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Event chairs: Karla Morris & Lisa Jackson

Acorn Auction 2002 Raises \$43,000!

On a balmy spring evening in April, approximately 150 Brookwood Hills residents turned out for the Garden Club's biennial Acorn Auction. Perhaps it was the beautiful setting (Sara Jean and Fred Burke graciously provided their lovely home and gardens for the event), the witty auctioneer (Hank Harris, ably assisted by Mike Nadal and Carl Gambrell), or simply the knowledge that much of the funds would be used to benefit the entire BWH community, but whatever it was, people were in a spending mood: This year's Acorn Auction netted a record-breaking \$43,000!

Of course, the Acorn Auction could not succeed without the support, hard work, and generous contributions of the Garden Club members, neighborhood businesses, and other BWH residents. Every member of the Garden Club contributed at least one item to the auction, and

many members worked hard to ensure its success. This year's auction co-chairs Lisa Jackson and Karla Morris, in particular, spent countless hours working on the auction, and then underwrote the entire cost of the evening's beverages! Susan Cross of "No Spare Thyme" catered the event, and PrePrint handled the printing.

The Garden Club is indebted to the auction's generous corporate sponsors: **Gold (\$1000):** Sara Jean and Fred Burke; Specialty Homes Inc., Sarah Hagood—Owner/Broker; Patti Junger, Coldwell Banker/Buckhead Brokers; **Pewter (\$750):** Harry Norman Realtors; **Silver (\$500):** Branch Properties—Brookwood Village; Arboguard Tree Specialists; and **Bronze (\$250):** Sandra McGibbon Interiors; Jennifer Fox Armour Candid Photography—Specializing in Children; Cortex Midtown Spa & Salon, Marion Ventulett—Neighbor/Owner; Norman Davenport Askins, Architect; RLS Construction, Inc.

The Garden Club also thanks the many neighborhood business who contributed goods and gift certificates to the auction: Marcia Wood Gallery; Tierra Siena Restaurant; Lansdell Galleries; Swozie's; Smith & Hawken; Peridot; The Bread Market; Café Intermezzo; R.Thomas Deluxe Grill; The Ritz-Carlton, Atlanta; Uncle Julio's; Great Wraps; Pasta Vino; The Four Season's Hotel; The Taco Stand; Toulouse Restaurant; The Coca-Cola Company; Park Avenue Kids; Rexer-Parkes; Chico's; Spa Sydell; Chapter 11; Ester Stokes Garden Design; Lee King Tennis; Brighton Cottage Design; Summerour & Associates; RealPhoto; Donna Sheffield Photography; Trent Ashton Interiors; Emmilynn Interiors; Jennifer Fox Armour Candid Photography; Cortex Midtown Day Spa & Salon; Ed Castro Landscape; and The Georgia Grill.

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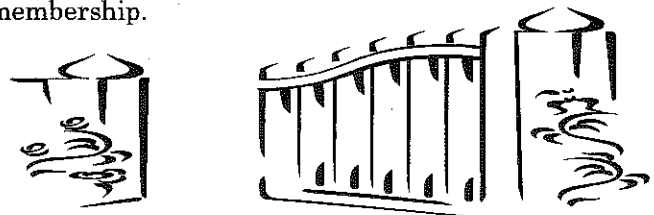
When you see the Security Alert signs posted at the entrances to our neighborhood, please call the Brookwood Hills Security Information Line 404-325-5114 for details concerning a recent security incident. These signs are a signal that an incident has occurred in the neighborhood and the information has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

New Members: Everyone Can Join

If you are new to the neighborhood and would like to join the club either at the A, S, 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, as well as entitles you to usage of the park area.

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.

We also have a limited number of C memberships available. Please tell your friends and encourage them to become part of our community and share our beautiful new facility. Contact Belinda Donovan at 404-817-7551 or robbelin@bellsouth.net with any membership questions or any friends you have who might be interested in a membership.



Keep our neighborhood beautiful (and safe):

We have had some letters to the editor wondering what to do about hanging wires and burned out street lights. These should be reported to the local entity responsible for them. Below are the customer service numbers that you can call, most take you through some sort of a menu, it's best to hang on until you can talk to a person. If you are calling about a street light please have the light number which can be found on the pole.

Georgia Power: 1-888-666-5890

Bell South: 1-800-867-5662

AT&T Broadband: 678-545-7372

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*Come Celebrate
Our New Beginning*

Saturday, May 18th

7:00-10:00 p.m.

Brookwood Hills Community Club

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

7:30 p.m.

