

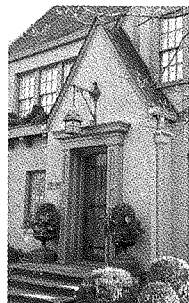


# BrookNotes

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## Transformations in Brookwood Hills:

### 2011 Home Tour Benefitting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

*By Caroline Wilbert & Kellam Mattie*



If you haven't gotten your tickets for the upcoming Tour of Homes weekend March 24-26, do it today! The weekend is going to be amazingly fun and all proceeds go to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta! In addition to the tour itself, there is a not-to-be-missed neighborhood party on Friday night at the home of Andrew and Christina Whitney at 129 Brighton. Also, there are still a handful of tickets available for a very special intimate luncheon Thursday at the home of Donna and Jeff Mintz at 35 Wakefield. Donna and architect Stan Dixon will discuss the beautiful renovation of Donna's home. We are only selling a dozen tickets for this special event, which also includes a seated luncheon.

The entire weekend, including the tour and the two neighborhood events, celebrates renovations designed by renowned architect and Brookwood Hills resident Stan Dixon. We also will use the weekend to highlight ways Children's Healthcare of Atlanta transforms the lives of children and families every day.

As his neighbors in Brookwood Hills, we are proud of Stan, who is a six-time winner of the Shutze Award, one of the most prestigious honors for architects in our region, and last year was named Southeast Architect of the Year by the Atlanta Decorative Arts Center (ADAC). Perhaps we are most excited that he has touched many homes in our neighborhood with his authentic and timeless design sensibility. Now, more on the events...

#### **An Intimate Look at a Transformation and the Partnership that Brought It About: Thursday, March 24, 11 am - 1 pm**

Stan Dixon and homeowner Donna Mintz will guide guests through the Mintz home, sharing the back story on the amazing renovation that Stan recently designed and how he collaborated with Donna, an accomplished artist. This personal experience is limited to twelve guests and includes a lovely seated luncheon in the home. If you would like to secure a spot, please contact Kellam Mattie at [kellam-mattie@me.com](mailto:kellam-mattie@me.com). The price is \$300, or you can purchase a Granite Circle Sponsorship for \$500, which also includes two tickets to the tour and two tickets to the cocktail party.

#### **TICKET & SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION**

For tickets and sponsorship opportunities, go to [www.choa.org/Support-Childrens/Events/Brookwood-Hills-Tour-of-Homes](http://www.choa.org/Support-Childrens/Events/Brookwood-Hills-Tour-of-Homes) or drop off a check made out to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at the home of Kellam Mattie at 97 Brighton Road. Questions? Contact Kellam at [KellamMattie@me.com](mailto:KellamMattie@me.com).



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### Security Alert Signs

When you see the **Security Alert signs** posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the **Brookwood Hills Security Information Line at 404-325-5114** for details concerning a recent security incident. These signs are a signal that an incident has occurred in the neighborhood and the information has been recorded on the hotline. The cell phone number for the neighborhood security patrol is **404-242-3321**.

## There Is Still Time to Renew Your Membership!

March 20th is the last day of the 2011 Brookwood Hills membership drive. But if the day passes you by or you have questions about dues, there will still be time to get all your questions answered and renew your membership in the Brookwood Hills Community Club. For a full description of membership levels, initiation fees, and annual costs, please visit our website: [www.brookwoodhills.com](http://www.brookwoodhills.com) or contact [membership@brookwoodhills.com](mailto:membership@brookwoodhills.com).

## Save the Date!

The Annual BWH Spring Fling will take place Sunday, April 17th from 4:00-5:30. Join us for a huge egg hunt, fun and games! The Easter Bunny will be there also! And don't forget BYOB&C (bring your own basket and camera!) Thank you to our generous sponsor, Patti Junger of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage.

## New Board Member



Kimberly Ferro has joined the Board as co-Editor of BrookNotes. She and her husband Tom moved to Brookwood Hills last May and have two daughters: Arden (6) and Greta (3).

Prior to their move to Atlanta, Kim and Tom lived in Switzerland, New York City and Philadelphia. Kimberly leads the product development and marketing organizations for Alcoa's building & construction business in North America.

