Callan Donovan and her dad Rob following close behind.

For Brookwood residents, the road race was just the start of a full day of fun. At noon, runners, walkers and riders of all ages paraded around the track in the annual BWH 4th of July Parade at the Park. Wheeling by were two of our newest and tiniest neighbors, **Henry Harris** and **Jay Bland**. Dressed in patriotic colors were Henry's big sisters **Helen** and **Carolyn Harris**, **Elizabeth Grice**, **Kalli Perano**, **Callan Donovan**, **Jeff** and **Ellie Oser**, **Stephanie**, **Amanda** and **Natalie Newton**, **Ellie Gaffney**, **Ben** and **Sam Ross**, **Carter** and **Ann Sample** with dog **Chuvy**, **Katie Ann** and **Nicolas Delesalle** and **Thomas Puri**. Leading the parade was **Howell Burke**, whose flag-draped and decorated bike was the perfect embodiment of patriotic spirit. Gold medals went to all the marchers who cooled down afterward with a treat of ice cold snow cones. Thanks again to **Laranne Oser** and **Chuck Wood** of **Dorsey Alston Realtors** for sponsoring the parade.

Then it was on to the pool for 4th of July fun and games. The dunking machine, a new tradition which made its debut last year, was once again a hit with kids who got the opportunity to dunk their own parents. Parent-child races, the watermelon race, the coin toss, face painting and a moonwalk kept revelers busy until it was time for the long-awaited Whirlpool. Even the most staid father, the most carefully coiffed mother couldn't resist being part of the swell of humanity running, running and floating in the swirling waters of the shallow end. Hats off to Pool Manager **Margarita Cabrera** and her staff, as well as Pool Chairmen **Kathy McCune** and **Jim Porter** for another excellent holiday at the pool.

After dinner, BWH neighbors went their separate ways to view fireworks. The best viewing spot, however, was in our own backyard. From the deserted parking lot of the Jewish Community Center, the Ansley Golf Club fireworks lit up the sky in shimmering red, white and blue. Now that's a use of the JCC property of which we'd all approve.

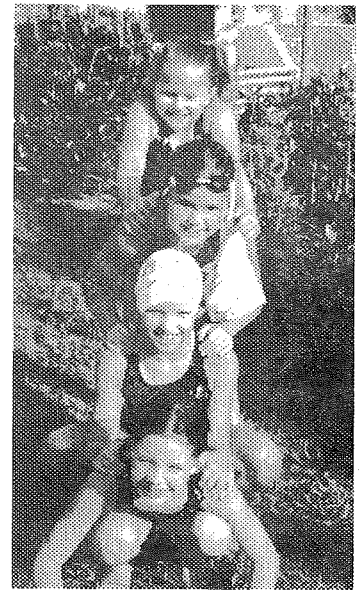


POOL NEWS

The Brookwood Hills Swim Team ended its exciting season last Tuesday, July 9, with a splash as they hosted one of their biggest rivals, Martin's Landing. We can all be very proud of the team this year, as they ended their season with a 2-3 record and a remarkable 5th place finish in Fulton County. Twenty-eight teams competed in the Fulton County League. Congratulations to all of our swimmers and coaches for a fabulous season!

One of the highlights of this season took place on Saturday, July 6, as the kids participated in a Swim-A-Thon at the pool. Swimmers solicited relatives and friends for pledges per lap. The monies raised went to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and to the Swim Team to help purchase a record board and trophy case. A picnic and awards night followed the exhausting day.

Many thanks to all of the parents who volunteered their time to make each swim meet a success. Without their help, there would be no team! A special thanks to Jessica Stokes, Chad Cook and Jenny Arnold for their diligent efforts as our coaches.



Fulton County Winners



Clockwise from left: 9-10 Boys who placed second in free relay: Spencer Hagaman, Richard Doelling; Patrick Forquer; Robert Griest; 7-8 Girls Bronze winners in Medley Relay: Helen Joel, Carter Sample, Meredith Williams; Madeline Hagaman; 6 & Under Girls: (from top left) Alex Dannelly, Ann Sample, Blair Gillespie, (front) Lucy Goins and Katie Riddel.

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