Poolside

Mediterranean Feast

Casual Dress

Adults Only

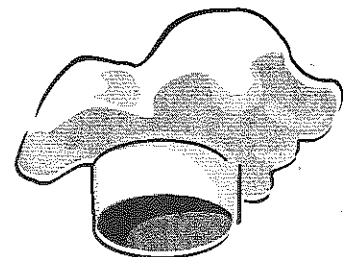
N E I G H B O R N E W S



Neighbor News needs your help. For the June issue of Brooknotes, please let us know any neighborhood graduates. We would like to know where they are graduating from (high school, college or post graduate), any specifics about their degree, any honors they received, what they will be doing next (going to college, traveling, working) and where they will be doing it.

Catherine, Alan, and Cate Simons are enjoying their new house after their move to 50 Camden from 256 Brighton. They miss their old neighbors but love their new street.

Bobby Webb, who recently was the chef de cuisine at the now closed Legacy 1931, has joined TravelingChefs, an in-home personal chef service. TravelingChefs, which launched its service in metro Atlanta in January, is perhaps the largest personal chef service in the United States. Serving a wide variety of clients, TravelingChefs is particularly popular with busy families and individuals who wish to serve healthy, nutritious, restaurant-quality dinners at home throughout the week. Bobby, who has also worked for such notable Atlanta restaurants as Veni Vidi Vici and Pricci, has started working with some families in Brookwood Hills and would love to service the entire area. For more information call 404-659-0919 or www.travelingchefs.com.



Park Opening May 25th!

The finishing touches are being completed in time for opening day May 25th. Until that day, please note that the entire BWH Community Club is still a construction site and is closed. With contractors, landscapers and Swim Atlanta scurrying around to prepare for opening day, it creates a potential safety hazard for our children. If there is any chance that we can open areas earlier, we certainly will. It is especially important to keep all pets and humans off the new Tifsport Bermuda sod until it has a chance to take hold. This is the same premium turf that is used by the Redskins, Ravens, Titans and most colleges for their football stadiums as well as used on Golf courses such as TPC Sugarloaf, Atl. Athletic Club and Druid Hills. It is very durable once it is given a chance to root adequately.

A couple other features to note regarding the park and Tennis facilities for BWH Community Club Members:

- There is a bathroom accessible year-round in the park, as well as one for the tennis courts and Pavilion area. These may be accessed by pressing the 3 and 4 keys at the same time on the combination keypad.
- A new youth basketball court has been created on the south side of the park near the pool fence. This was unused space in the past.
- There are two new basketball goals in the area alongside the tennis courts, one adjustable for youth play as well.
- A new recreation area has been created alongside the tennis courts adjacent to the basketball court that can be used for roller hockey, four square, shuffle board, skateboarding etc.
- Two year-round chilled drinking fountains have been added in the park, located in the breeze way of the park storage-shed and Bathroom.
- Additional seating has been added thanks to several club members who have pitched in \$1000 to donate beautiful Teak Benches (we still need more if you or your group are interested).
- Tetherball has come to BWH. If you are not familiar with this sport, come check it out, located next to the climbing boulder.
- A new covered grill was added to the park pavilion.
- Pet waste bag dispensers have been added at the entrances to the park and nature trail for use in the park and around the neighborhood.

The rest of the improvements are obvious and are ready for your inspection and test drive. If you have any comments or suggestions please direct them to bwhpark@yahoo.com or 404-909-3207. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped in this effort as well as all members of the BWH Community Club for your financial support.

Upcoming Key Dates at the Pool

Please make note of the following key dates. If you have any questions, please contact Pool Co-Chairman Sarah Armstrong (678-480-3976) or Hayes Wilson (404-694-4645).

- Swim Team Practice Begins - Monday, May 13th at 4pm Swim &
- Dive Team Registration Due - Monday, May 13th
- Kast-away Swim Suit Order at Pool - Tuesday, May 14th at 4pm
- Dive Team Practice Begins - Wednesday, May 15th at 4pm

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Thanks to you...

Brookwood Hills Friends' spring fundraiser is a flowering success!

Thanks to the enormous generosity and enthusiasm of Brookwood Hills residents and Friends volunteers, Brookwood Hills Friends sold \$14,100 worth of Pike Nurseries' gift certificates to benefit Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. We exceeded our ambitiously projected goal by over \$9,000. Our efforts landed our group as one of the top sellers in the Atlanta area.

Many neighbors bought the certificates with their year-long landscaping plans in mind, while others bought them for mini-projects and as gifts for others. Friends members not only purchased countless certificates, they pounded the pavement and their computer keyboards with notes to family, friends and co-workers. The level of participation speaks volumes for the wonderful people who make up our neighborhood.

Many of our Friends member-volunteers were truly stars. Special recognition goes to the top sellers: Anne Sapp, Amy Mattingly, Terri Comer, Sharon Williams, JoEllyn Bass, and Laurie Hood.

And, a special thanks to Amy Mattingly and Francie Ladd who tracked, traced, and transported certificates all over the neighborhood (and the city) for 3 months. Their reminders and incentives insured the success of the program. Hats off, Amy and Francie!

