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President's Message

By ANDY COFFMAN • president@inmanpark.org



Not long ago a neighbor made an observation about the "President's Message" that appears in the *Advocator* each month. He said that there are only three types of reports. First, there are messages about how we're all looking forward to the festival and encouraging everyone to volunteer. Second, there are messages

about how great the festival was and thanking everyone who volunteered. Then, there are messages in between that are just variations on a theme about the spirit of Inman Park.

In keeping with this great tradition, I wanted to make sure you've marked the last weekend in April on your calendar for the greatest festival on earth. That's right; the annual **Inman Park Festival & Tour of Homes** is on tap for April 24 – 26. **Christel Sundin** and **Roland Craig** (our 2014 Festival Chairs), along with their band of merry neighbors have been working around the clock to ensure that this year's spectacle is the best we have ever seen. The importance of their mission cannot be overstated.

And now for the volunteer bit. Every year there are unlimited opportunities to contribute to this important effort. The Festival affords Inman Park the luxury of a generous budget, funding improvements around the neighborhood, contributions to local schools, and provides ample good will for neighbors and visitors alike. Everyone receiving the *Advocator* has an obligation to pitch in to pull off the largest all-volunteer festival in Georgia. Sign up at inmanparkfestival.org.

On the topic of volunteers, instead of or in addition to your Festival commitment, I once again encourage everyone to get involved with IPNA. We need people to work on the *Advocator*. Get in touch with your vp of communications, Yvonne Merkel, to find out how you can be an important part of neighborhood communications.

This month, your nominating committee will reveal the names of the nominees to serve as your president, treasurer, and vp of planning for 2014 – 2016. This is big news that you do not want to miss. Join me in thanking committee members, **Megan Holder**, **Andrew Bieno**, and the incomparable **Randy Bailey**. These three have carefully vetted and examined the candidates to guarantee our future success. In accordance with our bylaws, we will accept nominees from the floor during the April meeting. We will vote for new officers during our May 21st meeting, after a month of spirited campaigning.

In addition to several historic certificates of appropriateness and liquor permits for Krog Street Market, we will hear from **Rick Bizot**, our NPU representative, about some new legislation coming before our Neighborhood Planning Unit.

In short, this month's meeting should not be missed. I can't wait to see you on April 16th. **M**

2014 Festival Is Almost Here

By CHRISTEL SUNDIN AND ROB CRAIG, 2014 FESTIVAL CO-CHAIRS
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When the 2014 Festival planning activities started back in October 2013, it felt like a long time until the 43rd Inman Park Festival. But by the time you're reading this, Festival is just a few days away, and the neighborhood is buzzing with activities.

Most of the pieces have fallen into place, but there are a few things we'd like to highlight. One of the issues we have had this year is determining where 800 exhibitors' vehicles will park with the Krog Street and the Elizabeth Street developments going on. When writing this, we are still finalizing the 2014 plan.

Another area we'd like to highlight is the volunteer effort. Festival is a big part of how we, as a neighborhood, simultaneously celebrate what makes Inman Park unique and

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APD's Path Force Unit

Learn about the group that patrols the Atlanta BeltLine.

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Festival 2014

All the Festival info you need and then some!

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Minutes of the March IPNA Meeting

By JANET BERRY, SECRETARY • secretary@inmanpark.org

Andy Coffman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Newcomers:

Stacy Bostic of 56 Waddell Street. Dan of 231 Degress Avenue. And Paul is happily attending because it is the first Wednesday night in six years he has had off from work.

Announcements:

Hank Sforzini representing FitWit, a group fitness club, announced open classes at Boys and Girls Club in Grant Park and in Oakhurst. All are welcome to join. **Carolyn McLaughlin** encouraged everyone to come out for Phoenix Flies, hosted by Atlanta Preservation Center celebrating Atlanta's Historic Sites. **Pat Westrick** announced that Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. the Porch Party will be hosted by **Karen and Ken Taber**, 1094 Alta Avenue. Festival House Tour tickets are available: neighbor's ticket price is \$12, guests are \$15, day of Festival, \$20. **Michelle Reinhart** announced she has moved from N. Highland Avenue to Edgewood Avenue and is in need of plumbers, electricians and a host of other workmen. **Justin Lucia and Zachary LaVigne** from Any Spine Chiropractic Center are hosting an Easter egg hunt at 346 Copenhill Avenue, all are invited to join them. **Concerned neighbors** reported serious problems for a decade now behind Bass High field off Euclid Avenue. Disputed ownership and responsibility, between APS and the Atlanta Water Board, has resulted in an area that is a vagrant crime scene ridden with open sexual acts and drug abuse. Criminal cases reportedly have been dropped because of departments disputing over district boundaries. Neighbors of the community announced they are banding together to overcome the bureaucratic quagmire that has endangered victims. Lieutenant Desmond Floyd, in attendance, agreed to meet with victims after his remarks.

Minutes

Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve last month's minutes.

Police Officers' Reports

Detective Ari Bleifeld attended in Lt. Schierbaum's absence and shared the following: 1. A perpetrator caught red-handed with a bicycle and bolt cutters was apprehended and matched the identity of the thief caught on a home surveillance video posted on the neighborhood Yahoo board. 2. A reminder to log all serial numbers of bicycles and other possessions to track your property. 3. Problems on the periphery of the Inman Park include tagging of the skate park, a break-in at a Candler Park flower shop, and a cell phone robbery at the Krog Street tunnel. **Lieutenant Desmond Floyd** addressed assault and burglary concerns along Austin Avenue and pledged to meet with neighbors to investigate and follow up on concerns. Lt. Floyd reported that he and ADA

Keith Lamar had just returned from a walk-through of problem areas in Poncey Highland. He suggested he meet with neighbors reporting the encampments of the vagrants on schoolyard property, recessed land and parks to do a similar walk-through. LSP continues to experience strong-arm assaults targeting smart phones. Lt. Floyd encouraged people to be attentive to perpetrators shoes, adding, "they may change their shirt and pants, but they rarely change their shoes."

Elected Official's Report

Keith Lamar, Jr., Asst District Attorney and Prosecutor for Zone 6 will go to trial this week prosecuting defendant Richard Carter for his 104th arrest. Photos of those banned from the Inman Park neighborhood for life will be provided to Tony Neu, vp of public safety, for distribution. Mr. Lamar will be holding meetings about neighborhood watch programs in the near future.

Nan Orrock, State Senator District 36, provided an update on the current legislative session and recommended Jay Bookman's recent AJC article as an excellent commentary on the state of politics in Georgia.

Committee Reports

Andy Coffman, President

Andy announced the Nominating Committee is still accepting nominations for the board positions of president, treasurer and vp of planning.

Neel Gupta, V.P. Planning

Nothing to report

Morgan Shallcross, V.P. Zoning

Immediate Neighbors Meeting for Victory Sandwich was held and 11 neighbors attended and voted to support 11-0. Ian Jones and Caleb Wheelus presentation detailed: early plans for the exterior and interior of the building, hours of operation, the application will not include live music or valet, and a commitment to compliance to noise ordinances for dumpster pick up.

Molly McLamb, V.P. Zoning

Motion was made and approved to add 944 Euclid Avenue Type III Certificate of Appropriateness to the agenda. Sharon Gay and Neil Schemm, presented their renovation plans. Immediate Neighbors unanimously approved their plans and a vote by the membership to support the neighbors' recommendation was unanimous.

Tony Neu, V.P. Public Safety

Tony had nothing to add to the officers' reports. Tony will report next month on the state of the Security Patrol's Membership.

Yvonne Merkel, V.P. Communication

Yvonne is seeking a new editor for the *Advocator*. Please send any interested neighbors her way.

Eric Goldberg, Treasurer

Report Submitted:

Income	
Public Safety Dues	4,550.00
Membership Dues	325.00
Identity Income	40.00
Total	4,915.00

Expenses

Charitable Contributions	1,050.00
Public Safety	9,740.05
Springvale Park Master Planning	1,105.00
Beautification	800.00
IPNA Meeting Babysitter	50.00
Administrative	24.90
Total	12,769.95

**Charitable Contributions (Grants)

Breakdown:

--Art on The BeltLine	1,000.00
--NPU-N Meeting Space Annual Fee	50.00

Janet Berry, Secretary

Janet encouraged neighbors to renew their IPNA membership or join before April 30 to be included in the IPNA directory that is published annually. It is also a good time to renew your IPSP membership.

