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BWHCC 75th Anniversary Party

Contributed by, Kirsten Boehner



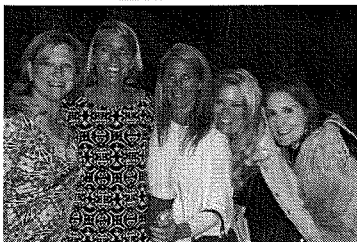
It was a beautiful night in Brookwood Hills as many neighbors and club members came out to celebrate the BWHCC's 75th anniversary.

An evening of enjoying the company of good friends led to the sharing of many fond memories accented by live music, libations and savory bites all under the twinkling lights of the pavilion.

In the true spirit of what makes our BWHCC great, many members were involved in making the party such a success and we thank you for all of your collective efforts.

A special thanks to our generous sponsors Revival Construction and Christy Harris Real Estate as well as our in-kind contributors Caja Popcorn and American Spirit Whiskey; our entertainment, Sound Service; our caterer, Endive, and our lighting expert, Xmas Light Pros. Let's not forget our resident muscle—the men of Lusk Garage who assisted with the set-up.

If you missed the party, please stop by the pavilion to see pictures of BWHCC memories over the years. We are hoping to hold another informal event in honor of the 75th leading up to the holidays. More details to follow.



Update on BWH Park Master Plan

Contributed by, Joy Lusk

The park planning committee is pleased to update you on the progress of the park renovation. We have been working with landscape architects HGOR as well as neighbor Stan Dixon to further flesh out the details of the master plan that was presented to the neighborhood in the spring. Specifically, HGOR is working with the City on our drainage issues and has reached out to several play ground equipment manufacturers for proposals for our new playground equipment. Stan is working on the designs for the new bathroom and storage facilities.

These detailed plans will enable us to get firm bids so we can properly budget for this project. Our goal is to have our budget and financing plan finalized prior to the January annual meeting and to begin construction as soon as the pool closes in fall of 2015. We are excited about this process and believe this comprehensive approach is the best way to address the building repairs, stairway and playground replacement,

drainage and plumbing issues that we are currently facing. We will communicate the details of the renovation once they are finalized. Thank you for your input and support. If you are interested in seeing the latest renderings, please login to www.brookwoodhills.com

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BrookNotes welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of BrookNotes is Friday, November 20th.

Submissions may be dropped off at **102 Wakefield Dr.** or e-mailed to brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com.

ATL311 Is Now Available!

The City of Atlanta has finally launched their new non-emergency customer service center named ATL311. This free service is accessible by phone and online through all mobile and standard platforms. For everything other than 911 emergencies, this is the service to use. You can track your service requests, keep up with new information, or provide feedback

Here are some of the basic services ATL311 can help with:

Water and Sewer

- Water Outages And Flooding
- Street Plates, Hydrants, And Sewer Lids
- Water Bill And Meter Resets

Housing and Buildings

- Inspections And Permits
- Zoning And Owner Information
- Housing Assistance

Parks, Recreation, and Events

- Park And Tree Maintenance
- Event Permits And Facility Requests
- Recreation Centers

Streets, Traffic, and Parking

- Street And Sidewalk Maintenance
- Parking Tickets And Violations
- Street Sign And Street Light Repairs

Garbage, Recycling, and Graffiti

- Request A Bin
- Graffiti And Dead Animal Removal
- Trash, Recycling, And Yard Trimmings

Public Safety

- Police Reports
- Fire Prevention And Safety Inspections
- Code Enforcement
- Inmate Services

Brookwood 7K Road Race

Contributed by, Gajan Retnasaba



The inaugural Brookwood 7k road race was run on the morning of Saturday, September 13th. The men's race was won by Tom Carr who ran the hilly course in 34:22 minutes. The women's race was won by Alison Jones in 39:47. The children's race was won by Munday Tyrone.

The race had a traditional start and finish line, but in a twist on traditional course design, runners were free to plot their own path so long as they covered every part of every street in the neighborhood. Starting at the top of Brighton Rd and ending at the Parkdale entrance to the park, runners wound their way around the neighborhood looking for the best route to minimize their distance and their elevation change.

Race organizers are planning a follow-up *Brookwood MoonPie 5k* event to be held on a full moon evening in early December.

WELC Elementary School Fair

Contributed by, Jill Malino

If you are the parent of a preschool-age child, you do not want to miss out on the best-kept secret – WELC Elementary School Fair, which is free of charge!

