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President's Message

## Welcome, Inman Quarter!

BY DENNIS MOBLEY • IPNA PRESIDENT  
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Fountainwall in IQ

It is customary to welcome new neighbors to Inman Park. On this occasion I am welcoming 200 new households who now, or will soon, reside at the corner of Elizabeth Street and my own North Highland Avenue!

**Inman Quarter** (or "IQ") is the mixed-use development of shops, restaurants, and apartments nearing completion next door to Inman Park Village Lofts and

across Elizabeth from our beloved Savi Urban Market. It is being managed by Atlanta's own Matrix Residential.

Happily, **IQ** is the product of a collaborative relationship between JPX Works, South City Partners, ELV Associates, and the Inman Park neighborhood. **IQ** hosted an unofficial "porch party" on January 30<sup>th</sup> and gave all a chance to meet our new neighbors, the Matrix management staff, and the developers. It was a golden opportunity to welcome them and to also recruit volunteers for Festival 2015! It was a rollicking good time and they even furnished the food and adult beverages.

As of this writing, the **IQ** "glass" is about half full, in that about 100 of the 200 apartments are already rented. Although initial expectations centered on a young clientele, a diverse group of Gen X and Gen Y folks along with, yes, Baby Boomers are making **IQ** home. Many of the units are filled by couples. Professionally, a number of medical personnel (including physicians) and business consultants live in **IQ**.

**IQ** residential amenities include two clubrooms, a poolside gym, and a roof deck atop its "bridge" element. **IQ's** central green space with its unique water wall and ample seating will likely establish itself as the pedestrian heart of the village.

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## Key Board Seats Open in 2015

BY DENNIS MOBLEY • IPNA PRESIDENT  
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It's a new year and with that comes the election of new members to our IPNA Board of Directors. In accordance with IPNA's bylaws, the Board is responsible for setting the organization's policies and vision, subject to approval by the membership at monthly meetings. Each position serves a two-year term. And though that sounds like a major commitment, it really does go by fast. To minimize operational disruptions during leadership transition, IPNA uses a rotating term so that the president, vice president of planning, and treasurer positions are elected in one year, and the election for the other positions is held the next year. Board positions that will be transitioned this year include: vice presidents of zoning, historic preservation, communications, and public safety, and the essential job of secretary. A brief description of the key responsibilities of each position follows. If you are interested in learning more about or serving in any of these positions, please contact either the current board member or send an email to the Nominating Committee at [nominations@inmanpark.org](mailto:nominations@inmanpark.org).

The **VP of Zoning** stays pretty busy, we won't deny, because any major developer wishing variances to our zoning regulations must first meet with immediate neighbors, and then the IPNA membership, before we send the issue on to our Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU). Our current VP, Tonya Marlatt, can often be seen distributing flyers to neighbors within 300 feet of a given proposed or new development. Not to mention doing much of the same work to handle liquor license requests of all kinds!

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### Public Safety

Meet Sgt. Brendon Barth of the Inman Park Security Patrol.

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### Springvale Park Vote Outcome

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### Focus on Festival 2015

See how you can get involved in the upcoming Festival.

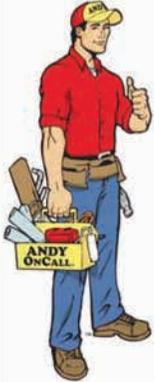
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# IPNA Business Meeting Minutes - January 21, 2015

BY JANET BERRY • SECRETARY@INMANPARK.ORG

**President Dennis Mobley** called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

## *Newcomers:*

**Neil and Cathy Barker**, neighbors on Degress Avenue, were welcomed.

## *Minutes:*

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

## *Announcements:*

**Judy Clements** stated that she just knows everyone has heard by now that our barn will be on the market. The City of Atlanta is willing to part with a, some would say "our," treasure. The Trolley Barn Board, in existence since the 1970's, is resolved to make it our own. Events and efforts include: an informational video available online featuring several prominent IP neighbors; a special Valentine's Day event, Love Our Barn, on Saturday, February 14; and an auction. Donor- and sponsorship-level contributions are fully tax deductible. Judy Clements is available to answer any questions at judyclements@me.com. Please read the featured articles in the January *Advocator*; pages 10-11, online at inmanpark.org.

**Oreon Mann** announced that the Inman Park Book Club would resume monthly meetings on January 27 at 7:00 p.m. The featured book is *Into the Beautiful North* by Luis Alberto Urrea.

**Dennis Mobley** announced there would be an unofficial porch party held at Inman Quarter, 280 Elizabeth Street, at 6:00 p.m. on January 30. Our hosts, at their "swanky new club room," will serve snacks and adult beverages. Everyone in the neighborhood is invited.

## *Police Officer Reports:*

**Major Schierbaum**, previously Captain Schierbaum, was warmly congratulated on his promotion and on his meteoric rise through the police ranks. Sadly, the good news for the city comes as IPSP's loss. Major Schierbaum noted that he has been reassigned to Homeland Security and other duties. He asked that if we know any terrorists, drug dealers, or prostitutes to please contact him. Major Schierbaum thanked Dennis Mobley, Greg Scott, and Lou Arcangeli for their foresight and their

joint efforts in the development and the success of IPSP. He stated he felt at home in IP. Captain Schierbaum noted that every IPSP officer has also been promoted by APD, a testimony to the quality of our IPSP. **Sargent Soukup**, his successor, was introduced and welcomed to his new position as IPSP's new leader. **Lieutenant Desmond Floyd** reported that 2014 crime in Zone 6 is down 12%. Zone 6 will receive recognition for that achievement.

**Keith Lamar, Jr.**, Assistant District Attorney and Prosecutor for Zone 6, stated that suspect Paul Williams, resident of N. Highland Avenue, is soon to go on trial. Richard Carter, having a history of 72 arrests, was sentenced to 3 years in jail; on release he has 48 hours to leave the state and never return.

## *Elected Officials:*

**Kwanza Hall** reported the March bond proposal includes funds for badly needed infrastructure improvements, including lights and sidewalk repairs. NCR is relocating to Midtown with much needed jobs. The tax allocations approved to draw them into the city make up a third of the property tax NCR will pay to the city, a nice win. Kwanza has appealed to Old Fourth Ward and all developers to consider affordable housing for "young hipsters, bartenders, and the creative." The Wingate initiative, a long time coming after 30-40 years, is continuing to expand along Rankin Street and Boulevard. Kwanza is working with the city to schedule pre-festival clean-up. Krog Street Market is now open. Scott Ball is working hard on the L5P's CID initiative. As with the Trolley Barn, the city is liquidating other properties, including Underground Atlanta and the Civic Center. The city has taken into consideration the Trolley Barn Board's good stewardship of the property. The sale will be made at near the appraised value, but the city is considering negotiating with the Trolley Barn Board and not conducting a sealed bid as earlier reported. Kwanza applauded the ambitions and creative work of the Springvale Park Planning Committee. He cautioned that the city's watershed funds do not cover basic necessities like sewer- and water-related issues and warned that an affluent neighborhood's dream of an aesthetically pleasing bridge may not

be appreciated when competing against basic infrastructure needs such as lights, sidewalks and sewers.

