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President's Report

By ANDY COFFMAN • president@inmanpark.org

It's hard to believe that I have been president of IPNA for a whole year. Seems like I just got started. Now, we have a renewed Board with some new and exciting ideas. On May 22 we held our 'transitional' board meeting, where both the outgoing board members and the incoming board members had a chance to sit down and talk about, well, transitioning. It was a great opportunity to discuss new approaches to issues and think about a way forward. The agenda for this year's meeting included budget priorities and processes, integrating our communications, and fundraising.


There is no doubt that our five departing board members left on a high note. They were part of creating a newly minted membership shopping cart, which allows us to simultaneously renew memberships and update our membership directory. This seamless process removes some of the headaches of past years, including handling of checks and transferring neighborhood funds from PayPal accounts. With more direct deposits to our bank account, we can track our funds and lessen the likelihood for errors. So far, our membership and security patrol collections are looking great.

As reported at the last meeting, in light of the partially rainy festival, the Board decided to impose a little austerity on the budget. We asked our biggest line items, Beautification and Traffic Calming to hold off on new spending until we have a better picture of where we are financially. Our last large line item, Legal, remains intact. However, there is one potential impact to the legal budget that needs reporting.

In April, a woman claims that she tripped and fell on a sidewalk in front of 827 Lake Avenue. She has initiated legal action against IPNA, claiming that we are responsible for her injuries. I have placed a copy of the lawsuit on the website. In the years that I have lived in the neighborhood, I am not aware of an occasion that we have been sued directly in a case, and certainly not one for the condition of a public right-of-way. Of course, the neighborhood


does not maintain general liability insurance, as we do not own and have no right to control the sidewalks around the neighborhood. That means that any legal fees, costs and liability incurred would be a direct charge against our budget. We believe the lawsuit is without merit and will take the necessary steps to ensure it is dismissed.

Finally, we heard the update on the development known as 280 Elizabeth Street. Based on that presentation, we expect real work to begin before the end of the summer and certainly by early fall. The owners have asked that we remain involved. For this reason, we will maintain two important committees for this project: Traffic and Development. Danny Feig will help out with the traffic committee, as this project will have real and positive impact on traffic and parking. Regina Brewer has graciously agreed to head up the Development Committee to ensure that our input will continue as the development progresses. I encourage all interested members to contact them to get as involved as you can be. Our continued involvement is essential to making this project the best it can be.

I am excited about the new members on your Board of Directors. They are brave souls with good ideas. In the coming months, I am sure we'll have many great things to report. Happy Summer! 

A Note from the Editors

By SUSANNA CAPELOUTO & STEPHANIE TOBBEN, CO-EDITORS

Summer in Inman Park is a time to relax and rejuvenate. Neighbors who stick around for the Fourth of July, get to party at our Inman Park annual Fourth of July picnic in Springvale Park. Check out all the info on page 13. Also this month we would like to say thank you to Janet Berry, who moves on from the Advocate staff to become Secretary of the IPNA Board. This publication would not be possible without the tremendous team of volunteers. Additionally, we welcome Mara Circle, Ariane Fitch and Laura Lindeman to the Advocate team. And don't forget...we're always looking to hear from you, so send us your articles, poems and pictures for inclusion in the Advocate. Stay cool this summer, Inman Park! 

Don't miss this final opportunity to purchase local art (featuring images of Inman Park and Little 5 Points) while supporting a great cause, Intown Collaborative Ministries.

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Celebrate Independence Day in true Inman Park style. IPNA Fourth of July Celebration July 4, 4-6 p.m. at Springvale Park.

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Little 5 Points Pharmacy is a neighborhood institution. Find out why so many residents couldn't imagine going anywhere else for prescriptions, advice and much, much more!

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Minutes of the May IPNA Meeting

BY JACLYN McDUGAL, SECRETARY

Newcomers

Anissa Hill
Gail Thunderson

Announcements

Caleb from Victory Sandwich announced that a deal is in the works for Victory to take over the Parks Edge space. Hopefully they can open there in November after some renovation.

Oreon Mann. The next book club will be May 22 at 7:00pm at the home of Oreon Mann, 877 Edgewood Ave. The book is State of Wonder by Ann Patchett. Please bring a covered dish to share.

Porch Party May 31 at 7:30 at the home of **Oreon Mann**, 877 Edgewood Ave- all are invited, please bring your favorite beverage and a covered dish.

Trip to walk the Beltline leaving Oreon's house on Saturday, May 18 at 10:00am.

Matt Nelson from IPUMC- thank you for supporting Photos of Inman Park; all proceeds are going towards Intown Collaborative Ministries. Donation bags for Intown Collaborative Ministries will be distributed around neighborhood soon. Please donate.

