

# BROOKNOTES

The Newsletter of the Brookwood Hills Community

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## Mayor Grants Liquor License

The neighborhood Association has, for many months, been opposing the attempt to open a large, late-night club called Cafe Reggio, on the site formerly occupied by Zazu's at 1923 Peachtree Road. The grounds for the neighborhood's opposition included the facts that there is no adequate parking to accommodate the crowds the club is expected to draw, and the owners of the club do not meet the requirements stipulated by law for receipt of a liquor license.

The Association only recently learned that, with no public announcement, Mayor Jackson granted a liquor license to Reggio's owners, Swails and Associates, Inc. The license issued by the Mayor overturned the recommendation for denial of a license by the Liquor License Review Board earlier this year. Immediately upon learning of the Mayor's action, the Board asked him to reconsider this decision. To date, no final determination has been made by the Mayor. The Board has voted to initiate legal action, if necessary, to prevent the opening of this establishment as it is currently planned.

## Tax Bill Alert

According to the Atlanta Journal, the first wave of Atlanta/Fulton County property tax bills was mailed July 14th. The last set of bills should be in the mail by July 23rd. Property owners who are in the process of appealing their assessments will receive estimated bills based on their 1992 assessed value or the value asked for in their appeal, whichever number is higher. Property owners who did not appeal will be billed according to their new assessed value. The Atlanta city taxes will be due August 15th. The Fulton County portion of the bill will be due October 15th.

## It's the Law

The State of Georgia recently enacted legislation that affects all children under the age of 16 who ride bicycles. Children who are four years old or younger and passengers on a bicycle must be helmeted and seated in an appropriate bicycle seat or infant sling. Children operating their own bikes (including those with training wheels) must wear a helmet, even if they are only riding on the sidewalk or a bicycle path. The helmet must meet or exceed the guidelines set by either the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) or the Snell Memorial Foundation. It must fit securely and be strapped in place.

Since most of us grew up riding our bikes without helmets, this may seem like another instance of government over-regulation. However, there is a substantial body of evidence now available that helmets can make a significant difference in the number and severity of head injuries suffered by cyclists (both adults and children) involved in accidents. Serious injuries are not necessarily caused by a collision with a car. Simply sliding on wet leaves or catching a tire on a rock can cause a bad spill. Please require your children to use a good helmet. If they complain, you can use the excuse: It's the law!

## Stop Please

Neighbors living near the corner of Huntington and Wakefield by the entrance to the pool have observed that few cars entering the intersection come to a full stop at any of the three stop signs. Most of the year, this is not usually a big problem. In the summer however, when the pool is open, the intersection can be quite congested and the danger of hitting a child darting out into the street is heightened. Your cooperation in coming to a full stop and proceeding cautiously is appreciated.

## Tree Watch

In the last ten years, Brookwood Hills has replaced many trees as older ones have died. Trees that were planted three to five years ago now need to be pruned so that they can coexist with the power lines. Georgia Power subcontractors, who trim the trees every two years, will be re-entering the neighborhood this summer to do this pruning. We as homeowners have a role to play in this: we must be educated consumers. In the next few weeks, each household will receive a booklet, specifically designed for Brookwood Hills, to serve as a guide for homeowners and Georgia Power subcontractors. It will explain exactly how the trees should be pruned so that the wires can be protected without decimating the beauty and symmetry of the trees. Please read this booklet carefully, and refer to it when Georgia Power subcontractors come to prune in front of your home.

In the meantime, in this hot weather don't forget your new willow oaks recently planted by the Garden Club, especially if your tree is in full sun all day. Trees less than two years old should be watered every five days, in the absence of a good soaking-type rain. Water your new tree thoroughly. This means twenty minutes with the hose (not the sprinkler). Wait five to ten minutes and water it again for another twenty minutes.

If you have any questions about trees call JoAnn Hagaman at 876-2606 or Esther Stokes at 876-1809.

## Comings and Goings

W. Michael Murphy, who is with the hotel investment and banking firm Geller & Company, has moved into 43 Woodcrest, along with his children Meghan (age 12) and William (age 5).

Susan, Jim and Chuck Frenzel are moving to Chastain Commons. Their new address and phone will be 533 Hollydale Court, 255-4002.

The Frenzel's sold their home at 58 Montclair to Cathy and Marc Lindenberg, who will be moving here from Boston on August 1st. Marc is Senior Vice President for Programs at CARE. Cathy will be Chair of the Division of Women and Children at the Emory University School of Nursing. They have two children: Robbie (15) and Anni (13), who will be students at Woodward Academy.

## Preschool Spaces Available

Peachtree Christian Church, conveniently located at 1580 Peachtree Street, is now planning its Fall classes for Parents Morning Out. The Fall Session begins September 7th. PMO accepts children from two months through four years of age. Classes are available Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Preschool classes enjoy activities such as art, cooking days, nature crafts, singing, story-time, music, and trips to the Center for Puppetry Arts. Basic knowledge of numbers and alphabet are also taught. PMO babies and toddlers enjoy stimulating games and toys, songs, finger play, and lots of tender loving care. Classes now available for Fall include a Crib Room (Monday and Wednesday), a Toddler Class Monday through Friday, and preschool classes for two, three, and four year olds (which also meet Monday through Friday). For more information, please call Leslie O'Callaghan at 876-5535.

