



BROOKNOTES

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A HAPPENING HALLOWEEN



The Diana Sears (far right) poses with daughters Kristin and Megan Feeley.



Brenden Gaffney looks ready to take off on his broom.



A sequined beauty and an angel are heading for the fun.

by Diane John

There was a great turnout for the annual Halloween party in Brookwood Hills Park. Beautifully carved pumpkins of all shapes and sizes graced tables set out on the field while fairy princesses and super heroes took turns on the swings. In addition to the traditional pizza party, this years activities also included pumpkin carving and best costume contests. Lots of wonderfully creative parents showed up costume and everyone from ghosts to gnomes gobbled up the delicious pizza.

A big hearty thank you to **Sarah Hagood of Specialty Homes** who so generously provided pumpkins for every household and purchased the pizza (all 450 pieces of it)! Kudos to Sandy Furrh who made sure the park was beautifully decorated and the party well organized.

And, our appreciation to all the volunteers who made the event loads of fun: Alison Alarcon, Karla Kantola, Diane Kellum, Megan and Kristen Feeley, Karen Grice, Jack Heisel, Andrea Helfrich Lisa Jackson, Lisa Loomis, Lauren Monroe, Harvey Ross, Ann and Dave Sapp, Deirdre Stiles, Diana Sears, Pamela Watson, Avery Williams, Susan Wimberly and Maribeth Quigley.



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EATERIES EXCHANGE

Our new neighborhood restaurant *Bliss* located in the former Palisades space at the corner of Peachtree and Palisades) is making a sincere effort to be a good new neighbor and is a fine restaurant.

Nick and I had a scrumptious dinner with good service. The lobster tail appetizer was wonderful as was the salade chevre chaud.

In addition, while members of the BWH Garden Club were cleaning up Palisades Island, the new manager came out to introduce himself and express his interest in work in with the neighborhood. In fact, *Bliss* had already trimmed cleaned out the hedges that border it's parking lot on Palisades and has begun to clean up an area that has been an eyesore for years.

Nick and Diana Sears

And... *Bliss* had us on their minds too. They didn't know that the Sears glowing recommendation would be forthcoming when they asked permission to extend an invitation to the neighborhood. This **family** holiday event is for Brookwood Hills residents and benefits Toys for Tots. *Bliss* is located at 1829 Peachtree Road.

Please join us for a
Holiday Open House
at

Bliss

On Sunday, the fifth of December
From 4 until 8 o'clock p.m.
benefiting
Toys for Tots

Bliss-ful desserts & fresh bakes cookies
Eggnog, cider and hot tea
Music of the Season
by Robert Ray

We ask that you and your family bring an unwrapped toy or game for a child ages 3-12 years.
If you have any questions, please call 404-350-6755.

CHRISTMAS PARADE



Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Christmas Parade is coming soon! Mark your calendars and plan to be downtown on Saturday, December 4th from 10:30 until noon. This year's parade comes to Atlanta thanks the hard work of lots of BWH neighbors. Karla Morris is chairman of this wonderful annual event that is captivating for people all ages. Some of the many neighbors helping Karla are Kelli Potts, Deanna Landers, Lisa Jackson, Jill Clark, Emily McIntyre, Diane John and Robin Martin.

The parade route begins at Centennial Olympic park at International Boulevard and Marietta Street, proceeds east on Marietta, turns north on Peachtree Street and ends at Peachtree and West Peachtree Streets. Plan to come to the Parade with the whole family and be a part of the special Atlanta tradition. For more information call 404-325-NOEL (6635).

