



# BrookNotes

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## BWH Wraps Up Summer...

The members and neighbors of the Brookwood Hills Community Club gathered in the park for our annual Fourth of July celebration. We would like to thank our sponsor Downey Trees for graciously agreeing to participate in this event again this year.

The mood was set with the red, white, and blue decorations and patriotic music blasting throughout the park. We enjoyed a fried chicken meal on the lawn picnic style. But it was good old fashion competition that really got the party going. Children and adults alike participated enthusiastically in the Fourth of July games.

We would like to congratulate all of our fantastic winners. The sack race prize went to Caroline Holliday with second place going to Jack Long. The lemon roll winners were first place, Claire DiBiase and second place Frances Wilbert. The parent/child three-legged race was won by Freddy and Carson Simon. The most competitive of all was the relay race. The winning team included Morgan Watson, Avery O'Callahan, Margot Palmer, and Caroline Holliday. Finally, we had the water balloon toss won by Will Brogan and Andrew Taylor who amazingly threw a water balloon half way across the field without breaking it.

As is our neighborhood tradition the party was brought to a close with a parade of bikes, wagons, scooters, and even motorized vehicles decorated with streamers, balloons and sparklers. The families and the kegs of beer then retired to the poolside to continue the celebration.

We would not be able to pull off these parties without the assistance of the wonderful neighbors who come and volunteer. Thank you to those who were sweating along side Sarah and Burch: Trey Loughran, Maureen Zent, Theodore and Virginia Davis, Rob Armstrong, and Deborah Vantrece. Last, but certainly not least we would like to thank our very helpful and supportive husbands Andy Howe and Mark Hanson. **More Summer on page 3.**



## And Moves Into Fall...

### Brookwood Hills Annual Tree Planting – In Partnership With Trees Atlanta

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 3 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** We'll meet at Brookwood Hills Park – chicken biscuits and other breakfast items will be served!

**WHY:** Due to the growing number of trees that have been lost in recent years due to age and drought, our neighborhood needs to plant the next generation of trees to replace the lost canopy along the streets or in front yards near the street. As you know, trees have been a defining characteristic of Brookwood Hills and significantly enhance the beauty of our streets and homes – not to mention property values.

**WHO: WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!** The work is not overly strenuous, and is appropriate for teenagers as well as adults. You will have the opportunity to socialize with neighbors and have some “family bonding” time! This is an excellent opportunity for your child's club or team to perform any community service requirements they might have. Volunteers may either join in the fun all morning, or alternatively, participate in the first shift (9:00 – 10:30 a.m.) or the second shift (10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.).

**More Fall on page 4.**

**TREES**  
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## BROOKNOTES

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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 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.

## CALENDAR

- **Wednesday, September 26 — BWH Friends kickoff meeting**, 7:00-9:00 pm at Beehive, 1831 A Peachtree Road.
- **Tuesday, October 2nd — BWHCC Board Meeting**, 7:15 pm, at the home of Karla and David Morris, 45 Montclair Avenue. Neighborhood residents are welcome.
- **Friday - Sunday, October 19-21 — Great Pumpkin Give Away**, 205 Huntington Road.
- **Tuesday, October 23 — Friends Meeting**, 4:30-6:30 pm at the BWHCC Park Pavilion.
- **Wednesday, October 31 — BWHCC Halloween Party**, 4:00-6:00 pm, BWHCC Park.
- **Saturday, November 3 — BWH Annual Tree Planting**, 9:00 am-12:00 pm, BWHCC Park
- **Tuesday, November 13 — Friends Meeting**, 9:00-11:00 am.

## Farmer's Market

Have you seen all the wonderful local produce available at the nearby Peachtree Road Farmers Market on Saturday mornings (8:30 - noon) at The Cathedral of St. Philip (2644 Peachtree Road NW)? Stop by and check us out!



Brooknotes welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of Brooknotes is Wednesday, October 3rd, 2007. Submissions may be e-mailed to [brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com](mailto:brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com) or dropped off at 31 Northwood Avenue.

