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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Regina Brewer

IPNA Road Trip to the Wrecking Bar in July!

We're back at the Wrecking Bar in July, but we'll be holding the meeting in the Marianna space upstairs. So, come early, eat dinner, and then make your way upstairs by 7:30 p.m. At this point, we still do not have the ability to offer childcare, but I'll post on the Yahoo group if that changes. Last month's meeting was just 35 minutes long so I'm hoping to keep my promise of one-hour summer meetings.

In August, the board will meet to discuss the budget for 2011-2012. It is critical that you submit any requests to Treasurer Carolyn McLaughlin no later than July 31. Please read her article in this issue for requirements, format, etc.

See you at the July IPNA meeting.

THE IPNA DIRECTORY GOES "GREEN"

by Judy Clements

The 2011-2012 edition of the IPNA Directory is really going green this year – lime green, that is. The cover color also symbolizes taking IPNA and Security Patrol memberships to the web and producing the Directory totally electronically for the first time. (I hope most of you will use the new online signup next year. We should also start a conversation about putting the Directory online, an even greener move. Give me your thoughts, please.)

By the time you read this article, you will likely have your copy of the new Directory in your hands. Moving to an online application caused lots of data and format complications but I had a great team of helpers. **James McManus** did a masterful job of creating the online application and helping organize the unwieldy data files. I could not have – would not have - produced this Directory without James' help. **Carol Harrison** helped with some formatting issues and then **Jeffrey and Chris Martin** stepped in to solve some last minute problems. *Why wouldn't those margins just do what we wanted anyway?* **Diane Floyd** corrected and annotated the map. **Joyce Sayle** and **Marge Hays** verified data and proofed copy. And a team of your neighbors will hand deliver copies to each IPNA member household. Thanks to everyone for your invaluable help.

And last, we all owe another big thanks to **Betty Ridderhoff** and **Diane Floyd** for setting a high standard with Directories of past years.

If you somehow didn't get your copy or you want another one, just take one from the box on my front porch. And if you find errors or see how to make the Directory better for 2012-2013, please send all comments my way. I'm in the Directory.

BUDGET TIME FROM YOUR TREASURER

By Carolyn McLaughlin

The beginning of IPNA's fiscal year is November 1, and the budget process starts August 1.

If you are a head of a committee or would like to request an allocation in the IPNA budget, you must have your requests in to IPNA by July 31. With your request please include a breakdown on how the funds will be used.

If you are making a request that is not part of a regular committee expense, please include a paragraph on how the request is connected to the neighborhood and why IPNA should grant the request.

Please forward your budget items and requests to csmlaughlin@gmail.com, mail them to 245 N Highland Avenue NE, Suite 230-401, Atlanta GA 30307 or they may dropped in the milk box at 87 Druid Circle. If you have a question or concern, you may contact me at csmlaughlin@gmail.com or 404-663-1155.

Porch Party! Porch Party!
JULY PORCH PARTY
Friday, July 29, 7:30
at the home of
Oreon Mann
877 Edgewood Ave. *
BRING A DISH TO SHARE
AND YOUR FAVORITE BEVERAGE

Does your porch want to host a porch party? It's easy and fun!
Call Richard or Pat Westrick, 404-523-4801
Porch Party! Porch Party!

****Oreon extends a special welcome to everyone to see the recent transformation of his back-yard!**

IMPORTANT DATES IN THE BUDGET PROCESS

- July 31: Deadline for Budget Request
- Sept. 12: IPNA Meeting – Budget Discussion & First Vote
- Oct. 19: IPNA Meeting – Budget Discussion & Final Vote
- Oct. 31: 2010 - 1012 Budget Year Ends
- Nov. 1: 2011-2012 Budget Year Begins