Neighbors Team Up For Alliance Theatre

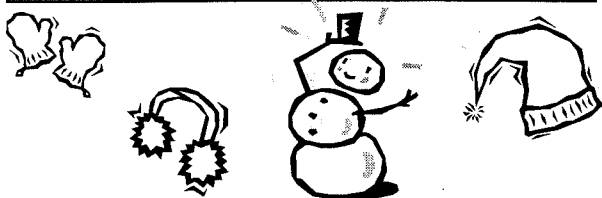
Wonder why you have seen Kathy Bernhardt and Stella Martin in conference in the middle of Camden when they are not hurrying in and out of Brookwood Hills? Call a friend or gather a group and come see why at the 25th Anniversary of CHRISTMAS HOUSE. Kathy is chairing the event and Stella, along with her partner Jerry Rainwater, is creating the holiday magic on the façade of the house. Martin Rainwater is also setting the stage with adornments on the gateposts and gas lanterns that line the streets of 675 West Paces Ferry.

MARTIN RAINWATER's BWH holiday creation at 21 Northwood Avenue graced the front page of December 1998 *Brooknotes*. This holiday season MARTIN RAINWATER is busy booking their calendar for designing and creating decorations and parties for homes and offices. What clients get is tailored opulence without fuss along with Martin's southern charm and business sense and Rainwater's imagination and creativity. "We can do anything from tabletops to rooftops," Stella points out. (Check out their new website at www.MRtopiary.com or call Stella at 404-352-3377.)

CHRISTMAS HOUSE, benefiting the Alliance Children's Theatre, is open this year for three weeks, November 13 – December 5 on Wednesday through Sunday but closed Thanksgiving Day. It celebrates Atlanta's love for children, beautiful homes, and the spirit of Christmas. Each year, some of Atlanta's foremost designers and florists decorate one of Atlanta's premier residences for the holidays. Then the doors are opened to the public. Come and shop in our unique Holiday Boutique featuring the best in hand crafted items from the Southeast. Stay and enjoy lunch or a snack in the "Wintergarden" by the Atlanta Bread Company.

CHRISTMAS HOUSE '99, The Richardson-Franklin House, 675 West Paces Ferry Road, NW, was inspired by the architecture of the country manor homes of France. The architect worked closely with the Hugh Richardson, Jr. family to fulfill their special requests – a turret, a vaulted ceiling, and a variety of elevations. Completed around 1934, the home was until recently occupied by either the original owner or his daughter. The current owner has lovingly restored and carefully renovated this

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THANK YOU FOR POINSETTIAS SALE

by Belinda Donovan

BWH Friends would like to thank everyone who purchased poinsettias this year. Almost a third of the neighborhood supported our effort and we collected \$4,066 to benefit Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

Pick up dates will be Thursday, December 2 and Friday, December 3 from 10 AM until 1 PM at the home of Binney Granade at 318 Camden Road. If these times are not convenient, special arrangements can be made by calling Binney at 404-351-1619 or Belinda Donovan at 404-817-7551.

Special thanks also to all the Friends street captains who distributed flyers, collected orders and made this effort run so smoothly: Angela Bakke, Renee Bellavia, Mary Stuart Bland, Terri Comer, Binney Granade, Lisa Jackson, Francie Ladd, Kem Lee, Lombard Puri, Pamela Watson, and Avery Williams.

We appreciate the neighborhood's generosity and hope you enjoy your poinsettias this holiday season.

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wonderful home, and the designers have dramatically transformed it into an inspiring introduction to the holidays.

Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at any Chapter 11, the Discount Bookstore, Hastings Nature and Garden Center, Jenny Pruitt & Associates, Realtors Office, or The Woodruff Arts Center Box Office as well as at the door. There is no parking at Christmas House or on surrounding streets. Please park at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Howell Mill and Moores Mill Roads, and use the continuous shuttle.

Support of CHRISTMAS HOUSE is apparent throughout the year as more than 150,000 school children and families experience the magic of live theatre at the Alliance Children's Theatre in the Woodruff Arts Center. This Atlanta tradition would not be possible without the assistance and support of our sponsors: Atlanta Homes and Lifestyles, WFOX, Harrison Design Associates, Southeastern Constructions & Management, Inc, Kim King & Associates, BellSouth Corporation, Big John's Christmas Trees, Georgia Tent Company, and Park 'N Fly and you!

For more information call the Hotline at 404-733-4620.