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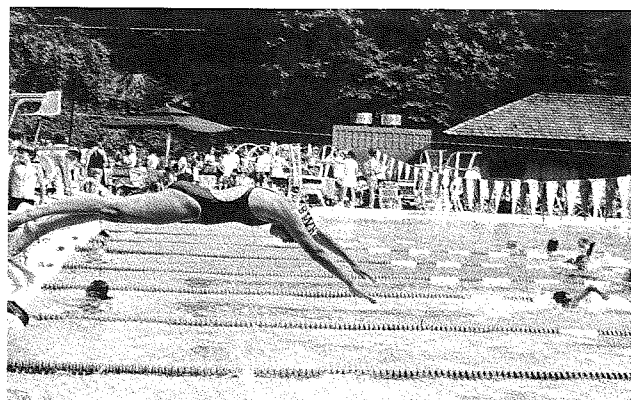
## BWH DIVE TEAM BOUNCES HIGH!

The Brookwood Hills Dive Team had another great year. The team had a record 87 divers on its roster ranging in age from 4-year old Fiona O'Halloran to 18-year old Head Coach Alex Long. The divers earned a very large trophy for winning all of its dual meets, and many smaller victories were celebrated along the way. The divers overcame their fears, debuted new dives, made friends, practiced good sportsmanship, and created lots of memories. The season culminated in the League Championships, held this year at Georgia Tech. The BWH team had a strong finish in the League Championships, and all five of the Dive Team Coaches and Assistant Coaches earned medals in the Championships. After the Championships, the team celebrated another rewarding season with a banquet and slide show in the pool pavilion. To the relief of most all of the participants, thunder intervened to postpone the inaugural parents dive competition until 2008!

Many thanks to the residents and members of Brookwood Hills for your support of the dive team.



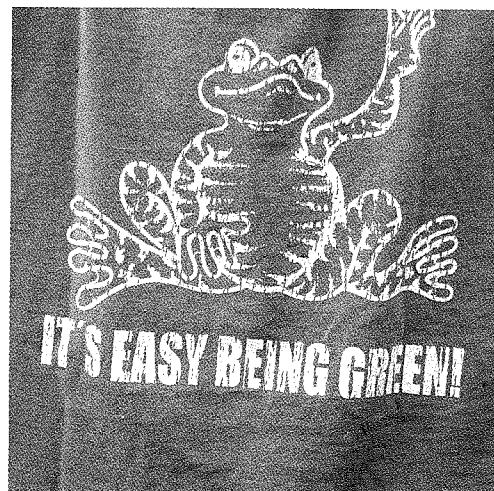
The Dive Team celebrates!



## BWH SWIM TEAM WITH ANOTHER GREAT SEASON!

The BWH Bullfrogs had another great season, finishing 3-2 in dual meet competition and an outstanding 3<sup>rd</sup> place out of 73 teams in the Atlanta Swim Association Championships. The team was headed up by coaches Tim Storsteen and Allison Riley and assisted by Barbara Jones, Matt Lunati, Erskine Love, Richmond Green, Geoff Faux and

also Ciara O'Halloran, Ursula Rogers, Brooke Butler, Addison Lange and Laura Myers. At the end-of-season banquet on July 2<sup>nd</sup> the team awards were given to: Most Improved Swimmers, Kelsey Butler and Noah Booker; Alan Joel Award, James McGibbon and Mason Rooney; and 2007 Family of the Year, Lea and Peter Tranakos Family. Of course, none of this would have been possible without the tireless efforts of the team volunteer leader, Elizabeth Rooney and her assistant Joanne Fitzgerald, and all the many parents who volunteered at every meet. Many thanks also to Alan Joel for all his support. Congrats to all on a fantastic season!



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### **BWH Annual Tree Planting**

**COST:** FREE if you would simply like to volunteer. If you would like plant a tree in your front yard or at your street, you may choose a tree from a list of "site appropriate" trees that are better adapted to urban conditions and will cause fewer problems than the water oaks that were planted many years ago. Trees Atlanta will provide a ten gallon tree for \$25, and a small number of twenty-five gallon trees may also be available at a cost of \$50 per tree. These costs include planting by volunteers, and are significantly below the price you could expect to pay a commercial nursery.