As we often state, this program and others throughout the year helps support Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Specifically, the money (30% of total sales) raised is directed toward the following:

1.) The purchase of equipment designed to enhance patient rooms so they meet Children's high standards



friends

Volunteering Because Every Child Needs a Friend

of being emotionally supportive and medically therapeutic.

- 2.) Continued Friends Research fund for the diagnosis and treatment of childhood diseases.
- 3.) Family assistance fund to provide families of hospitalized patients with assistance for expenses such as meals, transportation and emergency lodging.
- 4.) Ongoing support of the chaplaincy program to provide essential spiritual and emotional care to hospitalized families.
- 5.) Continuing support of the Big Apple Circus Clown Care Unit.
- 6.) Funding of Bone Marrow Transplantation and the Sickle Cell program at the AFLAC Cancer Center and Blood Disorders Service.

The hospital would not be able to fund these programs without the city-wide Friends' groups.

We look forward to ending the Friends year on Tuesday May 21st, 7pm, at the home of Sheree and Sean Boyd, 81 Wakefield Drive. All Friends members and any interested newcomers are invited and welcomed!

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Key Dates at the Pool...

- New Parents Meeting / Volunteer Training - Saturday, May 18th at 10am or Wednesday, May 22nd at 4:30pm
- Pool Opening - Saturday, May 25th at 10am
- Memorial Day Pool Games - Monday, May 27th from 2pm - 4pm
- Memorial Day Poolside Cook-out - Monday, May 27th from 4pm - 6pm
- 1st Dive Meet (location TBD) - Wednesday, May 29th at 5pm
- 1st Swim Meet (location TBD) - Thurs-

The official start of BWHCC summer is just weeks away!

Swim Team practice starts on May 13th and Dive Team practice starts on May 14th. We are looking forward to a great turn-out in all age groups. If you are interested in participating, please check the specific practice times that were outlined in the pool packet sent out in mid-April. If you did not receive a packet, please contact Pool Co-Chairman Hayes Wilson (404-876-4618) or Sarah Armstrong (678-480-3976).

Preparations are in full swing to open the pool on Saturday, May 25th at 10am. Jeff Walrich (our new Pool Manager) and his staff are working hard to get the pool area ready for the summer. Ensuring your family has a safe summer is our top priority.

Charlie Austin is looking forward to managing the concession stand again this summer. We are excited to have added a slurpee machine and a soft-serve ice cream machine to our newly renovated concession stand.

If you are interested in scheduling a pool-side party, please contact Jeff Walrich at the main pool number 404-351-0327. Please leave a message on the machine and Jeff will return your call as soon as possible to schedule your party.

There are pool games, prizes, and summer treats planned for Memorial Day (Monday, May 27th), so please plan on joining us at the pool between 2pm – 4pm. In addition, there will be a cook-out by the pool from 4pm – 6pm.

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

Sponsor A Park Bench



Here is your chance to make your mark in the new park. Sponsors are needed for park benches and picnic tables.

Imagine some little goblin munching on his Halloween pizza on a bench with your name on it! The cost for benches is estimated at \$1000 and tables at approximately \$900. Contact any board member if you are interested.

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Last but not least, the BWH Garden Club is grateful to and gratified by the many, many neighbors who, while not members of the Garden Club, nevertheless donated generously to the auction. Their participation exemplifies the community spirit that makes Brookwood Hills such a special place.

The Dive Team Wants You: The BWH Dive Team extends an invitation to all kids under age 18 to join in the fun and camaraderie of the Dive Team. No expertise or particular talent is needed. Children (or their parents) can even be a little afraid! Our wonderful, trained, experienced coaches will gently teach your child all he/she needs to know. Give your child the chance to learn how to safely execute a front dive, back dive, and maybe even a simple flip. Please join us at dive practice each Monday through Friday from 4:00 to 6:00, starting on Wednesday, May 15. Questions? Call Mary Long at 404-352-3464.



Guidelines for Watering Trees

By: Nancy Field, Tree Chairman

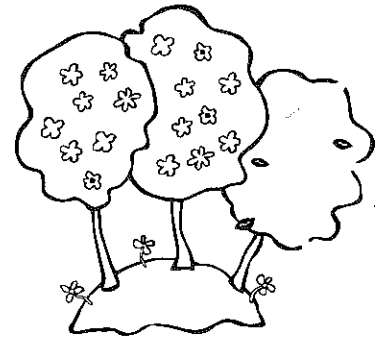
Despite the recent heavy rains, as summer temperatures rise and dry conditions return, all of our trees will suffer and many will not survive without regular watering. Please read the following guidelines and, if possible, try to schedule a regular time(s) each week for watering your trees.