*BrookNotes* welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of *BrookNotes* is Wednesday, April 13th, 2011. Submissions may be e-mailed to [brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com](mailto:brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com) or dropped off at 144 Huntington Road.

*("Tour of Homes" continued from Page 1).*

### **A Celebration of Transformation and Brookwood Hills: Friday, March 25, 7 pm**

This Patron event will be a fabulous cocktail party at the home of Christina and Andrew Whitney, whose historic Brighton Road residence was beautifully re-thought by Stan. Patrons at this event will toast our neighborhood, certainly the best in Atlanta. This event primarily is for neighbors and sponsors. A Cedar Circle sponsorship is \$200 and includes two tickets to the party and two tickets to the tour. A ticket to just the party is \$100.

### **A Tour of Five Distinct and Special Transformations: Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 10 am – 4 pm**

The centerpiece of our weekend will be a Tour of Homes, featuring five amazing homes with renovations designed by Stan. Since the last issue of BrookNotes, we have added the home of Kathryn Stockett and Keith Rogers, allowing guests to see a transformation in process. All five homes collectively provide a unique opportunity to enjoy the classical beauty of Stan's work and the special quality of Brookwood Hills. Homes will include:

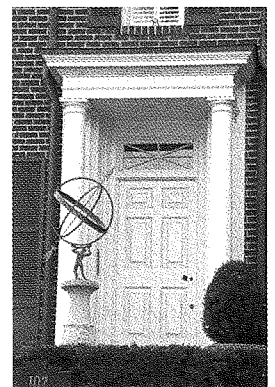
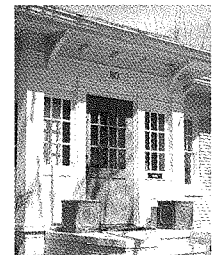
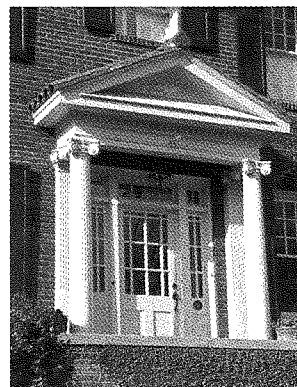
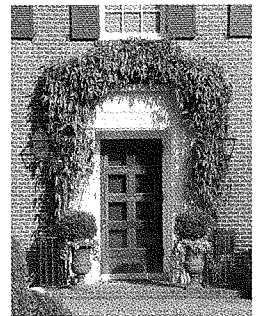
- The Morris Home at 45 Montclair
- The Morrison home at 102 Wakefield
- The Gentry home at 84 Palisades
- The Bass home at 315 Camden
- The Stockett/Rogers home at 80 Huntington

Individual tour tickets can be purchased for \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door.

**Can't make the tour and still want to contribute? Or maybe you'd like to do something extra special?** We have bricks available for sponsorship in the name of a child, a loved one, a homeowner, or even a favorite transformer of your own for \$50 a brick.

We have many wonderful sponsors, and we will officially thank them all in the next issue of BrookNotes. Also look for their logos in our materials during the weekend, and be sure to support the businesses that support our neighborhood and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta!

Most importantly, mark your calendars for this special weekend to celebrate Brookwood Hills, our beautiful homes and meaningful sense of community, and to raise money for a cause that is truly transformative!



## Beautification and Livability Committee Launches Sidewalk Repair and Tree Trimming Initiative

The Brookwood Hills Community Club (BWHCC) recently launched two key initiatives to help enhance the beauty of the neighborhood. Spearheaded by the recently-formed Beautification and Livability Committee, these programs provide individual households with access to services negotiated for the entire neighborhood.

### Tree-Damaged Sidewalk and Curb Repair Program

The first of two sidewalk initiatives is focused on repairing damage to sidewalks and curbs caused by trees located between the sidewalks and curbs. These trees are on City of Atlanta property, and the City communicated to the Board that it is responsible for making the repairs (general wear and tear is the responsibility of the individual homeowners). For homeowners who were interested in having the BWHCC assist them in getting tree-damaged repair work completed, neighbors were asked to complete a form prior to March 15th. The Committee is now in the process of submitting a neighborhood-wide work order to the Department of Public Works and helping to shepherd the process through the City's bureaucracy to the best of its ability. Later this spring, the Committee will announce another initiative to help neighbors reduce the cost and complexity of repairing sidewalks suffering from general wear and tear.