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	DAY/TIME	EVENT	Pg.	LOCATION/PHONE NUMBER
July 18	Mon.			
July 19	Tues.			
July 20	Wed. 7:30 PM	IPNA MEETING		Wrecking Bar, 292 Moreland Avenue
July 21	Thurs.			
July 22	Fri.			
July 23	Sat.			
July 24	Sun. 3:30 PM	Art Gallery and Concert	13	Inman Park UMC, 1015 Edgewood Ave.
July 25	Mon.			
July 26	Tues.			
July 27	Wed. 7:00 PM	Book Club, <i>Major Pettigrew's Last Stand</i>	10	469 Carter Avenue (East Lake)
July 28	Thurs. 7:00 PM	NPU-N Meeting		L5P Community Center, 1083 Austin Ave.
July 29	Fri. 7:30 PM	Porch Party	1	877 Edgewood Avenue
July 30	Sat.			
July 31	Sun.	Deadline for IPNA Budget Requests	1	87 Druid Circle
Aug. 1	Mon. 7:00 AM 10:00 PM	NEW SOLID WASTE PICKUP SCHEDULE BEGINS <i>ADVOCATOR</i> Deadline		theadvocator@bellsouth.net
Aug. 2	Tues.			
Aug. 3	Wed.			
Aug. 4	Thurs.			
Aug. 5	Fri. 6:00 PM	Neighborhood Open House at the Inman Park Pool	12	25 Spruce Street, bring a dish and drinks to share
Aug. 6	Sat. 9 AM-Noon	Trees Atlanta, TreeKeepers Program First Session of Seven	14	225 Chester Avenue, admission fee charged
Aug. 7	Sun. 11:00 AM	Stuff the Bus for RRISA	13	Inman Park UMC, 1015 Edgewood Ave.
Aug. 8	Mon.			
Aug. 9	Tues.			
Aug. 10	Wed.			
Aug. 11	Thurs.			
Aug. 12	Fri.			
Aug. 13	Sat.			
Aug. 14	Sun.			
Aug. 15	Mon.			
Aug. 16	Tues.			
Aug. 17	Wed.			

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MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2011 IPNA MEETING

By Stephanie McCaa, Acting Secretary

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEWCOMERS

Regina Brewer welcomed the group and thanked Bob and Kristine Sandage for graciously hosting the meeting at their new brewpub, The Wrecking Bar. She then asked any newcomers to introduce themselves and the following did: Vicki Westoff from the Little Five Points Community Center and Deanne Kennison from Battery Place.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

A motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting was made, seconded and carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ginger Lyons introduced Vicki Westoff. She is working to ensure that there is synergy between the community center and the neighborhood associations that it serves. If you have any ideas, please let her know.

Pat Westrick announced this month's porch party will be hosted by Paul Powers and Lynn Watson-Powers at 1094 Colquitt, June 24 at 7:30. Please bring a covered dish to share and your favorite drink.

Oreon Mann announced this month's book club will be Wednesday, June 22 at 7 p.m. at 584 Wimbledon Road (Piedmont Heights). The book is *What is the What* by Dave Eggers.

Regina Brewer announced that the Art on the Beltline dine-out continues Thursday nights in June. There are 14 restaurants participating and 20% of the proceeds go to supporting artists and the Art on the Beltline installation.

POLICE OFFICER'S REPORT

Lt. Schierbaum thanked Bob Sandage for all his work as VP of Public Safety.

The good news is that robberies are significantly down. However, car thefts have spiked. There have been seven car thefts. This is a citywide trend. Jeep Cherokees are being stolen to be used for other crimes, as are Honda Civics. The thieves are sending out people ahead of time to scout for the cars and then coming in later to steal them. Please, if you see someone suspicious, call 911. Car break-ins remain even.

Officer Gurley was reviewing a data base of a pawn shop in Decatur and came across stuff stolen from an incident on Seminole. So, please write down your serial numbers and document everything of value. This discovery led to an arrest and the individual is in Dekalb County jail.

Officer Bleifeld reporting on tagging. He has been leading the charge against taggers. Last month, they had their first major arrest: Zachary Thatcher, a GSU student, was charged with 20 counts of destruction of property. Also, there is a warrant out for Andrew Comer. He was caught on video and hopefully will be in custody soon. The courts are taking this seriously and want to fix this problem.

Major Dalton said they had been having problems with car break-ins in Virginia Highlands and Inman Park and so they focused their efforts on these areas. Overall there has been a drop in crime relative to last year.

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S REPORT

There were no elected officials present.

IPNA OFFICERS' REPORTS

PLANNING: V.P. David Laube

Regina Brewer reported that David was out of town so he could not provide the census report.

