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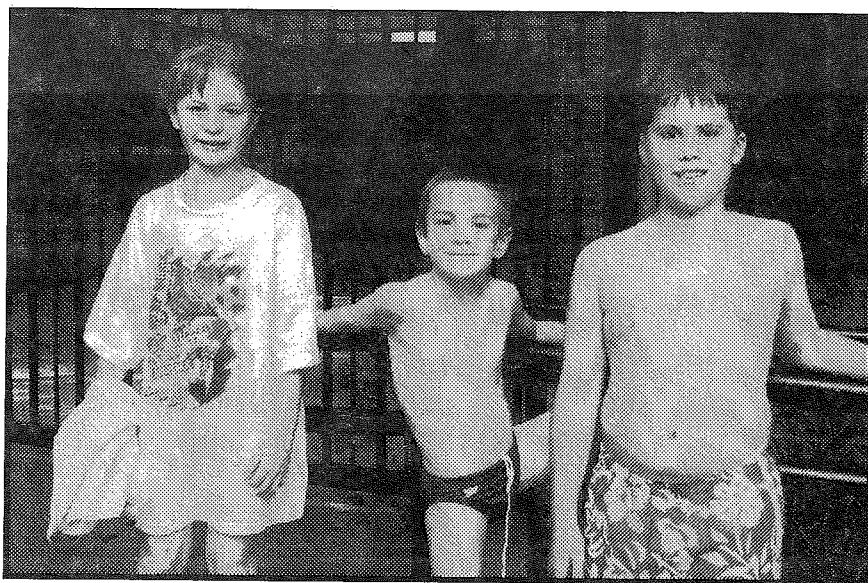
The Newsletter of the Brookwood Hills Community

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SUMMER DRAWS NEAR

Swim and Dive Teams Already Practicing

By Sarah Armstrong



Ben Ross, Charlie McKnight, and Jake McCune at Swim Team try-outs.

The official start of BWHCC summer is less than two weeks away! Swim Team and Dive Team practices started on May 14, with a great turn-out in all age groups. It is not too late to join in the fun. If you are interested, please check the specific practice times that were outlined in the packet of pool information sent out in late April. If you did not receive a packet, please contact Pool Co-Chairs Hayes Wilson 404-876-4618 or Sarah Armstrong 404-352-0110.

Preparations are in full swing to open the pool on Saturday, May 26th at 10 am. David Dovell (our new Pool Manager) and his staff have been working hard to get the pool area ready for the summer. Ensuring your family has a safe summer is our top priority. We will continue to make sure that the lifeguards on duty either sit in a lifeguard stand or walk the edge of the pool while watching swimmers.

Charlie Austin is looking forward to managing the snack bar again this summer. Our goal is to continue to enhance the selection of nutritious snacks and light meals that are offered at the snack

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When you see the **Security Alert** signs posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the **Brookwood Hills Security Hotline Line 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

President's Corner

By Pamela Watson

Thanks to all who renewed your membership this year, and to all who proudly displayed your "Member" sign! Many were disappointed when the signs were removed! Many went to great lengths to attach their sign to the stake when it fell off—screws, duck tape, nails, etc. My children enjoyed playing "Find the Sign" as we drove through the neighborhood. While we do not have 100 percent neighborhood participation, I am pleased to announce that upwards of 90 percent of our neighbors do belong to the club. This is an especially good rate, considering it was an "assessment" year. I would also like to give a special thanks to the 31 "B" members who voluntarily contributed to the Capital Improvement Plan, even though they do not use the pool or tennis facilities.

With regard to "C" membership, approximately 66 percent renewed, as compared to an 88 percent renewal rate last year. The departing C members gave a variety of reasons for not renewing. While some C members did not renew because of the assessment, many of them took pains to explain that their children were getting older, so the assessment had merely accelerated by a year or two their decision to let their membership lapse. Other C members did not renew because they were accepted into country clubs or because they were moving out of the area. Overall, the feedback on our renovation program has been overwhelmingly supportive. Forty new "C" member families have already joined the pool and park. I look forward to getting to know them.

Do you have a new neighbor?

