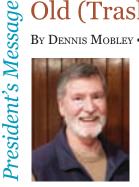
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# Old (Trash) Generals

By Dennis Mobley • president@inmanpark.org



Those of you who know me realize I seek amusement at every turn. Whether it be during IPNA meetings or slinging Festival trash while wearing a khaki cap bearing three butterflies in my self-proclaimed role as Supreme Commander of Trash & Recycling.

I stole the title from no less than Dwight Eisenhower, who was Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in Europe, and Douglas MacArthur (Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers). World War II? You've heard of it?

Upon his retirement, General MacArthur gave a memorable speech to Congress. I will unabashedly paraphrase his remarks by saying to you, the readers of this column, that "old (trash) generals don't die, they just fade away."

In actual fact, it is only my grip on one of the two somewhat visible neighborhood positions I currently hold that is fading. As this issue of The Advocator goes to press, the Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA) Nominating Committee is feverishly assembling a slate of officer nominees to be announced at the April IPNA meeting. Replacements are being sought for this old (trash) general as well as for Vice Presidents of Planning and of Zoning, and for IPNA Treasurer.

Additional nominations, if any, will also be accepted from the floor in April, and the nominees get voted on at IPNA's May meeting.

While I will be ready to turn over the presidential reins to our next cohort of officers in June, I'm still finding very much amusement and satisfaction at the thought of slinging trash and collecting



#### Everyone is invited! It's Clean-up Day!

What	Pre-Festival Neighborhood Clean Up
When	Saturday, April 23 • 9:00 a.m.
Where	Meet at 860 Euclid Ave (free donuts and coffee)
We'll Have	Leaf and litter bags
You Bring	Gloves, rakes, shovels
Why	To help our Festival footprint shine

Come to 860 Euclid Avenue for coffee and doughnuts to help clean up the neighborhood for a little while, and don't forget to bring your garden gloves if you have any. We will be cleaning up the streets together, making sure they look superb for Festival. Teens will meet at Delta Park for their own event (see below).

Please check the inmanparkfestival.org a couple of days in advance for any scheduling details and/or updates.

Teen Pizza and Trash Pick-up		
Saturday, April 23 • 9:00 a.m.		
Meet at Delta Park		
Free Pizza!		

Teens will meet at Delta Park for their own event and are invited for a special pizza trash pickup party. Bring the forms you need for school volunteer hours. We will be happy to give you the credit you so dearly deserve!

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# IPNA Business Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2016

By Beverly Miller • IPNA Secretary • secretary@inmanpark.org

**President Dennis Mobley** called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. He moved, and it was seconded and approved, to add to the agenda a discussion of the IPNA Bylaws and to add 897 Edgewood to the agenda for historic preservation.

**Newcomers: Darrell Thomas,** who lives on Battery Place.

<u>Minutes:</u> A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve the February Minutes.

#### Announcements: Oreon Mann

announced that the IP Book Club will meet March 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Kathy and Kevin Dowling's, 245 N. Highland Ave., Apt. 314, to discuss Let's Pretend It Never Happened by Jenny Lawson. Attendees don't have to have read the book. Bring a dish to share and a beverage. Pat Westrick announced the upcoming Porch Party on March 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Oreon Mann, 897 Edgewood. Attendees should bring a dish to share and a beverage. Judy Clements, Festival House Tour Committee, needs volunteer house-sitters to work two-hour shifts Van Hall, South Fork Conservancy, invited residents to visit southforkconservancy. com for tickets to their Creek Rising Party, Apr. 28 at Zonolite Park. Harold Martin, who is considering buying Highland Cigar, asked how the business might be a better neighbor. A resident mentioned parking and noise issues. Harold replied visitors are instructed about parking and reminded to be quiet on the street. Justin Martin of Johnny White Park Golf Course in West End invited golfers to their nine-hole facility; proceeds directly benefit Tee Atlanta, a youth development organization teaching life skills through golf.

<u>Police Officers' Reports:</u> No officers were present.

<u>Elected Officials 'Reports:</u> Belinda E. Edwards announced her candidacy for retiring Judge Bensonetta Tipton Lane's seat on the Fulton County Superior Court. Josh Noblitt, candidate for HD 59, announced a meet-and-greet Sunday from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at 393 Sinclair.