**DONATIONS:** All donations are welcomed, especially if you can't actively participate in the planting. Donations made in memory or honor of individuals will be published in BrookNotes.

If you want to purchase a tree and/or volunteer, please contact Katrina Newton (404 355-6574) if you live on Brighton, Camden, Montclair or Wakefield. If you live on Huntington, Palisades, Northwood, Woodcrest, or Parkdale, please contact Eve Goldstein (404 873-2139).

IT'S PUMPKIN TIME AGAIN!

## **THE 24TH ANNUAL GREAT PUMPKIN GIVE AWAY IN BROOKWOOD HILLS**



Your neighbor Sarah Hagood, owner/broker of Specialty Homes, Inc. is giving away pumpkins to families in Brookwood Hills again. It's the 24th year!

Make plans to pick up your pumpkin Friday, Saturday or Sunday, Oct. 19-21 on the lawn of Sarah's home at 205 Huntington Road. Pumpkin Pickup is scheduled from 2 until 7 p.m. on Friday and from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Pick just one plump, shiny orange pumpkin per family please!

And, if you or friends and family are considering buying or selling a home in the Brookwood Hills area, please give Sarah a call. She gives top quality service and would value the opportunity to help you and yours with your next home purchase or sale.

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## **How To Handle Fallen Trees or Trees Of Concern To You In Your Yard**

Amongst Brookwood Hills' most defining features are the abundant beautiful trees that line our streets and fill our yards. But, who do you call if you have a problem – such as a fallen tree, suspect limb, or concerns that a tree is failing? It all depends on the location of the tree and the severity of the problem at hand.

If the tree is located between the street and the sidewalk: Trees in these locations are owned by the City of Atlanta, and homeowners need the permission of the City to alter the trees in any way.

If one of these trees or a limb from the tree falls:

If there is no emergency, and it is Monday – Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. – call the City of Atlanta Customer Service Call Center for the Parks Department – 404.817.6813.

If there is an emergency or it is after business hours – call 911, and the operator will dispatch the call to the police/fire department, and the problem will be routed to the appropriate personnel.

The tree will be cut and hauled away at the City of Atlanta's expense.

If concerned about the health of the tree or specific limbs, or if you would like to trim/prune part of the tree:

Call the Customer Service number at 404:817.6813 and the operator will issue a work order for a city arborist to come meet with you to inspect the problem, which can take up to 30-45 business days ((though they usually respond sooner).

If a problem is determined, a work order is submitted to the Forestry department within the Parks department to address the issue at the City's expense.

If the tree is located anywhere else in your yard: These trees are your property, and a different set of steps applies.

If one of these trees or a limb from the tree falls:

If any part of the tree falls to the sidewalk or beyond into the street, call the Customer Service number at 404.817.6813 during business hours, and the City of Atlanta will remove that section of tree that impact the sidewalk through the street at the City's expense.

Call a private tree removal company for removal of the tree anywhere else on your property.

Limbs should be cut into 4' sections or smaller and placed at the curb. Please call the Sanitation department at 404.330.6333 to schedule pick up of the debris.

If concerned about the health of the tree or specific limbs, or if you would like to trim/prune part of the tree:

Call a private arborist or tree removal company for a consultation.

If removal is warranted, the removal company will apply for the appropriate permits from the City to remove the tree from the property.

Treatment or removal of these trees are at the homeowner's expense.

If you get a notice from Georgia Power that they will be trimming your street trees, or if you see them working on your tree: Our Trees Committee recently met with Georgia Power to discuss the trimming of the street trees that Georgia Power undertakes every other year. Georgia Power is authorized by the City to trim the street trees that in their opinion may impact the power lines that run above the street. The Tree Committee is concerned that not all trimming leaves the trees in an optimal condition for future growth, and encourages you to contact the Trees Chairman or a member of the Trees Committee with any concerns you may have. If you cannot be present during the trimming of the street tree, or feel that you don't fully understand how the tree should be trimmed to facilitate future growth, please contact the Trees Chairman or a member of the Trees Committee who will endeavor to have an appropriate party present to provide any necessary guidance to the Georgia Power tree pruning crew.