Danny Feig Sandoval reported the Krog Street, Elizabeth Street, Lake Avenue, and N. Highland Avenue (KLENH) Transportation Strategy, is being presented to Old Fourth Ward and NPU-M before it goes before City Council.

Rick Bizot, NPU N Representative, announced the city will fund a study of Dekalb Avenue, as they have for Candler Park, in an effort to improve safety and bicycle and pedestrian routes. Questions arose about the valets of Sotto Sotto, Fritti and Barcelona street parking vehicles on Hale Street, Elizabeth Street, Montag Circle, and other streets using golf carts.

Karen Goeckel, Special Events Committee Chairman, announced filming on March 28, 3 p.m. to 3 a.m. at 192 Hurt Avenue. Cranes will be employed for lighting. City Noise Permit Variance will require neighbors to approve the filming. Flyers will be distributed in the neighborhood over the next days. Donation is being given to IPNA by MB Films. Karen reminded us that a filming crew reported twice for a violation of city codes would be ban from that neighborhood. She asked to be contacted if anyone has concerns at kgoeckel@me.com

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. 

Other Happenings to Note

Atlanta Dogwood Festival

April 11 – 13 • Piedmont Park • dogwood.org

If you just can't wait until later in the month to enjoy a festival, head to Piedmont Park for some art, music and dogs chasing Frisbees.

Community Recycling and Disposal Event

Saturday, April 12 & May 10 • 10 am – 3 pm • Walden School (320 Irwin St NE)

Your one-stop solution for those hard-to-recycle items – electronics, paint, styrofoam, metals and even paper shredding. Visit keepatlantabeautiful.org for details on what can be recycled and any fees.

Inman Park Tree Watch

Saturday, April 19 • 9 a.m. – noon • Contact: Oreon Mann (oreonmann@yahoo.com)

Join the Inman Park Tree Watch Committee for some mulching and pruning of neighborhood trees in preparation for Festival. Tools and instruction are provided. Activity is recommended for ages 12 and up, and volunteers under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Meet on Bernina Avenue at the trail entrance to Freedom Park. Tools and instruction provided, but please bring your own gloves and a bottle of water. Closed-toe shoes are also recommended.

Earth Day on the Atlanta BeltLine

Saturday, April 19 • 8:30 a.m. • Northeast Hiking Trail • beltline.org

Join volunteers from the Atlanta BeltLine Inc., Park Pride, Keep Atlanta Beautiful and others to clear invasive bamboo and debris along the Northeast Hiking Trail, a stretch that is getting more use with the popularity of the Eastside Trail.

Inman Park Easter Egg Hung

Saturday, April 19 • 10 a.m. • Freedom Park at Copenhill and N. Highland Ave.

Bring a basket and join the fun with prizes for everyone. Sponsored by Any Spine Chiropractic Center.

Candler Park Movie Night

Saturdays: April 19 & 26 | May 3 & 10 • An Hour Before Dusk • friendsofcandlerpark.org

Grab a blanket, lawn chair, family, friends and neighbors and head to Candler Park to enjoy FREE outdoor movies and popcorn this year. Visit web site for movie titles (all G or PG rated) and info on pre-movie activities. Picnics are encouraged, and select food items will be available for purchase.

Atlanta BeltLine Northside 5K

Saturday, April 26 • 8 a.m. • www.BeltLine.org/run

Mary Lin 6th Annual Rocket Run 5K and 1 Mile Blast

Sunday, April 27 • 9:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. • rocketrun.iwelifefundraise.com

If you want to burn off some calories before indulging in everything from corn dogs to funnel cakes at the Inman Park Festival, these two weekend running events may just do the trick. (More Rocket Run details on page X.)

Freedom Farmers Market

Saturdays • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. • www.freedomfarmersmkt.com

Freedom Farmers' Market at The Carter Center, operated entirely by local producers, is open every Saturday and features a local chef in a restaurant pop up tent along with fresh and good produce, bakery goods, cheese, dairy and more. *Inman Park Festival volunteers will be at the market on April 12 and 19 selling Tour of Homes tickets and festival t-shirts. Get yours in advance!* **M**

On the Calendar

Apr
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IPNA Meeting
Trolley Barn
7:30 p.m.

Apr
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Festival Committee Meeting
7:30 p.m.

Apr
19

Earth Day
Inman Park Tree Watch
Neighborhood Mulching
see details at left

Apr
25
thru
27

43rd Annual Inman Park Spring Festival & Tour of Homes
see pages 12-19 for details

May
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Inman Park Pool Opening Day

May
20

Georgia Congressional Primary Election

May
21

IPNA Meeting
Trolley Barn
7:30 p.m.

May
23

Last Day of School for APS students

May
26

Memorial Day Holiday

May
27

Book Club
Hosted by Frank Koch
see page 6 for details

KLENH Traffic Study Headed to City Council

BY DANNY FEIG SANDOVAL, TRAFFIC CHAIR
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The KLENH (Krog-Lake-Elizabeth-N. Highland) traffic strategy study has been approved by Fourth Ward neighbors and NPU-M, so it is ready to be presented and discussed at the Atlanta City Council Community Development / Human Resources Committee Meeting in April. While we have been thrown a few curveballs along the way, I am hopeful that by early May we can look ahead to the funding and implementation process. If approved by City Council, a prudent step would be a meeting between city leaders, neighborhood representatives and developers to clarify the strategy for moving forward. I will keep you posted on any further developments. **M**

Book Club Calendar

The Inman Park Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month to discuss the featured selection. Please bring a covered dish to share. Visit inmanpark.org for the full 2014 schedule and book selections, and contact Jan Keith (404-688-7330) with any questions. We will not meet for book club in April (enjoy Festival!), but will meet again in May.

May
27

And the Mountains Echoed
by Khaled Hosseini
hosted by Frank Koch, 941 Austin Ave.

Welcome New Neighbors

Morgan Andrews, 240 North Highland

Joe and Sarah Brown, 382 Sinclair

Dan Cooper and Ronane Lloyd, 231 Degrass Ave

Rob Kissling, 179 Battery Place

Manoela Muraro and Jason Zamer,
220 Haralson Avenue

Justin and Banu Trentadue, 1020 Edgewood Ave

Meghan Weems, 821 B Edgewood Ave

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Paul Kersch, 1084 Colquitt Ave.,
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2014 Legislative Session Update

BY SENATOR NAN ORROCK, GEORGIA STATE SENATOR, DISTRICT 36 • NAN.ORROCK@SENATE.GA.GOV • WWW.NANORROCK.COM

I am honored to serve Inman Park and all of District 36, a vast sweep of Atlanta, including residents in NE, SE, and SW Atlanta, College Park, East Point, and Hapeville since my 2006 election to the Georgia Senate. As your voice in the Senate, I urge you to contact me with your input at nan.orrock@senate.ga.gov or (404) 463-8054.

While progress was made on addressing health concerns with diabetes, lupus, Alzheimer's, and dementia-related diseases, the 2014 legislative session saw a continued assault on education, access to health insurance, voting rights, and civil liberties.

Since 2002, education spending (pre-K-12) has been cut by \$8 billion in Georgia. Nearly 80 percent of our school districts have exceeded class-size caps, and 80 percent will have furloughed teachers this year. I stand with Jason Carter to prioritize education spending, separating it from the state budget, and only fund the rest of the government once we've adequately secured a budget for our schools. I helped defeat Senate Bill 167, which would have dismantled the standards for which our educators and students have spent years preparing.

Healthcare legislation proved to be equally troubling. Senate Bill 98, which passed both the House and the Senate, bars state employee health insurance from covering abortions, making no exception for rape, incest, or fetal anomaly. An egregious attack on women, it parallels further moves to create barriers for healthcare. Families were broken-hearted and weeping in the Capitol halls to see the death of a bill to increase insurance coverage for autistic children and a medical marijuana bill to provide relief to children suffering from repetitive brain seizures.

House Bill 990 creates higher barriers to the expansion of Medicaid to cover nearly 700,000 uninsured Georgians. According to the Georgia Budget and Policy Institute, the move, funded by federal dollars, would actually bring in \$6.5B annually to our state economy and fund the creation of 70,000 jobs over 10 years that cannot be outsourced. Instead, the majority voted to deny our neediest neighbors access to healthcare, which studies show could result in 600-1100 people dying annually from lack of care.



Georgia State Senator Nan Orrock

Legislation directly affecting Inman Park died on the Senate floor. House Bill 960 would have expanded the state law governing urban redevelopment to allow the private sector to help finance and build transit projects, therefore streamlining projects for the Atlanta Beltline. I supported an important bill to streamline community improvement districts in Fulton County to enhance infrastructure and broaden our tax base.