Randy Bailey - Sunday, May 19 from 2:00pm – 6:00pm Atlanta Streets Alive will be taking place on Peachtree Street. Peachtree will be closed from Ellis to High Museum.

Police Officers' Report

SPO Stellenburg- crime continues to be down in the neighborhood, but with warm weather crime usually increases.

Problems with Beltline robberies- please try to avoid running/ walking on Beltline late at night- it is very dark.

Please lock your car doors and do not leave valuables in your car- car break ins are up.

Elected Officials Report

Brenda Muhammad, Atlanta Board of Education District 1- thank you for all your support and input. Please feel free to reach out with any input or questions-

Brenda@brendajmuhammad.com/ 404-821-0651.

Budget- there is a \$60 million shortfall; which the board is addressing. The budget is due in June, but lots of talks are ongoing to discuss furlough days, property sale, Beltline payments that are due, eliminating bonuses, reducing personnel and not filling vacancies.

Grady/ Inman Middle- no decision has been made and it will probably be another year before a decision is made. Proposed class size waiver- most teachers are ok with more students if they have more resources.

Superintendent search- have extended contract, but are aggressively searching for a permanent Superintendent. The search committee is chaired by Inman Park's Ann Cramer.

IPNA Officers Report

Andy Coffman, President

Thank you to the outgoing board members for their service to Inman Park: **Leigh Hays**, V.P. Communications; **Jaclyn McDougal**, Secretary; **Erin O'Bryant**, V.P. Historic Preservation; **Greg Scott**, V.P. Public Safety; **Alan Travis**, V.P. Zoning.

Erin O'Bryant, V.P. Historic Preservation

124 Elizabeth Street- Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness. Immediate neighbors voted to support. Owners would like to increase living space, open living space, improve connectiveness inside and out, add a rear deck and dormers to existing roof. Move to support immediate neighbors, seconded and carried.

Neel Gupta, V.P. Planning

Neel Gupta is out.

Rick Bizot, NPU rep reported there will be proposed amendments to NPU-N by-laws that must be voted on in each of the member organizations in June. Proposed amendments will be in June Advocate with a vote taking place at the June IPNA meeting.

Jonathan Miller, NPU chair reported the Clermont Motor Hotel is rezoning property, which is going through Poncey Highlands organization now.

There has been more money for bike racks grant and racks should be going up around NPU-N soon.

280 Elizabeth Street update- developers gave a presentation from design renderings which will be available on the Inman Park website.

Eric Goldberg, Treasurer

Public Safety	\$12,890.50
Springvale Park Visioning	\$2,825.00
Beautification	\$3,754.37
Butterfly Flags and Banners	\$992.48
Babysitting for IPNA meeting	\$50.00
IPNA Website	\$2,179.00
Administrative	\$243.53
Total	\$22,934.97

Alan Travis, V.P. Zoning

Nothing to report

Greg Scott, V.P. Public Safety

Please sign up for IPNA Security Patrol and use new shopping cart on the website. Every account now has a user name, you will receive annual reminders to sign up and members only will have access to an online directory.

Leigh Hays, V.P. Communications

Thank you to **Susanna Capelouto** and **Stephanie Tobben** for their work on the Advocate.

Please subscribe to the neighborhood association, as well as the IP website.

Jaclyn McDougal, Secretary

Nothing to report

Committee Reports

Election of new board members:
VP Communications- **Yvonne Merkel**
VP Historic Preservation- **Molly McLamb**
VP Zoning- **Morgan Shellcross**
VP Public Safety- **Tony Neu**
Secretary- **Janet Berry**

Motion made to elect new board members, seconded and carried.

Minutes of the May IPNA Meeting • *Continued*

Old Business

No old business

New Business

The photos from Images of Inman Park are available for viewing after meeting. Please take the time to check them out. They will also be available online at imagesofinman.com.

Motion to Adjourn

The next IPNA meeting is June 19 at 7:30 pm. There was a motion to adjourn. Andy Coffman adjourned the meeting at 8:45. **M**

Right here...right now!

By MATT NELSON, MINISTER, INMAN PARK UMC • matt.nelson@ngumc.net

Thayer Street, Ponce de Leon Avenue, Cascade, College Park, 30307...these are just a few of the Atlanta Streets where Inman Park Church Youth spent the first part of their summer serving neighbors and friends through food, time, art, conversation, worship, study, and fun. Middle School youth from IPUMC partnered with local ministries for a Summer Serve right here in our home city. Time with seniors on Thayer Street at Wesley Center (<http://www.wesleycenters.org/aboutus.html>)... with children in Cascade, College Park, and Tucker through Action Ministries Smart Lunch, Smart Kid (<http://actionministries.net/locations/smart-lunch-smart-kid/>)...with hurting and hungry and loving and courageous folks on Ponce at Mercy Community Church (www.mercyonline.net)... on the streets of HIP collecting food for our hungry neighbors in 30306 & 30307 through Intown Collaborative Ministries (www.intowncm.org) ...

