

# **BROOKNOTES**

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# SWIM TEAM WINS FULTON CO. CHAMPIONSHIP!



The Brookwood Hills Swim Team, coached by Chad Cook, Zibby Stokes, Donald McFarlane, and Maryellen Pearson, took first place at the 1998 Fulton County Swim League Championship Meet held at the Alpharetta City Pool on Friday and Saturday July 10th and 11th. Chad Cook was also named the Fulton County Coach of the Year!

The team consisting of 216 swimmers between the ages of 4-18, celebrated its first league championship in 14 years with a party at the Brookwood Hills pool on Sunday, July 12. Chad Cook began the awards ceremony by emphasizing that "this year's success was a real team effort, and every swimmer played an important role in becoming the League Champions." He also thanked all the the swim team **continued on page 3** 



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#### **POOL NEWS**

by Kathy McCune

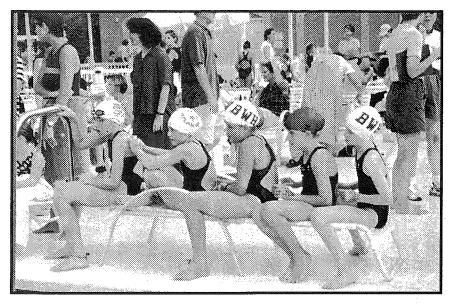
The 4th of July was great fun with face painting, a dunking machine - "manned by the guards and concession workers - and lots of games. There were relays, of course, and the traditional whirlpool in the shallow end. NIKE provided prizes for the coin dive. Many thanks to Brian Rooks for his hard work in organizing the event and giving lots of kids and adults a Fun Fourth at the pool.

On a different note, many of you have noticed that the pool has had several closings due to contamination from human feces in the shallow end. All parents must put swim diapers on their toddlers, babies or any child who is prone to accidents. These incidences result in a 12 hour closing of the pool while the water is shocked with chemicals to kill the bacteria. We must all take responsibility for our pool and recognize that accidents such as this affect all the members of the pool. We want to keep our pool clean and open for all.

### Eateries Exchange

FISHBONE and the PIRANHA BAR: "While it's a matter of personal taste (no pun intended), we found the newest addition to the south Buckhead restaurant scene a pleasant experience.

Managed by the same restauranteurs as "Canoe", Fishbone and the Piranha has a casual environment with good food at a reasonable price. Dinner starts with tasty appetizers such as conch fritters and a bottomless bowl of fresh salad with a house dressing. The fish and seafood is flown in daily and can be prepared grilled, fried, or pan seared. The key lime pie was only average, no quite tart enough for key lime connoisseurs. If there is a wait, call ahead and put your name on the list while you walk over.



Relaxing before racing are I-rt Virginia King, Madeline Hagaman, Carter Sample, Breeze Buffington and Susan Elliot.

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parents for supporting their children by volunteering to work at the various meets. Katherine Menefee and Cissie Willoughby, the Team Representatives this year, were recognized for their hard work and enthusiasm with special gifts to remember the championship season.

Special awards were given to a number of dedicated swimmers. The Practice Award went to 6 year old Addison Lange who participated in every practice throughout the season. The Iron Man Award was presented to Ryan Marietta. Ryan earned the Iron Man Award because as the

teams only 14 year old boy, he was asked to swim in every individual and relay event possible. As a result, he swam in 48 races during the 6 meet season for a total of 120 laps. "He tried his best in every race, scored many points for the team, and never complained. I wish I had 200 swimmers like Ryan," said Chad.

This year a new award was created in honor of Alan Joel, who started the Brookwood Hills Team in 1979. Alan coached the team for 5 years and during that period won several Fulton County Championships. Chad noted that "Alan started a proud tradition at Brookwood Hills, and over the last 20 years several thousand boys and girls have learned the value of hard work, dedication, competition and good sportsmanship while swimming for the Brookwood Hills Swim Team." Alan, who has two daughters on this year's team, has continued his support and involvement with the swim team. The two swimmers who met the high standard set for this year's Alan Joel Award were Graham Grubb and Katie McCune.