## Atlanta Arts and Entertainment News

By Susan Booth, Artistic Director, Alliance Theatre

Greetings!

At a recent Friday night pool gathering, our own Sarah Hagood asked if I'd be willing to contribute a column about what's happening in the arts around Atlanta – something I'm delighted to be able to do. One quick disclaimer, though. I do have a certain bias toward the Alliance Theatre, so you may hear quite a bit about what's going on there.... But one of the great delights of this city is how rich its entire cultural life is, so, happily, there are lots of options from which to choose!

Autumn is in the air, and the leaves will soon turn to the wonderful hues of the season. It is with excitement that I share some of fall's cultural activities around town to look for:

*To Kill a Mockingbird*, The Balzer Theatre at Herron's, Theatrical Outfit, Now through October 7<sup>th</sup>

One of the classics of Southern literature brought to stage in a production starring Theatrical Outfit's own Tom Key in the role of Atticus Finch. A great show to take all ages to, and one of those stories that still generates the kind of discussions around the dinner table we'd all like to be having. And if you haven't yet seen The Balzer Theatre – downtown, right around the corner from The Rialto – now's your chance. It's an architectural gem and the country's only "green" theatre. <http://www.theatricaloutfit.org/> 678.528.1500

Paris at the Woodruff Series, The Woodruff Arts Center, Various dates and events

Don your beret and join in on these events celebrating the "City of Lights" including:

- The Alliance Theatre's *Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris*, September 21 – October 28, directed by yours truly. The Hertz Stage transforms into a chic bohemian Paris nightclub for this effervescent, funny and poignant show offering a little something for the romantic in everyone.
- The High Museum of Art's exhibition *Inspiring Impressionism*, opens October 16. This groundbreaking exhibition juxtaposes works by such artists as Monet, Cézanne and Degas with those by Titian, Rubens and Fragonard to explore the impact that Dutch and Spanish 17th-century Schools and the French Rococo style had on 19th-century French Impressionism.

The Atlanta Symphony Orchestra's opener *La Boheme*, September 27th & 29th @ 8PM, 30th @ 3PM. Semi-staged and brimming with gaiety, romance, pathos, and tragedy, Puccini's beloved story of inflamed passions among Parisian bohemians is his greatest triumph and one of the world's most popular scores.

<https://www.woodruffcentertickets.org/paris1/> 404.733.5000

Atlanta Celebrates Photography, Opening Reception at MOCA, September 27, 6:30 – 8:30pm

Continuing a three-year tradition, ACP 9 will officially launch with an Opening Reception at The Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia (MOCA GA). Don't miss the exhibit, "Responding to Home," displaying images of "home" for six Georgia artists. [www.mocaga.org](http://www.mocaga.org) 404.881.1109

A.A. Milne's *Winnie-The-Pooh*, The Center For Puppetry Arts, September 27-December 9

These gentle, timeless tales of simple friendship are lovingly told in this heartwarming favorite. There are no villains here, just friends helping friends as Eeyore loses his tail, Piglet looks for a Heffalump and Pooh takes a balloon ride through the sky in this straightforward re-telling of the children's classic. Hunny, anyone?

[www.puppet.org](http://www.puppet.org) 404.873.3391

## Legacy Ladies on Last Legs

By Elaine Luxemburger

The Legacy Ladies are on the last leg of their local history project – a house-to-house survey of Brookwood Hill's residents to be kept at the Atlanta History Center. This collection of information and artifacts will tell of the people, the houses, and the issues that have confronted the neighborhood for the past 85 years.



Brighton Road in the late 1920's. Note the newly planted trees.