IPNA Officers' Reports: Dennis Mobley, President, opened discussion of the IPNA Bylaws, saying this is a different era with the advantages of digital communication which our current bylaws do not encompass. Dennis offered copies of the new bylaws and received the following questions: 1) Do stated IP boundaries include L5P? Dennis answered that L5P is included. Our bylaws call for our IP boundaries to exist as defined by the City of Atlanta. 2) Do the bylaws need the boundary described as "historic rail bed?" Dennis answered that IPNA should move away from the Southern Railroad designation since it is now the Beltline. 3) Do the new bylaws address the issue of non-resident and non-member voting? Dennis answered IPNA can now consult our web site to verify membership. James McManus commented there are different ways to qualify for different voting situations. The bylaws do support a roll call for voting if needed, and the voting criteria are clear. Dennis asked and got confirmation that meeting attendees would vote for the new version of the bylaws when the revisions are complete. Dennis also stated that the new bylaws better stagger terms of board members.

**Brian Roof,** V.P. Historic Preservation: **Chris Hamilton** of Dovetail Restorations presented a plan for 897 Edgewood with work at the back of the house and involving an addition and restoration. Seven immediate neighbors voted unanimously to support the project. It was moved, seconded and approved to support the immediate neighbors' decision.

**Barbara Leach**, Treasurer, reported that in Feb. with our web site up and running, we collected over \$16,000 in IPSP dues and \$2500 in HOA dues. We spent \$9500 on IPSP and have added about 12 patrol hours per week. Her full report can be found on page 8.

Michaela Kendall, V.P. Planning: Marge Hays reported that the Lifelong Inman Park Committee is reviewing videos made by Georgia Tech showing how difficult it is for a wheelchair to travel our sidewalks. The committee is working to remedy issues with sidewalk ramps and slopes. There is a budget to help neighbors restore their sidewalks, with discounts for multiple contiguous neighbors. The committee seeks neighbors' input on walkability and will send out a survey after Festival. Dennis remarked on the current online discussion about using hex pavers or traditional poured concrete for sidewalks.

**Rick Bizot**, V.P. Zoning, reported that May festivals include Rock the Kroger event at the Beltline Kroger on May 21 and the Atlanta Cycling Festival in the Old Fourth Ward Park on June 18.

**Chris Coffee**, V.P. Public Safety, reported an armed robbery on Sinclair perpetrated by two suspects driving a blue Hyundai with Virginia plates. One suspect has facial tattoos. APEX, the local crime prevention unit, is in the area tonight because of this incident. Chris announced he will send out more information on the Atlanta Citizens Police Academy, in which students undergo actual police officer training. He also said people should not leave anything in their cars. A dog left inside a cage was stolen recently from a car but was recovered after being left at a hotel.

James McManus, V.P. Communications, asked people to go to the web site and register. He is getting membership matters ironed out and is looking forward to getting more content onto the site. Dennis commented that membership has grown from 400 to 632 and that we have more to come.

<u>Committee Reports:</u> Dennis reported for **Danny Feig-Sandoval** that he is still pursuing crosswalks. **Carol Mitchell** announced that home tour tickets are available on the web site. Dennis asked that everyone go to the Festival web site and sign up to volunteer for Festival duties.

**Beverly Miller**, Secretary: nothing to report.

Old Business: none.

<u>New Business</u>: Randy Bailey suggested Dennis serve two terms; Dennis refused.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m. M

# Other Happenings to Note

#### Horizon Theatre presents "Sex with Strangers"

April 1 – May 1 • Horizon Theater • horizontheatre.com

This sensuous and provocative comedy about fame, cyber identity, and big ambition asks: what would you do, and who would you become, to get what you want?

#### EarthShare Georgia's 21st Annual Earth Day Party

April 21 • Ponce City Market Roof Top • earthsharega.org/earth-day/party

Guests will be among the first to enjoy the Ponce City Market's newly opened rooftop with signature cocktails, live music and delicious food catered by Sun in My Belly. Join EarthShare of Georgia to party under the stars and engage with the environmental and business communities!

#### Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes

April 28 – May 1 • Inman Park • inmanparkfestival.org/festival-101

The festival offers something for everybody. Music, kids' activities, a Tour of Homes, a marvelous street parade, an artists' market and some of the city's best people watching. Come early, stay late and be our guests at Atlanta's best street festival.