Inman Park Church Youth took time to learn about ATL neighborhoods... spend time with ATL people different and still the same from themselves...and serve in small, meaningful ways constantly in an effort to esteem others ahead of themselves... the streets of ATL will never be the same....

New life: right here, right now... **M**



Inman Park United Methodist Church Youth have fun while serving the community.

On the Calendar

June
19

IPNA Meeting

The Marianna,
located above
Wrecking Bar Brewpub
7:30 p.m.

June
26

Book Club

hosted by Jan Keith

see page 8
for details

June
28

Porch Party

hosted by Lora Millard

see page 15
for details

July
04

Annual IPNA

Fourth of July Party

Springvale Park
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

see page 13 for details

July
17

IPNA Meeting

The Marianna,
located above
Wrecking Bar Brewpub
7:30 p.m.

July
24

Book Club

hosted by Jan Keith

see page 8
for details

July
26

Porch Party

details TBD

Aug
02

Open House &

Back to School Party

Inman Park Pool
6:00 p.m.

Aug
07

First Day of School

for APS students

NPU-N Update

By RICK BIZOT, NPU-N REPRESENTATIVE • npu.n@inmanpark.org

NPU-N Bylaws Reaffirmation:

IPNA will hold its annual vote on the NPU-N Bylaws at the June 19 meeting. This year, the following revisions are proposed:

- removal of an inactive Business Organization member (Ponce Corridor East);
- revision of the quorum number to 5 (from 6) as a result of the reduced number of members;
- specifying rules for organization name change;
- specifying rules for alternate representation on the NPU Executive Committee;
- specifying rules for when a vote on an application may be made between regularly scheduled meetings;
- specifying that a Board member may represent only one organization at a particular meeting;
- providing a specific list of voting options for items listed on the agenda as “Matters for Decision”; and
- miscellaneous grammatical and formatting revisions

Background: The City of Atlanta is divided into 25 Neighborhood Planning Units (NPUs), each comprised of a half-dozen or so neighborhoods. These groups were created to give us a voice in City planning. Our NPU is called NPU-N and we send a delegate to the NPU-N meeting each month to represent Inman Park through IPNA. NPU-N is governed by a set of bylaws created by the members of the NPU. Each year, we are required to review the NPU-N bylaws and vote on whether or not to affirm them. The full text of the current (2007v2) and redline proposed (2013) NPU-N bylaws can be found on the NPU-N page of IPNA’s website: <http://inmanpark.org/about-inman-park/npu/>

Notes from the May 23, 2013 meeting:

Public Reports:

- **Atlanta Planning Advisory Board (APAB): Amy Stout** reported that new legislation proposing a City Office of Entertainment is being contemplated. This office would help coordinate events such as movie filming.

Zoning Review Board:

- **672, 676 Bonaventure Avenue; 789 Ponce de Leon Avenue (Clermont Hotel)**, application Z-13-013: NPU Board voted unanimously to support the application to re-zone property from C-1/BLO and R-5/BLO to MRC-2/BLO (see also CDP Amendment application CDP-13-04).
- **672, 676 Bonaventure Avenue; 789 Ponce de Leon Avenue (Clermont Hotel)**, application U-13-011: NPU Board voted unanimously to support the application for a special use permit to operate a hotel.
- **164 Chester Avenue, SE**, application Z-13-014: NPU Board voted unanimously to defer the application to re-zone property from R-5 to R-LC for the purpose of operating a “supper club.” (see also CDP Amendment application CDP-13-05).

Board of Zoning Adjustment:

- **476 Leonardo Avenue NE**, application V-13-052: NPU Board voted unanimously to support the application for a variance from

Zoning Regulations to reduce the south side-yard setback from 7 feet. (required) to 5 feet. And to reduce the front-yard setback from 35 feet. (required) to 33 feet. to allow for an attic build-out.

- **68 Weatherby Street SE**, application V-13-062: NPU Board voted unanimously to support the application for a variance to not construct a driveway on a conforming lot but to use an existing adjacent alley, with the condition that the applicant add a sidewalk along Weatherby Street.

- **470, 480 Candler Park Drive NE**, application V-13-063 NPU Board voted unanimously (with one member abstaining) to support the application seeking a special exception from Zoning Regulations to reduce the on-site parking from 9 spaces to 0 spaces to allow for conversion of an existing structure to be used for an after school program (pending approval of Special Use Permit U-13-031 and lot approval).

Other matters:

- **Re-purposing of the former Tech High**, NPU Board voted unanimously to defer action on requests for letters of support by Michael Campbell Studios and WonderRoot, pending additional information on proposals and review by RCIL.

