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It's time to see who has the Best Butt in Brookwood Hills!

By Jill Malino & Elizabeth Schaefer, Event Co-Chairs

Presented by the Brookwood Hills Friends Group of Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, the 3rd annual Best Butt BBQ competition will be on **Saturday, October 22 from 2-5pm**. This family-friendly event raised over \$10,000 in 2015 for specialized care and equipment, as well as cutting-edge research at CHOA. We hope to raise even more this year!

In addition to some of the best BBQ in Atlanta cooked up by your very own neighbors and friends, there will be two new competitions for you to participate in - a vegetarian side dish category and a dessert category (you do not have to be on a team to participate in these events). In addition to adult beverages and activities for the kids, we will again have Carson's Corner where kids can make cards that will be delivered to CHOA patients. And of course you will have the chance to vote on which team truly has the "Best Butt" in BWH!

So how can you get involved?

Be part of a competition team. This year there will be a maximum of 12 teams and each team is limited to 4 members. To register your team, email bwhbestbutt@gmail.com

Sponsor the event. Show your support by donating funds or items for the event. Please email bwhbestbutt@gmail.com for more details.

Attend the event and vote!

More details will be coming soon about how to purchase tickets to the event but mark your calendars now!



Beautification of Palisades and Huntington Entrances

By Ramsay Battin, Beautification Chair

As most of you have likely noticed, we are beginning to do some work relative to the beautification of the Palisades Road entrance islands. We wanted to give everyone a high level snapshot of our plans for this space as well as for the Huntington Road entrance. This work ultimately will be financed primarily through the Garden Club which has spent countless hours over the years raising funds for this project from neighbors and many others.

Palisades Entrances

Over the next several months, we expect to see significant progress in the implementation of a landscape design plan that neighbors Esther Stokes and Stan Dixon first

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Call for Submissions

BrookNotes welcomes articles, photographs, and story ideas. The deadline for the next issue is **Friday, 11/4/16**. Please email the *BrookNotes* co-editors at brooknotes@brookwoodhills.com.

Mark Your Calendar!



Best Butt in Brookwood Hills

Saturday 10/22/16, 2-5pm Pool Pavilion



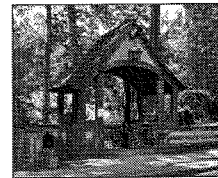
Halloween Movie Night

Saturday 10/29/16

Halloween Party

Monday 10/31/16

More details to follow



Tuning for Type 1

Saturday 10/15/16, 10am-3pm Pool Pavilion

Brookwood Hills Security

Neighborhood Patrol Cell Phone (404) 242-3321

Going Out of Town? Call or email BWH Security at Brookwoodhillspatrol@gmail.com or (404) 325-5114. Please make sure you provide your name, address, phone number and the dates you will be away.

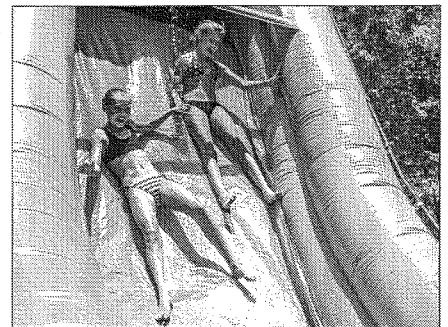
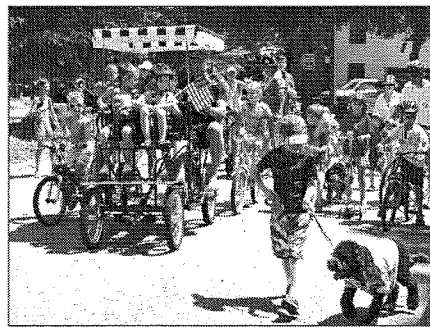
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Greg Fiore (657) 229-4728 (text or call)

4th of July Festivities

Contributed by Kirsten Boehner and Jennifer Webster, Social Chairs

The annual 4th of July party was another yearly treat full of good eats, drinks and friends around the park and pool. The firetruck did not appear this year but we had a patriotic parade led by bikes and trikes. Yumbii and Kona Ice kept us well fed, but the main attraction was the ginormous waterslide enjoyed by young and old(er) alike. Shout out to Kevin Kleinhelter for running back home to get a hose splitter to make it work -- equal shout out to Lee Kleinhelter for not making Kevin clean out the garage and get rid of said hose splitter before we needed it!