Megan Holder, the NPU-N representative, reported that they plan on supporting IPNA's vote to support the immediate neighbor's vote on Park's Edge's liquor license application. (The immediate neighbors voted to deny Park's Edge the liquor license.) She reminded everyone that the Liquor Review Board meeting for Park's Edge's application will be June 21 and asked the neighborhood to attend the meeting to show our lack of support for the application. Megan also reminded everyone that the last of the water/sewer rate increases goes into effect in July (a 12% increase). Trash collection and recycling pick-up for the whole neighborhood will move to Mondays beginning the first of August.

Megan asked for a vote to reaffirm the NPU by-laws. A motion was made, seconded and carried to reaffirm.

Regina Brewer gave an update on Park's Edge. She had correspondence from Mr. Hilliard (the restaurant's attorney). She forwarded the correspondence to the property owners. It turns out that the attorneys also represent Wisteria so there is a conflict of interest. Therefore, Mr. Hilliard will no longer be their attorney. The owners of the Park's Edge property told Regina that they want to work with the neighborhood to find a good restaurant for their property.

Jonathan Miller, chairman of NPU-N, announced that this Saturday, June 18 is the grand opening of the Historic Old Fourth Ward Park. He said that Phase One is open and that parts of Phase Two are open as well. The Mayor will be at the grand opening.

ZONING: V.P. Alan Travis

Inman Perk, the coffee house at 240 North Highland, presented its application for a full liquor license. At an immediate neighbors' meeting last night, the neighbors gave their unanimous support. Mindy Thompson and the owners, Jamie Saye and Bree Ettinger, explained that the license is just a complement to the business; they are not becoming a bar. Their hours of operation are Monday-Friday 6 am to 11 pm and Sat-Sun, 7 am – 11 pm. They will train all their employees on how to serve alcohol responsibly.

Regina Brewer asked that they support the Security Patrol. Jonathan Miller asked if there is going to be live music and they responded no. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve their liquor license application.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION: V.P. Erin Kane

Erin announced that 936 Austin Ave. is being removed from the agenda.

The property owners at 523 Seminole Avenue are applying for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness to construct an addition to an existing 20-year-old, non-contributing house. There was an immediate neighbors' meeting on June 8 which resulted in support for the plan which includes setback variances. The project architect, Kevin Maher, presented plans for the project. The property owners are applying for a variance to address R-5 zoning requirements and an exception to the compatibility rule, both in regard to set backs. They are working

with the UDC to resolve these issues. A motion was made, seconded and carried to support their application.

COMMUNICATIONS: V.P. Leigh Hays

Leigh is trying to track down yard signs that announce the IPNA meetings. If anyone knows where they are, please let her know.

There is a new Inman Park fan page on FaceBook (FB). Thanks to Sandra Scott for working on it. Please "like" the page. Leigh wants this to be the community page. If you learn about something that you think would interest the community, put it on the FB page. Please do not air dirty laundry on the FB page. This is for informational purposes only. If you are interested in helping with the communications team let her know.

Lori Feig-Sandoval asked what the purpose of the communication team was. Leigh said it was to ensure that we have the best internal and external communi-

cations processes set up. They will be benchmarking other neighborhoods to see what they are doing. Regina Brewer said that Leigh's big role will be taking on the IPNA website.

PUBLIC SAFETY: V.P. Greg Scott

Greg reported there will be a beer festival in November. Karen Heim is heading up the committee for this Festival.

Thom Abelew is working on the yard signs for Security Patrol. If you ordered a sign, email him to check on it. There are some signs still on order, but they are coming. Thea Quillian will be taking over the efforts to solicit businesses to join the Security Patrol.

Greg reminded everyone to call 911 first then the Security Patrol if you need help or spot something suspicious. The patrol is only on duty for half the day. If you do get the patrol car's voicemail, please leave a message.

TREASURER: Carolyn McLaughlin

Carolyn is sick so there is nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Festival

Melissa Miller and Thom Abelew are the new Festival Chairs. Melissa said the first Festival meeting will be in September. The dates for the Festival are April 27-29, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

Regina Brewer announced that Adam Stillman received another Award of Excellence from the Atlanta Urban Design Commission.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

The next IPNA meeting is July 20 at 7:30 pm. There was a motion to adjourn. Regina Brewer adjourned the meeting at 8:05.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT OF FOURTH WARD NEIGHBORS

By Matthew W. Garbett

I would ask everyone to continue to take a long and hard look at the pending legislation that will regulate Farmers' Markets in the City of Atlanta. This legislation is not just about Farmers' Markets and their definitions, but about a planning attitude towards our city; about what will be allowed, what will be encouraged, and what will be discouraged.