#### Atlanta Taco Festival

May 1 • 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. • Candler Park • atlantatacofestival.com

This is the largest taco competition and taco celebration on the East Coast. There will be local bands, Gringo Bingo, Salsa Dancing, Lucha Libre Wrestling and huge bar experiences by some of your favorite local establishments. A donation will be made to CHRIS Kids with proceeds from the festival.

#### Sweet Auburn Springfest

May 6 -8 • Historic Auburn Avenue District, Downtown • sweetauburn.com

There is something here for everyone: Kids' Fantastic Fun Zone, international food court and much more. Come and dare to be scared on the 150-foot zip wire.

#### Shepherd Center Derby Day

May 7 • Doors open at 2:00 p.m. • Chastain Horse Park • derbyday.com

Each ticket includes entry to the event, food, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, live music, auctions and a live broadcast of The Kentucky Derby. Auction proceeds benefit the Center's Recreation Therapy projects and programs for Shepherd's Center patients. Tickets start at \$75.

#### Kirkwood Spring Fling & Tour of Homes

May 14 • 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. • Bessie Branham Park • www.kirkwoodfling.com

Start the day off with our 5K, stroll through our artists market, catch some live music with a bite to eat from our BBQ competition and let the kids go wild in the kids' area. Best of all, admission is free.  $\mathbf{M}$ 

# IPNA Calendar

April **19** 

GA House District 59 Candidate Forum Inman Park United Methodist Church 8 p.m.

April **20** 

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

April **28** 

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

May **18** 

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

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Memorial Service for Bob Eberwein The Trolley Barn 2:00 p.m.

May **26** 

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

May

Inman Park Pool Opening Day

May **31** 

**Book Club** 7:00 p.m. See page 23 for details.



#### President's Message

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recyclables during the 2016 INMAN PARK FESTIVAL & TOUR OF HOMES!

The bulk of this issue of The Advocator includes our annual "Festival Focus" section. It is chock full of exciting information about this year's rendition of Atlanta's largest and most interesting neighborhood festival.

As always, the festivities begin with Caterpillar Ball (Thursday, April 28th) and Butterfly Ball (Friday, April 29th). Also, Friday, the 29th, is the absolute best opportunity to view the dozen or so homes and properties on the HOME TOUR. If you must, you can actually drive around and park your car (which will not be possible beginning the next day).

The scores of food and beer vendors and hundreds of Arts and Crafts artists and Street Market merchants begin plying their wares on Saturday, April 30th and the best music in town plays all the while on multiple stages. The always-zany Festival Parade kicks off at 2 p.m. from Delta Park that day. A mellow but vibrant Sunday, May 1st will mark the all-toosudden end of Festival 2016. You can prolong the joy (free beer is provided) by helping us CLEAN UP on Sunday evening. Hot pizza and cold beer will be enjoyed at The Trolley Barn when the last scrap of litter is picked up. We're hoping for a New World's Record early clean-up effort this year, maybe getting us to the pizza party at, say, 8 pm-ish?

If you're new to the neighborhood, volunteering for a two-hour shift at Festival is THE way to learn what Inman Park is all about! I always assert that neighbors' energy and enthusiasm that once killed the Stone Mountain Expressway has now morphed into joining the one thousand volunteers (and

dozens of Festival Committee members) who somehow manage to make each edition of our Festival better than the one before!

This also results in significant financial success. The profits from each Festival still remain IPNA's single-largest source of revenue and are used to subsidize Security Patrol, make grants to local schools, keep the neighborhood parks beautiful and help repair sidewalks, a key part of the "Walkable Inman Park" campaign you will continue to hear a lot about.

Visit http://vols.pt/zbJaBt right away to grab up a volunteer job, even if it's last minute. We always appreciate the help and again, know that this event represents the very soul of Inman Park.

See you at the Festival!

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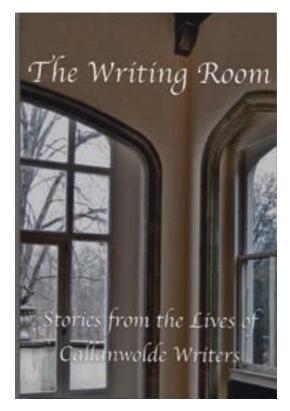
# The Writing Room

By Gretchen Maclachlan • Neighbor • Gretchen 226@ Bellsouth.net

A new anthology featuring local writers launched at the Callanwolde Fine Arts Center on March 17th of a with 85 fans in attendance. *The Writing Room, Stories from the Lives of Callanwolde Writers*, include chapters by seventeen writers who have participated in the Callanwolde program in Memoir Writing taught by June Akers Seese.