Text Amendments, Ordinances and Resolutions (for review and comment):

- **672, 676 Bonaventure Ave (Clermont Hotel)**, application CDP-13-04: NPU Board voted unanimously to support an ordinance to amend the Land Use element of the 2011 Atlanta Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) so as to re-designate properties that are located at 672 and 676 Bonaventure from the Low Density residential Land Use designation to the mixed use Land Use designation and for other purposes.
- **164 Chester Avenue SE**, application CDP-13-05: NPU Board voted unanimously to defer an ordinance to amend the Land Use element of the 2011 Atlanta Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP) so as to re-designate properties that are located at 164 Chester Avenue from the Single Family residential Land Use designation to the Low Density Commercial Land Use designation and for other purposes.

Old Business:

- NPU-N has received a second grant from the City of Atlanta in the amount of \$2,000 to allow installation of additional bike racks at various locations throughout NPU-N. The location within Inman Park for this round is at the Inman Park United Methodist Church.
- Proposed amendments to NPU-N by-laws must be voted on in each of the member organizations in May or June and report back at the June NPU meeting.

NPU-N Executive Committee meets on the 4th Thursday of every month (except Nov. & Dec. when the meetings are specially set due to the holidays) at 7:00 p.m. in the Little Five Points Community Center. Next meeting: July 25, 2013. All are welcome to attend. M

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June Public Safety News/ May Crime Report

By ANTHONY NEU, V.P. PUBLIC SAFETY
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Well, this is my first report as the new VP of Public Safety for Inman Park. Actually I think this may be the first article i have ever written to be published. I do not have the flair of our outgoing VP Greg Scott, but I will try to fill his very capable boots.

I am looking forward to working with our security patrol officers and getting know the in and outs of what my predecessors have built. I am fortunate to be taking over a very well-oiled machine and my plans for now are to just continue what Greg is leaving me. As I learn more about how things are currently working, and get to know more about what the neighborhood needs, I hope to be able to add my own initiatives as well.

I have lived in Inman Park (well the outskirts of it) now for the last 12 years. I have experienced the positive impact our focus on public safety has had. Even though we have made great strides there is still much we can to make our community safe for everyone.

I think that's it for now. As I learn more about my new role I hope that these articles will be filled with interesting new items to share each month. Again, I am honored that the neighborhood has chosen me to fill this very important role!

Now for this month's crime:

The APD Reporting System is a few weeks behind so this report may be missing information on very recent activity. We have done our best to include any information we have with regard to incidents not yet on the official report.

Burglary: a residential burglary was reported on 5/6 on Washita Avenue.

Theft from Auto: A catalytic converter was stolen from a vehicle on Degress Avenue on 5/8. A car was broken into on Euclid Avenue in L5P on 5/9. Two vehicles were broken into on Euclid Avenue in a driveway (nothing taken) on 5/21. Too recently to be on the official report, fresh glass was noticed on Washita in two spots on 5/29.

Robbery: Two robberies were reported on 5/3. Shortly after midnight, a pedestrian was robbed by a suspect who pointed a pistol at the victim's head and then fled in a gold colored vehicle after taking the victim's cellphone. The second occurred in the early morning on North Highland Avenue, where a jogger was bumped by a suspect. When the jogger stopped, the suspect pointed a gun and demanded the victim's phone. On 5/10, two juveniles snatched a phone from a patron at a restaurant patio on North Highland Avenue. IPSP was able to apprehend both suspects with the assistance of several patrons and employees from the restaurant.

Commercial Burglary: On 5/6 a business on Moreland was burglarized. On 5/19 a business on Euclid Avenue had its door pried open in the early morning hours and the cash register drawer with \$300 taken. **M**

Inman Park Security Patrol

May 2013 Activity

Directed Patrol	457
Drop Ins/Park and Walks	342
Association Member Contacts	5

Incidents

Suspicious Person	17
Residential Alarm.....	6
Armed Robbery.....	4
Disturbance	3
Illegal Parking.....	2
Abandoned Auto	2
Noise Complaint	2
Suspicious Vehicle	2
Theft.....	2
Intoxicated Person.....	1
Burglary	1
Person Injured	1
Criminal Damage to Property	1
Suspicious Package.....	1
Open Window / Door.....	1
Mental Health Emergency	1
Vehicle Accident	1

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. Please bring a covered dish to share.

No meetings in April – Volunteer for Festival or November - Enjoy Thanksgiving!

For more information, contact Jan Keith, 404.688.7330 or visit www.inmanpark.org/park-social/book-club

**June
26**

Defending Jacob
by William Landay
hosted by Jan Keith
889 Edgewood Avenue

**July
24**

The Book of Joe
by Jonathon Tropper
hosted by Linda Dunham
12 First Avenue NE (Kirkwood)

Atlanta Urban Design Commission (AUDC) Update

By MOLLY McLAMB, V.P. 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.

