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BWH and City Reach Agreement on Clear Creek

Construction to Begin in May

On February 23, BWH signed an agreement that grants the City of Atlanta a permanent sewer easement and temporary construction easement on our Clear Creek property, which the City will use for its Peachtree Interceptor Sewer Project. BWH resident Dan Bromstad spearheaded the neighborhood's negotiations with the City. Thanks in large part to Dan's efforts, the City accepted several modifications to its original proposal, and these modifications should significantly reduce the project's negative impact on our neighborhood: the "footprint" of the project was reduced by 50 percent, the projected time for construction was reduced from 12 months to 2 months, and BWH will receive almost \$110,000 compensation for the easement and tree-loss, an amount that is 2.5 times the City's initial offer. To date, we have spent about \$20,000 in legal fees for this matter.

More specifically, the City has agreed to the following special stipulations:

- All permanent and construction easements associated with the originally proposed access road and staging area shall be removed.
- The access road will be located within the existing Georgia Power easement.
- The City will install permanent security gate and fence for access road.
- The width of the easement is fifty feet, of which twenty feet will be a permanent easement. Thirty feet will be cleared, and good faith efforts to avoid destruction of trees outside of the thirty foot cleared area will be determined through on-site discussions between the City and Brookwood Hills.
- The hours of operation for construction shall be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, unless an emergency requires operation outside of these hours
- After the completion of construction, the City shall restore the grade, mulch, and seed the easement area with grass. Brookwood Hills will contract to replant trees on the property. The City will pay the contractor for these services, up to the agreed upon amount.

Dan notes that the City of Atlanta Public Works Department — particularly Norman Koplon, Director, and Dave Peters, Deputy Director — and Lee Morris, our City Council Member, were very supportive of our objectives. Many thanks to them from the neighborhood for their efforts to improve the project.

We expect to receive final closing documentation soon, and construction could begin by mid-May. Neighborhood representatives will continue working with the City and its contractor during construction to ensure compliance with the agreement. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call Dan Bromstad at 404-352-9535.



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When you see the Security Alert signs posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the Brookwood Hills Security Information Line 404-325-5114 for details concerning a recent security incident. These signs are a signal that an incident has occurred in the neighborhood

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By: Pamela Watson

Spring! My favorite time of year and Brookwood Hills is at its finest. I look forward each day to driving down our beautiful streets to see what has bloomed. It is also membership renewal time.

I want to thank all of the neighbors who have supported the Community Club throughout the years. Last year we enjoyed almost 90 percent neighborhood participation in the BWHCC. Our goal is 100 percent participation because each and every home benefits from the work of the board and the funds expended by the community club. The cost of security alone equates to approximately \$200 per home. Also, our homes should experience increased value as a result of the implementation of the Capital Improvement Plan. Please encourage your neighbors who are not members to join. If you have lived in the neighborhood for several years and have not joined the community club, let this be the year that you sign up!

I am delighted to serve as president of the Community Club. My job is made easier by the tremendous talent and hard work of our 20 board members. There are also numerous committees and assistants that support many of our board members. If you would like to volunteer your time to support our community club, please contact me or a Board member listed on page 7 of this issue.

Finally, I have several goals for the Community Club this year, chief among them is to improve communication with our membership, to continue the investigation of traffic calming measures, and to implement our Capital Improvement Plan. If you have any questions or comments regarding these or other issues, please contact me. And don't forget to enjoy the scenery!



LOOK FOR THE SIGN!

As BWH residents join or renew their memberships in the community club this year, we'll be posting our BWH emblem in their yards. So be on the look-

out — We hope to have a sign in every yard!



BROOKWOOD HILLS COMMUNITY CLUB, INC.

Dear Friends:

As past presidents of the Brookwood Hills Civic Association we write to express our enthusiastic support of the Club's recently announced plans. These plans propose badly needed and attractive improvements to our park, tennis courts, and pool. In our opinion, the Board's decision to fund these plans by assessing members should be supported by everyone.