Gretchen Maclachlan, long time Inman Parker, co-edited the book and a chapter, "Too Bright" about harrowing teenage times. Lori Feig-Sandoval, who resides in Inman Park when she is not in Colorado, wrote a touching piece about letting go of son Cory when he acquired a motorcycle. Little Five Point Business Association founder, Don Bender, chronicled a chilling event, when in the 1960s, he and a Mennonite mission group took African-American kids from the Old Fourth Ward camping in North Georgia only to be confronted by local vigilantes. Other pieces depict life experiences of writers whose ages range from twenties to nineties.

Copies of The *Writing Room* are available for \$12.00 at A Cappella Books, 208 Haralson Avenue at the corner of DeKalb Avenue, in Inman Park, at Callanwolde Fine Arts Center, 980 Briarcliff Road and at Charis Book Store in Little Five Points.



Congratulations to Inman Park! It's been 45 Years of Restoration, Renovation, and Celebration!

> We're so proud to call you home, And proud that we've been "Bringing Inman Park Home" For 33 of those years!

# Happy Festival, Neighbors!





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#### CELEBRATING 33 YEARS OF BRINGING INMAN PARK HOME!

# Treasurer's Report for February 2016

Revenues and Expenses		
Security Patrol Income		
Individual Dues	16,472	
HOA Dues	<u>2,500</u>	18,972
Security Patrol Expenses		
Patrol Hours	8,758	
Vehicle Exp	678	
Yard Signs	0	
Telephone	74	9,510
Security Patrol Net Income		9,461
Other Expenses		
Beautification		945
Misc Other Budgeted		828
Net Income for Period		7,688

# Clear Car Campaign

BY CHRIS COFFEE • VP, PUBLIC SAFETY • PUBLICSAFETY@INMANPARK.ORG

Inman Park enjoys relatively low violent crime rates and we are lucky. However, we are not immune to crime. The most frequent crime is Auto Larceny. This is a preventable crime and it occurs only when laptops, purses, money, gym bags, GPS systems and other items of value are left in plain sight in our cars. It doesn't matter if the car is parked on the road or in the driveway. Let's all adopt the APD's Clean Car Initiative by keeping our cars cleaned out!

These types of crimes affect Atlanta tremendously and the situation is likely to become worse as more and more visitors come to Inman Park. We have to be proactive in order to reduce this type of crime and it will require everyone's efforts. When you remove all viewable items from your vehicle, you reduce the odds of your vehicle being entered illegally by nearly 95%. As part of the Clean Car Initiative, our parking lot owners, managers, and attendants must ask customers if all valuables are removed from the vehicles. Additionally, we have to remind our

# Inman Park Security Patrol Activity – Activity / March 2016

Directed Patrols:				
Drop Ins:	75			
Suspicious Person:	7			
Alarm:				
Person Injured:	2			
Parking Complaint:	2			
Business Burglary:	1			
Demented Person: 1				
Gun shots:	1			
Info for Officer:	1			
Member Contact:	1			
Suspicious. Vehicle:	1			

co-workers, clients, residents, family and friends to remove ALL items.

Again, this is a very simple approach, but if we remove the supply, the criminals will view the area as no longer lucrative and will take their efforts elsewhere. When the potential thief peers into your vehicle and sees nothing, they are likely to move on.

This allows us to lower crime, minimize insurance rates and keep everyone safe. Then we can all enjoy the quality of life that in-town Atlanta offers. Lower crime will bring more conventions, businesses and attractions to our area. Please consider how effectively this simple plan can work for us. Unlike other initiatives and studies, this one produces immediate measurable results. We can assess how well we are doing, which parking lots, offices, and residents are participating, and who is not. Join in by keeping valuables out of your car!

# CLEAN CAR CHECKLIST

Car break-ins are a nuisance and can be very costly. Help cut down on these crimes of opportunity by keeping your car clean. Every time you leave your car:

- S Lock all windows and doors
- A Remove all valuables, especially electronics
- Remove from sight all electronic cords and power sources
- Remove all bags, boxes and briefcases even if they don't contain valuables (criminals think otherwise)
- Put any loose change out of sight
- S Do not leave a firearm in your vehicle

Be sure to advise Inman Park visitors of the advantages of a clean car. And remember to move any items from your car to your trunk before arriving at your destination. Lastly, if you are a victim of crime, call 911 to report it.