A big thank you as well to our sponsor Bruce Wanamaker of Ledbetter, Wanamaker and Glass for hosting the event again. And our volunteer crew was fantastic - thank you so much helping us set up, break down, serve watermelon, man the keg, and monitor the water slide. We can't have these member-wide parties without volunteers, so we really appreciate everyone who signed up to help and to those who stepped in when we needed extra hands (waterslide dads - you rock).

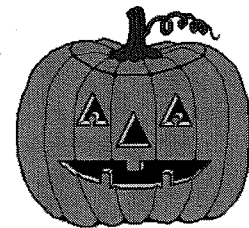


Sarah Hagood and Specialty Homes, Inc. are pleased to sponsor the 33rd annual "Great Pumpkin Giveaway"!

Sarah is giving each Brookwood Hills home a large Pumpkin in celebration of Fall and Halloween. Look for the orange flyers to arrive with details. The event will be at 205 Huntington Road in Sarah's front yard. One Pumpkin per family please.

Dates and Times:

Friday, October 7th 2-7
 Saturday, October 8th 9-6
 Sunday, October 9th 9-6



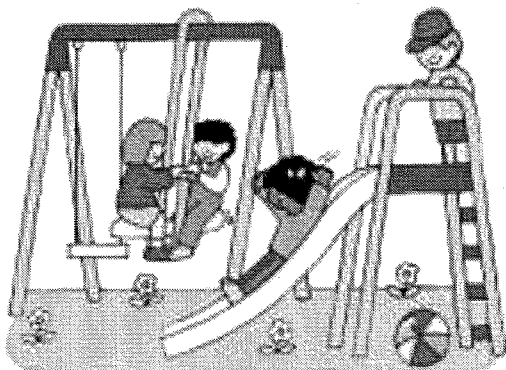
If you are unable to come at these times, the pumpkin will be waiting for your pickup until the end of October.

The Park Needs Your Help!

*Contributed by Bryan Kenna
Park, Tennis, and Common Areas Chair*

We all know the story - the floods, the deteriorated infrastructure and related eyesores, the equipment on its last legs. That these characterize one of our biggest assets is incongruous with how most of us probably think about the overall state of our neighborhood and community. There is no question we need to take action not just to fix what's broken, but to enhance one of our most valuable spaces. With your input over the past 2 years, we have a plan that would stop the flooding, address all critical infrastructure needs (stairs, trash & storage, lighting, electrical), replace all equipment, and triple the size of social spaces. It's time to make the park what it should be - a centerpiece of our community.

While all may seem quiet on the park project front, we have been keeping things moving behind the scenes over the past few months. In April we asked for volunteers for a Park Steering Committee and the response was overwhelming - (big thanks to all who responded!), proving again there is a huge amount of energy around this project. Our Committee - Mitch Wickland, Tom Rhodes, Sean Fitzsimmons, and Alison Caughman - has been extremely valuable in providing guidance and input on strategy and planning, helping the Board shape a thoughtful plan that we have been working against. Over the past couple months this has included seeking insight from neighbors on past projects, speaking with other community clubs about their major capital projects and processes, working with our architect (HGOR) to refine elements of our park plan, and developing financial scenarios. Over the next month or so we plan to start turning outward more - sharing a more complete picture of what we plan to do, and how we plan to do it in a series of informal gatherings around the neighborhood. In this effort we will need more of your help, so if you volunteered earlier you aren't off the hook yet! Stay tuned.