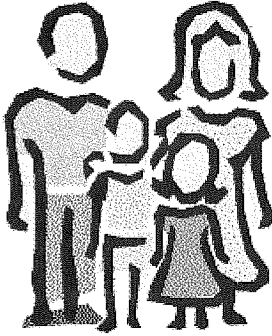
The Legacy Ladies are a talented, charming, mobile group of 20 + year Brookwood Hills residents of a certain age. They include not only current residents but also former residents such as Donna Egan, Betty Heery, Pam Helms, and several Canterbury and Lynbrook residents. The membership is now around sixty women. (Although the exact age requirement has not been disclosed, a member has to be old enough to join AARP, but not necessarily old enough to be on Medicare.) If you are eligible and care to join, please contact Liz Primm.

The Ladies regularly have twenty or more for their monthly luncheons – at the pool, at members' houses, and at local restaurants (e.g. Eugene's and Eno's are owned by sons of members Priscilla Hopkins and Tatty Strickland Howard).

For the past year the Ladies have requested Brookwood Hills homeowners to complete a neighborhood census. Each homeowner has been asked to describe their house, garden, family, and notable events. (One family for instance had a Buddhist wedding in their living room (for an unrelated couple) and a garden wedding (for a related one.) Several (Margaret Shirley, Marylyn Staats, Bill Parker) have told of their childhood experiences in the neighborhood. As of this writing, the Ladies have received 150 surveys that cover approximately one third of the houses in the neighborhood. The project is on its last leg – it is about to close, so please send in your form or request one from Bonnie Burgess or Elaine or get one of the BWH web site ([www.brookwoodhills.com](http://www.brookwoodhills.com)) and complete it soon.

All of this information about the neighborhood will be placed in the Atlanta History Center Archives as the Brookwood Hills Collection. In addition to surveys of the people and the houses, past presidents of the Community Club are being asked to record the events of the years of their service. Past minutes and other records of the Community Club will be placed at the History Center also. The result will be a wonderful trove of information about our historic urban neighborhood.

Several people have been particularly helpful to this project: Bonnie Burgess has received the forms and sent acknowledgement letters to all who have turned in their forms. Nancy Walton hosted a wine party for Lower Brighton neighbors and collected 27 questionnaires! Elaine Luxemburger did the same for Wakefield, Montclair, and Palisades's neighbors; so far, 18 additional forms have been turned in. Frances Ann Ferguson spent many hours at the History Center recording the names of Huntington Road homeowners starting in 1923 and submitted a bound book of results. Many others have helped. Thanks to all of you who have sent in your questionnaires!



## “New Faces By Patti & Sarah”

We want to make sure that new arrivals to our community are recognized and welcomed. That's why after many requests we are again putting together a “New Faces By Patti & Sarah” feature for BrookNotes.

Let us know when you or your neighbors have new babies or a new neighbor moves in near you. We also want to let the community know about the passing of friends during times of bereavement. Keep us informed when you have news for this section. Call or email Patti at 404-262-1234, [pjunger@mindspring.com](mailto:pjunger@mindspring.com) or Sarah at

404-231-5678, [sarahhagood@mindspring.com](mailto:sarahhagood@mindspring.com) with your news.

1. New Neighbors at 284 Camden Road - Ian Zabor, Amanda Baxter & their French bulldog Zoe. Amanda is an Atlanta native and attorney with Troutman Sanders. Ian comes from Indianapolis and is an analyst with Equity Investment Corporation.
2. New Neighbors at 94 Brighton Road - Relocated from Nashville, TN, Michael & Amy Mills, along with their 13-yr.-old Hampton, 11-yr.-old Henry and two English Jack Russells named Cully and Bridget. Michael is President of Birmingham-based Vulcan Materials Company's Southeast Division.
3. New Neighbors at 21 Northwood Avenue - Moving to Brookwood Hills from the Morningside neighborhood, Fritz & Dorothy Ruth Smith and their 2-yr.-old son Preece. Fritz is an attorney with the firm of Seyfarth Shaw.

### Graduation News

Stephanie Newton, daughter of Floyd and Katrina Newton of 49 Brighton Road, graduated from The Westminster Schools in May. She is attending The University of Virginia this fall.

Taylor Cole Berman, son of Kelley and Neil Berman of 36 Wakefield Drive, graduated from Goucher College in Maryland with a degree in English. He is settling in Baltimore.

Caroline Nadal, daughter of Elizabeth and Mike Nadal of 90 Huntington Road, graduated from Pace Academy in May and is attending SMU this fall.