Other problematic bills had mixed results:

- Reduction of restrictions on guns in houses of worship, bars and airports (PASSED)
- Allow for refusal of services based on religious objections, essentially denying healthcare services to women and allowing discrimination against the LGBTQ community, (DEFEATED)
- Reduction of early voting in municipal elections, from three weeks to six days (DEFEATED)

Thanks for caring and weighing in on urgent public policy issues. The Primary Election has been moved to **Tuesday, May 20**. Your vote is your voice, and I urge you to speak loudly. **M**

Public Safety Update

BY ANTHONY NEU, V.P. PUBLIC SAFETY
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Hello Neighbors! Well spring is finally sort of upon us and festival season is approaching... Time for us to spend more time on our porches and enjoy the improving weather. Please remember to keep an eye out for anyone suspicious. We have noticed an up tick in people going through garbage and sleeping in vacant lots. If you see someone setting up camp, please give 911 a call. We have had issues with these campers damaging property and generally being nuisances. Also give the patrol a call and let us know were you have seen someone. We will keep a log of those areas and add them to our route.

The security patrol committee is working on fall fundraiser. We are planning on bringing back a 5k fun run that will happen in October. We will be releasing a firm date in the next month, and I'm looking for volunteers with experience with putting on an event like this to help out. If you would like to help out or even have ideas to suggest, please contact me today!

As always we encourage anyone who is not currently a member of the patrol to join. I am happy to meet with anyone who is interested, but not sure of the benefits. Our excellent patrol officers are also a great source of information as to what the Security Patrol does for Inman Park.

Don't forget to look for the IPSP patrol car in the Festival parade. This year will be my first time riding in it during the parade, so please don't throw anything at me... **M**

APD Path Force Unit on the Atlanta BeltLine

BY ADVOCATOR STAFF • advocator@inmanpark.org

Many people will travel to this year's Inman Park Festival via the Eastside Trail of the Atlanta BeltLine, so this month we're taking a closer look at safety on the BeltLine and the APD Path Force, the unit that patrols the BeltLine. We recently spoke with **Lt. Jeff Baxter**, the unit's commanding officer, to learn a little more about the BeltLine Path Force:

- The unit includes 15 officers, two supervisors and one lieutenant. They patrol the Atlanta BeltLine and the parks that adjoin it seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., mirroring the park hours.
- The officers primarily conduct patrols on foot and by bicycle, though they are exploring other vehicle options such as electric vehicles and ATVs. The Path Force precinct is located in the Lofts at Reynoldstown Crossing.
- Initially funded by a \$1.8 million U.S. Department of Justice COPS grant in 2012, the unit is comprised entirely of officers who also are military veterans (a requirement of the grant).
- With help from the Path Force, crime on the BeltLine was down 44% from 2012 to 2013.
- Cameras installed along all trailheads along the Eastside Trail support the Path Force's efforts, and are monitored by officers in the APD's Video Integration Center on Peachtree Street.
- New lighting was recently installed under bridges along the BeltLine and new signage also is being added.
- To help keep safety on the BeltLine top of mind, Lt. Baxter hosts a quarterly safety meeting that includes representatives from public safety, the Parks department, Public Works, Grady EMS, Atlanta Fire & Rescue and other organizations along the Path Force zones.

The overwhelming popularity of the Atlanta BeltLine has surprised Lt. Baxter most in the past year. And with private-public partnerships, the BeltLine is responding, from teaming up with REI on events along the BeltLine to launching an etiquette campaign with the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition to support a neighborly, fun and enjoyable experience for everyone – even (and especially) when it is at full capacity on a sunny Saturday afternoon.

The Atlanta BeltLine is a welcome addition to the Intown neighborhoods, and we can help keep it a safe place to enjoy. If you frequent the BeltLine, you may want to add these numbers to your phone: their **Fix It Line** (404-477-3687) to report maintenance issues in trails and adjacent parks, and the **APD Path Force Unit Precinct** (404-546-7284), though you should always call 911 first in an emergency. Finally, **www.beltline.org** includes a wealth of information about activities along the BeltLine, future development initiatives and how to get involved with growing and preserving this new Atlanta treasure. **M**

Crime Stats – March 2014

Directed Patrol	574	Abandoned Auto	3	Assisting Fire Department/ Person Trapped in Apartment.....	1
Drop Ins/Park and Walks	327	Vehicle Accident	2	Suspicious Vehicle	1
Association Member Contacts	12	Person Injured	1	Open Door.....	1
Suspicious Person	6	Vehicle Break-In in Progress	2	Street / Sidewalk Obstruction	1
Theft.....	6	Noise Complaint	1	Parking Citation	1
Illegal Parking.....	4	Residential Burglary	1	Vehicle Impound	1
Disturbance	4	Found Property.....	1	Impound Warning	2
Residential Alarm.....	3	Missing Person.....	1		

Data reflects activity from 03/01/2014 – 03/31/2014

80 Spruce Street, 1973 - 2014

BY WAYNE AND PAT SMITH • WDPSCSMITH@MINDSPRING.COM

I remember the first time I saw our house at 80 Spruce Street. It was March 1973. Mary Singleton, the Inman Park real estate agent at the time, had shown Pat and me, and our children, (Dan, 4 years-old, Michele 2, and Maureen 1), several houses in the neighborhood that were in pretty bad shape. Then she brought us to 80 Spruce. This house was a DISASTER!

The front yard had two very large oak trees, but not one blade of grass. Among the mud puddles were numerous car parts and several wooden planks making up a walkway to a set of very rickety stairs and a rotten front porch, neither of which had a handrail.

The house had been divided into three apartments on the first level and two on the second level. Therefore, we had to go through three doors off the front porch to see the inside of the first level and yet another door to get to the upstairs. The main front door had a plywood window. Upstairs the doors still had hasps and locks. The kids though it was great fun that if you wanted to go to another room you had to go outside and around the porch.

The house had been empty for some time and the inside was as bad as the outside. Our potential new home featured five kitchens and five bathrooms all of which should have been declared toxic waste sites. Many of the windows were broken and several had bullet holes in them. There were space heaters in every room with gas lines running on top of the floor. The only things still intact were the five fireplace mantels. Despite all this, Pat said, "This place feels like it could be a great warm home." I said, "Are you kidding?"

But she was not and despite all the warnings from our friends and family we bought the place in April 1973. Mary just raved about the marvelous potential this house had and how great the neighborhood was going to be. At the closing, Mary gave us two tickets to the 1973 Inman Park Butterfly Ball. There, we met some of the original pioneers of Inman Park and that night Pat and I knew we had not made a mistake; this was truly a very special neighborhood.

By the end of that evening we were signed up to volunteer at the next spring festival. Pat and I spent years as chairs of the parade and entertainment committees, serving on the cleanup committee and doing whatever else we could for the event. We even opened our home for tours three times. We failed to explain to the kids that the tour did not start until the afternoon so they started letting guests in while Wayne was in the shower!

Our involvement soon spread to other neighborhood issues. We were part of the original crew dedicated to saving and restoring the Trolley Barn, spending many Saturdays in what was then a dirt pit and kudzu farm; we joined the effort to stop the parkway and we always tried to be willing to lend a hand, a tool, our time or our energy to make this community great. All the while we restored our home, one room at a time. It has been the most rewarding experience of our lives.

The kids are grown and gone and the house is starting to get ahead of us. For health reasons we have decided to put 80 Spruce Street on the market. Somewhere along the way we started inviting those who had their houses on tour to come to our house for brunch the Sunday of festival. The tradition grew to include committee members and then just any neighbors who wanted to visit before the last day of Festival.

Before we sell, we want to celebrate our 40+ years in Inman Park. ***We want to invite all our neighbors, past and present, to the last Smith-family hosted brunch, on Sunday, April 27 from 9 a.m. until noon, at 80 Spruce St. Bring your memories, maybe some photos and your good cheer. Pat and I can't wait to see you. M***



The home at 80 Spruce Street in 1973.



The Smith's home in more recent times.



Wayne and Pat Smith help clean up after the 1993 Inman Park Festival.

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NPU-N Update

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

Notes from the March 27, 2014 meeting:

Parks Department: Tom Cullen reported: The Parks Department has many summer programs gearing up, for kids, seniors and others. For more information, go to www.atlantaga.gov/iparcs.