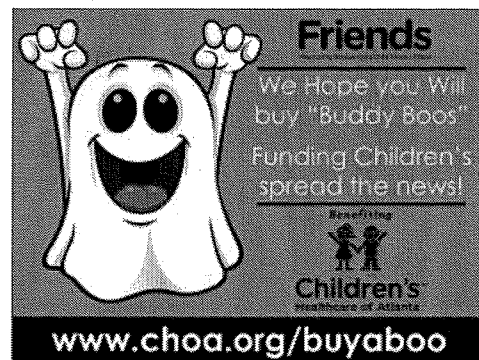
CHOA Friends Corner

*Contributed by Amanda Baxter and Robin Fisher
2016-2017 BWH Friends' Co-Chairs*

On Friday, August 19th, the Brookwood Hills Friends Group held their kick-off meeting at the Pool Pavilion. Bad weather did not deter the crowd, and a good time was had both by volunteers and their children, thanks to prosecco and popsicles! The group discussed their annual funding raising goal of \$45,000, as well as the year's key events including the Fall's Best Butts competition and Spring's BWH Tour of Homes. Anyone who missed this meeting but still hopes to join the group, please contact Robin Fisher (robinofisher@icloud.com) or Amanda Baxter (aczabor@gmail.com).

Stay Tuned for CHOA Friends Buy a Boo yard sign fundraiser coming this Fall. This Boo is For You!

The 3rd Annual Best Butt Competition is scheduled for Saturday, October 22nd. See you there!



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Beautification of Entrances

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presented back in 2007. For financial and logistical reasons, we have divided this plan into two main phases:

Phase I: Beautification of the Existing Palisades Islands

The key elements of Phase I include:

- Installation of granite curbs on all three islands
- Installation of granite cobble bands inside the granite curbs similar to Brighton Road entrance
- Removal of the existing bricks and stonework in each of the islands
- Planting of two new Princeton elm trees on the middle island
- Planting of jasmine ground cover on all 3 islands (similar to Brighton Road entrance)
- Shrinking of the island closest to Peachtree so that the cross walk is unimpeded by the island
- Re-siting of historical stone marker on the first island back further into the neighborhood

As folks have seen, we have already kicked off elements of Phase I. At this point, we have spent approximately \$14,500 which will ultimately result in the removal of the existing bricks/stones, demolition of the concrete curbs and installation of granite curbs, shrinking of the first island, removal of the magnolia trees and the re-siting of the stone marker. The \$14,500 cost was financed primarily through a \$6,050 contribution from the BWH Community Club, a \$1,600 contribution from the BWH Garden Club, and \$6,850 of donations from various interested stakeholders (more on that below). We expect Phase I to be completed by the end of 2016 or early 2017.

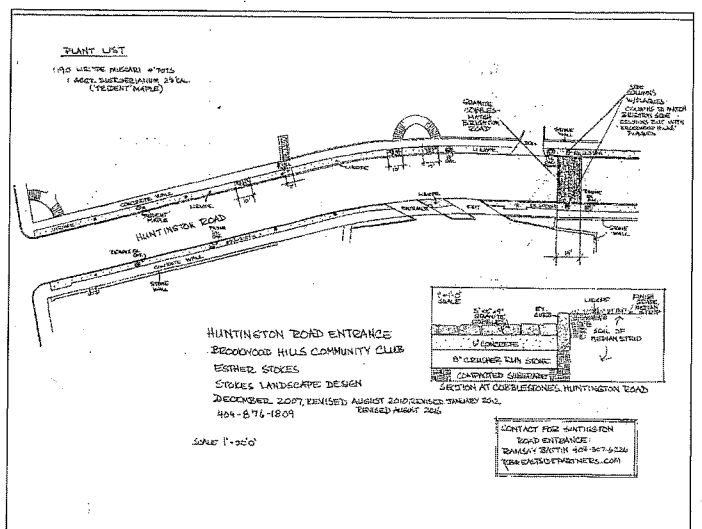
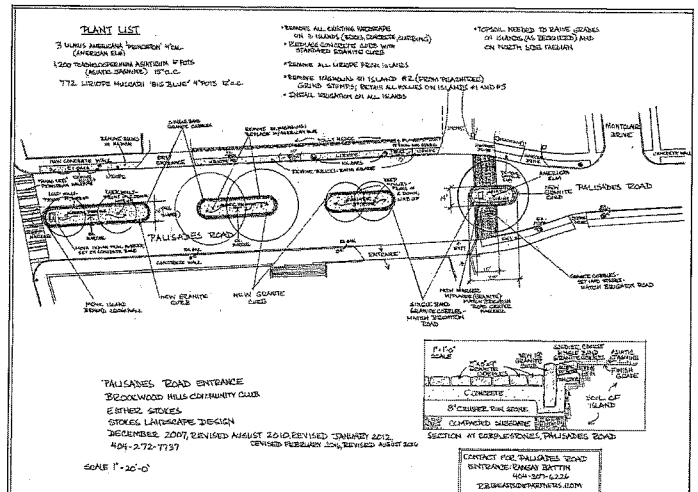
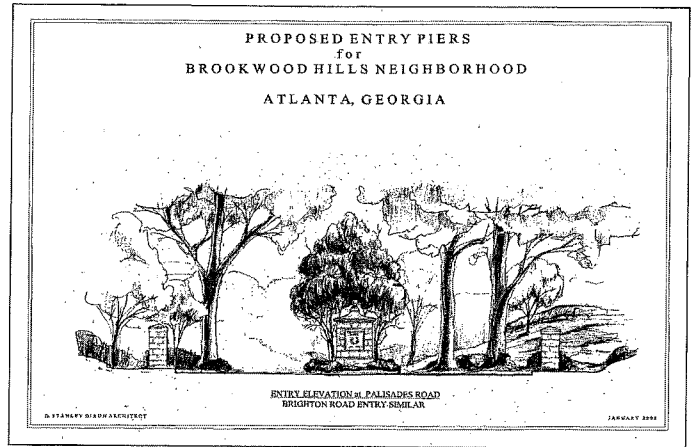
Phase II: Creation of New Palisades Entrance Elements