## *Committee Reports:*

### **Dennis Mobley, President**

Dennis outlined his goals and scope of initiatives for 2015: Trolley Barn fundraising and purchase with possible closer interconnectivity between the Trolley Barn Board and IPNA; vendor selection for redesigning our website and database; and work with the Lifelong Community Committee to identify empty property parcels and promote their age-specific development.

### **Molly McLamb, V.P. Historic Preservation**

**Dennis Mobley**, for Molly, reported ongoing discussions with the developers of Lizzie Chapel.

### **Tonya Marlatt, V.P. Zoning**

Nothing to report.

**Rick Bizot**, NPU-N Representative, announced grants available for city art projects that are directed towards community improvement. Applications must be submitted to IPNA or NPU-N.

### **Barbara Leach, Treasurer**

Revenues and Expenses	
Security Patrol Income	
Individual Dues .....	1,700
HOA Dues .....	4,250
Total .....	5,950
Security Patrol Expenses	
Patrol Hours .....	11,050
Auto Expenses .....	59
Yard Signs .....	86
Total .....	11,195
Net Cost .....	(5,240)
Other Income	
Bonanza Productions .....	5,000
Membership Dues .....	270
Guest Fees Christmas Party .....	100
Total .....	5,370
Other Expense	
Charitable Contribution .....	5,000
Beer Festival .....	3,389
Springvale Park Maintenance .....	1,420
Christmas Party .....	6,823
Misc. Other Budgeted .....	90
Total .....	16,722
Net Loss .....	(16,597)

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# Other Happenings to Note

## 20th Annual Chinese New Year Celebration

Saturday, February 21 • 11 a.m. • Chien Hong School of Kung Fu • chienhong.com

See displays of various marital arts, traditional Chinese & Taiwanese lion dances, weapons performances, qi gong demonstrations, and much more! Open to the public. It will take place in the upstairs of Chien Hong School of Kung Fu, which has moved to 655 Memorial Drive. Admission will be \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 12 and younger.

\*The time listed above was corrected from the January 2015 *Advocator*.

## Trees Atlanta: Herbarium Basics Workshop

Saturday, February 21 • 9 a.m. – noon • 225 Chester Ave SE • treesatlanta.org

Come learn the process of creating herbarium specimens by drying plants and mounting them on paper. During the first half of the workshop, Dr. Wendy Zomlefer and Steven Hughes will discuss their work at the University of Georgia Herbarium with over 267,000 plant specimens. The second half of the workshop will be a hands-on instruction on proper mounting steps. See the events section of the website above for details.

## Black History Month Parade

Saturday, February 28 • noon • Auburn Ave • blackhistorymonthparade.com

The Black History Month Parade features marching bands, entertainers, dignitaries, corporate groups, artistic expression, entertainment, and fun for the whole family. Come celebrate the culture, heritage, history, and accomplishments of Black/African American people around the world. For the exact parade route, go to the website listed above or call (404) 478-7820.

## Home Theater Showing of *Pandora's Box*

Saturday, March 7 • 6 p.m. • Ormewood Park • ClassicFilmAppreciation.webs.com

Life is Too Short to Watch Lousy Movies, a film appreciation group, presents *Pandora's Box* (1929), showcasing a cult goddess Louise Brooks in her most famous role as the libertine dancer Lulu. Thoughtful discussion will follow. The program is free but space is limited. Please see the 'Contact Us' page at the website above to sign-up.

## 133rd Atlanta St. Patty's Day Parade

Saturday, March 14 • noon • Peachtree Street • atlantastpats.com

The St. Patty's Day Parade runs down Peachtree Street from 16th Street to 5th Street. Started by the city's Hibernian Benevolent Society (a Catholic and Protestant fraternal organization), this parade dates back to 1858, making it one of the country's oldest. Come see clowns, floats, bands, bagpipe & drum corps, dancers, drill teams, and more! For more information see the website or call (404) 504-6884.

## Jewish Music Festival – Main Event

Saturday, March 21 • 8:45 p.m. (doors at 7:45 p.m.) • Variety Playhouse • atlantajmf.org

The 6th Annual Atlanta Jewish Music Festival will feature Yael Deckelbaum and Diwan Saz. Yael Deckelbaum is a songwriter and vocalist who at the age of 16 won a national contest for the best young singer-songwriter in Israel. Diwan Saz is a Jewish-Muslim group of seven musicians who perform ancient music from Central Asia, Turkey, Persia, and the Holy Land. See website for advance tickets. 

### March *Advocator* Deadline: February 20

If you have news to share with your neighbors in the March issue of the *Advocator*, please send your submissions to [advocator@inmanpark.org](mailto:advocator@inmanpark.org) on or before February 20.

# IPNA Calendar

Feb  
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**IPNA Meeting**  
Trolley Barn  
7:30 p.m.

Feb  
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**Inman Diners Club Kick-Off**  
860 Euclid Ave  
See page 8

Feb  
24

**Book Club**  
933 Faith Ave.  
7:00 p.m.  
See page 21

Feb  
26

**NPU-N Meeting**  
L5P Community Center  
7:00 p.m.

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**Investing Wisely Information Session**  
Inman Park Church  
6:30 p.m.

Mar  
18

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

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19

**Facts and Myths about Memory Loss**  
Inman Park Church  
9:30 a.m.

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9:30 a.m.

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**NPU-N Meeting**  
L5P Community Center  
6:30 p.m.

Mar  
31

**Book Club**  
245 N. Highland Ave.  
Apt #314  
7:00 p.m.  
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# Meet Your IPSP



## Sgt. Brendon Barth • Bike Patrol

**Years with APD** 15  
**Years with IPSP** 1/2  
**Lives in** Loganville, GA  
**Hails from** North Tonawanda, NY

**Duty Details:**

Investigate complaints against officers in the Office of Professional Standards

**Favorite thing about Inman Park:**

Seeing residents travel around the neighborhood on their bikes

**Best part of my job:**

Going out of my way to help a citizen when they least expect it

**Hardest part of my job:**

Seeing a coworker injured on the job

**If I weren't a police officer, I'd be:**

A farmer

**My idea of a perfect day:**

A mountain bike ride in the morning followed by fishing in the afternoon with my wife and daughter

**Best advice I ever received:**

Nobody can take your education away from you

**Favorite Quote:**

A bad day fishing is better than a good day at work

**Superpower I wish I had:**

Ability to fly

**Favorite Movie:**

Top Gun

**Favorite Sports Team:**

Buffalo Bills

**My best "bust" ever:**

Helping shut down a club that was selling drugs to patrons

**My top safety/security tip:**

Don't advertise on social media that you are out of town

# Public Safety Update

By TONY NEU • VP PUBLIC SAFETY • PUBLIC.SAFETY@INMANPARK.ORG

Hello, neighbors! As we get into 2015, we're excited about the growth of Inman Park and continuing to keep Inman Park safe. Some of you are aware that our longtime security coordinator, Major Brent Schierbaum, has handed over the reins to the capable hands of Sargent Tom Soukup. Major Schierbaum has been an integral component of the patrol over the last eight years, and without his help, the IPSP would not be the success it is today. I can assure you this has been a smooth leadership transition, and we are already working on some new initiatives for the year ahead. The patrol will be facing new challenges as the new properties and residences fill up. We have already begun working with Inman Quarter and the Krog Street Market. We look forward to their being active members of our security family.

