



BROOKNOTES

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Subdivision Proposal Update

Last October a third subdivision permit application was made to the City to subdivide the property at 50 Palisades Road, which includes the center portion of the block that is bounded by Montclair Drive, Palisades Road, Parkdale Way, and Wakefield Drive. The new application sought to create a two-lot subdivision that would have enabled a new house to be constructed in the ravine which is located in the back yard of the existing Palisades Road house.

On January 7, 1993, the City's Bureau of Planning approved this application and issued the requested subdivision permit. On February 4, the Community Club, together with the owners whose properties would abut the proposed subdivision, filed an appeal to the Board of Zoning Adjustment. The appeal sought to have the Bureau of Planning's decision reversed, on the grounds that the subdivision violated the City's Subdivision Ordinance. On April 16 a hearing was held in regard to this matter, and the Board of Zoning Adjustment sustained the neighborhood's appeal. As a result, the subdivision permit was revoked by the City.

On May 18, a suit was filed against the Board of Zoning Adjustment to require it to issue the subdivision permit for the property. The legal arguments set forth in this suit are essentially the same as those set forth in an unsuccessful 1991 suit, filed when the previous two subdivision applications had been denied. The City's law department is responsible for defending this suit, so the neighborhood association will no longer need to be directly involved in the matter. It will probably take several months, at a minimum, for any definitive ruling to be made by the court regarding this proposed subdivision.

Pool Rule Change

Parents of toddlers and small children take note: the Brookwood Hills pool will now permit certain swimming aids for little folks in the shallow end. These aids should either be Styrofoam built into a suit, Styrofoam on a belt, or vested inner tubes. Parents still must accompany these toddlers and small children in the water, but this new rule should make it much easier to play with the children in the shallow end.

No plastic inflatable swim aids (which can lose their air) will be allowed, including water wings. Also, no inflatable inner tubes or floats, and no Styrofoam boards (other than the kick boards supplied by the Club) will be permitted in the pool. Kick boards are to be used in the lanes for lap swimming only.

TWIGS Tour a Success

Brookwood Hills TWIGS would like to thank all of our neighbors and friends who joined us for the Brookwood Hills Garden Tour on May 23rd. About seventy-five visitors toured the five gardens and helped us raise \$650 for Egleston Children's Hospital. In particular, we would like to thank Harrilee and John Molm, Ginger and Walt Lambeth, Florence Cloudt, Cissie and Frank White, and Esther and Jim Stokes for opening their beautiful gardens for the tour. Also, we want to thank Betty and Steve Walker of ABC Compounding for contributing their printing resources in creating the brochures and tickets for the tour.

In total, TWIGS raised about \$6,000 for Egleston this year. Thanks so much to all of Brookwood Hills for supporting our various projects!



The Class of 1993: 1) Kristen Gaughen, 2) Susan Dean, 3) Ellen Parker, 4) Wendy Klare, 5) Melissa Price, 6) Allison Gray, 7) Boo Withers, 8) Molly Holmes 9) Davis McCallum, 10) Geoffrey Walton, 11) John Gaughen, 12) Walker Young, and 13) Robert Covington.

High Schoolers Celebrate!

On May 10th Steve & Anne Parker and Don & Nancy Walton jointly hosted a party honoring the Brookwood Hills High School Seniors in the Class of 1993. Thirteen of the sixteen graduates were able to attend (see picture). The list of their high schools and the colleges they've chosen speaks well for the quality and diversity of the young people we're lucky enough to have in the neighborhood. Graduating this year:

Travis Connell, son of Susan and Doug Connell, graduated from Hotchkiss and will attend Washington & Lee University.

Robert Covington, son of Carol & Bob Covington, graduated from Lovett and will also attend Washington & Lee.

Susan Dean, daughter of Carole Dean, graduated from North Atlanta and will attend George Washington University.