Watershed Management: Jessica Walker reported:

- The City now has a smartphone app (Atlanta Go) available for iPhone and Android, which allows Atlanta residents to view and pay water bills, view water consumption and receive notifications.

License Review Board:

- **Howard Hsu** (Sweet Auburn Barbecue, 656 N. Highland Ave, Poncey Highland) New alcohol license request for old location (former Pura Vida location). NPU Board voted unanimously to support.

Zoning Review Board:

- **NC-1 clarify/strengthen** (Z-13-039; 14-O-1019, formerly 13-O-1259), an Ordinance to amend Chapter 32A (NC-1 Little Five Points Neighborhood Commercial District) for the purposes of including certain language at the request of the Little Five Points Business Association to reiterate, clarify and strengthen the regulations for the district, and for other purposes. NPU Board voted unanimously to defer.
- **1085 Ponce de Leon Ave NE (Druid Hills Baptist Church)** (U-14-004), seeking a Special Use Permit to operate an existing church after the property is re-zoned to MRC-2. NPU Board voted unanimously to support.
- **678 Moreland Ave NE** (U-14-005), seeking a Special Use Permit to operate a Montessori School on property zoned R-G. NPU Board voted unanimously to support.
- **Five (5) Proposed Zoning Ordinance Revisions** have been introduced, with an estimated public hearing date of May 1 or 8, 2014. All five were deferred unanimously by the NPU Board so that NPU reps can take them back to their groups for discussion and feedback. Full versions of the proposed ordinances will be posted on the IPNA website. In brief, the proposed ordinances are:
 - **Window sign ordinance** (Z-13-046): TO AMEND THE SIGN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, CHAPTER 28A OF THE ATLANTA ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED TO DEFINE THE TERM "WINDOW SIGN", TO REQUIRE WINDOW SIGNS TO OBTAIN SIGN PERMITS IF VISIBLE FROM THE PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY, TO REGULATE THE TIME, PLACE AND MANNER IN WHICH WINDOW

SIGNS SHALL BE PERMITTED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

- **Urban Agriculture** (Z-14-005): TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ATLANTA ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFINING URBAN GARDENS AND MARKET GARDENS AS A PERMITTED USE; TO PROVIDE WHERE AND UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS SUCH USES SHALL BE PERMITTED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
- **Works of Art on Private Property** (Z-14-007): TO AMEND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA BY CREATING A NEW ARTICLE IN CHAPTER 46 "CIVIC AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS" WHICH IS TO BE KNOWN AS "WORKS OF ART ON PRIVATE PROPERTY," AMENDING SECTION 16-28.025 OF THE 1982 ZONING ORDINANCE TO RESERVE SAID SECTION FOR FUTURE USE; AND OTHER PURPOSES.
- **Clarify Accessory Structures on Public School property** (Z-14-013): TO AMEND CHAPTER 29 OF THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, ENTITLED "DEFINITION AT SECTION 16-29.00 (2) SO AS TO CLARIFY THE MANNER IN WHICH THE DEFINITION OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND USES SHOULD BE APPLIED TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
- **Ponce City Market Signage District** (Z-14-014): TO AMEND PART 16, CHAPTER 28A OF THE 1982 ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, AS AMENDED, SO AS TO CREATE A NEW SECTION 16-28A 010(51) TO PROVIDE FOR COMPREHENSIVE SIGNAGE REGULATIONS FOR THE HISTORIC SEARS ROEBUCK & CO. SIGN DISTRICT; TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO ADD THE HISTORIC SEARS ROEBUCK & CO. SIGN DISTRICT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Board of Zoning Adjustment:

- **374 Clifton Rd NE** (V-13-193), seeking a variance from Zoning Regulations to reduce the transitional south side yard setback from 20 ft. (required) to 2.5 ft., to exceed the maximum transitional height plane, to reduce the minimum yard requirements from 5000 ft² to 2907 ft². NPU Board voted unanimously to defer.
- **2038 McLendon Ave NE** (V-13-028), seeking a variance from Zoning Regulations to reduce the front side yard

- setback from 35 ft. (required) to 21 ft. and to reduce the west side yard setback from 7 ft. (required) to 3 ft. for a second-story addition to an existing single-family residence. NPU Board voted unanimously to support.
- **1835 Indiana Ave NE** (V-14-032), seeking a variance from Zoning Regulations to reduce the front side yard setback from 30 ft. (required) to 10 ft. for a new single-family residence. NPU Board voted unanimously to support.

Special Events and Outdoor Festivals:

- **Festival of Chariots** (Springdale Park, Druid Hills), June 5-7, 2014. NPU Board voted to support (8-0), with one abstention.
- **East Atlanta Festival** (Lang Carson Park, Reynoldstown), May 10, 2014. NPU Board voted unanimously to support, conditioned upon the applicant appearing at the next RCIL neighborhood meeting.

Other Matters:

- Druid Hills Application for Riparian Buffer Authorized Encroachment, 817 Lullwater Dr NE (review & comment only); NPU Board voted unanimously to defer.

Text Amendments, Ordinances and Resolutions:

- **14-O-1025**, an ordinance to amend Chapter 2 ("Administration"), Article XVI ("Boards, Councils, Commissions and Authorities"), Division 2 ("Clean City Commission") of the City of Atlanta code of ordinances so as to rename Division 2 from the Clean City Commission to the Keep Atlanta Beautiful Commission, to move the position of Executive Director for Keep Atlanta Beautiful under the purview of the Department of Public Works, to direct Keep Atlanta Beautiful to provide City Council on a bi-annual basis a performance audit of all activities, and for other purposes. The NPU Board voted unanimously to take no position.
- **14-O-1138**, an ordinance authorizing the installation of public art at the Boulevard Underpass (where Boulevard crosses under Dekalb Avenue between Edgewood Avenue and Memorial Drive), Atlanta, Georgia as pursuant to code section 16-28.025 of the 1982 zoning ordinance of the City of Atlanta, and for other purposes. The NPU Board voted unanimously to support.

NPU-N Executive Committee meets on the 4th Thursday of every month, January through October. The November and December meetings for 2014 will be set to avoid conflict with holidays. The meetings begin at 7:00pm in the Little Five Points Community Center. Next meeting: Thursday, April 24, 2014. All are welcome to attend. M



Festival to Join Filming Initiative

Inman Park is joining a citywide, participatory media creation event that will include hundreds of filmmakers, non-profit organizations and inspired citizens documenting stories as part of One Day in Atlanta. As part of the One Day on Earth initiative, Atlanta is one of 11 cities participating in one-day filming events on Saturday, April 26 – the Saturday of Festival weekend. We are excited the Inman Park Festival will be captured as part of the Atlanta story. The media resulting from the filming in all cities will be curated and showcased in a TV series for public television on the future of the American city. Visit www.onedayinatlanta.org to learn more and join us at the April IPNA meeting to hear about the initiative from the producer of One Day on Earth. **M**

Butterfly Ball: An Inman Park Classic

BY COOPER PIERCE, BUTTERFLY BALL CHAIR
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Get ready, get dressed up and put on your dancing shoes Inman Park!

Friday night, April 25th under the stars in the Big Tent on Euclid is the kick-off party that begins our 43rd Annual Festival. We look forward to celebrating another festival with an evening of fun, dinner and dancing. This year we're entering the digital age with electronic tickets. There's no need to worry about where the tickets are or print anything out – we'll have a list at the door for check in. Please remember to enter the Butterfly Ball on the Elizabeth Street side.

Bold American Catering will be providing a wonderful dinner buffet. We have again assembled choices to accommodate most diets starting with Caesar and Caprese salads paired and a choice of port wine braised short ribs with buttered pan reduction or chicken and pancetta cutlet with lemon and white wine sauce over sautéed greens. These entrees will be accompanied by seasonal grilled vegetables and Gemelli pasta with olive oil, garlic, herbs and cheese finished with a selection of mini desserts. While enjoying your dinner with friends, Bogey and the Viceroy will be here again to entertain us with some jazzy and casual tunes during dinner before turning it up! There will be a cash bar and non-alcoholic beverages are complimentary.

We are still looking for volunteers to help set up, take tickets during the Ball, and to clean up Saturday morning after the ball. If you are interested, please email me at c3pierce@yahoo.com. **M**

2014 Festival Is Almost Here *continued from cover*

fund the activities that contribute to the quality of life we enjoy every day. To make Festival “happen” we need your help! Whether you're new to Inman Park, or if you have been here for a long time, please consider volunteering. It is a great way to contribute to the success of the Festival, and is also a great way to meet new neighbors.