The legislation advocates increased access to healthy local and affordable foods. How? To those with automobiles? The legislation details the parking requirements for farmers' markets, but makes no mention of walkability or public transportation access. The legislation advocates affordable foods, but offers no incentive for farmers to accept Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) vouchers at farmers' markets. No consideration is made to promote the location of markets in low income 'nutrition deserts.' The legislation encourages community-building . . . only in the community's input on signage regarding the farmers' market. The legislation limits the use of markets in residential areas to churches and schools, while doing nothing to promote the use of city parks or recreation buildings, some of the very locations that may most benefit from this activity.

It is only the bare minimum to say that farmers' markets are good and allowed. Why not ask for more? Walkability. Public access. Affordability. Low income neighborhoods. Community centers and parks. Community involvement. Why are these not acted upon in the legislation? Encouraged? And why would we accept less?

In a time when our own city celebrates each mixed use development and when cities around the country are embracing mixed use communities, promoting a living, healthy, walkable lifestyle, we are proposing legislation that has as a major

concern the close regulation of temporary produce stands to prevent commercial ventures in residential neighborhoods. One need look no further than the requirement that the markets operate no more than three days a week, six hours a day. The need for access to affordable produce appears to be limited to 18 hours a week, the maximum amount, it seems, some residential neighborhoods can tolerate commercial activity selling fruits and vegetables in temporary structures.

I fully admit that I am an advocate for mixed use communities. If I have goals as a public citizen, they are for increased control for the neighborhood groups and Neighborhood Planning Units (NPU's), and for a live, work, play, shop, thriving Atlanta. And I fully recognize that not every community may desire commercial activity. That some may celebrate their single use. But that does not mean that no residential community shall have a farmers' market except in their local school or church.

This bill is not bad. It will do no harm. Some good. But we can and should demand better. We should demand of our city that it pay more than lip service to accessibility, and actually offer incentives for walking and public transportation—at least as much as it concerns itself with parking. We should demand that the city actively promote positive activity such as farmers' markets in the areas that most need it. And we should demand that the city not limit these activities to the time and place of their choosing, but allow each of our communities greater say.

Thank you. This legislation can be found at:

[http://citycouncil.atlantaga.gov/2011/
images/proposed/1001773.pdf](http://citycouncil.atlantaga.gov/2011/images/proposed/1001773.pdf)

2011 BOOK CLUB CALENDAR

The Book Club meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month unless otherwise noted.
All meetings are at 7:00 p.m.
Bring a covered dish

July 27, 2011

Major Pettigrew's Last Stand
by **Helen Simonson**
Hosted by Pam Gannon Parker
469 Carter Ave. (East Lake)

August 24, 2011

*Lost Boys of Sudan:
An American Story of the
Refugee Experience*
by **Mark Bixler**
Hosted by Cathy Cook and Jim McKinney
337 Drexel Avenue (Decatur)

September 28, 2011

Cutting For Stone
by **Abraham Verghese**
Hosted by Ruth Caproni
1065 Washita Avenue (Inman Park)

October 26, 2011

The Lonely Polygamist
by **Brady Udall**
Hosted by Linda Dunham
12 First Avenue (Kirkwood)

November, 2011

No book. Happy Thanksgiving

December, 2011

No book. Holiday Party, date and place to be announced.