	Application Deadline	AUDC Hearing Date
Upcoming Application Deadlines	June 4	June 26
	June 18	July 10
	July 2	July 24

Recent AUDC actions on applications for Certificates of Appropriateness:

April 24

No Inman Park properties scheduled

May 8

1. **833 Virgil Street** - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-13-042) for an addition and renovations – Property is zoned R-5/ Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1). **Staff Recommendation: Approve with conditions. Commission Voted: Approved with revised conditions.**
2. **216 Degress Ave.** - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-13-099) for an addition, renovations, and site work at - Property is zoned R-5/Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1) / Beltline. **Staff Recommendation: Approve through staff review. Commission Voted: Denied without prejudice.**

May 22

1. **124 Elizabeth St.** - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-13-109) for renovations and additions – Property is zoned R-5/Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1). **Staff Recommendation: Approve with conditions. Commission Voted: Results not available.**

Applications scheduled for AUDC:

June 12

1. **110 Druid Cir.** – Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3 13 133) for a variance to allow a wall in the half depth front yard where otherwise prohibited and a special exception to increase the wall height from 4' (allowed) to 4'7" (proposed).

June 26


No Inman Park properties scheduled

July 10

No Inman Park properties scheduled

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


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Dance in the Park

By MARA CIRCLE • maracircle@aol.com

Maybe you have seen me dancing in the morning, usually in Freedom Park near Sinclair Avenue and Carmel Avenue. I learned Paneurhythmy, a circular dance, 35 years ago from a Bulgarian friend. She learned it in her country in the 1930's, and has kept dancing ever since. Paneurhythmy opens one to energies of earth and heaven where joy and harmony are more available.

You are invited to join my dance, or to learn my dance. I have taught Paneurhythmy to many people. It takes about 45 minutes to complete. Most of it is easy to follow and can often be preformed the first time. Contact me by email if you are interested at maracircle@aol.com. 

Our Sympathy & Condolences

Tom Baldwin, on the death of his sister-in-law
Waddell Street

Inman Park Charity Photography Show

By DUANE STORK • patchwoork@aol.com

Earlier this year, Images of Inman invited photographers of all ages and skills to photograph the wonderful history and beauty of Inman Park and Little 5 Points. Images of Inman received nearly 300 submissions.



Inman Park Methodist Church, Ben Ennis



Welcome to Inman Park, Cathy Lockwood



Inman Home, Duane Stork



The Geese of Springvale Park, Duane Stork

After world renowned photographer and fine art gallery curator, Robert Matre, selected the top 50 photo entries, they were printed and matted for display and sale during the Inman Park Festival to raise money for Intown Collaborative Ministries (ICM). ICM works to prevent and reverse homelessness and hunger, through its food pantry, low income food co-ops, clothing closet and homeless resettlement services. You can read more about ICM online at www.intowncm.org.

Thus far more than \$2200 dollars have been raised and you can still order the photos online through the Images of Inman website, www.imagesofinman.com. Each print is only \$50, so help celebrate our neighborhood while supporting a great cause! 🍷



Most Dominant Landmark, Christopher Justice



Legacy, Joey Potter

The Spirit of Inman Park

By PAT WESTRICK • patwestrick@gmail.com

Hi again, neighbors! While I was researching write-ups from previous Festival House Tour ticket brochures for this year's homeowners, I was briefly (well, maybe not so briefly) distracted by reading some of the earliest House Tour tickets. Over the next couple of months, I will publish excerpts from some of those early tickets. It's interesting how many things have changed--and how many have stayed the same!

In 1972, with the theme "Inman Park is Happening!", a packet was produced for Festival guests. It included a folded, poster-sized black-and-white Inman Park Butterfly surrounded by a witty tale of one family's adventures in renovation; a history of the neighborhood; a description of its contemporary residents and their occupations; photos of some houses which had been torn down; a plat map identifying the 50 or so "houses known to have been purchased for restoration;" and the brochure for a "Walking Tour of Inman Park."

To me, the most striking thing about House Tour write-ups in those early years was how very personal they were. Most of them identified the homes by their owners rather than their addresses. The narrative is almost stream-of-consciousness--as if a guide was walking right along with you--often identifying a house and its residents even if not on tour.

See if you can tell which homes are described in this ticket (and bonus points if you know who lives there now!) You've probably been to many of them for committee meetings, Diners' Club or Porch Parties. And if your house is the one being described, try not to yell, "So they're the ones who did that!" to your significant other.

#1 was the Car Barn, as the Trolley Barn was called then, **#2** the Inman Park Methodist Church and **#3**, the office of Inman Park Realty: "Henry Moog, Jr. has gotten the IP spirit and restored this house for offices. The office is open."