At our most recent BWHCC Board meeting we were all delighted to enjoy snacks provided by **Kaysons Grille**, a new restaurant open at the District at Howell Mill, above Wal-Mart at 1801 Howell Mill Road, 404-554-4519. Kaysons would like to invite you to give them a try and is pleased to offer a coupon to all BWHCC members.

"At Kaysons Grille, we serve our guests great food in a relaxed atmosphere. Our philosophy is to provide each and every customer with a delicious meal, at a reasonable price, with exceptional service. With over 40 TVs, including one in every booth, Kaysons is also the perfect place to watch a game or relax and have dinner with your family. We feel confident that not only will you enjoy our food, but you will also enjoy the experience of visiting with us. Kaysons is Your Neighborhood Grille."

### Brookwood Hills

**Community Club Members,**

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Can't be combined w/ other offers. Exp. 10/31/07





**Kick-Off Celebration!**

Wednesday, September 26

7:00pm-9:00pm

Beehive: 1831- A Peachtree

☐ Learn about our exciting year!

☐ Catch up with friends or make new ones while touching the lives of kids at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta!

☐ Arrive early to shop! 15% of all purchases will be donated to CHOA

**October is our Membership Drive and Celebration!**

If you've been thinking about joining Brookwood Hills FRIENDS, now is the time.

Please bring your kids to the park and join us on

Tuesday, October 23, 2007

4:30pm-6:30pm

Brookwood Hills Park

Rain Location: to be determined

\*Kids are welcome at this event, as moms come to join FRIENDS and learn more about the fundraising, hands-on volunteering, and support we offer to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.

**TEENAGERS:**

\*We are looking for enthusiastic teens to help supervise our children and lead them in a Fall-themed craft, which will be delivered to the children at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Sharon Williams at [Williams.47@comcast.net](mailto:Williams.47@comcast.net).

(Arrangements for school community service hours can possibly be arranged.)

# C L A S S I F I E D S

- Male Nanny Available:** Channing Harral is available for full and part time child care, tutorial assistance, household management and live-in assistance. He can be reached at 314.537.6276, 404.228.5051 or [ultimatemalenanny@yahoo.com](mailto:ultimatemalenanny@yahoo.com). References are available. Channing is a colleague of mine at Equifax - Laurie Hood, 404-875-5452.
- Painters:** We would like to recommend **Peachtree Painting** who has done extensive work in our home. They offer interior and exterior painting, pressure washing, deck sealing, and wallpaper removal. They are a family-owned and run business and are on-time, dependable, and do excellent detailed work. Please call George Constantin at 770-596-4052 for a free estimate or call Lori and Greg Fiore at 404-609-7031.
- Housekeeper:** Kim Wright is seeking daily, part-time work doing housekeeping and/or child care. She's available noon-4:00pm or noon-6:00pm 5days/week. Also does weekend/evening sitting. Call 404-567-1297. Brookwood Hills reference: Liz Primm (404) 351-4755.
- Tutor Available:** Certified elementary school teacher and experienced tutor is looking for students who may need some extra help with school. Specializing in CRCT preparation, Math, Reading, Writing and Science. Learning disabilities, autism, ADHD experienced. References and pricing available upon request. Contact Lindsay Wepman at 404-751-7467 or [lindsaywepman@yahoo.com](mailto:lindsaywepman@yahoo.com). Lindsay was our nanny for a summer and she is a great with children. Sarah & Rob Armstrong, 678-480-3976.
- Rental:** Guest house behind our house at 50 Palisades Rd. Very private. Furnished, \$1200 per month, heat and water included. Call Ginna Pope, 404-872-2940.
- Babysitter/Housekeeper:** I would like to recommend my housekeeper, Gwen Johnson, for house cleaning and/or babysitting. Gwen has been with me for 5 1/2 years taking care of my children and doing housework. She is looking for more business and she would welcome your call! Call Gwen directly on her cell 404-368-3003 or her home 770-784-5552. Feel free to call Christy Payne with any questions at 404-350-9369.



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