We need about 900 volunteers for the weekend, and as of March 20th we currently have about 40% of the slots filled. There are short shifts doing virtually anything; so there is sure to be a fun-filled opportunity for your liking. Please visit www.inmanparkfestival.org/volunteer/ to sign up.

Of course, Festival wouldn't be possible without our sponsors either. Many area companies have contributed this year, and some new to Festival. The full list is on pages 14-15. If you have the opportunity, please let them know how much you appreciate their support of Festival.

On the new-to-Festival front, we have some interesting additions we are evaluating this year – all in an effort to reduce time spent waiting in line. One is a new hand-washing and drinking station that will serve up to 8 people at the same time; and another is a pisoir for the gentlemen. Not sure what a pisoir is? Then make sure to come to festival to find out! And for the third year, we'll be handing out the Festival pocket map to attendees at various Festival entry points. It has all the Festival info you need in one place and folds to 3" x 4" to fit in – yeah, you guessed it – your pocket.

There is also great news for the beer lovers; another craft beer truck has been added given the popularity of the one introduced last year. And in addition to the typical Festival fare, we'll have some new and interesting food choices this year, so plan on eating many of your meals in the neighborhood over the weekend.

And let's not forget our Festival favorites. Butterfly Ball will again feature live music by Bogey and the Viceroy – back by popular demand after their debut last year. And raise a glass (or beer cup) Festival weekend to toast parade favorites, the Feed and Seed Marching Abominable, as they celebrate their 40th anniversary! We'll also see the Krewe of the Grateful Glutton make another run at setting the world record of Gnomes.

Last, don't forget to get your 2014 Tour of Homes ticket and t-shirt. This year's Festival t-shirt is amazing; come get yours before they sell out. We will have both for sale at the Freedom Farmers Market at the Carter Center on April 12 and April 19, between 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (find us in their Community Corner). So while you are shopping Tour of Homes tickets (for a discounted price) and some of the coolest shirts on the face of this Earth, you can also get the freshest produce, flowers and more from all around Atlanta. You lucky b's!

Be sure to follow us on Twitter (@InmanParkFest) and Facebook (Inman Park Festival) to keep up with everything leading up to Festival. Here's to a successful 2014 Festival! **M**

Festival Focus



INMAN PARK SPRING FESTIVAL AND TOUR OF HOMES 2014

- Information, Festival Posters, T-Shirts & Tour of Homes Tickets
- Restrooms
- ATM
- Bike Valet Station
- Kids' Village

- Food
- Beer
- First Aid / Security
- Music / Entertainment
- Tour of Homes
- Trolley Barn

- 1 — 247 Arts & Crafts Market Booth Numbers
- 308 — 631 Street Market Booth Numbers
- Shuttle Route
- Parade Route (2pm Saturday)

- Arts & Crafts Market**
(fine art, original work)
Vendors are primarily located on the west side of Festival.
- Street Market**
(antiques & handcrafted wares)
Vendors are primarily located on the east side of Festival.

THE 43RD ANNUAL INMAN PARK SPRING FESTIVAL



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Inman Park Festival

**Saturday
April 26th**

Artists & Street Market 11 am – 6 pm
 Tour of Homes 12 pm – 6 pm
 Entertainment
 Music Stages 11:45 am – 7:45 pm
 Kids' Village 12 pm – 6 pm
 Parade 2 pm
 Dance Festival 4 pm

**Sunday
April 27th**

Artists & Street Market 11 am – 6 pm
 Tour of Homes 12 pm – 6 pm
 Entertainment
 Music Stages 11:45 am – 7:45 pm
 Kids' Village 12 pm – 6 pm
 Dance Festival 4 pm

Festival Entertainment

Parade • Saturday • 2 pm

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Live Music

Saturday & Sunday • Schedule Below

Enjoy a variety of entertainment at the three music stages located within the Festival footprint. **See map on reverse for stage locations. Music schedules subject to change. Free.**

Kids' Village

Saturday & Sunday • 12 – 6 pm

Need a place for the little ones to burn off some energy? Head to the Kids' Village where they'll enjoy a variety of activities, most of which are complimentary. Food and drink are also available for purchase here. **Springvale Park.**

Dance Festival

Saturday & Sunday • 4 pm

Join us this weekend for the 14th Inman Park Dance Festival. These free admission performances showcase dance companies that are committed to presenting great concert dance in Atlanta and the State of Georgia. This year's festival features both professional and amateur talent: Balletnic, Full Radius Dance, Callanwolde Dance Ensemble and Staibdance. **Trolley Barn. Free.**

	Music • Saturday, April 26 th	Music • Sunday, April 27 th
Delta Park Stage	11:45 am - 12:45 pm Wire Method <i>Indie pop-rock multi-instrumentalists</i> 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Copious Jones <i>Prog-rock fusion w/multiple influences</i> 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Grinder Nova <i>Latin-flavored funk/fusion</i> 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 pm Second-Hand Swagger <i>Vintage soul sounds and style</i> 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Rockaz <i>Reggae, mon... One love!</i> 6:45 pm - 7:45 pm Count M'Butu and the Mar-Tans <i>Popular funk-driven soul & R&B</i>	12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Jerome Olds <i>Gospel</i> 1:45 pm - 2:45 pm Lindsay Rakers <i>Progressive country singer/songwriter</i> 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm 10 Degrees Off <i>Blues/rock obscure covers and originals</i> 4:15 p.m. - 5:15 pm The Electromatics <i>Jazz, funk, swing/blues mix</i> 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Jimmy Hall <i>Ex-Wet Willie frontman-Rock/blues/&B</i>
Euclid Avenue Stage	11:45 am - 12:45 pm Pan People <i>Caribbean steel drum music</i> 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Pillage & Plunder <i>Youthful pop-rockers</i> 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Tommy Dean Quartet <i>Jazzy swing and popular covers</i> 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm Cowboy Envy <i>Singin' cowpokes</i>	11:45 am - 12:45 pm Today the Moon Tomorrow the Sun <i>Pop/rock originals</i> 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Roxy Watson <i>Bluegrass gals</i> 2:15 pm - 3:15 pm Grant Green, Jr. <i>Accomplished jazz guitarist</i> 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Joe Gransden's Big Band <i>Big band swing and jazz</i> 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm Gwen Hughes <i>Pop/rock/jazz diva</i>
WonderRoot Stage	11:45 am - 12:45 pm China Blue <i>Folksy singer-songwriter</i> 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Plague of Pilgrims <i>Avant-garde indie rock</i> 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Jesse and the Great Perhaps <i>Indie folk with unique instrumentation</i> 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm Noel Stephens & the Darlings <i>Like old timey rock n' roll</i> 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Freezerburn <i>Alt-country progressive rock</i>	11:45 am - 12:45 pm R. Garcia <i>Soaring rock/electronica</i> 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Accapoco <i>Rhythm-centered psychedilia</i> 2:15 pm - 3:15 pm Forecaster <i>Music you can vibe to, bro</i> 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Minor Miracles <i>Hints of U2 and Roxy Music-Indie rock</i> 4:45 pm - 5:45 pm Lux Noise <i>Psychedelic folk-rock</i>

FESTIVAL & TOUR OF HOMES

No Pets Allowed

By City of Atlanta ordinance, pets are not allowed in the Festival footprint.

Free Shuttle Bus

Runs continuously on the Festival perimeter. See map for shuttle bus route. Simply flag it down and hop on!

Exhibitors

Saturday & Sunday • 11 am – 6 pm

Arts & Crafts Market

Located primarily on the west side of Festival, the juried Arts & Crafts Market features more than 150 fine artists showcasing their original work across a variety of media, including sculpture, painting and photography.

Street Market

Located primarily on the east side of Festival, the Street Market includes more than 250 booths of antiques and handcrafted wares, featuring unique items ranging from jewelry and pottery to garden accessories and handmade soap!

Community Corner

You'll find your favorite non-profit organization in the Community Corner, located on Edgewood Avenue near the Delta Park Stage.

INMAN PARK
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AND TOUR OF HOMES 2014



Tour of Homes

Thank you again to all of the neighbors who so graciously have agreed to open their homes for Festival weekend:

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853 Euclid Avenue
- 11 Anne & David Bucey**
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- 12 Inman Park Methodist Church**
1015 Edgewood Avenue



Festival Focus

What Tour of Homes Means to All of Us

By REGINA BREWER, TOUR OF HOMES CO-CHAIR
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For all of us who have the joy of living in Inman Park, no event brings us closer together than the Festival. For 43 years, Inman Park has opened its arms and its doors to the city and rejoiced in our community, our historic neighborhood, and created the best street festival in the southeast.