For Information: 404-688-7330

INMAN PARK SECURITY PATROL JUNE 2011 - ACTIVITY REPORT

By Lt. Brent Schierbaum

Directed Patrols	613	Suspicious Vehicle	4	Abandoned Vehicle	2
Drop Ins/ Park and Walks	297	Reckless Driver	4	Found Property	1
Suspicious Person	27	Person Injured	3	Tree/Power Line Down	1
Alarm Activation	15	Street/ Sidewalk Obstruction	3	Public Indecency	1
Information Call	9	Stolen Vehicle	3	Wanted Person	1
Fight/ Disturbance	6	Noise Complaint	3	Animal Call	1
Illegal Parking	5	Damage to Property	2	Auto Accident	1
Theft	5	Burglary	2		
Enforcement Activity	Arrests: Unauthorized Interference with Vehicle Traffic Citation: Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device Warnings Issued for Waste Collecting Prior to 7:00 AM Vehicle Impound				1 1 1 1
Association Member Contacts				18	

2011 JULY PUBLIC SAFETY NEWS/ JUNE CRIME REPORT

By Greg Scott, VP for Public Safety

In my first month in office, I have noticed that a lot of the same questions seem to pop up over and over from residents. Sometimes, these questions are pretty easy and have been answered ad nauseam through various outlets over the past few years, but some of these questions are a little more daunting. I wanted to post a few of these queries here, along with their answers, in the spirit of our new VP of Communication's campaign to enlighten all residents to the ways of Inman Park.

- **Why do we need a Patrol?** City resources and politics have stretched police coverage thin in Atlanta over the years and as a result, the average officer that works a beat covers a fairly large geographic area and spends most of

his or her time responding to calls and /or providing back up to officers on other calls. Our Patrol allows us to approach law enforcement from a more proactive position by providing a consistent, visible presence on the streets of Inman Park. Since the purchase of the Patrol car and the increase in the number of Patrol hours over the past few years, we have seen a marked decrease in criminal activity in our neighborhood. While having the Patrol is not a guarantee that crime will not find us, it has indeed made a difference in our quality of life.

- **I got the Patrol's Voicemail when I called. What should I do?** If it is an emergency or if you are reporting

suspicious or criminal activity, you hopefully called 911 first so leave a message and when an Officer gets the message they will respond appropriately. Patrols are only on duty an average of 10-12 hours a day. If it is urgent enough for you to feel like you should call the Patrol then you should call 911 first. Atlanta does not have an "official" non-emergency number for the Police or a 311 system like some cities so everything goes through 911. The Patrol number is not a replacement for 911, but an enhancement.

- ***I never see the Patrol. Why?*** You probably are either working or sleeping when the Patrol is most active. We tend to schedule the Patrol during times when the neighborhood is most vulnerable. While it is nice to see the Patrol car driving by, it is much more important for the bad guys that are creeping around when you are at work or asleep to see it.
- ***Why don't you publish the Patrol Schedule?*** Several reasons, the main being security. While it may make you feel better to know when the Patrol is on duty, if the bad guys get to know the schedule then they can plan accordingly, looking in their little criminal Day-runner calendars and marking off the windows of time when they have the run of the place. We keep the schedule changing according to crime patterns, special circumstances (events, holidays etc.) and officer availability. All of this serves to help keep the criminals guessing.
- ***What happens when the car is in the shop?*** When the car is in the shop, Patrols continue but in the officer's private vehicles. While this is not ideal from a visibility standpoint, it still allows the officers to keep an eye on the neighborhood and to respond to calls when necessary. As a matter of fact, it was driving his own truck this week that our own Lt. Andy Roey received a call regarding a burglar with outstanding warrants out of a different zone spied by a witness walking down Austin Avenue. Lt. Roey was able to catch the suspect, and he is now cooling his heels in the Fulton County Jail. This character has a lengthy criminal record, mostly burglaries, and we don't doubt that he was contemplating his very own Inman Park Tour of Homes.

On that note, I have decided to switch up the crime report from the old itemized table-style to a little less formal layout. This allows for more detail when warranted and less when it's not. As usual, I submit this qualifier: If you are thinking of moving to Inman Park and are reading this report, don't despair...Inman Park is an active and pro-active neighborhood and a wonderful place to live. We take our safety seriously and work in partnership with neighbors and the police to keep our neighborhood safe. If you already live in this great place, be aware and use this information to change your behavior so we can all be safe.

If you are interested in more detailed reports concerning the dates and locations of these incidents, the APD web site has a very easy to use crime mapping tool at:

<http://www.atlantapd.org/zone6.aspx>.

We had two "Armed Robberies" last month in the Inman Park Patrol area. The first, on May 14 took place on Euclid near the MARTA Station and involved a young man being threatened by a male with a knife at 9:20 PM. His cell phone was taken after he showed the thief that he had no money in his wallet. The second took place on June 18 at 1:30 AM and involved a single perpetrator with a silver handgun, who approached two men near the corner of Cleburne and N.