# 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. Memberships and fundraising activities are key to its fiscal

JOIN TODAY

viability. Visit inmanpark.org today to join; renew your membership or make a donation.



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**Closet Organization** Closets By Design - 678-999-8122

**Decks/Outdoor Living** Leisure Time Decks - 404-935-0212

**Electrical Services** Casteel Heating & Air - 770-419-7463

Foundation Repair/Waterproofing AguaGuard - 678-956-7098

**Home Theater/Automation** Atlanta Audio & Automation 404-602-0559

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**Outdoor Kitchen/Fireplaces/Gas Logs** The Mad Hatter - 770-740-8133

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**Swimming Pools** Mirage Pools - 770-886-1304

**Tree Services** AKA Tree Removal - 404-496-5405

**Under Deck Systems** Undercover Systems - 678-608-4384



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> We are honored to be a part of the neighborhood.

> Thank you for patronizing "The Pharmacy."

With much gratitude, Ira. Eleanor and staff



# **Festival Focus**





# WE NEED YOU to be a Festival volunteer



Neighbors like you – and about 900 others – are what make Festival happen! Most shifts are only two hours and there are several activities from which to choose. And you even get a cool t-shirt (if you don't already have one) and complimentary beer. Visit the Inman Park Festival page on VolunteerSpot to sign up today! http://vols.pt/zbJaBt

#### Butterfly Ball 2016: A 45th Celebration!

BY COOPER PIERCE • BUTTERFLY BALL CHAIRMAN • c3pierce@yahoo.com

Get ready, get dressed up and put on your dancing shoes Inman Park!

Friday, April 29, under the stars in the Big Tent on Euclid, is the kick-off party that begins our 45th Festival. We look forward to celebrating another Festival with an evening of fun, dinner and dancing. This year, everyone who lives in Inman Park has an opportunity to purchase tickets. Tickets purchased through the Festival website portal via PayPal are documented by the committee. There's no need to worry about tickets or printing anything out, we will have a list at the door for check in. We ask everyone to please enter the Butterfly Ball on the Elizabeth Street side.

Bold American Catering will be providing us with a wonderful dinner buffet. Back by popular demand, we will have the Mac-n-cheese station with a selection of toppings, a Slider station of cheddar cheeseburgers on sesame buns, Vegetarian chick pea with Major grey's spicy mango chutney on a challah roll, and Carolina pulled pork with granny smith apple slaw on Hawaiian rolls and then a Southern station of field greens with strawberries, pralines, goat cheese, and sweet peppercorn vinaigrette, South city Kitchen famous fried chicken with black pepper gravy, and fingerling potatoes with arugula, whole grain mustard and chanterelle mushroom oil. After last year, we will wait a while to serve the most popular dessert station so hopefully everyone will get a chance to taste those very tasty treats.

After enjoying your dinner with friends, Bogey and the Viceroy will be here again to entertain us with their combination of rock, soul and funk to dance the night away! There will be a cash bar and non-alcoholic beverages will be complimentary. We hope you enjoy the kick off to Festival 2016!



# **Festival Focus**

#### STREET CLOSINGS FESTIVAL 2016

It's that time of the year again. Festival will be here on April 29th, 30th and May 1st, 2016

For the convenience of the tents and food vendors, the following streets will be closed, starting on: Friday, April 29th at 10:00 a.m. until Sunday, May 1st, at 10:00 p.m.

\*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 Saturday, April 30th, at 5:00 a.m. until Sunday, May 1st, at 7:00 p.m.:*

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 **Battery Place** at DeKalb Avenue

**Krog Street from Lake Avenue** going towards and up to Edgewood will be one-way traffic, except for the shuttle bus and residents with proof of residence and ID

# The following streets will be closed for the parade on, Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>:

From 12:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 30th, to stage the Parade, Edgewood Avenue will be closed at Krog Street, and Waddell Street will be closed to all traffic, from Lake Avenue to Edgewood Avenue.