For those who are new to the neighborhood (and at 20 years, I'm still sort of new), it was not always the festival we enjoy today. It began as just the Tour of Homes and it was created to generate awareness for living in historic neighborhood, raise money to fight the road, and to fund causes that made Inman Park a better place such as restoring the Trolley Barn, beautifying Springvale Park, funding schools and so many of the things that we "newbies" take for granted. Brave souls opened up homes in the most desperate state of repair, happy to show that you can buy a white elephant and turn it into a precious jewel.

Their hope was to not only garner support for keeping the road from being built but also to attract other pioneers who would take the risk, buy a house in the neighborhood, and join in the effort to bring Inman Park back to its former glory. Obviously, they succeeded since we have all bought homes here and count ourselves incredibly lucky to live in this Intown oasis.

Festival 2014 is fast approaching and while many of you may have already signed up to volunteer, many of you are still trying to decide what to do. On behalf of all of your neighbors who have opened our homes (some many times), we ask you to please sign up to house sit. Without house sitters, we cannot open the doors of our homes, and without the Tour of Homes, festival is simply not festival.

There are many people who can pour beer or collect trash, but it is a much richer experience for our tour attendees to meet people who live in the neighborhood and can answer questions, not only about the home they are sitting, but also about what it means to live in Inman Park. Don't look at it as just house sitting but rather, as an opportunity to meet people who love visiting our neighborhood or even better, seeing your neighbors and friends. Tell great stories, brag about our neighborhood, talk about the endless clubs and social activities that we have, make restaurant recommendations, and explain what the butterfly symbolizes on our banners.

We thank you for your support and remind all our neighbors that live in Inman Park that volunteering is one of the most important things you can do for Inman Park. Please sign up today at <http://inmanparkfestival.org/volunteer/>. 

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The Spirit of Inman Park – Joel Awards

BY PAT WESTRICK • patwestrick@gmail.com

What on earth are “Joel Awards”? Last month’s *Advocator* had an article by the tireless Amy Higgins asking for nominations for this year’s awards, and explaining that they are named after Joel Hurt, the developer of Inman Park, they are intended to honor the neighborhood’s most dedicated volunteers, and are awarded at Butterfly Ball each year. All of that is factual, and a great overview.

But, as we all know, nothing is ever simple in Inman Park (one of its more endearing qualities,) so there’s always more to the story.

First of all, we’ve been doing this for forty years. According to the information I’ve been able to dig up, the first recipients were Robert Griggs and Holly Mull, in 1974. Griggs was the founding father of Inman Park Restoration (IPR), now re-named the Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA); Holly worked for the mayor’s office and was instrumental in getting some pretty significant attention to the neighborhood’s concerns in those early days. (At least I think that’s why they were honored; a call for copies of all the old Joels a few years ago did not produce either one of these earliest awards.)

Secondly, there is no “standing” Joel Award Committee. Each year, the

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committee is composed of the previous two years’ recipients, so the criteria for the awards tend to be something of a moving target. Consequently, the recipients seem to reflect the priorities and issues facing the neighborhood at that particular point in time. Sometimes the award is for effort way beyond the ordinary, sometimes for just being a good neighbor, sometimes for consistency in volunteering, sometimes for an organization that has benefited the neighborhood, sometimes for leadership, sometimes for...well there is the occasional Joel that no one can seem to figure out.

Finally, like the Oscars, Tonys or Emmys, Joel Awards are given at a snazzy party – in our case, at Butterfly Ball, where we have historically celebrated the beginning of another Festival – and proven to each other that we do, in fact, clean up pretty well. Traditionally, they are announced at the band’s first break, with either the committee chair or the Festival chairs reading the award, with its citation of all the good works the recipient has accomplished. Also traditionally, it’s a challenge to be heard over the happy conversations going on all around.

But this year you know what it means. Stop for a minute. Listen. See if you recognize the individuals by their names or their works, and make a promise to yourselves and your beloved ‘hood to join their ranks in the next couple of years. Raise your hand, volunteer, join in, make a difference, donate time or talent or effort. No one cares how long you have lived here (or even if you do – there’s no residency requirement,) whether you rent or own, whether you live in a house or a condo or a loft or an apartment. We need every pair of hands, every brain and every ounce of volunteer effort to keep Inman Park a great place to live, work and thrive. So jump in and help. There could be a Joel Award in it for you if you do! **M**

The Inman Park Precision Attache Drill Team

BY RICHARD WESTRICK • richard.westrick@gmail.com

Once a year, when the azaleas begin to bloom, the redbuds begin to fade, and the pollen turns the air to a horrid, clogging greenish hue, people around the neighborhood begin searching in their closets, pulling forth their best dark blue suits and their shiniest attaché cases. Why? Because they have awakened in the middle of the night, cold chills running down their spines, with the realization that FESTIVAL PARADE IS NEAR! That wonderful event, that magical time when they can be their most serious, their most focused, their most precise – when their moves in the middle of the street can be the most dynamically awesome!

Would YOU like to have the magic happen to you? Would YOU like to join with us in the Parade? You can, you know.

Just put on your suit, grab your attaché, snatch your umbrella, and meet us at the corner of Spruce Street and Edgewood Avenue at precisely 1:35 p.m. (ish) and we’ll shake hands, finish our beers, and practice for at least five minutes. Experience is not needed or required – Enthusiasm is!!

THE DRILL TEAM WALKS AGAIN! **M**



Festival Focus

6th Annual Rocket Run Blasts Off on April 27

By JANE SMITH • jane@appraisalsmith.com



The Mary Lin Education Foundation is holding the 6th Annual Rocket Run 5K & Rocket Blast 1 mile race on Sunday, April 27. Funds raised at this year's Rocket Run will help build a new playground at Mary Lin since the old one was demolished to make way for the school's classroom addition.

The 5K begins at 9:30 a.m. and will take runners on a gorgeous trek through Inman Park and the Old Fourth Ward. The super fun 1 mile Rocket Blast will start at 10:15 a.m.

Kids 5th grade or younger run FREE by registering and creating their personal race page at <http://rocketrun.iwelifefundraise.com>. Securing a donation of \$5 or more online earns them an event t-shirt. For all other runners, registration (which includes race t-shirt) is \$25 for the 5K and \$15 for the 1-mile Rocket Blast before April 6, and \$30/\$20 afterwards. Not a runner? You can still support Mary Lin by pledging funds to your favorite runner or donating to the general cause at <http://rocketrun.iwelifefundraise.com>. **M**

WE NEED YOU to volunteer for Festival

Neighbors like you - and about 900 others - are what make the Inman Park Festival happen! With so many volunteering options available, what are you waiting for? Most shifts are only two hours and range from house siting to clean up. Visit inmanparkfestival.org/ volunteer to learn more and sign up for your volunteer shift (or two!).

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Festival Street Closings

The following streets will be closed from **10 a.m. on Friday, April 25 until 11 p.m. on Sunday, April 27** for the convenience of exhibitor tents and food vendors:

- Euclid Avenue from Elizabeth Street west to Waverly Way*
- Waverly Way at Poplar Circle and Euclid Avenue to the bend*
- Delta Place along the east side of Delta Park to Edgewood Avenue*
- Hurt Street from Euclid to Edgewood
- Elizabeth Street from Euclid to Edgewood
- Waverly Street from Euclid to Edgewood

**Residents with vehicles parked on these streets will need to move their vehicles prior to the street closings. Failure to do so could result in the vehicle being towed.*

The following streets will be closed from **5 a.m. on Saturday, April 26 until 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 27**:

- Euclid Avenue between Alta Avenue and Edgewood Avenue
- Edgewood Avenue between Hurt Street and Waddell Street
- Elizabeth Street between DeKalb Avenue and Lake Avenue
- Waverly Way between DeKalb Avenue and Euclid Avenue, past Euclid Avenue to Elizabeth Street, past Elizabeth Street and back to Euclid Avenue
- Delta Place between DeKalb Avenue and Edgewood Avenue
- Waddell Street between Edgewood Avenue and Lake Avenue
- Alta Avenue between Euclid Avenue and Moreland
- Degress Avenue between DeKalb Avenue and Alta Avenue Way
- Harralson Avenue between DeKalb Avenue and Alta Avenue Way

The following streets will be closed between **12 pm and 2 pm on Saturday, April 26** to stage the parade:

- Edgewood Avenue will be closed at Krog Street
- Waddell Street will be closed to all traffic from Lake Avenue to Edgewood Avenue (except for the Festival Shuttle Bus)



Inman Park Festival 2014

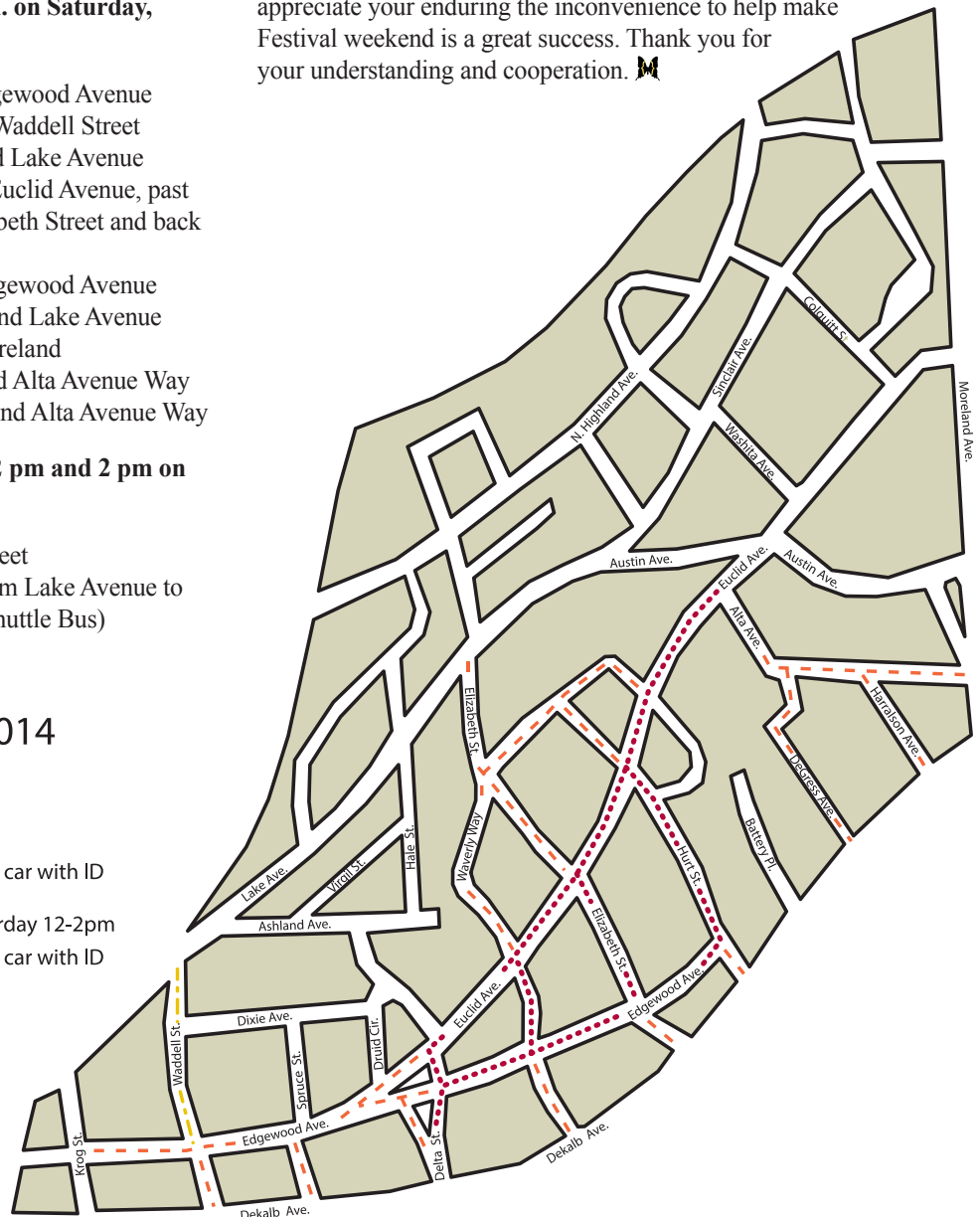
- **Closed** — No Resident Access
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- **Closed** — No Resident Access Saturday 12-2pm
- **Inaccessible** — Resident Access by car with ID

Streets marked **INACCESSIBLE** on the map are limited access and only residents with ID or proof of residency will be permitted to enter.

Streets marked **CLOSED** on the map are streets with vendors and will be closed to all traffic during all of Saturday and until 7 p.m. on Sunday. If you have a car on one of the **CLOSED** streets and will need the vehicle during Festival hours, you will need to relocate your vehicle from these streets before 6 a.m. Saturday morning.

If you regularly park a car on one of the streets with tents or food vendors, **Please relocate your vehicle from these streets prior to 10 AM on Friday, April 25, or your vehicle may be towed.**

The Festival Committee and staff are very conscious of the effort residents put forth to accommodate these closings and we appreciate your enduring the inconvenience to help make Festival weekend is a great success. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. **M**





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School Registration Time

BY TAMARA JONES, EDUCATION COMMITTEE • tjones@keepers-bags.com

It's that time of year! Time for school registration. Inman Park is fortunate to have excellent public schools for parents to consider when deciding where to enroll their children for next school year, and each has active and engaged parent bodies. Our schools are part of the Grady Cluster within Atlanta Public Schools. The cluster organization allows for vertical alignment of curriculum and instruction from elementary to middle to high school. The schools follow the Georgia Common Core Performance Standards.

Mary Lin Elementary is a top performing school within APS. Located in Candler Park, it serves approximately 600 students in grades K-5 from the neighborhoods of Inman Park, Candler Park and Lake Claire. In addition to core subjects, students have classes in Spanish, music, art and physical education. The school also has a gifted ("Challenge") program, and programs for band, chorus and orchestra for 4th and 5th grades. Each classroom has an interactive whiteboard, and the Foundation has provided a Mac lab in the media center. An extremely active school, there are many events and activities held throughout the year. Mary Lin is currently undergoing an expansion and renovation.

Inman Middle School, located in Virginia Highland, serves over 900 students in grades 6-8 and focuses on academic excellence and personal character development. It is here that students from Mary Lin join students from the elementary schools of Hope-Hill, Morningside and Springdale Park. The Georgia Department of Education named Inman Middle School as a 2013 Reward School in the category of Highest Performing Schools. At Inman, academic offerings expand to include German, French, Theater Arts, Health and more. Students have a wide variety of extracurricular clubs and sports from which to choose. Inman will also be receiving an expansion, with a tentative construction start date of December 2015.

Students from Inman Middle School move on to Grady High School, where they are joined by in-zone students from Centennial Place and Intown Academy. Located in Midtown and named for Henry W. Grady, editor of The Atlanta Constitution, Grady High School has a long tradition of producing leaders for our city, state and nation. The approximately 1,275 students at Grady can find their niche in the multitude of activities, teams, sports and clubs including robotics, debate, or even trying their hand at journalism for the award winning school magazine, The Southerner. Grady regularly sends graduates to top colleges and universities and many students receive awards, distinctions and scholarships. Last year's senior class included six National Merit Scholars.

Visit the school websites to learn more:

<http://Marylinelementary.com/>

<http://inmanmiddleschool.org/>

<http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/Page/14412>

While the spring registration deadline has passed, additional registration will be in summer and during back to school registration. Registration details can be found on the Atlanta Public Schools website at www.atlanta.k12.ga.us. Schools will contact pre-registered parents during the summer to provide open house and class schedules and/or assignments. **M**

Neighbors Attend Nunn Campaign Fundraiser

BY ERIC GOLDBERG • ericgold@mindspring.com

An enthusiastic crowd of 250 people attended a March 16 fundraiser for Georgia U.S. Senate Candidate Michelle Nunn, an Inman Park resident, at the home of Lindsay and Phil Hill on Elizabeth Street.

The event, Neighbors For Nunn, raised \$25,000 for Nunn, the presumptive Democratic nominee, daughter of former Georgia U.S. Senator Sam Nunn and founder of the non-profits, Hands on Atlanta and Points of Light.

Nunn was introduced by District 2 City Councilman Kwanza Hall and followed by longtime Inman Park resident Ann Cramer. **M**

Michelle Nunn addresses the crowd gathered at the home of Lindsay and Phill Hill.



Won't You Be My Neighbor?

BY KATHARINE "DRUMBABE" CHESTNUT KLANG • k@drumbabe.com

The Abominable are most frequently associated with Inman Park and the Festival. However, the band lived downtown (near City Hall) and in O4W before moving into the L5PCC in late 1993.