Special incentive award "Diehard T-shirts" were also given to approximately 60 swimmers for participating in every meet during the season.

In addition to winning the overall Championship, a number of individual swimmers and relay teams from Brookwood Hills took first place.

#### Individual Fulton Co. Champions from Brookwood Hills

9-10 boys	25 yd. Backstroke	John Robinson
11-12 girls	50 yd. Butterfly	Graham Grubb
11-12 boys	50 yd. Backstroke	Robert Griest
13-14 girls	50 yd. Freestyle	Lida Griest
15-18 girls	50 yd. Freestyle	Zibby Stokes
15-18 girls	50 yd Butterfly	Zibby Stokes

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## PARKDALE SINKHOLE - REPAIRED

by Ann Sapp, Vice President of the Board and Larry Pless, Chairman of Government Relations

Last spring a depression in the pavement developed on Parkdale Road near the entrance to the park. Over the course of several months, the depression increased substantially. After numerous meetings with representatives from both the Mayor's office and the Department of Public Works, we were advised that the City vould address the problem in two phases. Initially, city workers would excavate in the area of the depressoin and assess the problem. Once the problem had been identified and a solution proposed, the City would make the necessary repairs. Both phases were completed last month after numerous pleas to remedy a dangerous condition.

The City conducted their investigation of the sinkhole and determined that fortunately the situation was not as problematic as they had intially thought. Although there had been concerns about the entire sanitary sewer line running under Parkdale, it was determined that in fact there had been a separation and collapse at the junction of a historical stream bed diversion pipe. This could be repaired in a defined location. Interestingly, this now diverted stream once fed a small pond where the pool house now stands. Word is that there were lifeguards around that pond in the 1920s.

The City has completed the repair work on the sewer line and the Parkdale sinkhole is now filled. The site appears to require some follow up leveling by the City, and we are pursuing some additional finishing work. Thanks to the quick and effective response of Susan Connell, Tree Chairman, and the Tree Committee, both the excavation and repair work were done with minimal impact to the beautiful trees in the vicinity of the construction.

# FALL TREE PLANTING PLANNED



by Katrina Newton, Tree Committee

The fall planting program sponsored by the Brookwood Hills Community Club and Garden Glub is progressing with great success! To date, we have orders for about 45 trees. The final deadline for reserving a city/neighborhood tree is August 15th. If you are interested in a tree for the edge of your yard, or in the green space between the street and sidewalk, please contact Katrina Newton at 404-355-6574 as soon as possible.

In addition, we are offering trees to homeowners who would like to plant one further up in their front yard or possibly in the back yard. These trees would be paid for by the homeowner, but would be provided by the same nursery and planted in late November by the same landscaper. Prices for these trees range from \$40 for a Cherokee Princess Dogwood to \$210 for an Allee Elm. Labor costs to plant the trees will be approximately \$57 per tree for a small tree and \$75 for a medium to large tree. A large shade tree in your back yard would provide some relief from the hot summer sun! Please contact Katrina Newton by August 15th to reserve a tree for your yard or if you would like prices on specific trees.

### **SELIG PRESENTS PLAN TO NEIGHBORS**

On Tuesday, June 27th, the neighborhood had an opportunity to hear the latest plans for the development of the Jewish Community Center property. Selig Enterprises is proposing to develop a combined residential and commercial/retail project on the property which will front onto Peachtree Road beginning in the south across from Deering Road and running along Peachtree up to but not including the Joel & Associates building on the corner of Peachtree and Huntington. Southeast Capital Partners is the residential partner Selig has selected for the proposed project. SE Partner's most recent development is been the Heritage Place condominiums at Colonial Homes. Steve Selig, David Witt and the Southeast Capital Partners representatives went over their propsed site plan, and the current Covenants and Conditions for the project.