### Tree Pruning Program



Another area of opportunity is improving the condition of the trees located between sidewalks and curbs. Specifically, the Committee is focused on raising the canopy and reducing the "sucker" limbs on these trees. The intent is to make sidewalks more passable for pedestrians, maintain shade while improving the air flow during the summer months, increase the beauty of the trees, and enhance the overall health and structure of the trees. The Committee has negotiated a discounted rate program with ArborMedics, a trusted arborist that has worked for many years in the neighborhood. More information can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/4fw9dcf>.

If you have any questions or need help with these programs, more information can be found under the "Beautification" tab on the neighborhood web site, [www.brookwoodhills.com](http://www.brookwoodhills.com), or you can contact any member of the Beautification and Livability Committee:

Sara Jean Burke (Chair): [sarajeانبurke@bellsouth.net](mailto:sarajeانبurke@bellsouth.net)

Ramsay Battin: [rbattin@arcapita.com](mailto:rbattin@arcapita.com)

Liz Davies: [lizzyd01@me.com](mailto:lizzyd01@me.com)

David Martin (Tree Pruning): [dsmsr@comcast.net](mailto:dsmsr@comcast.net)

Phil Junger (Tree-Damaged Sidewalk Repair): [philipjunger@att.net](mailto:philipjunger@att.net)

Jim Moynihan (General Sidewalk Repair): [jmoynihan@heery.com](mailto:jmoynihan@heery.com)

## City of Atlanta Granite Curbs Program

In addition to the Beautification and Livability Committee's efforts to repair sidewalks and curbs damaged by trees, Brookwood Hills residents can also choose to replace existing concrete curbs with granite curbs through a City of Atlanta program.

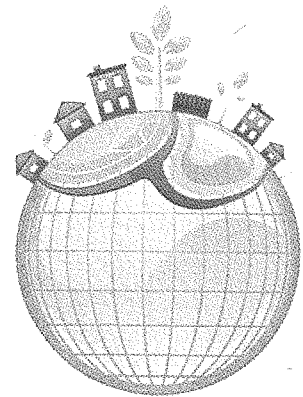
Granite curbs are generally considered more attractive than concrete, have a slightly higher profile to them (e.g. rise higher up out of the street), and last longer than concrete curbs. The City will install granite curbs at a cost of roughly \$38-40 per linear foot, depending on the finish of the granite desired (generally, the \$38 version is what most people install). At this price point, the homeowner is basically paying for the granite and getting the installation for "free".

If you have interest in granite curbs, here is the process:

- Call the Customer Service Request Line for the City of Atlanta Public Works department at 404-330-6333
- Customer Service will then put in a request for a City of Atlanta inspector to come to your home to give you a detailed quote for the curb
- The inspection generally will happen within two (2) weeks of the inspection request
- The inspector will leave a cost quote and authorization form in your mailbox
- You then sign the authorization form and send a check into the City
- The work is supposed to be done within 45 days after the City receives your check

## Support the Beautification Committee

Donations will be used by the Beautification and Livability Committee (BLC) to improve the "public-facing" portions of our neighborhood. The BLC is primarily focused on identifying programs that can be funded by entities other than the BWHCC (e.g. individual homeowners, abutting commercial real estate owners, the City of Atlanta, etc). In certain limited cases, the BLC may use donated funds to the Beautification effort to subsidize or reduce the costs to individual homeowners, especially where financial constraints limit a homeowner's ability to participate in certain beautification projects that benefit the entire neighborhood.



If you would like to donate funds to the Brookwood Hills Beautification effort, please visit [www.brookwoodhills.com](http://www.brookwoodhills.com) and click on the "Beautification" tab where you will see the donation form. Please note that the Brookwood Hills Community Club is not a 501(c)3, so your donation will not be tax deductible.