The key elements of Phase II include:

- The creation of a new island on Palisades close to the Montclair intersection. This island will have an entrance column similar to Brighton Road that reads "Brookwood Hills". Please note that in the original drawing by Stan Dixon, there are also 2 side piers which we no longer plan to include.
- The installation of inlaid cobblestone pavers across the width of the road with the new island situated at the mid-point of these pavers.

Phase II work is subject to (a) getting the City to sign-off on the creation of a new island (not a given) and (b) finding enough money to execute on these elements (more on that below).

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Beautification of Entrances Continued

Neighbors on the Palisades Beautification Committee

The Palisades Road beautification committee first met last summer to discuss this project. Members of the committee include Bonnie Burgess, Sabina Carr, Leslie Carroll, Shannon Cox, Larre Holladay, Bert and Jane Hunecke, Kevin Kleinhelter, Matt Little, Mary Long, Elaine and Jerry Luxemburger, Laura Moser, Caroline Tolleson, and Marty and Brad Whitcomb. Members of this committee who live closest to the proposed new island have also spent considerable time thinking through the exact placement of this island to ensure adequate ingress and egress to their properties.

Donations to Palisades Project

To date, we have raised \$8,450 in cash donations for the Palisades project from the following:

The Brookwood Hills Garden Club, \$1,600

Carroll & Weiss, LLP, \$1,000 (Camden Road neighbor Jamie Carroll is a name partner)

Palisades/Peachtree office building, \$5,000 (Jamie Carroll, whose office is in the building, was instrumental in securing this donation)

Trillium Properties, \$500 (owner of the Lusca/Intermezzo property)

Daughters of the American Revolution, \$350 (the DAR donated the historical marker many years ago)

As noted at the start of this article, the Palisades and Huntington projects will ultimately be financed primarily through donations from the Brookwood Hills Garden Club. The Club has already made available an additional \$14,600 for the completion of the Palisades project – these funds were raised from neighbors at one of the Garden Club fundraisers several years ago (the “Fund-A-Need” fundraiser). More on these generous neighbors in a future article! Finally, with some help and prodding from neighbor Lindsey Potts (Huntington Rd.), Gunnison Tree has donated in-kind services of approximately \$750. If you see Jamie and Leslie Carroll, Lindsey Potts or members of the Garden Club, please thank them for their generosity and please remember Gunnison Tree service for any tree services you may need (404-386-3333). As mentioned above, the BWHCC has already committed \$6,050 to Phase I and has budgeted significantly more to help bring the Palisades project to fruition.