Highland and stole their property. All three victims were visiting the neighborhood from elsewhere in the city.

By far, our biggest crime issue right now is "Vehicle Theft." We had nine vehicles (seven cars/trucks, one scooter, one trailer) reported stolen and two attempted thefts (one car, one motorcycle) during weeks 20-25. Most of the thefts occurred during the overnight hours. Because of their ability to be used to haul large items during other crimes, vans and SUVs, particularly Jeeps, tend to be targeted the most. One of the vehicles stolen, a van, had the back seats removed by the thieves before they took off in it, leading Police to believe it was stolen to be used in another theft. The best way to combat vehicle theft is to park in well-lit, high-traffic areas when possible, lock your doors and put your windows up, make sure your car alarm is set, and consider using a mechanical device such as the Club to thwart criminal efforts.

Five "Thefts from Auto" were reported. Most were centered in the Little Five Points area, and such diverse items as pocket knives, clothing, MP3 players, flashlights and change were taken, proving that thieves will smash a window to get at anything of perceived value. Remember to not leave anything in your car that may tempt a criminal.

There was one crime categorized as "Other Theft" in this reporting period. A woman was having brunch at a restaurant and placed her purse on the floor next to her chair. A man seated behind her pretended to drop something and took her wallet and then left with another man. This is a valuable lesson about being aware of your surroundings at all times. Criminals are always looking for easy targets such as people who are distracted, and will take advantage.

Have fun and enjoy the summer in our great neighborhood but keep alert to avoid becoming a victim. Remember it is never too late to join the Patrol. Go to www.inmanpark.org to sign up online. Your support is vital for help keeping the car on the road.

Until next month, be safe!

ATLANTA URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION (AUDC) UPDATE

By Erin Kane, Vice President for Historic Preservation
historic.preservation@inmanpark.org

Please note: If you wish to perform any construction work (beyond routine maintenance) on the exterior of a site, home, or building in the Inman Park Historic District, you must contact the AUDC to begin their review/approval process. Please contact me at the email address above as early in the project as possible to schedule meetings and be placed on the monthly IPNA meeting agenda, or for any questions related to the historic regulations or approval process.

UPCOMING APPLICATION DEADLINES	APPLICATION DEADLINE	HEARING DATE
	July 5	July 27
	July 19	August 10
	August 2	August 24

Recent AUDC actions on applications for Certificates of Appropriateness:

No AUDC actions regarding Inman Park Historic District in June 2011

Applications scheduled for AUDC:

July 13

- 523 Seminole Avenue - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness to allow for an addition to the existing residence.

Please see the agenda on the back cover for applications scheduled for this month's IPNA meeting.

AUDC Contact Information:

<http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/urbandesign.aspx>

55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 3350

Atlanta, GA 30335-0031

404-330-6145 (phone)

404-658-6734 (fax)

Welcome, New Neighbors:
Balint Gergely and Frank Skwarek
947 Edgewood Ave.

Welcome, New Baby:
Congratulations to Lindsay and Phil Hill,
185 Elizabeth Street,
on the birth of Jake!

Our condolences to
Marnie and Bill McMurry
on the death of Marnie's mother,
Maurine Crandall
in North Carolina
on June 28, 2011

Neighborhood Open House * Back to School (sorry kids!) Pool/Porch Party

At the Inman Park Pool
Friday August 5 at 6:00 p.m.

Come join your fellow neighbors at the Inman Park Pool for a fun-filled party.
Bring a dish to share (finger foods please) and your favorite drink.
We will provide some adult beverages.
Hope to see you there!

The Inman Park Pool

* All Inman Park residents are invited to attend. You do NOT have to be a pool member to attend!

IPNA SUPPORTS OUR LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By Paula Kupersmith, Education Chair

Of all the ways Inman Park residents are such great neighbors, one that is near to the hearts of many comes in the form of the donation IPNA makes each year to help fund its public school PTAs. The Mary Lin Elementary and Inman Middle School PTAs, and the Grady High School PTSA, would like to express their sincere gratitude for just a few of the gifts your donations made possible:

- enough wood chips to make the playground safe for Mary Lin Elementary School kids each day;
- flat screen video display monitors for Inman Middle School to enhance and share everything from student-driven no-smoking campaigns to personal narratives and feature films; and
- sponsorship for the Grady High School "Grady Gearbox Gangstas" Robotics Team, who not only took home the First Place Award in Georgia's Robotics Competition, but "Best in Spirit and Sportsmanship" to boot!