The proposed development is for 134 units (not to exceed 140 units) of townhomes and condominiums or apartments on the back portion of JCC property with up to 135,000 square feet of retail and parking on the front portion incuding land that is currently occupied by the IHOP, Arby's and the Beer Mug. Six rows of townhomes with a total of 27 units would be located on the property that runs behind Huntington Road. In effect, it appears that would look like six townhomes across from the twleve homes that back onto the JCC property. The other 107 units would be condos located south of the townhomes on the lower portion of the JCC land. Between the retail stores and the residential units there would be a two deck parking garage primarily for retail customers.

Both Selig and Southeast Capital Partners presented their proposed projects and fielded questions from the attendees. Many neighbors were concerned about the quality of the constuction particularly the retail facade on Peachtree street. Questions were also raised about pedestrian friendliness and whether the retailers would be "required" to have a front door entrance on the street. Residents on 25th Street and Deering Road voiced concerns about the traffic impact.

The meeting, which lasted well over two hours, is an important step for Selig and Southeast Capital Partners as they work towards the necessary rezoning for the project. However long before this meeting and these questions, Nick Sears, President of the BWH Board; Ann Sapp, BWH Zoning Chair and Vice-president; Alex Summers, long-time neighbor activist, and Mark Reese, President of our NPU group, have spent hours upon hours in meetings and negotiations with both developers. Nick, on behalf BWH, has written and rewritten the very important Zoning Conditions that will mitigate the impact on the neighborhood should this project be approved.

### **Book Club Meets In August**

The Brookwood Hills Book Club continues to grow, but it is not too late to join. The next meeting will be at the pool, August 12th at 7:00 p.m. The group is reading John Irving's new book *A Widow for One Year.* The book is on hold for the Brookwood Hills Book Club at the Barnes & Noble in the Peachtree Shopping Center.

The Book Club is an excellent excuse to read a good book and is a great way to meet your neighbors. If you are interested call Carolyn 4-351-0555 or Sallie 4-870-0397 for more information.

# BROOKWOOD'S MASTERS POOL THEIR EFFORTS FOR CHARITY

On June 27th, the Brookwood Hills Masters Swim Team joined with Brookwoods "other championship" Swim Team to help raise money for Scottish Rite Children's Medical Center at the "Kids for Kids" Atlanta Swimming

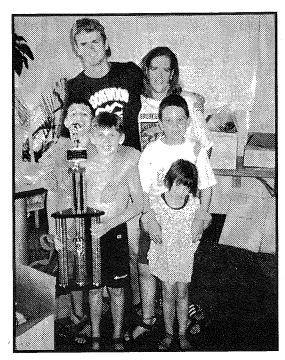
Championship held Georgia Tech's Olympic pool. In doing so, the Masters Team took 1st place in the "over 19" division and played a significant tole in combined helping the Brookwood Hills team take 2nd place overall among the 58 teams participating in the meet.

The "Kids for Kids" meet is the only opportunity for the Brookwood parents and their children to compete in a swim meet together. Over 70 Brookwood Hills swimmers competed in this year's event.

Three members of the Masters Team won individual gold medals. Kelly Cook took 1st place in the 100 yard Freestyle. Dan Willoughby won the 50 yard Breaststroke competition. And, Alan Joel set a new meet record with his winning time in the 50

yard Backstroke.

Two Masters relay teams also won gold medals. The Medley relay team consisting of Chad Cook, Donald McFarlane, Alan Joel and Mike Bernot used all



Chad Cook, Kathleen Summers, Alex Long, Hart Willoughby, Forrest Willoughby and Anna Willoughby celebrate the combined BWH Swim Team finish at the "Kids for Kids" meet.

their strokes to set a meet record. The Free Relay team members Dan Willoughby, Eric Johnston, Mike Bernot and Alan Joel likewise set a meet record with their winning combination. The Brookwood Hills Masters Team was formed in 1996 and grew to 26 members this year. The team is coached by Chad Cook and practices four times a week with workouts designed for beginners as well as competitive swimmers. In addition to gold medal winners, the Brookwood

Hills swimmers who contributed to winning the Masters Trophy were: Sara Elizabeth Burke, Laura Buchmiller, Bill Falconer, Richard Gard, Laura King, Jim Porter, John Rogers, Steve Redd, Kathleen Summers, and Andy Wathen. The members of this year's team can be easily identified by their whimsical Brookwood Hills Masters Swim Team T-shirts.