Art of the Season Around the Corner

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta presents Art of the Season, a holiday extravaganza for children and families beginning Friday, November 26th through December 5th at the Atlanta Apparel Mart. Children can choose from over 28 craft activities to make and take home. General admission is \$7 for children and adults. Each general admission comes with 5 activity tickets. Crafts cost either one or two tickets with additional tickets costing \$1 each. Hours are Monday through Saturday 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM and Sundays noon to 6:00 PM. On Tuesday, November 30th and Thursday, December 2, Art of the Season will offer extended hours until 8:00 PM. For more information about this fun family event call 404-250-2999 or check the website www.choa.org/art.

Residents of Brookwood Hills
Atlanta, Georgia 30309



November 15, 1999

Dear Resident,

You and your family are certainly aware of the many benefits of living in Brookwood Hills and being a member of the Brookwood Hills Community Club. We have a beautiful park that members enjoy every day. We have a great swimming pool that is at the top of everybody's list during the "dog days" of summer, and everyone has enjoyed use of the tennis courts, basketball court, or nature trail at one time or another. Our streets are lined with graceful trees interspersed among beautiful and historic homes. We have a safe and secure neighborhood.

While there are clearly many benefits to being a Brookwood Hills resident, it has been suggested that we make certain capital improvements to the neighborhood and the Club properties. Some of the suggestions include the following: renovation of the landscaping at the neighborhood entrances; installation of Brookwood Hills historic markers at neighborhood entrances (e.g. Brookhaven or Morningside); installation of a new fence (e.g. wrought-iron) around the park; construction of a club house or pavilion; renovation of the pool house and concession stand; improvements to parking, traffic, park and pool access. The Club's board of directors has discussed these suggestions on several occasions over the last few years. At its November meeting, the Brookwood Hills Community Club board of directors voted to establish a committee to review these and any other suggestions related to capital improvements and to develop and implement a comprehensive capital improvement plan.

As its first step toward this end, the board would like to invite all residents of Brookwood Hills to make suggestions regarding their preferences for capital improvements. First, the board needs to know what capital improvements you would like to see addressed in a long-range plan. Second, because our resources are not unlimited, we need to know how you would prioritize the implementation of improvements. The board will use the results of the survey to develop a capital improvement plan that meets the preferences of as many residents as possible. Please take some time to fill out the survey on the reverse side of this letter and return it **by Wednesday, December 1, 1999** to the following address:

Katrina Newton
Communications Chairman
Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc.
49 Brighton Rd. NE
Atlanta, GA 30309

You may e-mail your response to:
fcnewton@mindspring.com

Please call one of the members of the board if you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer to be on the capital improvement committee: Susan Connell – 404/351-1633; Anne Sapp – 404/892-5705; Walter Bland – 404/607-5861.

Sincerely,

Anne Sapp
President

Walter Bland
Vice President/President-elect

Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc.
Resident Opinion Survey

1. Please tell us something about your self and your family.

a) Name (optional): _____

b) Street Address (optional): _____

c) Category of membership: A B C D

d) Number of persons in household: _____

e) Ages of persons in household: _____

2. What are the top five capital improvements that you and your family would like the board to consider? Please feel free to make your own suggestions and not limit yourself to the suggestions above. Please list them in the order you would prioritize them.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

3. Do you have any other comments/suggestions? Please attach another sheet of paper if necessary.

Brookwood Boys at the Braves

by Scott McCune



Brookwood Boys hanging out at the Braves game.

Brookwood Boys and their dads attended the Atlanta Braves game on September 19th. We had a tremendous turnout and everyone enjoyed the Braves victory. If you're interested in attending the next Brookwood Boys outing, please call Xavier Duralde at 404-874-7863.

Mother/Daughter Book Club

The newly formed Brookwood Hills Mother/Daughter Book Club will meet next at the home of Micki Gambrell, 22 Palisades. The book club is geared toward 4th and 5th grade girls: neighborhood girls of that age and their moms are invited to join us. We will be reading and discussing Little Women by Louisa May Alcott at our meeting on Sunday, December 5 at 4:00-5:30 PM. For any additional information, please call either Katrina Newton 404-355-6475 or Micki Gambrell 404-872-5762.