October 29th 2014
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Weinberg Early Learning Center at The Temple
1589 Peachtree Street, NE
Atlanta, GA 30309

Representatives from top Atlanta private schools, listed below will be there and available to talk with you.

It will be a great opportunity to learn more about private school options for your child and there is free parking in our covered deck!

Alta City Champions

Contributed by Jennifer Webster and Elise Lowery

Congratulations to the BWH's Thursday Women's ALTA team! After winning their Division this Fall, they won the City Championship last Thursday, October 30th at Winward Townelake Hills Club. The team's inaugural season was spring 2013. While the team struggled to win a game during the first season of play, the team was able to redeem themselves. Thanks to Coach Jake Martyn and many hours of dedicated practice the team is celebrating an incredible ending to the fall season.

The team members are Alissa Anderson, Sara Chambless, Katie Crites, Megan Drinan, Rachel Fuller, Nathalie Fuson, Nancy Koziol, Elise Lowry (Team Captain), Margaret Mertens, Sharyn Mulqueen, Suzanne Nickerson, Jean O'Halloran, Jennifer Varn, Pamela Watson, and Jennifer Webster. We are so proud of these ladies, and all their efforts. Best of luck next Spring!



E. Rivers Tree Sale

Contributed by Katherine Dierdorff

E. Rivers Elementary School will be holding their annual tree sale December 5 from 8am-8pm or until the last tree is sold.

The sale will be held at the new temporary campus at 4360 Powers Ferry Rd, NW Atlanta, GA 30327. They will have 5 ft - 11 ft freshly cut Fraser Fir from the Smokey Holler Tree Farm in Laurel Springs, NC. There will also be poinsettias, fresh wreaths, decorative pine roping and baked goods.

100% of the proceeds benefit the E. Rivers Elementary School PTA. Come out and support your local school!



2014 Halloween Party in the Park

Article by Kirsten Boehner



October ended with a bang in the park, or should we say a 'boo!' with the annual Halloween Spooktacular.

Kids and grown up enjoyed themselves dancing in the Haunted Disco, puzzling out the creepy Feely Boxes, making skeletons and pumpkins at the craft table, and taking pictures in the photo booth. The party culminated with the Costume Contest that had a record number of entries this year making the judges' decisions very difficult. (hint: the judges divulged that when in doubt they tend to favor home made costumes so if fame and glory are your thing you may want to get cracking on next year's outfit).

Big applause to everyone who participated in both the dance and the costume contests.

Winners of the Dance Competition included:

Best Group Dance:

Christine Oakley, Annabelle Oakely, Margot Carr, and Camilla Car

Best Freeze Moves

Finn Szwast

Best Dance Moves:

Sarah White

Best Irish Dancer:

Campbell Adams

Best Michael Jackson:

Annabelle Fransen

Winners of the Costume Contest included:

Best Superheroes/Action:

First Place: Camilla Carr, Christine Oakely, Margo Carr and Annabelle Oakley

Runner-Up: Whitaker Boatright

Spookiest:

First Place: Davis Jones (first place)

Runner-up: Cricket Paine (runner up)3.

Best Princess/Fairy

First Place: Elsa Weaver (first place)

Runner-up: Emma Loft (runner up)

Best Under 3's

First Place: Ellie Whitty (first place)

Runner-up: Jack Koebler (runner up)5.

Most Unique

First Place Tie: Chloe Wilbert, Sisi Varn and Caroline

Runner-up Tie: Dixon Owen Armentrout; Hunter Wanamaker

Best Group

First Place: Wickland children and Thompson children

Runners-up: Olivia Hazelhurst, Lawton Hurt, Sadie Holder, Larson Normart and Lila

As always we had a ton of people who came together to make the party happen - from volunteers who spent hours setting up the party, to handing out pizza, to manning the keg, to judging the competitions, and to cleaning up the party (equally important but much less fun -- especially for those who showed up the following day in the windy 30 degree weather).

Finally, we need to end with a very special thank you to Debbie Moorman and Amanda Szwast who have spearheaded the Halloween party for BWHCC for the past decade. These ladies have put their hearts and souls into making the party special every single year -- THANK YOU Debbie and Amanda. They will be a tough act to follow but have decided it's time to pass the torch...any takers?