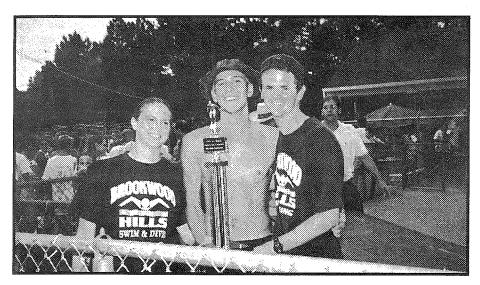
Recently, three Master swimmers Becky McKnight, Jim Stokes and Dan Willoughby also represented Brookwood Hills in the Georgia State Games. Dan won medals in the 50 yard and 100 yard Backstroke.

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#### Fulton Co. Relay Team Champions from Brookwood Hills

6 & under Boys Free Relay - Jonathan York, Marshall Wathen, Sy Pippin, Addison Lange 9-10 Girls Medley Relay - Jennifer Gambrell, Kathleen Carter, Barbara Jones, Meredith Williams 9-10 Girls Free Relay - Barbara Jones, Kathleen Carter, Emily Carter, Meredith Williams 15-18 Boys Medley Relay - Cary Dobkin, Donald McFarlane, Brad Robinson, Kelly James

Congratulations to all the Brookwood Hills swimmers and coaches! You guys did a great job and had a lot of fun. Speical kudos to Chad for his well deserved award. The team couldn't have done it without his hard work and dedication.



BWH coaches Zibby Stokes, Donald McFarlane and Chad Cook receive the Fulton County Championship Trophy.



Brookwood Boys: left to right Ivan Duralde, Tom Clarke, Carlos Duralde, David Pless on the Chestetee canoe trip.

### **Brookwood Boys**

by Xavier Duralde

The Brookwood Boys ended their '97-98 year with a canoe trip down the Chestetee River in north Georgia. Weather and conditions were perfect for the strenous down stream ride. Everyone had a great time!

We are looking forward to the '98-99 year and I would like to invite all fathers of boys ages 6-9 to participate in the group outings which are scheduled monthly between September and May.

An organizational meeting is scheduled at the home of Xavier Duralde, 50 Huntington Road,

for August 23, 1998 at 8 p.m. All those who are interested in helping to organize activities for next year are welcome to attend. We have tentatively scheduled an outing to an Atlanta Braves game in September. Please call 404-874-7863 for more information.

### BROOKWOOD BUZZ

**Gannon Murphy,** son of Michael Murphy of 168
Huntington Road, graduated June 20, 1998 from UCLA with a BA in Theater from the School of Theater, Film and Television. Gannon is currently living in and traveling throughout Ireland. He graduated from Westminster High School class of '94.

### **Security Alert Signs**

When you see the **Security Alert** signs posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the **Brookwood Hills Security Hotline 325-5114** for details concerning a recent security incident. These signs are the signal that an incident has occured in the neighborhood and the information has been recorded on the hotline.

## CLASSIFIEDS

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**Seeking carriage house apartment**. SWF & full time law student. beginning either October or November. Please contact Lindsey at 404-315-1901.

**Dining Room Table.** Glass-topped with steel and brass country French base (from The Gables). 89" x 38", seats 8. \$650 or best offer. Call Sandie at 404-355-1108 and leave a message..

**Carpool to Peachtree Pres. Preschool.** Looking for a family to share the trips on MWF. Please call Deirdre Stiles at 404-249-9544.

**Vintage Mahogany China Cabinet**. Glass display on top, three drawers below. Good conditon. \$800. Please call Deirdre Stiles 404-249-9544,



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