John and Kristin Gaughen, son and daughter of Martha and John Gaughen, graduated from Lovett. John will be attending the University of Virginia and Kristin will head to Ole Miss.

Allison Gray, daughter of Beth and Jim Gray, graduated from Lovett and will attend Skidmore.

Molly Holmes, daughter of Manning and Jim Holmes, graduated from Pace and will attend Presbyterian College.

Wendy Klare, daughter of Karen and Steve Klare, graduated from North Atlanta with honors, and will attend Notre Dame.

Catherine Lankford, daughter of Diane and Frank Lankford, graduated from Westminster and will attend the University of Richmond on a tennis scholarship.

Davis McCallum, son of Mimi and Robert McCallum, graduated from Westminster and will attend Princeton University.

Vanessa Olmstead, daughter of Amanda and George Olmstead, graduated from Miss Porter's School and will attend Carnegie Mellon University.

Ellen Parker, daughter of Anne and Steve Parker, graduated from Lovett and will attend the University of Georgia.

Melissa Price, daughter of Nancy and Jeff Bramlett, graduated from North Atlanta and will attend Vanderbilt.

Geoffrey Walton, son of Nancy and Don Walton, graduated from Lovett and will attend the University of Georgia.

Boo Withers, daughter of Bibbie and Dennis Withers, graduated from Marist, where she was awarded the Ray Kroc Youth Achievement Award. She will be attending Notre Dame.

Walker Young, son of Jane and Buddy Young, graduated from Westminster and will attend the University of Georgia.

Congratulations to all these fine young students and their parents!

College Graduates Embark on New Lives

The neighborhood has a distinguished group of college graduates this year. Only eight have been reported to Brooknotes for this issue, so if we've missed someone, please give Alison Caughman a call at 355-7662, and it will be included in the July issue. If you know of any job openings, here are some people who may be interested!

Charles Bonner, son of Alice and John Bonner, graduated from Wake Forest. He will be going to Kenya for three months in the Fall to help build a school dormitory. His plans beyond that adventure are not yet firm.

Adrienne Chew, daughter of Mary Anne and Frank Chew, graduated from Wellesley with a B.A. in Philosophy. She will attend the Radcliffe Publishing Course this summer, and hopes to pursue a career in publishing.

Elizabeth Eldridge, daughter of Glad and Frank Eldridge, graduated from Wake Forest with a B.S. in Business. She is taking the summer off and will look for work in the Fall.

Paxton Helms, son of Pam and John Helms, graduated from Wake Forest with a B.A. in History. He's working at the Manning Selvage & Lee P.R. firm this summer and is hoping to work for an economist in Caracas, Venezuela in the Fall.

Kelly Land, daughter of Mickey and Roger Land, graduated from Washington and Lee with a B.A. in Economics.

Frank Lankford, son of Diane and Frank Lankford, graduated from the University of Virginia and has been drafted to play professional baseball in the New York Yankee system.

Nicole Rabel, daughter of Judi and Bill Rabel, graduated from Otterbein College with a BFA in Music Theater. She plans to pursue an acting career.

Jimmy Wildman, son of Pat and Jim Wildman, graduated from William and Mary with a B.A. in English and was the Valedictory Speaker for the 300th commencement of the College. He is undecided about his post-graduate plans.

Leash Law

A Brookwood Hills neighbor writes: "We continue to have encounters with dogs running loose in the streets. I was severely bitten last year, as a result of loose dogs belonging to neighbors. I'd like to be able to walk my leashed dog without having an encounter, and would like to call the leash law to the attention of Brookwood Hills residents."

So here it is, from the Fulton County Animal Control office: "For the safety of the general public, the well being of your animal, and the maintenance of a clean and safe community, we ask that you abide by Fulton County's rabies control ordinance. When attended by you, place your dog on a leash. If your pet is outdoors, it

must be confined to your property by a chain, within a fence or other enclosure and have access to adequate shelter. You must vaccinate your pet annually for rabies and then apply for a license with our office. Our staff is available to answer any questions you have concerning your rights under the law and we thank you for your attentiveness and responsibility." Their number is 794-0358.