In the past the Club made several capital expenditures of \$300,000 or more (in 2001 dollars) and financed them by bank borrowings, purchase money notes, and/or dues increases. As a result, the Club did some very beneficial things (such as improving the entrances, acquiring two tracts of Clear Creek land, and insuring that the mechanical equipment at the pool was modernized). However, the Club never had the funds to bring all of its facilities up to the quality that Club members deserve and that real estate prices in the neighborhood now support.

Therefore, we write to encourage you to support the Board's actions in implementing these worthwhile plans.

Sincerely,

Jenry Luxenberger

Jim Stokes

Frank Chew

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Alison Caughman

BWH Friends Hosts Second Annual Symphony in the Park on May 20th



Revelers at last year's Symphony in the Park

By Mindy Duryea and Avery Williams Everyone get ready for the second annual Symphony in the Park! Please note the date change--the event will now be scheduled for May 20th. Spring will be well underway, and what could be better than music and dinner with Friends at our very own neighborhood park. We will again be enjoying the wonderful music of the Atlanta Concert Band, who you may remember entertained us with classics, show

tunes, and jazz. We will also be enjoying Low Country's famous barbecue, and have even added a special kid's meal this year. It will be a night your whole family can enjoy, while raising money for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta!

All of the proceeds from this spectacular event will provide funding for several special projects at CHOA. By joining us for this fun filled evening, you will directly help fund visits from the Big Apple Circus Clown Care Unit for patients in both Egleston and Scottish Rite hospitals five days a week for two years, as well as help fund the creation of a cancer survivor program and clinic. You will also help Friends purchase a special response transport ambulance, 8 isolette warmers, and a heart and lung bypass machine. Last but not least, the money raised will help to fund important research grants for physicians.

So please, come join us for this evening to remember. You're sure to hear great music, dine on fabulous Low Country Barbecue, visit with friends, family, and neighbors, while raising money for a very important cause--our children! So mark your calendars, and we hope to see you Sunday May 20th!

For more information, please see the reservation form in the April issue of the Brooknotes.

Lee King will again offer her popular children's tennis clinics at the Brookwood Hills tennis courts this summer:

June 4-8: 4 and 5 year-olds

June 18-22: 8 and 9 year-olds

June 11-15: 6 and 7 year-olds

June 25-29: 10 and 11 year-olds

The clinics will take place from 9:30-10:30 am, Monday through Friday, and the cost is \$60 per child, per week. Please call Lee to register at 404-261-8643.

RENEWAL TIME AGAIN

By Belinda Donovan

PAYMENT DEADLINE: MARCH 31, 2001

Everyone in the neighborhood should have recently received his or her BWH Community Club membership renewal packet. *The payment deadline is March 31, 2001*. We hope everyone will respond promptly. If you did not receive your renewal packet, please contact Belinda Donovan at 404-817-7551 or Jean O'Halloran at 404-352-0802.

NEW MEMBERS: EVERYONE CAN JOIN

If you are new to the neighborhood and would like to join the club either at the A or B level, please call for an application. If a pool membership is not for you, we hope you'll consider a B level membership. The B level membership is only \$200 and helps support our off-duty police security, which benefits everyone in the neighborhood. If you know a neighbor who is not a member of the Club please encourage them to participate at the B level. We would love to see 100% neighborhood participation in the Community Club.

YOUR DONATION COUNTS TOWARD THE ASSESSMENT

Thanks to all the B members who have called to express their desire to contribute to the capital improvements project. Your contribution would be credited toward the \$1,000 mandatory assessment required of all A members should you wish to upgrade to an A membership in the future. We will keep accurate records of donations. These records will be passed to future membership chairs so that *your kind donations will never be forgotten*.

Neighborhood Trees Get Boost

By Nancy Field

Over 300 of our neighborhood's trees were treated by Arborguard Tree Specialists last week in the third annual Brookwood Hills tree fertilization program. The trees were provided with a special mixture of fertilizer, Polynure and beneficial fungito promote their health and to help them withstand the stresses of our urban environment.

Thanks to everyone who participated for doing their part to sustain our beautiful trees. Special thanks to Katrina Newton, Carolynn Cooper, Cookie Frank, Kelley Berman, Caroline Hooper and Jane Wheeler for reminding neighbors to sign up for the program.