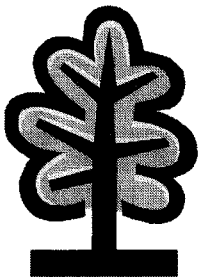
55 TREES TO BE PLANTED

by Katrina Newton

The 1999 Fall Planting Program was a tremendous success, with a total of 55 trees to be planted! Over 70% of those trees are large shade trees, which will someday provide the magnificent canopy that we enjoy so much in our neighborhood. Many thanks to the homeowners who responded to the call to plant a new tree in their yard or in the city green space. As a reminder to the guardians of our new trees: you are agreeing to keep your tree from getting thirsty, particularly during the first 18 months. (To everyone else who has trees planted in the past few years: **KEEP WATERING!** even now that the summer is over. It is still very dry!)

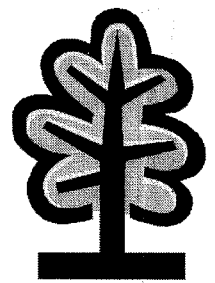
The trees will be planted in December by Gunn Landscaping. The landscaping company has tree gators for sale this year, which are bags placed around the base of the tree and filled with water on a weekly basis to provide a slow soaking. Please contact Katrina Newton if you are interested in a tree gator. The cost is approximately \$25.

Please return any and all of the tree brochures to Katrina Newton. We might be able to use these again next year and recycling will help us keep our costs down!



BWH TREES FEATURED

There was wonderful article in the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* on Monday, November 1st entitled "Trees of our Lives: Community Canopy," featuring our neighborhood's long history of caring for and planting trees. If you missed it, you can order a copy by sending \$3 to the Stacks, P.O. Box 4689, Atlanta, GA 30302



NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY NEWS

If you are the victim of a crime, vandalism, or harassment, or if you want to report a suspicious person, you should call Atlanta City Police at 911 and file a report. You should then call the Brookwood Hills Security Information Line and leave the following information: your name, your address, your telephone number, and any details regarding the incident. Barry Miller and his men and the Security Chairman monitor the Info-line on a regular basis. However, this is for information purposes only; they are not available to respond to a call. A response will come from 911.

The Security Chairman leaves a summary of recent incidents on the Info-line on a weekly or bi-weekly basis. You should check the Info-line on a periodic basis for updates on security issues in the neighborhood. You may also use the Info-line to leave out-of-town notices for Barry and his men. They will then check your house specifically during their rounds. If you leave an out-of-town notice, please leave an emergency contact number.

If you would like a yellow "Little Kids 25 MPH" sign or if you need parking stickers, please call the Info-line and leave a message. You may call the Info-line 24 hours a day. All calls/information are kept strictly confidential.

BWH Security Information Line

404-325-5114

Bonus Pool for Security Patrol

Each year at this time, we collect a bonus pool for Barry and his men as our thanks for a job well done. This is part of the total compensation that they receive for giving us supplemental security patrol coverage and keeping our neighborhood safe. Last year we had contributions from almost 55% of the residents in Brookwood Hills. This year we need to get that number closer to 100%! Please send a check for \$20 - 25 (or an amount of your choosing) as your contribution to the pool. Make your check payable to Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc. and send it to the following address:

Rick Jackson
211 Brighton Road
Atlanta, GA 30309

CALENDAR

November 13 – December 4, CHRISTMAS HOUSE – Alliance Children's Theatre. See page 3 for details.

November 26 – December 5, Art of the Season. See page 4 for details.

December 2 & 3, Poinsettia Pick-up 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. 318 Camden. See page 4 for details.

December 4, Saturday. Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Christmas Parade 10:30 a.m. – noon. See page 3 for details.

December 5, Sunday. Mother/Daughter Book Club. 4:00-5:30 p.m. See page 5 for more details.

December 5, Sunday. Bliss Holiday Open House 4 – 8 p.m. See page 2 for details.