Editor's Note: If you know of any other preschools convenient to Brookwood Hills which you would like to recommend through Brooknotes, have them send the relevant information to Alison Caughman at 200 Camden and it will be printed if space is available.

## Camp Cool Hits The Spot

It's an early summer morning in June. Most eleven and twelve year olds are sleeping in, but not Sarah Parker and Emily Withrow! They have been up since seven, setting up for the day's activities.

Starting in January, these two entrepreneurs spent long hours planning for this one special week. On June 14th, Camp Cool was ready to begin as a neighborhood camp utilizing the hundred year old log cabin in the Withrow's back yard. The girls have been running the camp since 1990, when they were eight and nine years old. In their first year they had three campers and charged 10¢ apiece. In the four years since, they have made much progress. This year they had seventeen campers who enjoyed five fun-filled days that everyone loved. And at \$10 per day, the parents felt like they'd found the bargain of the year.

This year's camp was such a success, that Emily and Sarah may hold another session in August. Also, watch for information in Brooknotes about "Camp Cool Christmas Crafts," to give parents some extra time for holiday shopping. For information on the August session, call Emily at 352-1315 or Sarah at 355-2303.

## Swim Team Scores

The 1993 Brookwood Hills Swim Team crowned a highly successful season with its best finish in nine years at the Fulton County Championships on July 17th. Brookwood swimmers were terrific, taking first place in seven relay events and thirteen individual events, the highest number of firsts for any team. There were many personal best times, despite the 98 degree heat and 10-hour meet. The team finished in second place behind Horseshoe Bend Country Club.

Brookwood set three new county records: in the 6 and under boys freestyle relay (Jason Wimberly, Robert Griest, Will Bryant, and Walker Owen), and in the 7-8 girls freestyle and medley relays (Lida Griest, Lisa Nowack, Caroline Owen, and Kelly Golson).

The 7-8 boys won both medley and freestyle relays (Spencer Hagaman, Andrew Jones, Watson Bryant, and Patrick Forquer); the 11-12 girls won the freestyle relay (Garland Askins, Audrey Boyer, Katie Golson, and Zibby Stokes); and the 15-18 girls won the freestyle relay (Jenny Foster, Alison Clineburg, Jenny Arnold, and Jessica Stokes).

Four swimmers won two events apiece: Watson Bryant (7-8 boys 25 free and 25 fly), Walker Owen (6 and under boys 25 free and 25 back), Caroline Owen (7-8 girls 100 individual medley and 25 fly), and Zibby Stokes (11-12 girls 100 IM and 50 fly). Also, Kelly Golson won the 7-8 girls 25 free, Lida Griest won the 7-8 girls 50 free, and Lisa Nowack won the 7-8 girls 25 breast. Katie Golson won the 11-12 girls 50 free, and event in which Brookwood finished 1-2-3. Michael Benham won the 11-12 boys 50 back.

Brookwood was coached this summer by head coach Topher McGibbon, assisted by Chad Cook and Jessica Stokes. The coaches were all smiles after the Fulton County meet, pleased that the team showed in their swims how much hard work they had put into practice. Leslie Benham served as head swim team mom, putting in countless hours of hard work in support of the team. She was ably assisted by Charlene Kenworthy and Mimi Stitt.

## Brooknotes Schedule

The deadline for the next issue of Brooknotes will be Friday, August 6th. Brooknotes submissions must be in writing and should be dropped off at Alison Caughman's house, 200 Camden Road.

## Dive Team Soars

The 1993 Brookwood Hills Diving Team saw an increase in its membership this summer, leading to an outstanding dual meet record of 3 - 2. Divers successfully competed at the Fulton County Championships, with Sarah Ferguson winning the 15 and over girls event and Karen Bernhardt taking second in the 13-14 girls. Andrea Solley finished second, Gillian Ferguson third, and Keeley Stitt tenth in 9-10 girls. Lisa Nowack finished fifth in 7-8 girls, Whitney White eighth in 11-12 girls, Walker Owen third in 7-8 boys, and Justin Padrone eleventh in 9-10 boys. In the 6 and under boys category, Cameron Padrone finished third, Davis Stitt fourth, and Will Nowack seventh.

The team was coached this summer by Jill Simmerman, who started the season with fourteen divers and finished with thirty-five. Now that's recruiting!