POOL HELP WANTED!

The BWH Community Club is looking for people to fill the following positions this summer:



<u>Pool Manager</u>: If you know of or are an individual who has pool management experience and might be interested in this position, please contact Doug McNaughton at Swim Atlanta 770-992-7665.

Concession Stand Accounting Help: The Club is looking for an individual(s) interested in helping to track the concession stand accounting on a regular basis throughout the summer. If you are interested, please contact Pool Co-Chairs Hayes Wilson, 404-876-4618, or Sarah Armstrong, 404-352-0110.

<u>Dive Coach Team Parent</u>: The BWH Dive Team is looking for a Dive Team Parent to help the Dive Team throughout the summer. If you are interested, please contact the Dive Team Head Coach, Kathleen McKeon at kathleenmckeon@yale.edu.

Please don't hesitiate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sarah Armstrong, Pool Co-chair, 404-352-0110, 678-480-3976, saraha@richfx.com

CALENDAR

BWH Community Club annual dues should be paid no later than March 31, 2001.

The next meeting of the BWH board will be Monday, April 2, 2001 at 7:15 p.m. at the home of Carolynn Cooper and Pratap Mukharji, 38 Camden Rd. All members are welcome. Please call the Cooper-Mukharji residence at 404-351-0555, if you plan to attend.

The next BWH Friends meeting will be held Tuesday, April 17, 2001 at 6:30p.m., at the home of Christy Payne, 210 Brighton Road. All interested are welcome to join us.

Please note that the date for this year's **Symphony in the Park**, sponsored by **BWH Friends** has been changed from May 6th to **May 20th**. The event will still take place from **5PM - 8PM**. Please make a note of this change in your calendars. Sorry for any inconvenience, and we hope to see you all there!

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Brookwood Boys and their dads at the ESPN Zone

Brookwood Boys on the Town

By: Jake McCune and Carlos Duralde

The Brookwood Boys have had a busy and fun winter. On Sunday, January 21, the Brookwood Boys and their clads went to the ESPN Zone. We played games, such as street luge, Daytona USA, air hockey and football. We had a great time. The next month, on February 25, we took our Dads ice skating at The Cooler in Alpharetta. Our next

outing will be Sunday March 25, when the Brookwood Boys and their dads will go to Kennesaw Mountain, (or IMAX if it rains).



New Faces By Sarah and Patti



Susan, Tom, and Taylor Wimberly have moved from 225 Huntington to Brookwood Place Townhomes. Susan assures us that she will be in the neighborhood frequently walking her dog, Jewel.

In the meantime, the Van Buren family has moved into the Wimberly's former home. Virpie and David, and daughters Stella and Olivia, are glad to be back in the United States after 6 years in London. Welcome to BWH!

Shivon and Ron Stewart at 39 Huntington Road welcomed Jessica Marie Stewart 7 lbs 7 ozs. to their family on January 17th, 2001. Big brothers Connor and Cole are already very protective and are having lots of fun helping mom with their little sister.

Kim and Dale Vaught and their toddler son, Chandler, have moved into their new home at 32 Huntington Road. Dale is the Program Manager for The New 95.5 THE BEAT. Kim is an attorney (and full-time mom to Chandler). Welcome to the neighborhood!

Shannon and Stan Dixon, 62 Camden, welcomed a baby boy — Graham Curtis — on March 7. Graham weighed 8 lbs. 2 ozs., and big sister Emma is very excited about him.

Mindy Duryea and Sandy Draper, 33 Wakefield, welcomed August Yearly Draper on Saint Patrick's Day. August weighed in at 8 lbs. 3 ozs. Big sister Isabel is delighted with her new baby brother.

CLASSIFIEDS

Former BWH resident David Siegel (son of Kathy Seigel, 235 Brighton) recently started working for Dovetail Craftsmen, a local renovation and design company that can help with your home remodeling projects. David can be reached at 404-388-5910.

Female Senior at University of Florida looking for guest house/room arrangement in Buckhead while in Atlanta for a summer internship. May - July time frame. Please contact Lora Fishman, 121 Huntington, with any suggestions, 404-272-8805.

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