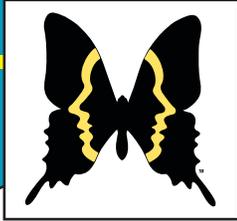
Happily, I don't have much to report on the crime front. As always, keep an eye out for suspicious behavior. I've received recent reports of door-to-door salesmen who don't seem to be legitimate. Anyone selling door-to-door is required to have a city-issued permit. You may ask anyone coming to your door to show you the permit. If you have concerns about their legitimacy and they can't provide a permit, please call 911. Officers will ascertain what this person's story is. Also, there have been two more carjackings in the Edgewood Retail District on Moreland just south of Dekalb Ave. These seem to happen in the later hours and one of them was in the underground parking area. Stay in the well-lit and more populated areas of the lot after dark.

Finally, please spread the word that IPSP is important -- the patrol needs the financial support of the residents we protect in order to sustain it. If you have any questions regarding the patrol or how to provide support, please contact me at any time.

Signing off until next month; stay safe out there! **M**

## Inman Park Patrol Activity January 2015

Directed Patrols.....	651
Drop-Ins .....	131
Suspicious Person .....	20
Residential Alarm.....	3
Illegal Parking.....	2
Theft.....	2
Criminal Trespass.....	2
Open Door/Window .....	2
Parking Citation .....	2
Recovered Stolen Auto .....	1
Injured Person .....	1
Vehicle in Roadway .....	1
Arrest (Theft) .....	1



# Porch Party

February 27 • 7:30 p.m.

At the Home of  
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1054 Austin Avenue

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# Get Well Soon!

Lora Millard, *Edgewood Avenue,*  
recovering from surgery

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## Key Board Positions • *continued*

The **VP of Historic Preservation** is a vital position because so much of Inman Park's character and quality of life is represented by the degree to which our hard-fought Historic Zoning regulations are properly and sensibly enforced. They not only govern improvements to and prevent demolition of our historic homes, they also limit the height of buildings throughout the neighborhood. You don't have to be a regulations expert to take on this position; we have many neighbors, including current VP Molly McLamb, who can mentor you!

The **VP of Communications** is a newer role created out of recognition that, with the Internet, email, social media, blogs, and more, the task of keeping both IPNA members and neighbors-at-large informed and engaged is an important one. Here again, professional knowledge is not a prerequisite, though it may be helpful. Our current VP, Yvonne Merkel, will ensure a smooth transition on current initiatives that include working with our selected vendor to enhance the IPNA website and its membership management capability and supporting the highly acclaimed *Advocator* staff!

Then there is the **VP of Public Safety**. Again, we do not expect you to be a police officer or detective to fill this position! Through the years we have had engineers, photographers, architects, and database administrators filling this essential position. If you are concerned about the level of public safety in Inman Park, and willing to spend some time and energy working closely with our Security Patrol, IPNA members, and board officers, you are halfway there. Tony Neu and his predecessors still remain in the neighborhood to act as your consultants.

Lastly, the **Secretary** role requires no prior experience but I will tell you it takes some commitment and a bit of literary skill to convert a raucous 90-minute IPNA meeting to a page of minutes in the *Advocator* that describe the salient points of the meeting but avoid making the reader plow through a blow-by-blow! If you want examples of well-done minutes, look at past *Advocator* issues and this writer believes Janet Berry has been an absolute gem of a Secretary. She, along with all her other Board colleagues, also helps devise Board policy as a member of a talented and opinionated group of officers that meets together monthly prior to IPNA meetings.

If you have ever considered taking on a leadership role in the neighborhood, now is the time. If you've ever questioned the way leadership functions, don't miss this opportunity to present your vision. The nominating committee will present its slate of candidates to the membership at the April meeting. Though the slate is presented in April, nominations are also accepted from the floor during the April meeting prior to the membership vote on the new Board members at the May meeting. The possibilities are endless. As a neighborhood, we have both the potential and responsibility to impact the quality of life for everyone in Inman Park -- now and for future generations. **M**

## Nominating Committee Named

In accordance with the IPNA bylaws, IPNA President Dennis Mobley has appointed a three-person Nominating Committee that is tasked with developing a slate of nominees to present to the membership as part of the process of electing new officers. As detailed in the article at [left/right], the following board positions will be filled in May: VP of Zoning, VP of Historic Preservation, VP of Communications, VP of Public Safety and Secretary.

This year's Nominating Committee includes neighbors from various corners of the neighborhood: **Andy Coffman** (DeGress Avenue), immediate past IPNA president who previously appointed two nominating committees of his own; **Neel Gupta** (Montag Circle), former IPNA VP of Planning who understands the various demands of a board position; and **Megan Holder** (Euclid Avenue), a Nominating Committee veteran (and former NPU-N representative) who will help shepherd this process.

The Nominating Committee will be presented to the membership at the February IPNA meeting for a vote of ratification by the membership. If ratified, the committee will present its recommended slate at the April IPNA meeting, and the membership vote on the open board positions will occur at the May IPNA meeting.

## Sign-up for Inman Diners 2015

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If you want to have a great time getting to know neighbors join the Inman Diners Club! The kick-off party will be three weeks later than normal, Saturday, February 21, 2015, at 860 Euclid at 8 p.m. Participants are divided into smaller groups of 12 to 14 who will meet for five dinners throughout the year. It's not about exquisite cooking or large dining rooms, just having fun!

E-mail Karin at the address above to RSVP for the kick-off party and to join a group. **M**



# IPNA Board plans a Fruitful 2015

BY DENNIS MOBLEY • IPNA PRESIDENT • PRESIDENT@INMANPARK.ORG

You are aware that our Association holds a monthly meeting open to members and non-members alike on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Trolley Barn.

You may not be aware that your IPNA Board of Directors also meets monthly, generally on the 2nd Wednesday of the month to prepare for the public meeting and to otherwise carry out its duties. The IPNA By-Laws summarize the role of the Board as one of “develop(ing) suggested statements of policy for IPNA to be confirmed at regular monthly meetings... and meet(ing) monthly to make administrative decisions and to implement the policy of IPNA.” (Article 2, Section E, IPNA By-Laws).