Huntington Road Entrance

Neighbors may recall several years ago that Pruitt Health purchased the Joel & Associates office building on the corner of Peachtree and Huntington. Pruitt presented a plan to the neighborhood to demolish that building and in its place build a new facility that would serve patients recently discharged from the hospital. Brookwood Hills made a condition to our approval of that plan that Pruitt pay for the installation of a Huntington Road entrance beautification plan. That plan includes the placement of cobble pavers across the street as well as two entrance markers on either side of the road.

We were recently informed by Pruitt that they have delayed the demolition of that building for several years and will, until then, use the current building as a back office facility. We have made a formal request to Pruitt to go ahead and fund the Huntington Road entrance plan and are awaiting word back from them as to whether they would do this so far in advance of the demolition of the existing building (contractually, the payment for the entrance plan was tied to the actual demolition of the building).

If we are able to secure these funds from Pruitt for the Huntington entrance, that should position the neighborhood to completely fund Phase II of the Palisades project (e.g. the new island and pavers in the street) as a portion of the funds that the BWHCC and Garden Club have reserved for Huntington could be re-allocated to Palisades.

Conclusion

I'll conclude this long-winded missive by asking folks to please bear with us on the Palisades Road beautification project. We know things look anything but “beautiful” right now! Candidly, we are picking up pennies and nickels wherever we can to fund this project, and are at times having to trade speed for lower costs. We are doing everything thing we can, though, to ultimately maintain the same level of quality as the Brighton Road entrance. If you have any questions about these projects, please feel free to contact a member of the Palisades committee, Shannon Cox (President of the BWHCC, sfc_home@yahoo.com) or myself at rb@eastsidepartners.com.

Street Safety

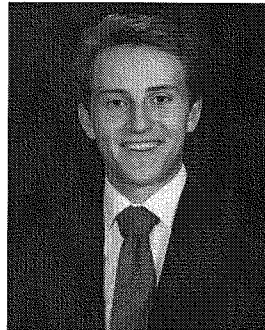
Please obey (and encourage your young drivers to obey) stop signs and speed limits throughout our beautiful neighborhood. We have observed a significant rise in traffic infractions.



Brookwood Hills has an Olympiad

Contributed by Alex Doman

Joshua Doman has won a silver medal in the United States Physics Olympiad for the second straight year. The competition involved over 4,000 high school students from across the USA. After tutoring a number of Westminster School students for the US Physics Bowl this year, Westminster placed fourth amongst schools for the southern region of the US Physics Bowl for the first time. Josh also placed fourth individually in the US Physics Bowl in the USA out of more than 5,000 students this year. Josh does not know exactly how he will translate his passion for physics into a business enterprise at the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania when he starts there in the fall. He has contemplated the idea of starting an asteroid mining company. Who knows, maybe Josh might just be the first Brookwood Hills resident to explore outer space for business and pleasure!



Second Annual Tuning for Type One

Contributed by Sarah Bristow

Save the Date! The second annual "Tuning for Type One" event will be held at the Brookwood Hills pool pavilion on Saturday, October 15. Bike mechanics will be on site cleaning and tuning mountain bikes, road bikes, cruisers, and trikes with all donations benefitting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Please contact Sarah Bristow at atsarahpbristow@gmail.com with any questions. We hope to see you there!

Brookwood Hills Security

Contributed by Gregory Fiore, Security Chair

| Security Concern/Request | Recommended Action |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was a break-in or attempted break-in at your home or car. • You see suspicious activity in the neighborhood. • A solicitor has come to your door to try to sell something. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First, call 911. 2. Call the Security Patrol cell phone at (404) 242-3321. 3. Post incident on Village Defense (the fastest way to notify neighbors) |
| You are going out of town. | Contact Security at Brookwoodhillspatrol@gmail.com or (404) 325-5114 . Please provide your name, address, phone number and the dates you will be away.. Security will check on your home while you are away. |
| You need a BWH parking sticker for your car. (members only) | Gregory Fiore distributes parking stickers. Email him at security@brookwoodhills.com . |
| Download Village Defense on your phone at www.villagedefense.com/app | If you see something suspicious please send alerts to your neighbors via the APP. We have very high participation. Please only use the app for security issues. Lost pets can be posted on the BWH Facebook page. |

Security Phone Numbers

911 - You should call 911 for everything from solicitations to invasive crimes.