## State Meet Qualifiers

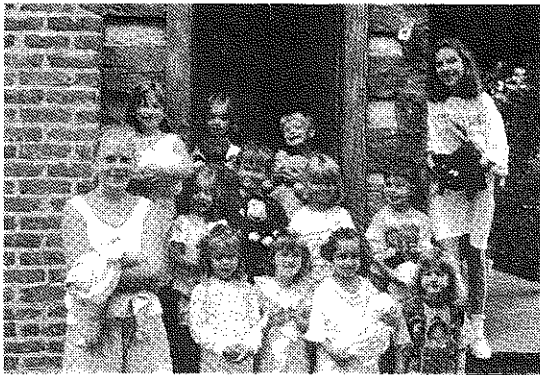
Nine swimmers and three divers from Brookwood Hills qualified for the State swimming and diving meet to be held in August. The swimmers are: Caroline Owen, Lisa Nowack, Watson Bryant, Alison King, Michael Benham, Audrey Boyer, Joshua Ades, Spencer Hagaman, and Chad Cook. The divers are Walker Owen, Andrea Solley, and Whitney White. Congratulations, and good luck at State!

## Happy Fourth

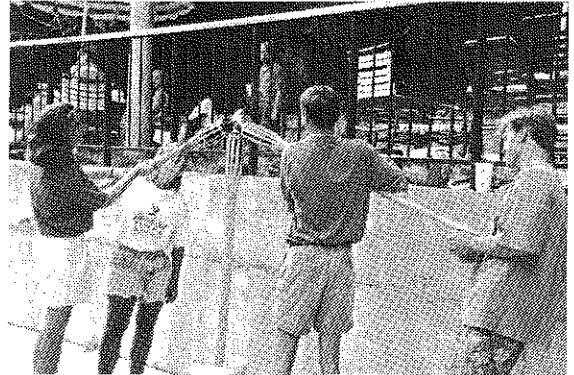
The Second Annual Fourth of July Bicycle Parade was a huge success, with a wonderful turnout. Participants decorated their vehicles and under the guidance of "Uncle Sam Howe" paraded around the park and on the streets to the strains of Sousa marches. After the parade, the participants and spectators met at the park for refreshments. One spectator was heard to say, "This is as close as you can come to a small town in the big city."

Loranne Oser of Dorsey Alston Realtors sponsored the parade and provided flyers, refreshments, signs and balloons. Thank you to Loranne, as well as to John Horton and Penn Spell for driving their red convertibles at the front and rear of the parade, and to all those neighbors who helped distribute flyers and protect the parade route. We've created a new neighborhood tradition and one that should provide many memories for the Young Americans among us. See you on July 4, 1994!

# Scenes from a Brookwood Hills Summer



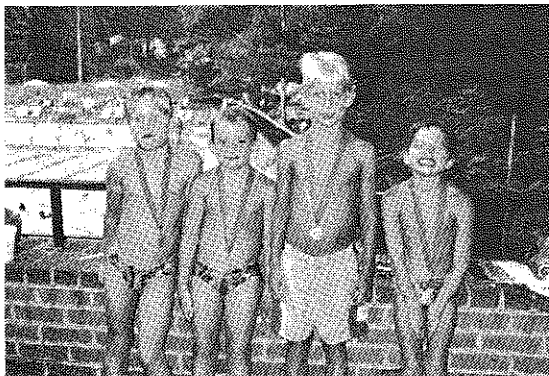
Above: Sarah Parker (left) and Emily Withrow (right) tend some of their Camp Cool charges. Bottom Row: Katie Jones, Helen Harris, Caroline Nadal, Julia Bray. Middle Row: Stephanie Newton, Hansell DeRosa, Gennifer Gambrell, Alexander Withrow. Top Row: Elizabeth Bray, Hannah Howe, Christopher Caughman.



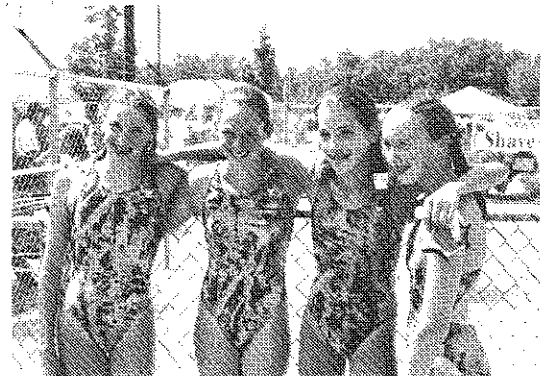
Right: Coaches Jessica Stokes, Jill Simmerman, Chad Cook, and Topher McGibbon light the torch at the new Passing of the Torch Ceremony.



Left: 7-8 girls freestyle and medley relay champions Lida Griest, Kelly Golson, Caroline Owen, and Lisa Nowack celebrate their wins.



Left: 6 and under freestyle relay champions Will Bryant, Jason Wimberly, Robert Griest, and Walker Owen show off their medals.



Below: 11-12 girls freestyle relay champs are Zibby Stokes, Audrey Boyer, Katie Golson, and Barland Askins.

## Classifieds

Helping Hands for Hire. Going out of town and need someone to water plants, pick up mail and paper, or feed pets? Call Virginia Porter, 355-8876.

For Rent: a small one-person apartment. \$450/month. Available August 1. For more information call 212-661-4594 or 351-4812.

A friend of Nolan Leake's is looking for a garage apartment in Brookwood Hills for a few months. If you know of one, please call Nolan at 352-3121.

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