Please let us know! BWH has a Newcomer's Committee. Call us with your neighbor's name and address and we will provide them with a welcome gift and packet of information about the neighborhood. Please report new neighbors to Diane John at 404-870-0484.

Brookwood Hills featured: BWH is going to be featured in the June issue of Atlanta Homes and Lifestyles. Photos of the neighborhood were shot in late March. If you are not a subscriber, the issue should hit the newsstands any day.

VIGILANCE NEEDED TO PROTECT OUR TREES

By Nancy Field, Tree Committee Chairman

On March 31, a crew hired by Bell South came into the neighborhood to prune the limbs of certain trees on upper and middle Camden Road. The crew did not have a permit, as required by the city arborist, and did a great deal of damage to several trees, cutting far more than was necessary to clear the lines. The trees were notably disfigured. Fortunately, before damage was done to even more trees, a few residents of Camden Road approached the crew and asked them to stop. The crew responded to the visible concern of the residents and did all subsequent cutting in a much more careful, professional manner. The neighborhood was spared additional damage thanks to the vigilance of these neighbors.

Many people have put a great deal of time and effort into protecting the tree canopy that adds value, not only to our homes, but to our quality of life in Brookwood Hills. Much of that work can be undone in a matter of minutes by irresponsible or careless workers. Please get involved if you see a utility, city service provider, or private contractor doing work in a manner that unnecessarily compromises our street trees. In addition to careless pruning, watch for any activity that impinges on a tree's sensitive roots, such as trenching with machines into the root system (rather than trenching by hand to avoid, where possible, the roots) or the presence of heavy equipment or materials on a tree's roots. Please note that the roots extend all the way out to the perimeter of the tree's leafy canopy. If you observe something that appears to pose an immediate threat to the trees, please act quickly to communicate your concerns to workers, ask to see a permit from the city arborist and if they don't have one, ask them to stop what they are doing. Please advise them that they will be held accountable for any unnecessary damage done to the trees of Brookwood Hills. Also, please contact me at 404-352-0877 or any other member of the tree committee. If you are unable to reach us, you can call the Director of the Park Bureau, Jay Lowery, directly at 404-817-6744.

On a final note, I recently met with Jay Lowery to conduct a review of the condition of the neighborhood's trees. As a result of this meeting, Jay is submitting work orders to the Parks Department to remove deadwood from sixteen trees, reduce weight from seven trees that are leaning heavily over homes, and check for rot in four trees. Look for them soon.

It's Time Again for the Huntington Road Party!

When: Sunday, June 3, 5-7 pm
Where: Huntington Road, between Northwood & Woodcrest
Regrets: Kathleen Waldrop, 404-815-7500

Brookwood Hills Swim Lessons

- ❑ With summer comes swim lessons, and we are excited about the swim lesson program this season. Listed below are the dates for the swim lesson sessions:
 - *Session 1: June 4 – 15 (Monday – Thursday)*
 - *Session 2: June 18 – 29 (Monday – Thursday)*
 - *Session 3: July 9 – 20 (Monday – Thursday)*
- ❑ A session of lessons consists of eight (8) one half-hour lessons.
- ❑ The cost for a session of lessons is \$50.00 per student.
- ❑ The instructor and participants will mutually decide upon the exact times of the lessons.
- ❑ There needs to be a minimum of three (3) students registered for the class in order to hold class, and there will be a maximum of six (6) students allowed per class.
- ❑ The classes that are available are outlined below. Please note that availability of these classes is based on the number of interested participants.
 - *Tadpoles* – For children who are unable to swim ten feet unassisted. Afraid of the water.
 - *Primary skills* – For children who are unable to swim, however, they must be able to put face in water. Introduction to front crawl, front and back float.
 - *Stroke Readiness* – For children who can swim at least 10 feet, and can swim some on their back.
 - *Stroke Development* – For children who can swim freestyle, some backstroke, and some breaststroke.
- ❑ If you are interested in private swim lessons, the cost is \$20 per one half-hour lesson or \$120 for a session of eight (8) one half-hour lessons.
- ❑ *Registration for swim lessons will begin on May 26th. There will be a sign-up table at the pool from May 26th – June 2nd. Please see the specific times outlined below:*
 - Saturday, May 26th - Sunday, May 27th 12 pm – 4 pm
 - Monday, May 28th – Friday, June 1st 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm
 - Saturday, June 2nd - 12 pm – 4 pm
- ❑ If you have any further questions, please contact Preslar Irvin at Swim Atlanta Pool Management, Inc. (770-992-7665 x777).