Incidentally, parents supervising their children in the park during the past month have gratefully reported that dogs are no longer being brought there to run loose in the afternoons. Thank you to those dog owners who have responded to the request run in last month's Brooknotes.

Classifieds

Helping Hands for Hire. Going out of town and need someone to water plants, pick up mail and paper, or feed pets? Call Virginia Porter, 355-8876.

Live in Nanny. Twenty year old college student relocating to metro Atlanta interested in a long term position with smaller children. Available immediately. Excellent references and child care experience. Please call 279-2098 to set up an appointment for an interview.

Welcome, New Neighbors

Shelley Johnson, a nurse in the new baby nursery at West Paces Ferry Hospital, has returned to Brookwood Hills with two sons: Justin (12), a Seventh Grader at Lovett, and Richard (9), a Fourth Grader at Morris Brandon. The Johnsons bought their house (at 228 Camden) from Jane and Sheldon Jeter, who have moved to 255 Brighton.

Dan and Mimi Sullivan are settling into 102 Wakefield. They are health care consultants with Sullivan Consulting Group, Inc. Their children Sarah (9) and Danny (7) go to Christ the King.

Wade Anderson, an attorney at Branch, Pike & Ganz, has moved into 185 Huntington.

Xavier Duralde and Mary Barrett will soon be moving into 50 Huntington with their four children: Rafael, Elena, Carlos, and Ivan. Mary is a family practitioner and Xavier is an orthopaedic surgeon with Peachtree Orthopaedics.

Don't Miss It

The First Annual Fourth of July Bicycle Parade was such fun last year, join your neighbors in making this event a Brookwood Hills tradition. Come to the park at 11:00 on July 4th with a bike, stroller, skates, or feet. Bring your own decorations, flags, noisemakers, and tape. Decorate from 11:00 to 11:30. At 11:30 the parade will begin around the park for the junior set, followed by a parade around the neighborhood for speedier participants of all ages.

Loranne Oser of Dorsey Alston Realtors has graciously offered to sponsor this year's parade. But we still need a few volunteers to play Uncle Sam, post signs, and lead the parade (a convertible would be great). If you can help or have any questions, please call Mary Long (352-3464) or Laurie Bray (352-2116). See you on the Fourth for a great time!

Recycling News

Aluminum can recycling is now available at the pool. If you bring aluminum beverage cans to the pool, you may put them in one of two portable can crushers, located near the trash cans in the picnic areas. These units are on loan from Recycled Materials, Inc., so please don't abuse them.

The Atlanta City Council has voted to fund a city-wide curbside recycling program for all single homes. Newspapers have reported that each household will be assessed \$30 for the service and that collection may start in August. (Believe it when you see it!) Given that it is not certain when the city program will begin, the private vendor currently collecting in Brookwood Hills has agreed to continue the program until the city starts to service this area. All current curbside recycling participants in the private program are considered paid through December regardless of when they signed up for the service. The summer pick-up dates for this program are July 1, 15, 29, August 12 and 26.

Swim Team Schedule

For those adults interested in swimming laps at the pool, here is the swim team schedule of practices and home meets (when the lanes are in use). Through July 16, the team will practice every Monday through Thursday plus Saturday, from 10:00 until 11:45; and every Monday through Wednesday plus Friday, from 4:00 until 5:30. Home meets will take place June 24, July 8, and July 13 from 4:15 until about the time the pool is scheduled to close. From July 17 until August 12, the team will practice every Monday through Thursday morning, from 10:00 until noon.

Brooknotes Schedule

The deadline for the next issue of Brooknotes will be Friday, July 9th. Brooknotes submissions must be in writing and should be dropped off at Alison Caughman's house, 200 Camden Road.



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