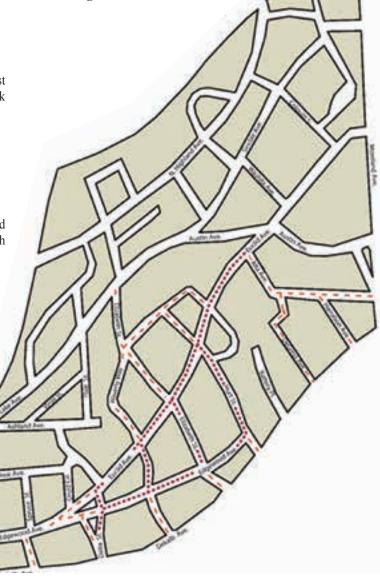


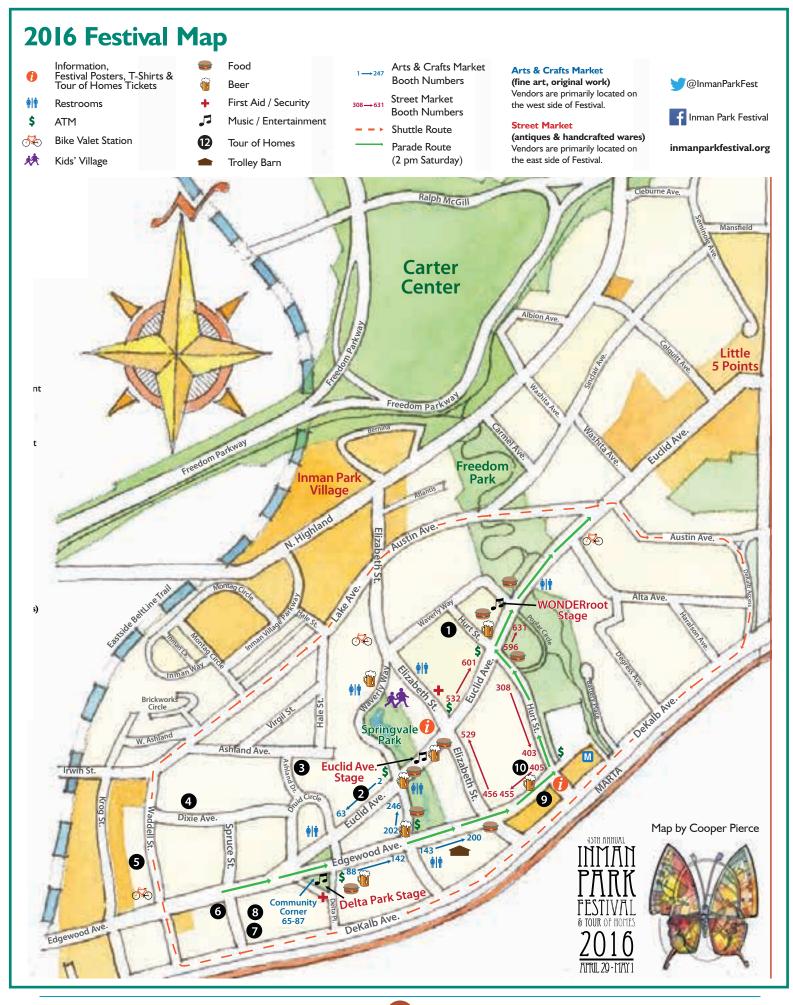
Closed - No Relident Access Saturday 12-2pm Inaccessible - Relatont Access by car with 20 Streets that are indicated on the map as "INACCESSIBLE" are limited access and only residents with ID and proof of residency can enter. However, streets marked "CLOSED" (streets with vendors) on the map will be closed to all traffic during all of Saturday and Sunday until 10:00 p.m.

If you have a car on one of the streets in the first group with tents or food vendors, PLEASE RELOCATE YOUR VEHICLE FROM THESE STREETS PRIOR TO FRIDAY AT 10:00 A.M. OR YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE TOWED.

If you have a car on one of the other "CLOSED" streets and will need the vehicle during festival hours, please relocate your vehicle from these streets prior to Saturday at 5:00 a.m.

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 this weekend a great success!





# **Festival Entertainment**

#### Parade

#### Saturday • 2pm

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The "don't-miss event" of Festival weekend, the Inman Park Festival Parade features such favorites as the Precision Attaché Case Drill Team and Seed & Feed Marching Abominables, along with the famed Trash Monarch. Grab your spot early to enjoy one of the city's funkiest and most eclectic parades. See the map in this issue for the parade route. Parade occurs rain or shine. Free.