#4: "...Here [Hurt Street] is a street lined with splendid houses on the west and cleared on the east for a proposed transportation medium [the Stone Mountain Freeway and/or MARTA]. Georgia Simmons of the original 'Tobacco Road' lives behind the picket fence. 'The Castle', as it is lovingly called has recently been purchased by Robert Gage of Houston, Texas for restoration. The foyer is open in its unrestored condition."

#5: "...turn... left at Euclid Avenue. Some restoration is in progress on the right. At the corner of Elizabeth Street is the Asa Candler House. The house is presently divided into apartments but the foyer is open." Visitors were then directed south on Elizabeth, "...past the new wood fence. At the south end of the street is number 117, the first house in which Joel Hurt lived upon moving from Spring Street...then west past the Trolley Barn...Passing the south end of Springvale Park...we see first the Woodruff House at the corner of Waverly Way...Notice the wonderful arch supporting the chimneys and all the detailing. The house is presently a boarding house."

#6: "On the south side of the street...is the Cole House, built

in 1889. It has been recently purchased by Jeff & Bonnie Dees who have been diligently working the past month to make a small part of the house habitable. Prior to Jeff and Bonnie deciding that this was their dream house--no sliding glass doors and concrete patios for them--it had been a boarding house and remains pretty much as they found it. The Dees' have decided to let you see the challenge that an Inman Park resident faces, so the house is open. Next door, the green house, was originally the King house built in 1890 -- a fact that is set forever by a block in the chimney. Notice the fine beveled glass over the front door. The house is presently a boarding house. The next house was built as the Glenn House and is presently being renovated by Dr. Richard Long. This was the childhood home of the former Mrs. Howard Candler (Flora Glenn)."

#7: "...At the end of the block...is the house of Rodney Eaton. The house is being renovated as time and funds permit, but the house is open and someone will tell you what Rod is planning..."

#8: "Continuing west past Father Michael's (there may be some wonderful gospel singing drifting out) you arrive at the home of Glenn & Susan Bridges. This was originally the Winship House built in 1893. Notice the metal fascia and the wonderful detailing. The Bridges' can show you some before and after conditions and tell you about the house."

#9: "Next door is the J.P. Stevens House, now proudly owned & being lovingly restored by Dr. & Mrs. Jim Wilbur. The house is open and Jim & Louise can tell you some of the best restoration stories in the neighborhood. Turn right...onto Spruce Street...At the end of the street (on the left) is a house recently purchased by Celestine Sibley. Some Sweet Apple comes to the city!"

#10: "Turn [right] onto Dixie Avenue, bear [left] at Druid Circle and go down Ashland [Drive]...turn left on Ashland, go up the hill to the green house on the left. Eric & Suzanne Allstrom are doing absolute wonders to a house that had been condemned. They will be happy to tell you about the house and how they found it...go down Virgil Street to observe another building period in Inman Park...all small houses that have great variety and a certain amount of whimsy..."

#11: "...turn right onto Hale Street. The second house on the right with the wonderful siding is the home of Ross Ingram, probably the oldest house in the neighborhood. Go inside to see that the wood continues within...go up the hill, turn right back onto Ashland Avenue. Robert Jones is working on the second house on the right. Next door is Clare White. All of the stained glass in this house is original.

Turn left, proceed up the hill to Druid Circle. The house directly in front of you is one of the first concrete block houses in Atlanta. The multicolored house is owned by Justis & Diane Randolph. They didn't paint that in a weekend! Next door is the family of Dock & Judy Harrell. A marvelous example of past, present and future, the Harrells have reclaimed nearly the whole house, which was originally one of Atlanta's first duplex mansions."

The Spirit of Inman Park • *Continued*

#12: “At the corner of Druid Circle and Euclid Ave is the home of Reverend & Mrs. Charles Helms. Charles and Helen would be happy to show you what they are doing.”

#13: “Next door is Belle Retch, the progenitor of the Inman Park movement. Robert Griggs saw it, loved it, restored it and started Inman Park Restoration, Inc. He is also currently President. The house is open.”

#14: “Tom & Debby Sherwood are next door. Go inside to get a better look at the beveled glass that you get a glimpse of from the street.”

#15: “Continuing east on Euclid Avenue, the large yellow house is being restored by Paul Dominey and Michael Hoover. They will be outside to tell you about the house...[Walk on] to Springvale Park. The road on which you stand is not original. It was built about 10 years ago to make Euclid a thru street. What a pity. You will have to really imagine now that originally there was a stream, starting at the south end and flowing into a lake at the north which was used for ice skating. The park was the center of many social and recreational activities in its day, from picnics to fox hunts. There are remains of some of the walls and paths but very few of the hundreds of trees and shrubs, some of them exotic...which were originally planted. It must have been very beautiful. We envy them that they had the park intact.”

