



# BrookNotes

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## Help Restore our Neighborhood Legacy

*by Boyd Gentry*

It is Brookwood Hills Annual Tree Planting time again. To restore our diminishing trademark canopy we need to continue our annual neighborhood plantings.

To regenerate the Brookwood Hills “urban forest”, we must plant and nurture more large canopy trees, such as oaks and maples. This has become increasingly important as we have lost almost all of our prized street trees over the last few years. For neighbors living on the power line side of the street, such trees need to be planted in our front yards (not directly under the power lines); those living on the non-power line side of the street may choose to plant these larger trees either in your front yards or at street level.

The following is what you can do to assist:

- Join your friends and neighbors and participate in the upcoming November 5<sup>th</sup> neighborhood tree planting – see details below.
- Purchase and plant an oak or maple tree in your front or back yard (see details on how to purchase these below).

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

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (but please come and work for any amount of time that you can commit).

**WHERE:** We’ll meet in the Pavilion at the Brookwood Hills Park for an al fresco breakfast.

**WHO:** Anyone can help. The work is not overly strenuous and there will be experienced Trees Atlanta staff and volunteers to assist us. What better way to emphasize the importance of our trees than by volunteering to plant them? Planting is appropriate for the entire family. The more volunteers we’ll have, the quicker we’ll finish. In addition, you may not be aware that many volunteers from outside our neighborhood come and plant trees in Brookwood Hills. Finally, this is a great way for our teenagers and scouts to get service hours! Let’s show our gratitude by turning out in force and demonstrating our commitment to our neighborhood re-planting program. Please send Boyd Gentry an email if you plan to volunteer so we can get a

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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 at 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. The cell phone number for the neighborhood security patrol is **404-242-3321**.

## Attention Dog Owners!



**Please remember that all dogs need to be leashed at all times in the neighborhood.** We have had various complaints about dogs chasing children and joggers, as well as unleashed dogs causing falls when they try to play with other dogs on leashes. For the safety of residents as well as the dogs, please keep your dogs restrained. This is not only a neighborhood policy but it is also a law in the City of Atlanta.

**Also, please remember to always clean up after your dogs.** Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

*BrookNotes* welcomes articles, art work, photographs and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue of *BrookNotes* is Friday, October 7. Submissions may be e-mailed to [brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com](mailto:brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com) or dropped off at 144 Huntington Road.

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good count for breakfast and tree planting purposes.

If you would like to plant a tree in your front yard or at the 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 fifteen-gallon (or smaller) trees for \$25; larger trees (e.g., 25 gallon) will be available at a cost of \$50 per tree. These costs include planting by volunteers, are subsidized by the neighborhood and are significantly below the price you could expect to pay a commercial nursery. Trees Atlanta is also offering the opportunity to purchase trees for your backyard, but the cost for such trees will be slightly higher (approximately \$75 on average), and you will be responsible for planting such trees yourself.

**DONATIONS:** All donations are welcomed, especially if you cannot 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 (kfnwton@bellsouth.net) if you live on Brighton, Camden, Montclair or Wakefield. If you live on Huntington, Palisades, Northwood, Woodcrest, or Parkdale, please contact Eve Goldstein (eve.goldstein@att.net). Or, if you have any questions regarding trees in the neighborhood, please feel free to contact Boyd Gentry, your Tree Representative on the BWHCC Board (404.394.6596, bpgentry@comcast.net).



### 12th Annual Trees Atlanta Tree Sale

The 12th Annual Tree Sale is taking place on the 8th of October from 8 AM to 2 PM. The sale, located at Trees Atlanta's headquarters (225 Chester Avenue, Atlanta, 30316), will feature over 1,000 native and unusual trees and plants. A few of these trees include dogwood, elms, baldcypress, crepemyrtles, yellow flowering magnolias, an American wisteria called 'Amethyst Falls', American hazelnut, dwarf tulip-poplar, 5 varieties of silverbells, and 19 varieties of oaks.

Trees Atlanta donors of \$500 or more are invited to attend a preview shopping Friday night the evening before the Tree Sale (4 pm to 6 pm only). For more information please contact Greg Levine at 404-681-4903 or visit the website at

<http://treesatlanta.org/treesale.aspx>

## Neighborhood Endorsement by Artistic Leaders

*Submitted by Sarah Hagood*

Brookwood Hills has found fortuitous advocates in neighborhood residents Susan Booth and Max Leventhal. The couple moved here from Chicago over ten years ago to become leaders of the *Alliance Theatre*; Max serves as General Manager and Susan as Artistic Director. In addition to acting as the company's operational director, Max has acted as lead producer for many feature performances such as *Bring in da Noise, Bring in da Funk, Proof* and *My Fair Lady*. Through her tenure as Artistic Director, Susan has led the company to national acclaim, receiving a Tony Award for sustained excellence in programming, education and community engagement. She has helped the company to strengthen community education programs and artistic partnerships, including development of regional collaborative productions and commercial alliances. Founded in 1968, the *Alliance Theatre* remains a central presence and catalyst within Atlanta's cultural and artistic identity. In a recent feature article in *Simply Buckhead*, Susan praised Brookwood Hills' unique advantages, stating "I think Brookwood Hills is the coolest place on earth." A self-referenced zealot for the neighborhood, Susan lives with Max and their family on Camden Road.