#### Live Music Saturday & Sunday • Schedule Below

#### Sponsored by Andre de Winter

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.

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### Kids' Zone Saturday & Sunday • 12 – 6 pm

#### Sponsored by Publix

Need a place for the little ones to burn off some energy? Head to the Kids' Zone where they'll enjoy a variety of complimentary activities. Food and drink are also available for purchase at the Kids' Zone. Springvale Park. Free.

#### **Dance Festival**

#### Saturday & Sunday • 4 pm

#### Sponsored by Piedmont Healthcare

The Inman Park Dance Festival is celebrating 15 years of being a part of the Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes! The Dance Festival's goal is to promote great dance in Atlanta and Georgia. The line-up includes Ballethnic, Callanwolde Dance Ensemble, DENSE, Emory University Dance and Movement Studies Program, Full Radius Dance and The Georgia Ballet. Trolley Barn. Free.

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Music • Saturday, April 30 <sup>th</sup>		Music • Sunda	Music • Sunday, May I <sup>st</sup>	
	11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Uncle Don's Band Classic Rock/Americana	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Donna Hopkins Band Blues/rock
Delta Park Stage	I:00 pm - 2:00 pm	GOLDYARD Hip-hop PARADE IO Degrees Off Blues, swing, rock and good-time tunes Soldado Like music from a Quentin Tarantino film	1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	<b>Breeze Kings</b> Blues
	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm		2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Swimming Pool Q's Rock; pure old school rock
	4:15 p.m 5:15 pm		3:45 p.m 4:45 pm	Delta Moon Delta blues, featuring two slide
	5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Orange Constant Contemporary rock/pop	5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	guitar virtuosos Geoff Achison with
	6:45 pm - 7:45 pm	Ruby Velle and the Soulphonics R&B diva and band		Colonel Bruce Hampton & Friends All-star jam
Euclid Avenue Stage	11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Donna Hopkins' Camp Kids Jam	11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Danny and the Small Carpenters
	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Ruby Red's Band		Acoustic cover tunes
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	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	PARADE Bask in the Saddle	2:15 pm - 3:15 pm	PIANO
	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Back in the Saddle Cowboy Swing	2.15 pm - 5.15 pm	Contemporary rock
	4:45 pm - 5:45 pm	Adron Melodic modern pop	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Randall Bramlett Band Singer/songwriter/keyboardist/ saxophonist & band
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#### The 45th Annual Inman Park Spring Festival & Tour of Homes

pril 30th Saturday

#### Artists & Street Market II am - 6 pm Tour of Homes 12 pm – 6 pm Entertainment Music Stages

Kids' Village

Parade

11:45 am - 7:45 pm

Sunday May Ist

12 pm – 6 pm 2 pm Dance Festival 4 pm

Artists & Street Market II am – 6 pm Tour of Homes 12 pm – 6 pm

Entertainment Music Stages Kids' Village Dance Festival 4 pm

11:45 am - 6:30 pm 12 pm – 6 pm

#### **Free Shuttle Bus**

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

#### **No Pets Allowed**

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

# **Exhibitors**

## Welcome

#### Saturday & Sunday • 11 am – 6 pm

#### Markets

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!

The juried Arts and Crafts Market, centered around the intersection of Edgewood Ave. and Waverly Way, features over 150 artists working in sculpture, painting and other mediums.

#### **Community Corner**

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

# **Tour of Homes**

Friday (Preview) • 12-4 pm Saturday & Sunday • 12-6 pm Tickets \$20

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Welcome to Inman Park and our 45th Spring Festival. While the Festival is a fantastic blend of original art and crafts, live music, food and fun, the Tour of Homes is where it all began. In 1971 the Tour of Homes was created to bring attention to Intown neighborhoods and the beautiful historic homes that a few brave pioneers dared to restore. Many of the homes were chopped up into apartments or left empty for vagrants and vandalism. The rebirth of Inman Park has been an incredible labor of love combined with commitment, and sweat equity. The Inman Park you see today is the result of that commitment and we hope you appreciate its beauty and grace. A ticket is required for the tour and may be purchased at the Information Booths (see map on reverse).