Recommendations for Young Trees (planted within the last 18 months):

- Water with a slow trickle from your garden hose for 20 to 30 minutes once or twice a week if there has been no substantial rainfall in that week.
- To avoid under or over-watering, please consider purchasing a moisture meter from Pikes or Home Depot and water when the meter registers on the dry side of moist (neither wet nor dry). In the heat of summer, check your moisture levels 3 times per week..
- Be sure your tree is properly mulched and apply the water over the root ball and the entire planting area.
- To minimize the amount of time spent watering your trees, you may purchase a tree gator, which is easy to install around the base of your tree, provides a continuous slow drip, and only needs to be filled once a week to give your tree adequate water. Gunn Landscaping has agreed to provide these to the neighborhood at cost (\$19.00 per gator). If you wish to purchase one or more tree gators for any recently planted trees up to 4 inches dbh (diameter at breast height), please contact Nancy Field at (404) 352-0877.
- Please make arrangements for your young trees to be watered whenever you are out of town.

Recommendations for Older, Established Trees

- If there has been no substantial rainfall in a given week, provide one or two deep soakings to the soil areas that exist directly beneath the foliage of the tree. The location of the tree's canopy mirrors the location of the critical root systems. Where street trees are concerned, some of those roots are beneath concrete and can not be reached. However, when a tree's canopy of leaves extends out in part over a lawn or other landscape areas, this indicates the presence of critical roots directly beneath and a deep soaking in those areas will reach and benefit the tree. Be sure that the water soaks in well. Do not water closer than 3 feet to the trunk base on established trees, and try not to wet the tree's foliage (or trunk). Note: a few deep soakings are much better than many light, shallow watering as the latter promotes shallow root growth which can lead to more severe drought damage.
- The best time to water trees is between 10 pm and 8am, or in the late afternoon.



Thank you on behalf of the entire community for your part in helping to sustain the urban oasis of Brookwood Hills!



Legacy Ladies Lunch - 12:30 pm at the City Garden (Chinese) Restaurant, Peachtree at Palisades. Call Margaret Shirley at 404 355 8802 to accept.

CALENDAR

Saturday, May 18th

Members Party at the Pool and Park, 7:00—10:00 PM

Monday, May 20th

Legacy Ladies Lunch - 12:30pm at the City Garden (Chinese) Restaurant, Peachtree at Palisades. Call Margaret Shirley at 404 355 8802 to accept

Tuesday, May 21st

Friends Celebration and Meeting, 7:00 PM, at the home of Sheree Boyd, 81 Wakefield Drive, bring things for teens

Thursday, May 23rd

BWH Book Club—*The Corrections*, by Jonathan Franzen, 7:30 PM, contact Carolyn Cooper if you are interested in attending, 404-351-0555

Saturday, May 25th

Brookwood Hills pool opens—10:00 AM

Sunday, June 2nd

Huntington Road Street Party

Monday, June 3rd

BWHCC Board Meeting, 7:15 PM at the home of Sarah Armstrong, 58 Camden Road

Wednesday June 19

Summer Women's Bible Study, 9:00-10:30 AM
First session. We will study *Experiencing God* by Henry Blackaby. Call 404-607-9141 for more information.

C L A S S I F I E D S

BABY-SITTER WANTED—Looking for a sitter to work 35 to 40 hours per week to help care for our 4 1/2 and 1 1/2 year old daughters. Responsibilities include carpool and errands. Please call Teri and Billy Hartman at (404) 351-7256 - 272 Brighton Rd.

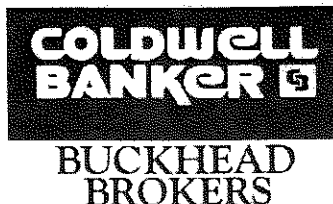
VERMONT MOUNTAIN HOME. Nestled on four acres overlooking the stunning Mad River Valley and Green Mountains of Vermont, this 3BR, 2.5 bath log home is perfect for a summer vacation. Rates: are \$150 to \$225 per night, depending on # of BRs used. (404) 522-2454. Rob or Rebecca.

Aqua and white queen-size sleep sofa for sale. Call Barbara Slick (404) 352-9899 for additional details.

Our housekeeper is looking for additional days to work in homes in Brookwood Hills. Norma is extremely nice, on-time and works very hard. Her English is limited but her sister, who speaks well, lives with her. Her numbers are 404-843-3873 and 404-705-9612. For references call Eleanor Rhangos, 404-352-9535 or Binney Granade, 404-351-1619.

Final Reminder...There are still openings to work as a lifeguard or in the concession stand at the BWHCC pool this summer. Please contact Mary Kaye LaBoa to apply for either position. 770-992-7665 Ext. 103 or marykayel@sapm.net

FREE—General Electric single wall oven. Call Barbara Slick (404) 352-9899.



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