With the advent of a new year, the Board spent some time at its meeting on January 14th laying out, in broad brush, the major initiatives it hopes to address this year, in addition to its routine duties of supervising committees, operating Security Patrol, collecting dues, paying bills, taking IPNA meeting minutes, processing zoning, liquor, and historic preservation applications, etc.

The outcome of this first-cut effort is shown below, by officer:

**President:** Appointing Nominating Committee for new IPNA officers. Helping select new website/membership vendor. Enrolling new and existing apartment complexes in Security Patrol and increasing IPNA participation. Convening mid-year budget review which will include planning IPNA participation in purchase of Trolley Barn. Providing support to Lifelong Inman Park subcommittee’s development planning process. Coordinating revisions to IPNA By-Laws.

**Planning:** Establishing committee of neighbors to monitor construction of The Alexan at Krog Street Market. Engaging with IPNA Beautification and Springvale Park committees. Providing support to Lifelong Inman Park subcommittee’s development planning process. Engaging with Little 5 Points Community Improvement District (CID).

**Historic Preservation:** Assisting Nominating Committee in search for successor VP. Begin dialogue around rationales for supporting or denying variances within our existing historic preservation regulations, exploring restoration/re-use of aging properties, proximity to Beltline, and meeting underserved markets.

**Zoning:** Begin dialogue around rationales for supporting or denying variances within our existing historic zoning ordinance, exploring restoration/re-use of aging properties, proximity to Beltline, and meeting underserved markets.

**Public Safety:** Assisting Nominating Committee in search for successor VP. Enrolling new and existing apartment complexes in Security Patrol. Expanding Public Safety Committee. Supporting transition of patrol operations from Major Schierbaum to Sgt. Soukup. Exploring beautification improvements that enhance public safety.

**Communications:** Helping select new website/membership vendor. Coordinating vendors’ interface with IPNA re: enhanced website and membership management. Assisting Nominating Committee in search for successor VP. Developing strategy for use of enhanced communications tools.

**Treasurer:** Spearheading mid-year budget review which will include planning IPNA participation in purchase of Trolley Barn. Exploring sources and types of insurance coverage. Helping select new website/membership vendor.

**Secretary:** Helping select new website/membership vendor. Assisting Nominating Committee in search for successor secretary. Developing strategy for future membership directory as enhanced website and membership management is developed.

This is what your IPNA Board of Directors will be attempting to accomplish this year, in addition to its significant ongoing activities and responsibilities, and always, of course, anticipating the unforeseen. As we know, there’s never a dull moment. 

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## President’s Message • *continued*

We in Inman Park are obsessed with parking, I realize, so let’s focus a bit on the fact that **IQ** purposely built a lot of parking. A total of 315 spaces are available for the restaurants and retail, plus 255 spaces for **IQ** residents. Some Inman Park businesses are leasing a few parking spots for themselves, thus relieving pressure on our streets and allowing life to not only go back to normal, but to be better than it was before.

Please join me in saying “**Welcome, Inman Quarter!**” and later this Spring we’ll raise a glass at one of the exciting new eateries they will bring to Inman Park. I am very much looking forward to it. From Faye’s and my perch at Grinnell, it’s great to see the place lit up at night and beginning to come to life. 

# Inman Park Special Porch Party

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Lauren and Kevin Thames with their son Alexander



Officer Roberts



Jerrico Webster, Inman Quarter Community Manager



Stephanie Thomas enjoys a cupcake



Officer Watkins



Jarel Portman, Bruce Fernald, Charles Welsh



Patti Lombardi, George Weidman, Edmond and Jeanette Rainer



Many Inman Park Residents attended the special Porch Party at Inman Quarter

# IPNA Business Meeting Minutes • *continued*

## **Michaela Kendall, V.P. Planning**

Michaela introduced **Amy Higgins**, the chairman of Springvale Park Planning Committee. Amy reported extensive meetings with neighbors, along with special considerations for ADA guidelines, hydrology effects, water quality, civil property studies, Lifelong Community considerations, traffic patterns and effects, natural springs and wetlands, and a host of other issues that were all considered and explored during Springvale Park's master planning (4-5 years of work). Pond and Company, Springvale Park's master planners, have developed three draft versions of the master plan. Each version includes a different strategy for integrating the north and south halves of the park, one of the central desires expressed by residents. The options were thoroughly outlined and illustrated in the *Advocator*, January edition, pages 12-13. At the Immediate Neighbors meeting, 22 people voted on the three options:

- #1: improve existing stairs - 13 votes
- #2: construct new bridge- 6 votes
- #3 remove existing berm and improve stairs - 3 votes

An extensive discussion ensued at the IPNA meeting, followed by a point-weighted vote on the three options with the following outcome:

- #1: 83 points
- #2: 98 points
- #3: 92 points

## **Tony Neu, V.P. Public Safety**

**Tony** reported that door-to-door salespersons must have a city permit. The crime report by Captain Schierbaum last month included doors kicked in at Montag Circle. The perpetrator is thought to have intimate knowledge of the residents and remains at large. The Albert was hit at 3:00 a.m. with an unsuccessful attempt to steal TVs. Only a laptop computer was taken.

## **Yvonne Merkel, V.P. Communications**

**Yvonne** reminded neighbors of the deadline for the *Advocator* articles. RFR's for redesign of the website and management of IPNA membership and renewal were answered by four interested parties. Interviews are scheduled with applicants in February.

## **Janet Berry, Secretary**

Nothing to report

## **Committee Reports**

**Cathie Berger, Lifelong Inman Park**, reported great meetings on issues that impact aging residents. A recent series on legal and financial concerns led by Sandy Hoke and Al Caproni was excellent and will be offered again. Cathie thanked

Nancy Morrison for all of her hard work. Melissa Miller has conducted meetings with the Lizzie Chapel developers. Cathie is highly impressed by their interest in targeting empty nesters and IP residents interested in downsizing but staying in Inman Park. Contact Melissa for further details. Amy Higgins and her committee have explored options not only for Springvale Park equipment for children, but also for equipment and space allocations for the elderly.

**Danny Feig Sandoval** reported that there is a lot of chatter about Dekalb Avenue: speeding vehicles, study and redesign, and paving. The new bond proposal put out by the city reportedly lists Dekalb Avenue redesign as a high priority. The high-density development of Krog Street and Elizabeth Street is finally coming to fruition and it is "crazy out there." Danny is planning a final sit-down with developers in an effort to work with the city to make final plans and solicit contributions for traffic improvement where needed.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

None

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.** 

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## Another Interesting Session by Aging Well in Inman Park

By NANCY MORRISON • NMORRISON1214@GMAIL.COM

The Lifelong Inman Park Committee offered another well-attended informational session in January on Legal and Financial Issues. Al Caproni, Attorney at Law, and Sandy Hoke, CLU, ChFC, Licensed Insurance Agent, provided those attending with valuable information. Some highlights included:

- Make a will and review it regularly for any changes that may be needed
- Complete a Power of Attorney for Healthcare. Discuss your wishes for end of life care with your family, appointed agent, physician and keep original document in a safe place with copies to your healthcare providers. You can download this standard document at [aging.dhr.georgia.gov](http://aging.dhr.georgia.gov)
- Have a family discussion that includes where your important documents are kept. Include digital access with online documents
- Consider Long Term Care Insurance a valuable part of your financial plan
- It is important to determine when to start taking Social Security benefits
- Weigh the pros and cons to starting Social Security benefits early (at age 62) or waiting until later

Due to the depth of the questions we will be bringing an expert from the Social Security Administration to do a follow-up session. Our March sessions are listed in the calendar strip on page 5. Sessions are open to the public and held at Inman Park Methodist Church.