Security Patrol Cell Phone: (404) 242-3321

You can call this number for questions about security in the neighborhood or in the case of an incident, after you have called 911.

BWH Security Chair:

To report incidents or ask questions, email him at security@brookwoodhills.com.

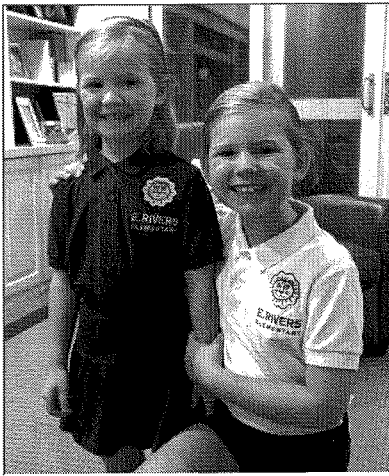
Brookwood Hills Goes Back to School



Webster Girls, 3rd Grade



*Caroline Fisher, Virginia Fisher,
Barrett Kenna and Walker Kenna*



Tucker (K) and Campbell (3) Adams



Caroline Little, 1st Grade



Zoe Zabor, Kindergarten

Support E. Rivers

Contributed by Angela Smock

Please help support the E. Rivers Elementary School by purchasing a Partner Card and receive a 10% discount from our partner restaurants below:

Another Broken Egg (Peachtree Battle)
Big Al's Butter Burger
Caja Popcorn
Depalma's Porch
El Azteca (Peachtree)
FLIP Burger Boutique (Howell Mill & Roswell Road)
Jersey Mike's (Howell Mill)
Maki Fresh

Suff's
TavernPointe
Treehouse Pub*
Varasano's Pizzeria
Whitehall Tavern
Willy's (Howell Mill & Buckhead)
Zoe's Kitchen (Peachtree Battle)

* Valid 8/3/2016 – 5/25/2017. Not valid with any other offers and restrictions may apply.

Card must be presented for discount. Alcohol not included in discount at Treehouse Pub. First card is \$35 and additional cards are only \$30 each! Great present for family members, sitters, teachers, hostess gift, etc. **To purchase, please contact Angela Smock at asmock1@gmail.com.**

BWH Bullfrog Swimteam

Contributed by Dea Canova

The 2016 Brookwood Hills swim team had another successful season with Coach Tim Storsteen leading 243 swimmers. The Bullfrogs placed 2nd in their division and 4th out of 110 swim teams in the ASA Championships held at the Georgia Tech Natatorium. Championships once again broke a world record of being the largest swim meet. In addition to the team's success there were also a number of Brookwood Hills records broken. We look forward to seeing our swimmers back in the pool in April for the 2017 season. Your new swim team parent representatives will be Ali Richardson and Mary Clancy and Kevin Peak. Go Bullfrogs!

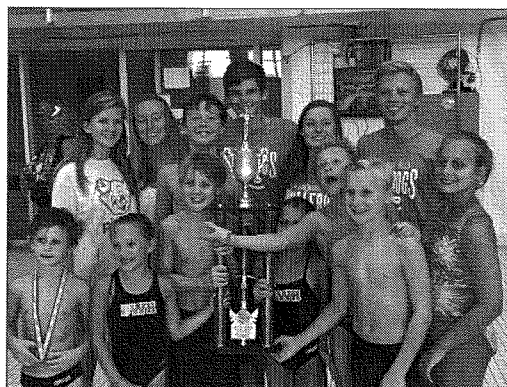
- 6 & Under girls backstroke - Ann Cole Canova
- 9-10 Boys IM and Breaststroke- Teddy Meredith
- 9-10 Boys Freestyle Relay - Davis Jones, Collin Crites, Teddy Meredith and Lane Canova
- 11-12 Girls 50 Breaststroke - Zoe Mock
- 15-18 Girls 200 Medley Relay (Eliza Normark, Luisa Whitney, Rebecca Aman and Adair Sawyer) and Free Relay (Morgan Watson, Adair Sawyer, Luisa Whitney & Eliza Normark)
- 15-18 Girls Backstroke - Eliza Normark
- 6 & under boys and girls were age group champions at the ASA Championship for the 2nd year in a row.