## Beautification Committee off to Successful Start



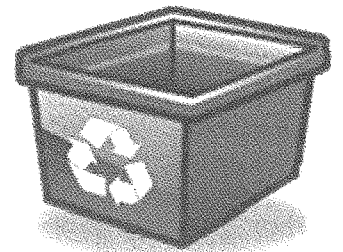
*Ramsay & Parker Battin*

On Saturday, Feb. 26 the first project of the new Beautification Committee had 30 neighbors participating in the free stone, brick, and concrete debris collection provided by Sweetwater Pools. Many thanks to the neighbors who helped to clean up the green space between the sidewalk and the street. Sara Jean Burke and Ramsay Battin organized this project and were assisted by Parker Battin.

David Martin orchestrated the clean up of the Palisades entrance on the same day. Overgrown bushes, vines, ivy, and leaves were removed. Kudos to David for his efforts.

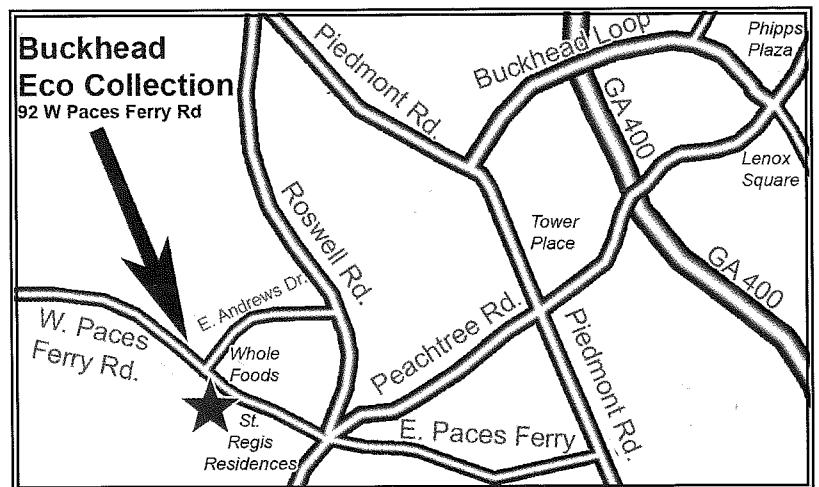
## Eco-Friendly Disposal & Recycling Event in Buckhead

On March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, Livable Buckhead, Inc. and Live Thrive, Inc. are teaming up with Atlanta City Council Representatives Howard Shook and Yolanda Adrean to bring Buckhead residents an eco-friendly way to dispose of hazardous waste and other items. Hazardous waste is defined as a products whose use or disposal poses a threat to human health or the environment through exposure or contamination. Four properties make a product hazardous: it is flammable or combustible, it is explosive or reactive, it is corrosive, or it is toxic.



**From 10am until 2pm**, experts will be on site at 92 West Paces Ferry Road to collect: old computers and electronics, medications, unused paint, important documents that need to be shredded, magazines, cardboard, paperback books, printer cartridges, household furnishings less than ten years old, including mattresses, batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, other hazardous household wastes like pesticides and pool chemicals, spent grease and oil.

Eligible Zip Codes include: 30305, 30309, 30318, 30319, 30324, 30326, 30327, 30342. **Online pre-registration is required** and will be available at [www.livablebuckhead.org](http://www.livablebuckhead.org).



## Summer Tennis Camps Are Back!

The summer of 2011 will again be filled with tennis camps in Brookwood Hills. Lee King, who has taught so many in the neighborhood, will be leading the program which runs from May through August.