Join us! 

# Love Your Barn With a Donation Now

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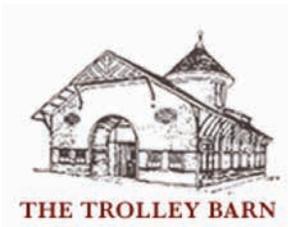
Now is the time to show your support for purchasing The Trolley Barn. The City of Atlanta has indicated that it plans to consummate the sale of The Barn by the end of June of this year. There has been some discussion among Inman Parkers about why they should help the Atlanta and Edgewood Street Railway Company (AESRC) purchase and continue to control The Trolley Barn. I admit that I am biased because I was on the first Board of Directors of the AESRC in 1975 and have been involved with The Barn ever since. Here are the main reasons that I think this effort is important:

- To maintain control over the 1889 Trolley Barn to ensure its future as one of Inman Park's iconic structures. There is not another trolley maintenance facility in Atlanta. It is a great example of Victorian industrial architecture.
- To continue as a great example of a successful community accomplishment which began in 1975 with the decision by a group of neighbors to save The Trolley Barn. It continued in 1986 and 1987 when the ribbon was cut on a renovated building and The Barn opened as a successful event facility.
- To remain central to the Inman Park Spring Festival, as it was for the first Festival. It also hosts neighborhood parties, IPNA meetings, and other meetings throughout the year.
- To be a potential source of funds for other neighborhood efforts. Once AESRC has met its fiscal responsibilities and has an adequate reserve fund, surplus funds could go toward neighborhood projects.
- To reduce the commercial impact on the neighborhood. As a non-profit, AESRC will be able to continue to limit the number of events at The Barn thereby reducing the impact on the neighborhood.

The Trolley Barn's value to the neighborhood includes all of the above and more. I hope you will consider making a donation for the purchase of The Trolley Barn as an investment in Inman Park's future. You may send a check and the donation form to 963 Edgewood Ave., Atlanta, GA 30307 or donate with a credit card at [fundly.com](http://fundly.com). Search for Love Our Barn. Donations of any amount are welcome and tax-deductible.

The Board of Directors of The Barn thanks all of you who have already contributed to this worthy cause. For those of you who have not yet made a contribution, please consider doing so. **M**





# The Love Our Barn Fundraising Campaign

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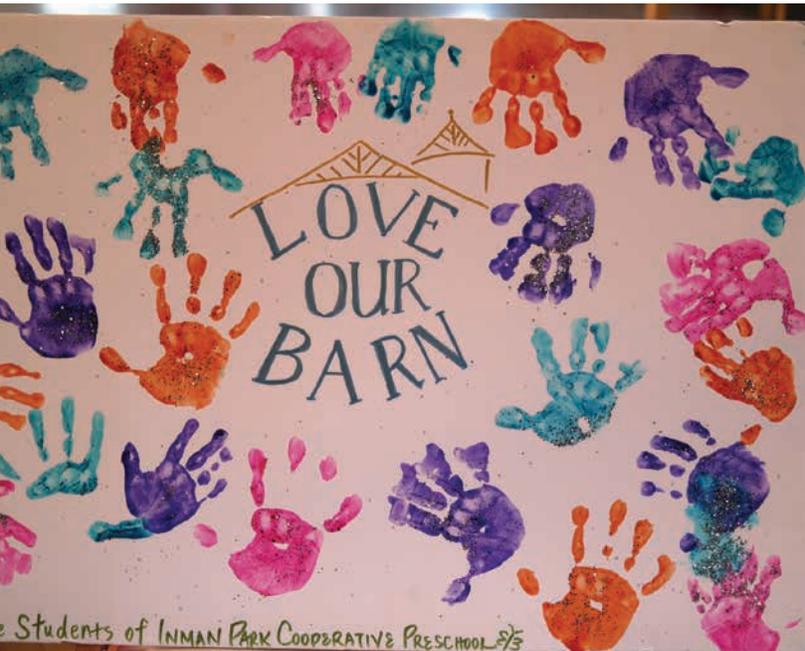
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# Springvale Park Update

BY AMY HIGGINS • SPRINGVALE PARK COMMITTEE CHAIR  
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During January's IPNA meeting, I presented the Springvale Park master plan options as outlined in the January issue of the *Advocator*. A lively question and answer session followed the presentation during which the neighbors discussed and debated the pros and cons of each option. In the end, the membership voted to select the structural bridge as their preferred option. Please keep in mind, this doesn't mean we are about to start building a bridge in Springvale Park. At this point, we don't know if the city will seriously entertain plans for a bridge in that location. What it does mean is that a committee of neighbors with a deep interest in the bridge (a.k.a. the Springvale Park Conservancy) will begin actively researching feasibility and funding.

In the meantime, per Jay Tribby's recommendation, I will be meeting with Doug Voss, the Director of Parks, to discuss the results of our master planning process and seek his advice on keeping the park improvement process moving forward. I will invite a member of the Springvale Park Conservancy to attend that meeting as well.

As always, if you are interested in volunteering to be a part of the Springvale Park Committee, please let me know. We'd love to have you join us. 

## Friends of Ponce Library's Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 27, 2015  
7:00 PM  
Ponce de Leon Library  
meeting room



## Sympathy to

**Cam McCaa**, *Waverly Way*,  
on the death of his mother

**Diana Darris**, *Montag Circle*,  
on the deaths of her brother and her cousin

# Atlanta Urban Design Commission (AUDC) Update

BY MOLLY McLAMB • VP HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
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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
<b>Upcoming Application Deadlines</b>	February 17	March 11
	March 3	March 25
	March 17	April 8

### January 14, 2015

**1181 Cleburne Ave.** Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-413) for a porch addition and site work. Property is zoned RG-2 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 2).

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

**507 Seminole Ave.** Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-417) for a special exception for a swimming pool adjacent to a public street (Julia St.). Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1)

**Staff Recommendation: Defer to the January 28, 2015 Commission meeting.**

**Commission Voted: Deferred to the January 28, 2015 Commission meeting.**

### Applications Scheduled for AUDC

### January 28, 2015

**507 Seminole Ave.** Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-417) for a special exception for a swimming pool adjacent to a public street (Julia St.). Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1).