## New BWH Directory is in the Works

IS YOUR DIRECTORY INFORMATION CORRECT? Thanks to the generosity of Sarah Hagood and Specialty Homes, we will create, publish, and distribute a new 2011 edition of the Brookwood Hills Community Club Directory.

The printed directory will include the address and names of club members, the names of any children in a club member's household (college-age or younger), home and cell phone numbers, and email addresses. This information will be taken from the on-line directory and last year's printed directory. If you do not want this information published, please indicate your preference in the on-line directory at [brookwoodhills.com](http://brookwoodhills.com).

If you have not verified your on-line directory information on the neighborhood web site, by Saturday, September 24, please inform Mary Long, Membership Chair, what information you would like published in the printed BWHCC Directory.

Mary can be reached as follows:

- via email at [membership@brookwoodhills.com](mailto:membership@brookwoodhills.com) via mail at 30 Montclair Drive
- via telephone at 404-352-3464

Thank you for your help in producing an accurate directory.

## Mark your Calendars! Bring the family! Bring your Lacrosse Sticks!

Enjoy Starbucks coffee, hot chocolate and breakfast in the pool pavilion with your Brookwood Hills neighbors and your own Championship North Atlanta High School Ladies Lacrosse team on Saturday, October 15 from 8 to 11:00 a.m.

What a difference a school year makes in the life of this young team. The generosity and support of Brookwood Hills is now urban lore and was a critical lynchpin in the team's first year success. The positive news continues:

Girl's lacrosse is now an official varsity sport at North Atlanta. It has been one of the most successful initiations of a new sport in the Atlanta Public School System.

Ms. Killory, N. Atlanta's International Baccalaureate Biology teacher is our head coach. She hails from Syracuse, New York where "everyone carries a lacrosse stick" and "lacrosse is like football is in the South". She is passionate about lacrosse being available to our girls.

New uniforms have arrived! No more playing games in practice pinnies.

We are still seeking a community coach. Our beloved Coach June is back to graduate school so if any of you lacrosse lovers have recommendations, please let Kathy Gentry know.



Sarah Hagood  
and Specialty Homes, Inc.  
are pleased to sponsor the  
28<sup>th</sup> annual  
"Great Pumpkin Giveaway!"

### Dates and Times:

Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 2-7

Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 9-6

Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> 9-6

If you are unable to come at these times, the pumpkin will be waiting for your pickup until the end of October.

In celebration of fall and Halloween, Sarah is giving each Brookwood Hills home a large pumpkin. Look for orange flyers to arrive with details.

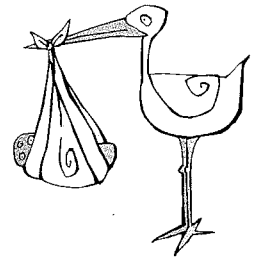
The event will be at

**205 Huntington Road** in Sarah's front yard. One pumpkin per family please.

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

**Experienced tutor and Brookwood Hills native available for private and small group tutoring.** Sarah Bristow, daughter of Anne and Steve Parker of Brighton Road, has a Masters of Arts and Teaching and specializes in primary and secondary education, organizational skills, and homework assistance. Sarah also has extensive Lindamood Bell training. Excellent references and flexible scheduling. Please call or email Sarah Parker Bristow for more information. 404-852-5340, sarahpbristow@gmail.com

Michael and Lys Paulhus of 172 Huntington welcomed their second daughter, Elizabeth Camille Renault, "Camille" on July 8th. Her big sister Caroline loves her little sister and is a big help!



## CALENDAR

**Sunday, October 2 - Huntington Road Annual Street Party.** Pool Pavilion, 6-8 PM

**Friday, October 14 - 16 - "Great Pumpkin Giveaway,"** sponsored by Sarah Hagood and Specialty Homes at 205 Huntington Road.

**Saturday, October 15 - Coffee and Hot Chocolate with North Atlanta HS Ladies Lacrosse Team.** Pool Pavilion, 8 to 11 AM.

**Next BWHCC Board Meeting - Monday, October 3, 7:15 PM** at Travis Szwast's house, 35 Huntington Road.

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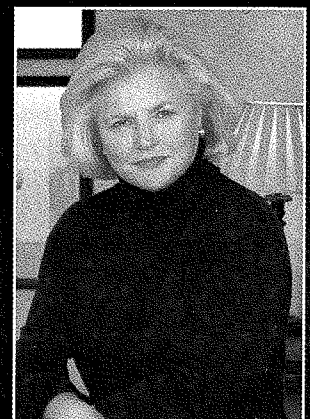
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