Gusto! Woodfire Grill

Reprinted from Atlanta Magazine

A former Oklahoma quarterback and Jacksonville Jaguars and Cleveland Browns player, Nate Hybl [opened] a fast-casual restaurant called Gusto! Wood Fire Grill in Brookwood October 31. Located at 1935 Peachtree Street, Gusto! asks guests to choose from a salad, brown rice bowl, or sandwich with either chicken, portabella mushrooms, or shrimp. The dish is completed with a choice of sauce and vegetable combinations, ranging from sweet soy sriracha with carrot salad and purple cabbage to chipotle mango avocado with black bean and corn salad and jack cheese. Hybl created the menu and then hired Shawn Grodensky, a former General Muir sous chef, as the culinary lead. Hybl shares more about his process below.

Where does the name Gusto! come from?

It's pronounced Ga-sto, as in built with gusto. It's an old school word that we're reintroducing.

How did Gusto! come about?

It started as a consumer need for me about five years ago. I was looking for a place with good grilled chicken that was fast. There didn't seem to be a good solution. I started studying this new segment called fast-casual. I didn't know what I was doing, but I ended up becoming extremely passionate about the business model associated with fast-casual and falling in love with food along the way.

Why grilled chicken?

I was an athlete and living a pretty healthy lifestyle. I love the way grilled chicken tastes. It's healthy, and it takes on the flavors of other vibrant things like sauces and fresh fruits and vegetables. Chicken is reliable. We use a wood-fire grill, which offers even more flavor to our grilled proteins. We also have portabella for vegetarians and grilled shrimp. I used to go to the Chick-fil-A drive through and get the grilled chicken sandwich and fruit cup. My favorite part was the Polynesian sauce, barbecue sauce, and honey mustard, which is why we have all our sauce choices.

You mentioned spending years studying the food industry. Where did you get your information?

I'm not officially trained. I didn't go to a culinary institute. I'm self-taught through thousands of hours of obsessive study in magazines and books. I took some basic knife skill classes. I worked for restaurants in town. The founder of Zoë's Kitchen gave me a shot as assistant manager at Maki Fresh. I had a management role at Little

Azio's. I worked at Chipotle. At the General Muir, I was a server and shift leader.

You went from NFL quarterback to restaurateur. Are there any similarities between your two fields?

That would be the team aspect. Prior to working in restaurants, I didn't realize the team dynamics that existed and how big of a role communication plays. I'm captivated and fascinated by the team aspect. You're linking arms to represent your brand and to satisfy and please your customers. We're hiring people to help convey this new idea. Leading these folks is what gets me out of bed in the morning.

What's your favorite Gusto! menu item?

I love the apple curry peanut. Most of my life I would have laughed at you if you told me I would've loved curry, but I do. That's the nice thing about our menu. You may have your favorite dish or you may try a couple different ones. We're aiming for a wide variety of options familiar enough to be part of the every day lifestyle.

Tales Needed to commemorate Sergeant Barry Miller's Retirement

Contributed by Gregory Fiore

For 32 years, Sgt. Barry Miller has been patrolling the streets of Brookwood Hills. The BWH relationship with Barry kicked off his off-duty patrol business which now services 14 communities around the Atlanta area.

At the end of 2014, Barry will be officially retiring. As a thank you for his service, we would like to prepare a video with comments from BWH neighbors who've known Barry through the years.

If you have any personal tales to share, please contact Greg Fiore at security@brookwoodhills.com.

We know it will mean a lot to him after a long career helping keep our neighborhood safe.

Thank you in advance.

Join the Nature's Garden Delivered BWH Co-Op



Are you interested in having fresh, organic fruits & vegetables delivered to you in BWH once a week or every other week? Katherine & Tom Dierdorff on Woodcrest Ave. are a host co-op site for BWH residents only through Nature's Garden Delivered.

Nature's Garden Delivered is an Atlanta-based Grocery Delivery service offering home and office delivery of the finest Naturally & Organically grown fruits & vegetables, free-range eggs, farm fresh dairy, grass-fed meats, breads, coffee, honey, artisan cheeses, almond butter and more!

Deliveries arrive at the Dierdorff home on Thursday of each week between 2:00-3:00PM.

If this is something that interests you, check out the Nature's Garden Delivered website. <https://ga.naturesgardendelivered.com/> It is very informative and should answer any questions you may have. If you decide to join our BWH residents only co-op, email Carl McDonald at Carl@ganaturesgardendelivered.com.

Neighborhood Announcements

CHILDCARE NEEDED

Ginna Pope is looking for babysitters to watch an infant (one month old). Preferably someone who can drive and knows infant CPR. Looking for help occasionally both during day and evenings. Ginna can be reached via email at bibbapope@hotmail.com or via cellphone 404-219-9865.



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