BWH Bullfrog Swimteam

Contributed by Karen Sheldon

The Brookwood Hills dive team had a fantastic 2016 summer season. Led by coaches McKenzie Richards, Davis Waln, Drew Sheldon, Mary Anglin Toole and Stuart Ingram, they won both the season (all meets) as well as City Championships at Georgia Tech! We welcomed lots of new divers this season and are excited to be combining online registration with swim team early next spring to make it easier on all the BWH parents! Kids need no previous experience to be on dive team and it's a fun and relaxed atmosphere to learn how to dive! Meets are on Wednesday nights and typically last between 1.5 and 2 hours. Please join us in the summer of 2017 for another fun season. Go Bullfrogs!



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Logo design by Dan Adcock

Summer Babysitter/Nanny

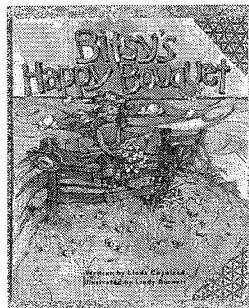
Hi! My name is Lily Wagoner. I am 16 years old and live on Middle Camden. I am a sophomore at Pace Academy. You have probably seen me at the pool this summer because I am a lifeguard. I am a certified first responder, know CPR, and have been through Red Cross certified babysitting training at the YMCA. I really love children and have been babysitting for many years. I am available to babysit or help in anyway! Feel free to contact me by texting or calling 404-245-1917. Thanks so much!

Recommendations

Alison and Wright Caughman highly recommend massage therapist Tracy Ann Unsworth. They have been her clients for approximately 5 years. Tracy Ann comes to your home, bringing her own massage table, linens, etc. She has an excellent understanding of anatomy and tailors her therapeutic massages to your own specific issues. The best way to reach Tracy Ann is by text 404-437-9115. Questions? Call Alison at 404-355-7662.

After 20 years delivering Brookwood Hills babies, Dr. Lillian Schapiro is opening a gyn only practice, specializing in women's wellness from a teen's first visit through perimenopause and menopause. She is filling up quickly, so call [\(470\) 312-3696](tel:4703123696) to make your appointment. The office is 3 miles from Brookwood Hills at 3200 Downwood Circle, Suite 220, Atlanta 30327. She is looking forward to continuing to take care of her neighbors.

Linda Copeland is a long time resident of Brookwood Hills (43 years!) on middle Camden and a lover of plants and gardening and flowers. She created a children's book about the importance of giving flowers to others to show that we care about them and their feelings. Please visit lindacopelandbooks.com for information about Bitsy's Happy Bouquet and more!

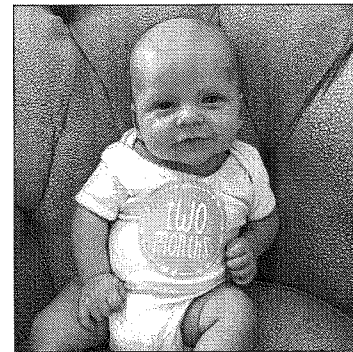


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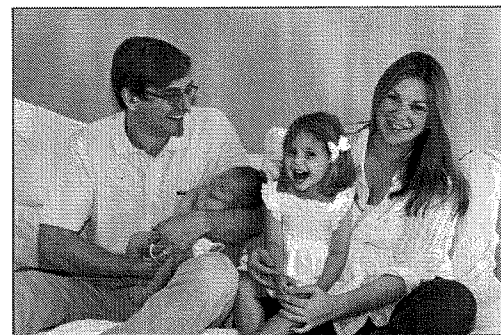
Amber Brock, daughter in law for Sandra and Tom Player, is hosting a talk at the Margaret Mitchell house, 7 pm, Oct 4th. She will be discussing her book, A Fine Imitation.

Birth Announcements

The BrookNotes' Editors welcome 2 new babies!



The Barge Boys of 18 Palisades add one more to their clan! We are thrilled to welcome Whitfield Stowe Barge, "Whit." He was born on May 14th, 6 lbs 15 ounces.



Photograph by Kem Lee

The Wolf Family at 71 Huntington has expanded! They welcomed Caroline Thompson Wolf on July 29 - all 10 lb. 3 oz. and 21 5/8 inches of her!