*Please see the IPNA Agenda for applications scheduled for this month's IPNA meeting.*

### **AUDC Contact Information:**

Website: [www.atlantaga.gov/government/urbandesign.aspx](http://www.atlantaga.gov/government/urbandesign.aspx)  
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Dupree Plumbing - 770-872-0476

Greenlee Plumbing - 678-954-1781

## Swimming Pools

Unique Outdoor Concepts - 678-608-3000

## Tree Services

AKA Tree Removal - 404-496-5405

## Under Deck Systems

Undercover Systems - 678-608-4384



# Festival Focus

## 2015 Festival Design

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Atlanta-based artist and frequent Inman Park Festival visitor Amber Singleton created the design for the 2015 Inman Park Spring Festival and Tour of Homes. A native of Greenville, South Carolina, Amber says she is an “avid festivalgoer” and that the Inman Park Festival is her favorite. An art educator for the past 13 years, Amber is currently the Director of Fine Arts at The Weber School in Sandy Springs. Prior to teaching, she spent eight years in city planning and community development, including five years with the Midtown Alliance.



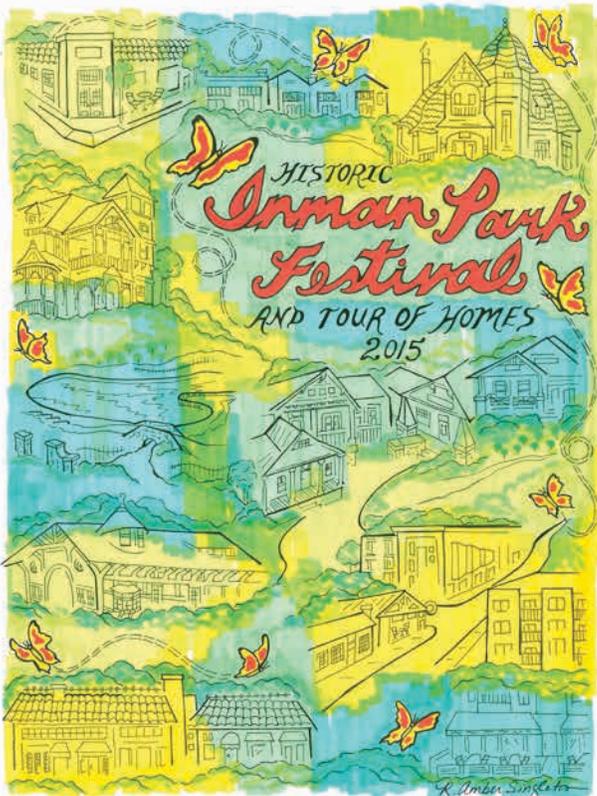
A passionate and strong advocate for the Atlanta arts community, Amber specializes in contemporary mark making and works predominantly in Prismacolor markers, PITT pens and Copic markers – media chosen for the control and detail they allow. Following an epilepsy diagnosis at 23, she became fascinated with the brain and its functions and capabilities, especially in regard to making art. Much of her work tends to resemble the actual cells, neurons and other parts of the brain and it has been exhibited both locally and nationally.



Artist Amber Singleton created the 2015 Festival design.

In the past year, however, Amber began to experiment more in her work with markers and pens. When she learned of the design contest through C4 Atlanta, she combined that experimentation with her background in historic preservation and found further inspiration in fond memories of maps with landmarks and images during her travels growing up. The result is the 2015 design, and a fresh approach for the Festival look and feel. Amber then worked closely with the Festival committee to evolve her design for the various Festival platforms, including the t-shirt, Tour of Homes ticket book, and souvenir poster.

When asked what she most looks forward to about exhibiting her work at the Inman Park Festival, Amber replied, “I’m really excited to meet new people and discover a new audience for what I do. Art is a very personal thing for me, and I look forward to sharing it with the many people who enjoy the Inman Park Festival.” **M**





## Take This Quiz and Find Your Festival Volunteer Match

By PAT WESTRICK • FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MARKETING • PATWESTRICK@GMAIL.COM

Festival will be here before you know it! It takes upwards of 900 volunteers to make the Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes into the best festival in the world (well, our part of it, anyway). From now until Festival, you will be asked to volunteer many times. Don't leave the decision of where you spend your volunteer time in late April to chance!

Each volunteer role attracts a different personality or calls for a specific set of "skills" (using the term loosely). With that in mind, we have come up with a quiz to help you find your ideal Festival volunteer position. See if you can match the volunteer profile in column A with the volunteer job in column B. And after determining which volunteer profile sounds most like you, you'll know just how you're meant to help out over Festival weekend. Of course, there's nothing that says you can't try out more than one volunteer role over the weekend!

It's easy to sign up for one of these or many other Festival volunteer opportunities using the **VolunteerSpot** website, in three easy steps:

1. Go to the **Inman Park Festival Sign-Up** on VolunteerSpot (<http://vols.pt/5WUsPh>)
2. Enter your email address and then review the volunteer spots available
3. Choose the spot(s) you want and sign up!

You don't need to register an account or keep a password, and VolunteerSpot does not share your email address. If you have any questions or problems using the VolunteerSpot site, contact Festival Volunteer Committee Chair Jane Bradshaw ([jcb5858@yahoo.com](mailto:jcb5858@yahoo.com)). **M**



Festival Volunteering George Gary. Photo by Mary Fiorello



Festival Volunteering. Photo by Ben Mitchell

### VOLUNTEER PROFILES

1. Your favorite workout is Boot Camp or weight training. You want to save the earth one plastic cup at a time. Your Fitbit is all whine-y because you don't move enough. Camo shirts call to you, and the concept of "trash juice" intrigues you.
2. You have a winning personality. You'd like to see Festival from the inside. You know your way around the 'hood and can tell someone how to get from Euclid & Elizabeth to Krog & the BeltLine. Butterflies are some of your best friends.
3. You are happiest when surrounded by the smell of beer. You can make change and smile at the same time. You know what "IPA" means. You can remember what year you have to be born to be 21.
4. You have a passion for orderliness. Big tents make you smile. You own a pair of work gloves, but have never had a good chance to use them. The idea of arranging chairs around tables makes you happy.
5. You hum "Broadway Melody" all day long. You think acting is the most important job, followed by singing and dancing. When your friends ask what you want to do this weekend, you answer, "Let's put on a show!"
6. You like to stay clean. Sitting sounds better than standing -- especially in air conditioning. The idea of taking credit for someone else's renovation sounds rather fun. You love houses, especially Inman Park houses.
7. You love being a part of the crew! You like being with a diverse bunch, problem solving, and driving (or riding in) a truck. Yes, you'd love a beer, thank you, and a piece of pizza would taste mighty good as well.