#16: “We arrive back at Elizabeth Street...turn left. On the northeast corner is the Hurt House. Many happy stories are told of the house and its family. Only the gardens are available to us today, so enjoy all the beautiful planting...Elizabeth Street...is the first to be nearly all purchased by new residents. Of the 26 properties, 14 are new people, 5 are owner maintained and 7 are waiting to happen.”

#17: “The first we encounter is...[the] home of the family of Ken & June Thompson. Across the street, Larry and Krista Means have recently bought the yellow house. Next year we will see a great improvement.”

#18: “Next door live Gale and Holly Mull...this year is the first lawn the house has seen in 20 years. Open.”

#19: “[Down the street]...live Fred Bradshaw and Beverly Hensley. Next door is John Sweet. There is a marvelous terracotta mantle in the foyer here.”

#20: “Toward the end of the block...are Tom & Brenda Williams who are open.”

#21: “Back up the hill...is the family of Arden & Elizabeth Brey.”

#22: “And next door on the corner are Earl & Chris Moses. We turn down Waverly Way here to the home of Bob & Patty Sprinkle. Walking past the apartment building, we see a house being restored by Phillip Flaig and David Willard. Come back now to Hurt Street and head up the hill to Euclid. Cathy Clements is restoring a house on this street, as are Bill & Ann Mosely.”

#23: “...turn...onto Austin Avenue. Go all the way to the end. On the right...is the house built by Mr. Austin, for whom the street is named. Next door...is a house being restored by Tom Darden & David Veal. The house was built around 1910 by Mr. Austin for his daughter and son-in-law. Go through part of the house, but particularly the back garden.”

#24: “When you have finished enjoying the beauties of spring, cross Austin Avenue to the right and feast your eyes on architectural antiques at the Wrecking Bar.”

#25: “[Turn on Alta, then go]...up the hill to Degress Avenue. About halfway up the block is the site of the Troup Hurt House....Continue up Degress...to DeKalb. ..The railroad yards across the street are approximately where the new 1970s version of Rapid Transit will be. There will also be a station in this general vicinity.”

“You have seen it. At least most of it. Now you can see that Inman Park is Happening. We have enjoyed having you with us today and hope for your speedy return. Next year perhaps we will have most of the houses you have seen finished and we can move on to help restore your neighborhood. Thus moves Atlanta.”

Inman Parkers--ever the optimists! 

ANNUAL IPNA FOURTH of JULY CELEBRATION



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Springvale Park

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"What is really significant is that no matter what doctor we go to, they know and trust Ira. He is so well respected in the entire medical community."

Editor's note: This is a new Advocate feature that highlights neighborhood businesses. If you would like to write a "Shop Local" column and let your neighbors know about your favorite local business (please do not submit your own business), we'd love to hear from you. **M**



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Atlanta BeltLine Announces 2013 Southwest 5K

Event Will Feature Teams Competing for \$500 Cash Purse and 1K Youth Fun Run

The Atlanta BeltLine Running Series announces its third annual Atlanta BeltLine Southwest 5K will take place on Saturday, July 13, 2013 at 7:30 a.m. along the Atlanta BeltLine Southwest Trail and through the Historic West End and Westview neighborhoods.

The Atlanta BeltLine Running Series has become popular for its “featured challenges,” that engage runners and walkers in fun, friendly competition. The Southwest 5K will feature the “Team Challenge,” where teams representing local businesses, schools, non-profits, run clubs, friends, neighborhoods and beyond, compete for a \$500 cash purse. Also included in this event is the Atlanta BeltLine’s second “Youth 1K Fun Run,” designed to get children 12 and under excited and involved in running early, which takes place shortly after the 5K.

The Atlanta BeltLine Southwest 5K also will include exciting features such as:

- Route showcasing Art on the Atlanta BeltLine exhibits, such as the West End Remembers mural on White Street
- Team challenge, with awards to the fastest team, the largest team and the most spirited team
- Members of the Atlanta BeltLine Running Series Community will earn points redeemable for awesome prizes
- Participants of the Atlanta BeltLine Active Lifestyle Challenge will earn points and can compare their results against other runners on the online leaderboard
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- Post-race activities at Space Atlanta
- Music by Power 96.1
- Fun, creatively-designed t-shirts
- Exciting, custom-designed award mugs
- Course friendly to strollers and dogs as well


“It is inspiring to see the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership’s mission to engage the community in opportunities for health and fitness come to life,” said Atlanta BeltLine Partnership Executive Director Valarie Wilson. “As more and more of our running events are attended by sold-out crowds and trails are filled with runners, walkers, cyclists and beyond, we are making a tangible impact on community health in Atlanta.”