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bar. In order to achieve this goal, we would like to hear your comments and suggestions regarding the type of snacks and light meals that you would like to have available. Please send your suggestions to bwhpool@yahoo.com.

Based on feedback from last summer, we will again have open the second entrance to the pool. We hope this second entrance will be a convenience for parents with strollers and other individuals who have a hard time navigating the stairs to the main pool entrance. We hope that this entrance will also promote walking to the pool and alleviate some of the traffic congestion on the surrounding streets.

On a final note, we have planned pool games, prizes, and summer treats for Memorial Day (Monday, May 28th), so please plan on joining us at the pool from 1 pm – 3 pm. In addition, Everett Puri has graciously volunteered to be the “Grill Master” for a cook-out by the pool from 4 pm – 6 pm.

We hope you and your family enjoy a safe and relaxing summer. We look forward to seeing you at the pool!

BWH Board Welcomes Newest Neighbors



Miles Cook, Jill Perkey, Virpie and David Van Buren, and Wendy Silliman visit together at the New Neighbors' party.

By Lauren Monroe

The sounds of summer were in the air on May 6, 2001, as voices echoed from the New Neighbors' Party held on the pool deck. An enjoyable evening was had by all. The annual event, which welcomes the newest BWH residents to the community, is personally sponsored by the board members, who provide the food and drinks. Thank you to Jean O'Halloran and Belinda Donovan (Membership Chairs) and to Diane John (Social Chair) for coordinating this year's party. Special thanks as well to Erica Speed for creating the beautiful flower arrangements.

Many people look forward to the party as an opportunity to create new friendships. Next year should be especially enjoyable, when it will be held overlooking the pool from the Community Club's new pavilion. We are certainly fortunate to be able to build upon this great BWH tradition. If you are a new neighbor who was unable to attend the party and have questions about the neighborhood, please contact Diane John, 404-870-0484, for an information packet.



BWH Friends and the Fulton County SafeKids of Georgia Program are sponsoring a free car seat safety check on Friday, June 1st from 10 am - 1 pm at the entrance to the BWH Park. The Children's Healthcare of Atlanta ambulance will be there for children to explore and a coloring table will also be available. Hope to see everyone there.!

BWHCC Cocktail Party

The Brookwood Hills Community
Club is hosting a Membership-Wide

Cocktail Party

Poolside

June 23, 7-9 pm.

for all A,B,C and Sr. Members

The pool will close by 6:30, and adults are invited to come back later for beer, wine and margaritas. This first-ever full-membership party is a thank you for your support of the BWH Community Club and the improvements that will happen at the end of the season.

If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please call Erica Speed 404-815-1618 or Diane John 404-870-0484

BWH 4th OF JULY CELEBRATION

WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO COORDINATE THIS YEAR'S 4TH OF JULY PARTY. Karen Mullinax of Harry Norman Realtors, who has sponsored this party at the park for the past several years, has generously agreed to sponsor it again this year. Unfortunately, the celebration cannot take place unless we have volunteers to run the festivities! Interested parties should call Karen Mullinax 404-724-9545, Diane John 404-870-0484 or Erica Speed 404-815-1618.

Helpful Neighborhood Notes:

City ordinances require dog-walkers to scoop-up after their dogs. This is particularly important now that the days (and sidewalks) are getting warmer. So please be a good neighbor and remember to scoop!

BWH neighbor Karen Klare recommends Legacy, the bistro just up on Peachtree. "The staff is friendly, prices are reasonable, and it is a close, convenient walk. It is empty night after night and the chef and staff cannot figure out why. We finally took a chance last week, and were pleasantly surprised. I hate to see it not being supported by the neighborhood."

For many years there has been a Brookwood Hills after school shuttle to bring home Westminster students in sixth through twelfth grades. For each child in the shuttle, the parents have to drive once per week, with rides scheduled at three or four different times daily. Any parent not already in the shuttle and interested in participating next year should call Alison Caughman at 404-355-7662 or Andrea Helfrich at 404-355-4836."