### VOLUNTEER ROLES

- A** Beer Sales is calling your name! Don't hesitate - good shifts go fast, and you have two months to memorize "1994."
- B** It's Theatah Night for you, dahling! They need help setting up the tables and sweeping the tent before the Saturday night performances. Maybe you'll be discovered.
- C** Sign up for a trash shift, you energetic person, you! And even if you're not that energetic, remember they get to drive golf carts and get a special camo volunteer t-shirt.
- D** Help set up the tent on Friday! You can set up tables and chairs, help with the Butterfly Ball decorations, and get in the spirit early.
- E** Ah, a house sitter! A great volunteer gig, where you can smile, point out lovely features and earn a homeowner's undying gratitude.
- F** It's the IPNA Sales Booth for you! Sell House Tour tickets, t-shirts, and posters. Answer questions and be a great ambassador for the neighborhood.
- G** Sunday night cleanup! We're mighty proud of how our neighborhood looks on Monday morning, and it's all because we get out with push brooms, trash bags and blowers and clean the streets. And then we have beer and pizza.

ANSWERS: 1 - C; 2 - F; 3 - A; 4 - D; 5 - B; 6 - E; 7 - G



## Tour of Homes Updates

BY JAN KEITH • FESTIVAL COMMITTEE • JANETBKEITH@GMAIL.COM

*Tour Additions* Two Alta Avenue neighbors have been added to the 2015 Tour of Homes since the list was published in the last issue. A special thanks to **Julie Noble and Eric Anderson at 1135 Alta Avenue and Karen and Ken Taber at 1094 Alta Avenue** for being a part of this year's tour.

*Pencil Us In* Plan now to visit the stops on the 2015 Tour of Homes on **Friday, April 24**. Why Friday? Because with no lines, no rush, and no street closings, you can take in the tour on Friday (12 p.m. – 4 p.m.) at a more relaxed pace. Ease into Festival weekend with brunch before the tour or happy hour afterwards. And if you're the boss, consider giving your team the afternoon off along with free tickets – and gifting tickets to your favorite clients, too! Visit [inmanparkfestival.org](http://inmanparkfestival.org) to purchase 2015 Tour of Homes tickets in advance.

*Sit a Shift* House sitter volunteers are always in demand on Festival weekend. One of the favorite Festival jobs, house sitters serve as Inman Park ambassadors by welcoming people and helping them navigate the tour homes. And if the tour is on your list of Festival must-dos, you can score a **free Tour of Homes ticket** (\$20 value) simply by working the 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. shift on Saturday at any home. See the story on page 17 for information on how to sign up for Festival volunteer opportunities. 

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## Joel Award Nominations

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I think we all agree Inman Park is a pretty special place due to the passion and commitment of the people who live and work here. Every April at the Butterfly Ball we honor the individuals and organizations that have gone the extra mile to help make Inman Park great with our Joel Awards. Named for Inman Park's founder, Joel Hurt, the awards are presented to people who exemplify the community spirit and dedication that characterize our neighborhood. Do you know of someone who has stepped up to the plate this year? Someone who took on the job no one wanted or saw a need and jumped in without being asked? Someone who rallied the troops, raised the money, or put in the extra hours to help make our neighborhood shine? Then maybe they deserve a Joel! To nominate an individual or group, send an e-mail to me at the above address with the name(s) of your nominee(s) and why you think they are "Joel Material." Deadline for nominations is March 31st. 

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## Put on your Boogie Shoes

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2015 Festival planning is underway, which includes this year's Butterfly Ball. The Butterfly Ball is the kick-off party to festival weekend.

Butterfly Ball will be Friday night, April 24th from 8 p.m. to midnight in the big tent on Euclid Avenue. The tent overlooks Springvale Park between Elizabeth and Waverly.

This year get ready to eat, drink, and dance to the groovy tunes of Yacht Rock Schooner. Bold American Catering will once again be providing us with epicurean delights. Yes, we will have vegan and gluten-free choices. It's not too stuffy so you can get out on the dance floor and boogie. Cash bars will be available to help loosen your inhibitions. As always, non-alcoholic beverages are complimentary.

Butterfly Ball is gaining in popularity each year as it continues to SELL OUT early. This is our neighborhood's premier party for the residents who are members of IPNA. Why not all residents you ask? Remember, Festival is a fundraising function of, and sponsored by, IPNA.

Join or renew your IPNA membership today so you can purchase your tickets in April! More detail on joining can be found at [inmanpark.org](http://inmanpark.org) (your first year is actually free!). Membership is so reasonable; there really should not be any reason not to join, especially when it supports a lot of the things that make Inman Park the desirable place it is.

See you on the dance floor! 



# Inman Park Theatre Night

**Saturday, April 25, 2015**  
**under the Festival Tent on Elizabeth Street**  
**7:30 p.m.**

Our neighborhood theatres make us laugh, cry, and see things from a different perspective. So don't miss your chance to dine with friends and enjoy outstanding performances from:



***Pack your picnic basket, call your friends, and reserve your table now!***

**Producer (\$1000 and over)**

- 1 table for six near the front of the stage
- 6 tickets to a performance at an Inman Park Theatre
- Name in program as a Producing Sponsor

**Patron (\$500 - \$999)**

- 1 table for six
- 4 tickets to a performance at an Inman Park Theatre
- Name in program as a Patron Sponsor

**Star (\$300 - \$499)**

- 1 table for six
- Name in program as a Star Sponsor

**Unable to come to Theatre Night? Become a Friend of Inman Park Theatres**

- Donations in any amount welcomed to support our neighborhood theatres.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

- I want to be a **Producer** for a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- I want to be a **Patron** for a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- I want to be a **Star** for a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- I want to be a **Friend** for a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- I want a table.     I am not able to attend.     My company makes matching gifts.
- I would like a "Friend of Inman Park Theatre Night" yard sign.

**The deadline for reservations is March 31, 2015.**

Seating proximity to stage is determined by level of donation and date payment is received.

Mail your payment by check payable to **Friends of Inman Park** to:

Marie Wooldridge, 1082 Austin Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30307

Your donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law .

# NPU-N Update

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Notes from the January 22, 2015 meeting:

## PRESENTATIONS:

**Police Department:** Ben McGee reported that Zone 6 crime was down 12% for the year 2014. He also advised people not to leave cars unattended while warming up in cold weather; 2 cars were recently stolen while warming up unattended.

**Fire Department:** Todd Edwards advises that most house fires start in the kitchen; all households should have an extinguisher for that area of the house.

**Code Enforcement:** Lt. Joe Cummings encourages citizens to report code enforcement concerns, either directly to their office (404-546-3800) or through the City's 311 system.

**Parks Department:** Tom Cullen reported that the City is nearing completion of the design for a new picnic pavilion at Esther Peachy Lefevre Park. The project was initiated by the neighborhood.

## LICENSE REVIEW BOARD:

**Tanusree Malatker** (Moreland Package Store, 15 Moreland Ave SE, Reynoldstown) Change of Ownership request for alcohol license at existing location. Applicant has met with RCIL and they have agreed upon a memorandum of understanding. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the application.