Our first high-profile performance took place at the 1974 Inman Park Festival Parade. The parade holds a special place in the band's hearts. It's our birthday and we have more members at this performance than any other. Each milestone parade, like the upcoming 40th, brings many alumni back to fill the streets.

When our rehearsal space is otherwise occupied with election polling or movie shoots, we've been known to blitz the neighborhood. A blitz is an unannounced performance perpetrated upon an unsuspecting audience. We frequently visit more establish business such as the Yacht Club (a favorite) but we show up at Front Page news and the Wrecking Bar (another band favorite) too.

I frequently talk about the band being my extended family. After a recent surgery, I was laid up at home, disappointed to be missing rehearsal on a Tuesday. Suddenly, the band showed up outside at 7:30 p.m. and blitzed my home. It wasn't long until 15 to 20 neighbors were dancing in the street to the music. Kids running and jumping while adults told me how wonderful it is to have a band in the neighborhood.

I love that this experience stays true to our founders', Kelly Morris, original vision. Kelly imagined the idea of enticing families from the dinner table to the street with the sound of a marching band in the distance. They'd go outside, others neighbors would follow and it would become an instant party.

We love being a part of the history of the neighborhood. We are a mission to complete 40 blitzes in 40 days leading up to our 40th birthday at the festival. That means, you might get a chance to join the party at any time.

Check our calendar at <http://new.seedandfeed.org/gigs> to see where we might pop up next.

Katharine "Drumbabe" Chestnut Klang is currently the "Mouth" aka Manager of the Abominable. Katharine played cello and harp in school but was wooed by the Abominable almost 20 years ago. Katharine loves her 18" Zildjian ZMAC cymbals because of the beautiful sound they make when played. And she has historic home open for the Tour of Homes this year which is full of Abominable paraphernalia. M



Shop Local! La Calavera Bakery

BY LIZ SULLIVAN • j4liz@aol.com

Where **La Calavera Bakery**
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Sunday 12 pm – 6 pm
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In the ‘hood Since March 1, 2014 (they just opened!)

Who’s Who Owners Eric Arillo and Dale Ralston



Husband and wife team Dale Ralston and Eric Arillo recently opened La Calavera Bakery.

The Scoop

La Calavera Bakery has been hugely popular at several local farmers markets since 2012, and they continue to supply the Decatur Farmers Market as well as the Morningside, Piedmont Green, Grant Park, East Atlanta and new Avondale markets.

Eric was the lead pastry chef at Alon’s as well as the head baker at Southern Sweets.

Dale managed The Porter beer bar for the past five and a half years. She runs the front of the shop while Eric is behind the scenes creating sugary magic!

Their Story

Born in Mexico and raised in Atlanta, Eric returns to Mexico regularly to visit family, and this bakery is his and Dale’s love letter to all things yummy from home. La Calavera is a cozy place to hang out, get good coffee and sample numerous treats. They think of food as a celebration; a way to be together in both the good and the sad times.



Some of the freshly baked goods at La Calavera Bakery, now open in Decatur.

What’s Special

La Calavera is all about good nutrition that tastes good! They use only organic flour in everything they make. Eric and Dale are very serious about this. Their Sprouted Wheat Bread involves buying organic wheat berries, soaking and sprouting them, and from the sprouts, they ground the flour that makes the bread.

Their SuperSourdough Bread is a real treat that involves resting the dough for six days before baking. This gives it an extra tangy flavor and it’s easier to digest for some gluten-sensitive individuals. Because it takes so long to make, though, it’s available only on weekends.

Many of their baked goods are from traditional Mexican recipes, including Pan Dulce Orejas (caramelized elephant ears – yum!) and Marranitos, or “little piggies,” which are amazing gluten-free molasses cookies.

And during the month of October and part of November, Eric makes Pan De Muerto, a special sweet bread made only during the Day of the Dead holiday. They also can, on occasion, make custom La Calaveras, which are the wonderful decorated sugar skulls. You may want to remember this come Halloween, as they are gorgeous (but get your request in early!).

Special Offer for Inman Park Neighbors Mention this feature for 10% off your total purchase at La Calavera Bakery during April. **M**

Any Spine Chiropractic Center

BY JUSTIN LUCIA, D.C. (jluciadc@gmail.com) AND ZACHARY LAVIGNE • anyspine.com

Hello neighbors! We’ve just opened our chiropractic office in Inman Park and couldn’t be happier. While both of us come from small towns in New York, the vibe we feel from this neighborhood brings us back home and is one of the many reasons we fell in love with this location. We think this is one of the best sustainable communities in Atlanta and we are proud to call it home. Living and working within walking distance in this community is such a great experience. For those of you we’ve met, thank you for the warm welcome, and we look forward to meeting more of you in the near future!

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	April 1	April 23
	April 22	May 14
	May 6	May 28

Recent AUDC actions on applications for Certificates of Appropriateness:

February 26, 2014

1. 1047 Washita Ave. Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-017) for a variance to reduce the rear yard setback from 34 feet 4.5 inches (required) to 26 feet 11 inches (proposed) for an addition. Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1) / Beltline.

Staff Recommendation: Approve with conditions.
Commission Voted: Approved with conditions.

Applications scheduled for AUDC:

March 26, 2014

1. 944 Euclid Ave. - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-059) for additions and alterations. Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1) / Beltline.

April 9, 2014

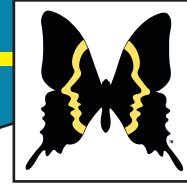
1. 833 Virgil St. - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-073) for alterations and an addition. Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1).

2. 913 Bernina Ave. - Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-079) for alterations and an addition. Property is zoned I-1 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1) / Beltline.

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

AUDC Contact Information:

Website: <http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/urbandesign.aspx>
Address: 55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 3350 • Atlanta GA 30335-0331
Phone: (404) 330-6145 • Fax: (404) 658-6734



Porch Party

There will be no Porch Party this month because we will all be too busy celebrating at the biggest porch party of the year, otherwise known as the Inman Park Festival! Be sure you volunteer and we'll see you again for Porch Party next month! (Save the date for Friday, May 30th).



Your porch wants to host a party!
Call Pat or Richard Westrick to get on the schedule.
404.523.4801

Membership Renewal Time

Ah, spring. The sun is shining, the pollen count is rising and our thoughts turn to... membership renewal? Of course! Be sure to renew your IPNA and IPSP memberships before they expire. All IPNA memberships expire at the end of April. Renew before then in order to be included in the 2014 IPNA Directory and to be eligible to vote in the officer elections at the May IPNA meeting. And while you're in the renewal mode, take a minute to ensure your IPSP membership is current, or if you're not a member, please make 2014 the year you join. The Inman Park Security Patrol plays a big part in keeping Inman Park safe, and your membership helps ensure it remains a sustainable initiative in our neighborhood. You can renew online at inmanpark.org or use the membership form at right.

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IPNA meetings are held at 7:30 pm on the third Wednesday of each month at The Trolley Barn (963 Edgewood Ave NE).



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It's easy to join or renew online at inmanpark.org, but if you prefer to pay offline, complete this form and mail it, along with payment, to 245 N. Highland Ave., Suite 230-401, Atlanta, GA 30307. If needed, additional forms are available online or from the IPNA secretary.

- I want to join IPNA
- I want to renew my IPNA membership
 - My information has not changed
 - Update my information

Include me in the IPNA Directory YES NO

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BUSINESS PHONE: _____

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- Super Booster: \$500
- Non-membership donation to the Patrol
- Check total**
- I need an IPSP yard sign

Agenda

April 16, 2014 Meeting

IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m. • Babysitting Available
The Trolley Barn • 963 Edgewood Ave NE

- 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
 1. Nominating Committee
 - B. Historic Preservation
 1. 393 Sinclair Avenue
 2. 37 Waverly Way
 - C. Treasurer
 - D. Zoning
 1. The Luminary – 99 Krog St (Liquor Permit)
 2. El Bandido - 1083 Austin Ave. (Special Exception)
 - E. Public Safety
 - F. Planning
 1. L5P Community Improvement District
 - G. Communications
 - H. Secretary
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjourn



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 Trolley Barn.

IPSP membership is based upon a rolling annual membership term. Your renewal date is one year from your membership date and again every year after that.

Websites

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Want to be a part of next month's *Advocator*?

If you have news to share with your neighbors in the May issue of the *Advocator*, please send your content submissions to Advocator@inmanpark.org before May 20.

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