Want to get rid of those pesky telesolicitors? Try the following link to Georgia's no-call list: http://www.psc.state.ga.us/consumer_corner/telesolicitation.htm. Miles Cook notes that the no-call list "has been very effective for us and has taken unsolicited broker calls nearly to zero."

Brookwood Place Progressing Smoothly

By Stewart Speed

Brookwood Place Condominiums are over 85 percent sold and closed. With only a few condominiums and townhouses remaining, Brookwood Place is a tremendous success in the recent condominium craze that has taken over much of Buckhead and Midtown. From the time marketing began, some homes have seen as much as a 20 percent increase in value. The majority of construction is concluded and many residents are now occupying their homes. The homeowners have begun to take over the day-to-day operations of the community and are making it a true residential neighborhood.

Like those of us in Brookwood Hills, the residents at Brookwood Place are awaiting the conclusion of Selig Enterprise's retail center. With construction progressing rapidly and many of the architectural elements in place, Selig's vision of an elegant retail center is coming to fruition. Although rumors abound, tenant's for the retailer's space are still not confirmed. Hopefully, an announcement will be made in the very near future.

CALENDAR

The BWHCC Pool opens Saturday, May 26, at 10 am. Swim lesson registration will be on May 26 – June 2. Details on page 4.

There will be a Memorial Day party at the pool on Monday, May 28th from 1-3 pm, and a poolside cookout from 4-6 pm.

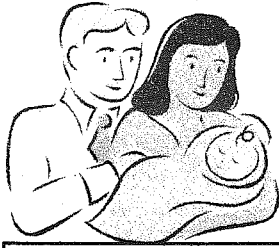
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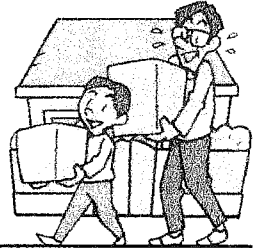
The next meeting of the BWH board will be Monday, June 4, 2001 at 7:15 pm. at the home of Eve and Joel Goldstein, 70 Palisades Rd. All members are welcome. Please call the Goldsteins at 404-873-2139, if you plan to attend.

The Brookwood Hills Community Club is hosting a Membership-Wide Cocktail Party Poolside June 23, 7-9 pm.

The Tree Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, June 26, at 10:00 am. at the home of Nancy Field, 118 Brighton Road. All members and anyone interested in joining are encouraged to attend. Please call Nancy at 404-352-0877, if you plan to attend.



New Faces By Sarah and Patti



Mickey and Roger Land have moved from their home at 275 Camden Road after 27 years in Brookwood Hills. We wish them well.

In the meantime, the Vroon family has moved into the Land's former home. Bryan Vroon is a partner with the law firm of Pursley, Lowery & Meeks, while Caroline is busy at home unpacking and taking care of two-year-old David and three-month-old Dylan. Welcome to the neighborhood!

Dan and Wendy Granot of 222 Camden welcomed their first child on May 11, 2001. Hannah Lee Granot weighed in at 7 lbs, 3 ozs. Congratulations!

CLASSIFIEDS

South Carolina Beach House Available for Rent: Charming three bedroom/2 bath home on Seabrook Island near Charleston is available at a special BWH rate of \$865.00 for the weeks of June 2-9, June 23-June 30, and July 7-14th. The rate includes use of a private club, bikes, beach accessories etc. Seabrook is a wonderful family retreat. For more information please contact Diane John at 404-870-0484.

Our wonderful nanny/baby sitter needs a new position now that our kids are gone. Reliable, calm, experienced. If interested, please call Barbara Croft at 404-874-3254, or Sheila Cameron directly at 404-792-2009.

Brookwood Hills resident/college student seeks position as part-time nanny or "mother's helper" starting end of May through August. Experienced, CPR certified, BWH references available. Call Caroline 404-874-3254.

Attention Graduating Seniors (or their parents):

Brooknotes would like to profile you in an upcoming issue of Brooknotes. Please send any information on your graduation and plans for the future to Nicole Cook, 30 Woodcrest Ave., nicoleemiles@mediaone.net.

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