## ZONING REVIEW BOARD:

**1099 North Ave NE** (Z-14-061, Poncey Highlands): to rezone the property from R4 to MRC-3. Application deferred at the beginning of the meeting; applicant not ready and not present.

**369 Connecticut Ave NE** (U-14-036, Lake Claire); seeking a Special Use Permit to operate a church. Application deferred at the beginning of the meeting; applicant has not yet met with LCN.

## BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT:

**805 Kirkwood Ave SE** (V-14-296, Reynoldstown); seeking a variance from zoning regulations to reduce the required east side yard setback from 7ft to 4ft and to reduce the required west side yard setback from 7ft to 5ft to allow for a single story addition to an existing single family dwelling. Applicant has met with RCIL and received support. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the application.

**284 Josephine St NE** (V-14-298, Candler Park); seeking a variance from zoning regulations to reduce the required north side yard setback from 7 feet to 1.9 feet and the south side yard setback from 7 feet to 6.1 feet to allow the proposed addition to align with the footprint of the existing house. The applicant also seeks a variance to increase the maximum lot coverage from 55% to 63%. Mr. Jackson also seeks a special exception to increase the height of the rear privacy fence /wall from 6 feet to 10 feet. Application deferred at the beginning of the meeting; applicant has not yet met with CPNO.

## NPU-N Members

The citizenry advisory council of this neighborhood planning unit includes representation from the following areas:

**Cabbagetown**  
cabbagetown.com

**Poncey-Highland**  
ponceyhighland.com

**Candler Park**  
candlerpark.org

**Reynoldstown**  
reynoldstown.net

**Druid Hills**  
druidhills.org

**L5P Community Center**  
l5pccc.org

**Inman Park**  
inmanpark.org

**L5P Business Assn**  
little5points.com

**Lake Claire**  
lakeclaire.org

## SPECIAL EVENTS AND OUTDOOR FESTIVALS:

**Spring Festival on Ponce** (Olmstead Linear Park), April 11-12, 2015. Applicant received support from DHCA. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the application.

**Paideia School Field Day** (Candler Park), Fri. April 3, 2015. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the application.

## OLD BUSINESS:

**Election of NPU-N Secretary:** CNIA representative has agreed to serve as Secretary. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

**APAB Alternate:** Catherine Woodling agreed to serve as alternate representative to APAB for NPU-N. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

## NEW BUSINESS (UPCOMING):

**NPU-N Bylaws revisions:** Proposed revisions to be distributed to board members for review and discussion at their respective organizations in March and for vote in April.

**2015 meeting dates for November and December:** To avoid conflict with holidays, the NPU-N meeting days were set to be Monday, November 23, 2015 and Thursday, December 17, 2015.

**1998 Tuxedo Ave NE** (Lake Claire); application anticipated.

**MF Sushi:** liquor license application (280 Elizabeth St, Inman Park); applicant advised that application has been submitted, but it has not yet been received by NPU-N.

**Candler Park / Reynoldstown MARTA station, south parcel:** updated application anticipated.

*NPU-N Executive Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of every month, January through October. The November meeting will be held on Monday, November 23, 2015, and the December meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2015. The meetings begin at 7:00 pm in the Little Five Points Center for Arts & Community, 1083 Austin Ave NE. All are welcome to attend. Next Meeting: Thursday, February 26, 2015. M*

# Is Inman Park Book Club for You?

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Long before book clubs were popular, Inman Park had a book club. In fact, it's been around for almost 35 years! Now that must be some kind of record for a book club with no membership list! And of course there is a reason for its longevity – the people who attend. Meeting on the last Tuesday of the month, we begin at 7:00 p.m. by sharing a covered dish, then we move to the book discussion by 8:00 p.m., and we wrap up by 9:00 p.m. — a perfect evening celebrating a shared love of books, food, and (often) libation. You don't have to read the book to attend; just bring a covered dish to share and enjoy the conversation.

If this sounds like something you'd like to do, then give us a try. Everyone is welcome, even if you don't live in Inman Park. And you don't need to RSVP – just show up. This is the low/no pressure, no rules book club — we meet to discuss good reads and enjoy good companionship. Book club is always entertaining. The book and location details for upcoming meetings are always in the *Advocator*. We're also always looking for a "good read" and welcome your suggestions! So now that you're "in the know" about intown's oldest book club, we hope to see you soon! **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](http://inmanpark.org) for the full 2015 schedule and book selections, and contact Jan Keith (404-688-7330) with any questions.

Feb  
**24**

*The Invention of Wings*  
by Sue Monk Kidd  
Sandye Dunlap | 933 Faith Ave  
(Glenwood Park)

Mar  
**31**

*Longbourne*  
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hosted by Kathy Dowling at 245 N  
Highland Ave Apt #314 (IPV Lofts)

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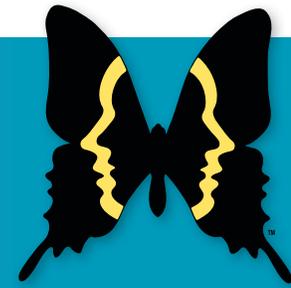
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# Agenda

February 18, 2015 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. Election of Nominating Committee
  - B. Historic Preservation
    1. 111 Waddell
    2. 766 Dixie
    3. 1021 Euclid
  - C. Treasurer
  - D. Planning
  - E. Zoning
    1. 280 Elizabeth, MF Sushi – Liquor License
  - F. Public Safety
  - 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

[InmanPark.org](http://InmanPark.org)  
[InmanParkFestival.org](http://InmanParkFestival.org)  
[Facebook.com/InmanPark](https://Facebook.com/InmanPark)

### Report All Crimes: Call 911

IP Security Patrol: 404-414-7802  
L5P Mini-Precinct: 404-658-6782

### L5P Business Association

[www.little5points.com](http://www.little5points.com)

## Join the Inman Park Security Patrol

Staffed by off-duty police officers, the IPSP supplements the city's police patrols in Inman Park.

The patrol is managed by the IPNA, and memberships and fundraising activities are key to its fiscal viability. Visit [inmanpark.org](http://inmanpark.org) today to join, renew your membership or make a donation.

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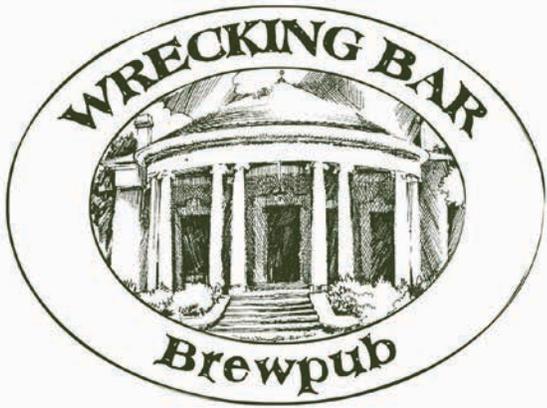


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