December 6, Monday. BWH Board Meeting 7:15 p.m. at the home of Libby and Frampton Simons 230 Brighton. All Community Club members are welcome to attend. If you are planning to attend please call the Simons at 404-355-5005.

Street Tree Health Program 1999

Street trees are owned by no one, but enjoyed by all. City budgets do not allow for the proper care of these vital trees, so they are often left defenseless against the assaults of urban life.

In recognition of the huge contribution the trees make by way of their shade, beauty, and character, the Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc. has joined with Arboguard Tree Specialists to honor the trees that help to define our neighborhood.

Arboguard has created a special mixture of fertilizer, Polynure, and beneficial soil fungi that promotes tree health, fosters new root growth, and increases the effectiveness of fine feeder roots. This is the second year that we are offering this program. Last year we enrolled over 150 trees and are hoping to do even better this year. Because of the participation in 1998, Arboguard has given us the special price of \$40 for a large tree and \$20 for a small tree (10" diameter, belt high or less).

How can you participate? Simply fill out the form below to register.

As a recap

- Give your street trees some TLC by funding their treatment.
- Respond by filling out form with your request by Thanksgiving.
- Work will be done in early December.
- Treatment is effective for one year and should be repeated annually.
- Due to the special nature of this project, we can only treat street trees (trees within 6' of curb unless tree is part of our replanting program). Call Arboguard for information on treating your personal trees.
- You can prepay by enclosing check payable to Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc. or choose to be billed by Arboguard after treatment.

I WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER FOR THE STREET TREE HEALTH PROGRAM.

Name: _____

Address: _____

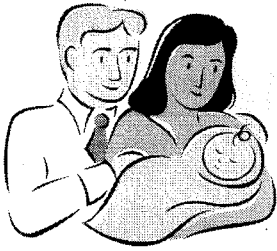
Phone: _____ Fax: _____ e-mail: _____

I have ____ large street trees, ____ small street trees (10" diameter belt high or less), and ____ small trees from the replanting program in my yard.

My check payable to Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc. is enclosed _____.

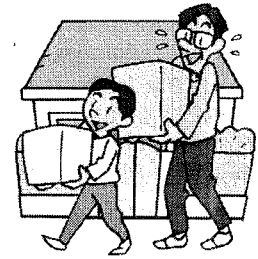
Please have Arboguard bill me _____.

Return to: Brookwood Hills Community Club, Inc., 77 Wakefield Drive or to Susan Connell, 385 Camden Road; FAX: 404-351-0134; e-mail: connellprop@mindspring.com



New Faces

By Sarah and Patti



Kathy and Boyd Gentry are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter **Casey Elizabeth**. Born on November 10th at Piedmont Hospital, Casey was delivered by neighborhood Dr. Ingvoldstad. She weighed a healthy 8 pounds 3 ounces and was 21 inches long. Her mother says Casey loves to eat and big sister **Brooke** is excited to have her around.

77 Huntington. **Agnes and Pete Law** are moving from Garden Hills to Brookwood Hills. Agnes is from Savannah and is a graduate of Spring Hill College. Agnes has run in several marathons and is currently expecting their first child. Once the baby arrives, she will probably be running around the neighborhood preparing for her next marathon. Pete is a graduate of Florida State University and Emory Law School. He practices with Goldstein and Law, a civil litigation law firm. They are currently renovating their new home.

CLASSIFIEDS

Lost. An electronic gate opener on a key chain, lost a month ago while walking the dog on a route around Camden, Parkdale, Palisades and Montclair. If found, please call Katrina at 404-355-6574.

Found. A Honda key at the park. Call Diane John at 404-870-0484.

Housekeeper Needed. For half or full day each week to help maintain child-free home on Huntington Road. Looking for someone fluent in English and not a "cleaning service." If you have a recommendation, please call Ann Dibbie 404-724-0393 or 404-894-4679.

WANTED: Music teacher wanted for preschool – two or three days per week. 1 1/2 hours per day. Great pay! If interested please contact Tami at 404-876-5535. Neighbor reference Mary Long 404-352-3464.



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