Through your kind generosity, our PTAs will continue to support teacher grants, arts education, athletics programs, parent workshops, and so much more. Your belief in and commitment to education positively impacts over 2500 students, their teachers, and their parents every school day. We all look forward to yet another year of great PTA programs thanks to you, our Inman Park neighbors!

TREES ATLANTA TREEKEEPERS PROGRAM

Taken from a press release

The Trees Atlanta TreeKeepers program consists of seven workshops, including indoor & outdoor activities, presentations, and engaging hands-on demonstrations. Each three-hour workshop is taught by Trees Atlanta staff or community tree professionals. Upon completion of the program, graduates will be certified in a manner that builds skill, appreciation, and pride to continue stewardship of our urban forest. Participants receive an eastern trees field guide, resources, and much more!

Training is suited for all levels and will explore:

- Atlanta's Trees & Urban Forests
- Tree Selection, Planting, and Care
- Tree Diseases and Invasive Plants
- Proper Tree Pruning
- Project Leadership and Community Outreach

TreeKeeper participants receive an official hat, a native tree, and a signed certificate when they have fulfilled 24 hours of volunteer service to tree projects.

TreeKeepers workshops take place at:

The Trees Atlanta Kendeda Center
225 Chester Ave, Atlanta, GA 30316
9 AM to 12 NOON

August 6, 13, 20, 27 and September 10, 17, 24

Light breakfast is served before each workshop.

For information and registration, contact Susan Pierce, susan@treesatlanta.org or (404) 681-4896. Tuition is \$65 and registration is limited. Some scholarships available. Trees Atlanta TreeKeepers is sponsored by the UPS Foundation.

INMAN PARK UMC

By Rev. Matt Nelson

Music & Arts Explosion Art Gallery and Concert

Join us Sunday, July 24 for a very fancy Art Gallery and Concert presented by the students of the Music and Arts Explosion at IPUMC. Wear your best gallery-get-up and bring friends to enjoy the beautiful art work and music of our young people. The Gallery officially opens at 3:30 pm. The concert begins at 4 pm. Reception to follow.

An event you certainly won't want to miss.

Stuff the Bus for RRISA

Help "Stuff the Bus" with school supplies on August 7! Many of us will be purchasing school supplies as the children of our "hood" head back to school...yeah, it's really THAT soon! As you are looking for pencils, pens, paper, backpacks, markers, crayons, and other assorted items, be mindful of the 150 children here in the Atlanta area that Refugee Resettlement and Immigration Services of Atlanta (RRISA) have helped to be safe in this "foreign" land of ours. School supplies are being collected at Inman Park United Methodist Church to help these deserving and struggling families. Drop boxes are located around the neighborhood in various businesses. Donated supplies may always be brought to the church at 1015 Edgewood Ave.

IPNA MEETING

Wrecking Bar
292 Moreland Avenue

**WEDNESDAY
JULY 20, 2011**

BUSINESS MEETING STARTS AT 7:30 p.m.

No Childcare Available

JULY AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Introduction of Newcomers
- II. Minutes of Last Meeting
- III. Announcements
- IV. Police Officers' Reports
- V. Elected Officials' Reports
- VI. IPNA Officers' Reports:
 - A. President
 - B. Communications
 - 1. Advertising in the *Advocator*
 - 2. IPNA Meeting Signs-Volunteers
 - C. Planning
 - 1. NPU report
 - a. Beltline Minute
 - D. Zoning
 - 1. Park's Edge Update
 - 2. Barcelona Wine Bar Liquor License-240 N. Highland Avenue
 - E. Historic Preservation
 - 1. 936 Austin Avenue
 - 2. 1082 Alta Avenue
 - F. Public Safety
 - 1. Beerfest and 5K Update
 - G. Treasurer
 - 1. Report of Regular Expenditures
 - 2. Budget Requests
 - H. Secretary
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Old Business
- X. Adjournment