Age/Skill Level	Dates	Time
3 & 4 Year Old	May 30 <sup>st</sup> - June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:45 am - 11:00 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	May 30 <sup>st</sup> - June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	11:00 am - 12:15 pm (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
	August 8 <sup>th</sup> - August 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 10:30 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	August 8 <sup>th</sup> - August 12 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am - 11:30 am (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
5 & 6 Year Old	June 6 <sup>th</sup> - June 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:45 am - 10:45 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	June 6 <sup>th</sup> - June 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:45 am - 11:45 am (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
	July 11 <sup>th</sup> - July 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 10:30 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	July 11 <sup>th</sup> - July 15 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am - 11:30 am (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
	August 1 <sup>st</sup> - August 5 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 10:30 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	August 1 <sup>st</sup> - August 5 <sup>th</sup>	10:30 am - 11:30 am (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
7 & 8 Year Old	June 27 <sup>th</sup> - July 1 <sup>st</sup>	10:00 am - 11:00 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	June 27 <sup>th</sup> - July 1 <sup>st</sup>	11:00 am - 12:00 noon (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
	July 25 <sup>th</sup> - July 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am - 10:30 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
	July 25 <sup>th</sup> - July 29 <sup>st</sup>	10:30 am - 11:30 am (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
9 & 10 Year Old	June 20 <sup>st</sup> - June 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am - 10:00 am
	July 18 <sup>th</sup> - July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9:30 am - 10:30 am (1 <sup>st</sup> Session)
Beginning Women	June 27 <sup>th</sup> - July 1 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 am - 10:00 am
Intermediate Women	June 20 <sup>th</sup> - June 24 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am - 11:00 am
	July 18 <sup>th</sup> - July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10:30 am - 11:30am (2 <sup>nd</sup> Session)
Private Lessons	June 13 <sup>th</sup> - June 17 <sup>th</sup>	
	July 5 <sup>th</sup> - July 8 <sup>th</sup>	

The price per person is \$90 per week. To sign up or ask questions, please call or email Lee directly at 404-261-8643 or [leekingtenpro@aol.com](mailto:leekingtenpro@aol.com). The schedule is also available on [www.brookwoodhills.com](http://www.brookwoodhills.com).

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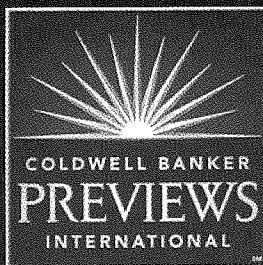
Two bedroom condo, sleeps six. Beautiful beach, pools, and other amenities. Available June 11 - June 18, 2011. Below market at \$1200. Contact Eve Goldstein at [eve.goldstein@att.net](mailto:eve.goldstein@att.net).

## Housekeeper Recommendation

My housekeeper, Sheila Decker, is currently looking to pick up a few days work. She is hard working, dependable and an impeccable laundress. She irons and put clothes away neatly and she also has a laundry business and will pick up your laundry and leave it for you the next day. She is an amazing organizer. She has organized my refrigerator, drawers and closets and she is a wonderful cleaner that tackles the simplest or most complex cleaning jobs with an amazing attitude. She is great with my three children as well and loves playing with them in the back yard. She truly can do it all and I can not recommend her enough! If you have questions call me, Kelly Jenkins, at 404-964-4181 or you can call Sheila directly at (404) 604-9737 or [geena1014@yahoo.com](mailto:geena1014@yahoo.com).

## CALENDAR

- **Saturday, March 19, Breakfast at the Pool Pavilion.** Come enjoy Chik-fil-A biscuits, Starbuck's coffee, hot chocolate, ham & egg soufflé, and croissants and support the North Atlanta High School Lady Warriors Lacrosse team. The girls encourage kids to bring their lacrosse sticks and throw with them!
- **Sunday, March 20, Last Day for Annual Dues payments.**
- **Monday, March 21, BWHCC Board Meeting,** 7:15 p.m., at the home of Sara Jean and Fred Burke, 30 Wakefield.
- **Saturday, March 26, Brookwood Hills Tour of Homes,** 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., benefitting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.
- **Sunday, April 17th, Brookwood Hills Spring Fling,** 4:00 p.m.—5:30 p.m., Brookwood Hills Park.
- **Friday, May 13, Pool Opens,** 4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.



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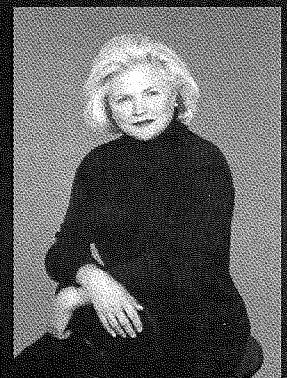
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