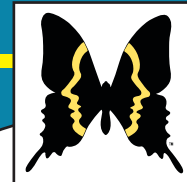
Registration is \$30 for the Atlanta BeltLine Southwest 5K and \$10 for the 1K Youth Fun Run. Additional information is available at Run.BeltLine.org. Proceeds from the Atlanta BeltLine Running Series support Atlanta BeltLine Partnership programs vital to the Atlanta BeltLine, including tours and other public outreach.

About the Atlanta BeltLine

The Atlanta BeltLine is the most comprehensive economic development effort ever undertaken in the City of Atlanta and among the largest, most wide-ranging urban redevelopment and mobility projects currently underway in the United States. The Atlanta BeltLine is a sustainable redevelopment project that will provide a network of public parks, multi-use trails and transit along a historic 22-mile railroad corridor circling downtown and connecting many neighborhoods directly to each other. Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. (ABI) is the entity tasked with planning and executing the implementation of the Atlanta BeltLine in partnership with other public and private organizations, including City of Atlanta departments.

About the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership

The Atlanta BeltLine Partnership (ABLP) is a non-profit organization committed to raising funds from private and philanthropic sources to support the Atlanta BeltLine, working with the community and partners to raise general awareness and support, and serving as a catalyst to mobilize resources to address social concerns. For more information on the Atlanta BeltLine, please visit www.BeltLine.org. 



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Poet's Corner

BY BOB EBERWEIN

RIDDLE

Some think I am God's servant.
Others think I serve no one.
You may not hold much with God,
but you cannot deny me.

I am as near to you as your next breath,
and as far away as the last star.
I possess innumerable secrets,
any one of which you may unlock,
only to reveal more locked secrets.
Surely you will never open my last secret.
But if you do, alas, I lose my power over you,
though my magnificence remains just as fulsome,
for I am grand, still far beyond your imagination.

And yet, I have my limitations.
I do not think, I only act.
I am not the Alpha and Omega.
The answer to that riddle lies elsewhere,
obscure to you and me.

In your quotidian affairs you pay me meager attention.
Still, I am your only reality,
though you may strive to say otherwise.
Do I care?
Not at all.

Some say I was born and I must die,
but what do they know?
I would laugh at them –
if I could laugh.

You are a part of me, that is certain,
and I must concede – I am a part of you,
no matter how scant your relevance.

I freely claim to control all that is in your world,
yet it could be said that I do not control myself,
for I travel an inalterable path,
set before I became.

And all of this I ponder not at all,
for I am unmindful of the course I take.

You may wonder if I have plans for you.
I have none.

Laugh or cry.
Accept or despair.
Exalt me or deride my impudence.

I am the Cosmos. 

Congratulations

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(and their extended family throughout Inman Park)
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Contact information for all IPNA Board members
can be found on page 3 of the Advocate.

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*Springvale
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JUNE 26 AT WHOLE FOODS MARKET
ON PONCE DE LEON AVENUE

You can support Springvale Park by shopping at the Whole Foods Market on Ponce de Leon Avenue on Wednesday, June 26. The Springvale Park Committee was selected for Whole Foods' June Donation Day, a promotion in which five percent (5%) of the Whole Foods Ponce de Leon store's June 26 profits are donated to Springvale Park.

The Springvale Park Committee is in the throes of fundraising for phase two of a park rehabilitation, which will include many new features: improved retaining walls, a natural retaining pond/garden, a new bocce ball court and picnic table area and a natural play area for toddlers. The plan is to complete phase two in the fall of 2014.



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Agenda

June 19, 2013 Meeting

IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m. • Babysitting Available

The Mariana, 292 Moreland Ave • Above Wrecking Bar Brewpub

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- I. Welcome & 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. Historic Preservation
 1. Krog Street Update
 2. 280 Elizabeth Committee Updates
 - C. Planning
 1. NPU Bylaw Vote
 2. Freedom Park Conservancy
 3. BeltLine
 - D. Treasurer
 1. Regular Income/ Expenditures
 2. 2013 Budget Intro and Discussion
 - E. Zoning
 - F. Public Safety
 - G. Communications
 - H. Secretary
 - VII. Committee Reports
 - VIII. Old Business
 - IX. New Business
 - X. Adjourn
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Good to Know

IPNA Membership: Open to everyone, including non-residents. Membership year is May 1-April 30 though you are welcome & encouraged to join or renew at anytime. First year is free. Membership has its rewards: allows you to vote (see bylaws online for details) and is your invitation to the Holiday Party & other events. Pay online or send a check to the address on the front page. Online applications are available.

IPNA meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at The Marianna (above Wrecking Bar Brewpub).

Inman Park Security Patrol (IPSP): The IPSP membership runs from May 1 – April 30; however you are welcome & encouraged to join or renew at anytime.

Websites

InmanPark.org
InmanParkFestival.org
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