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#### Welcome to the 2016 Inman Park Spring Festival & Tour of Homes

On behalf of the residents of Atlanta's first suburb, it is our honor to welcome you to the 45th Inman Park Spring Festival & Tour of Homes. This weekend is a cornerstone for this vibrant community. Working side-by-side, over 1000 neighborhood volunteers renew bonds, show our spirit to our guests, and raise money to support our community.

A lot of the money we receive this weekend is spent on organizing the Festival. The bands, security, the big tent and the comfy toilets, the barricade and the water stations -- it all adds up. But nothing is spent on salaries; the entire Festival is staffed by volunteers. Funds left over each year from the Festival pay for many parts of our neighborhood, such as beautification, tree plantings, the security patrol, traffic calming and many other things that make this neighborhood such a great place to live, and to visit, as well.

We especially want to thank the homeowners who have agreed to participate in this year's Tour of Homes. It is not easy to open up your home to several thousand visitors. Endless work goes into preparing to get it in home-tour shape and into lining up the many volunteers that are needed to make sure everything runs smoothly. But it is always great to see how the visitors enjoy being allowed into your life for a brief moment.

To you, our honored guest, we would like to say: enjoy the music and the food, buy that tie-dye dress you have been looking for, take in the parade, visit the homes on tour, have a drink. Relax, take your time, have fun. We sure are, which is what makes this Atlanta's Favorite Festival.

#### Karin and Jacques Mebius

2016 Festival Co-Chairs

#### 2016 Festival Design Created by Cooper Pierce







#### **Dance Festival Line Up**

By Carolyn Stine McLaughlin • csmclaughlin@gmail.com

Another Festival is just around the corner and I am delighted that dance will be a part of it! The 15th Inman Park Dance Festival will take place the Saturday and Sunday of Festival at 4:00 pm in The Trolley Barn. These free performances give audiences a sample of the vibrant dance community in Atlanta and around Georgia. This year's performing companies are Ballethnic, Callanwolde Dance Ensemble, DENSE, Emory, Full Radius Dance and The Georgia Ballet. Each brings a unique voice to the show.

Ballethinic's blending of classical ballet and ethnic dance forms is always exciting for the audience and highlights the technical and performance achievements of the dancers.

Callanwolde Dance Ensemble is part of Callanwolde Fine Arts Center's dance program, providing dancers ages 8-18 the opportunity to perform in professionalquality stage productions. The young dancers will

Dance Festival Sat 4/30 & Sun 5/1 4 pm @ The Trolley Barn Same show on both days Free

perform An Exaltation of Larks which uses the flight of birds as its inspiration.

DENSE returns with the distinctive perspective of choreographer Susan Eldridge. They will perform Orbits, a movement work that looks at the suspended gravitational curved path of our lives.

2016 is the first year that the Emory Dance and Movement Studies Program will participate in the dance festival. The program invests in the traditions of modern dance, the cutting edge of movement invention and the theory and analysis of movement research.

Full Radius Dance, comprising professional dancers with and without physical disabilities, strongly illustrates a belief that inclusion in the performing arts, and in particular, dance, creates power, beauty and innovation. Full Radius Dance will present a work echoing the steam punk phenomenon that blends current technology with a 19th century aesthetic.

The Georgia Ballet will return to the dance festival after a severalyear absence. Founded in 1960, the company's new director Daet Rodriguez will offer two selections, one from a ballet that has been performed for more than 100 years and another from this decade, demonstrating the artistic diversity of this classically-based company.

The performance, which is both family-friendly and has artistic merit, runs about an hour and includes an opportunity to ask the artists questions (after they catch their breath!). I hope to see you there! M

# **Tour of Homes**

Thank you to all of the neighbors who so graciously agreed to open their homes for Festival weekend! These numbers correspond to the map on page 13.

Lindsey and Jarod Cheney 214 Hurt Street

**Gray and Marge Crouse** 876 Euclid Avenue

**Helen and Clark Cunningham** 845 Ashland Avenue

Karen Goeckel and Bill Goodman 766 Dixie Avenue

**Krista and Tom Baldwin** 68 Waddell Street



**Cathie Berger 50 Spruce Street** 



**Debbie Hutchinson and Thana Sakas Inman Motor Works** 820 DeKalb Avenue, Unit 3

John Richardson **Inman Motor Works** 820 DeKalb Avenue, Unit 7



Inman Park United Methodist Church **Reverend Max Vincent, Minister** 1015 Edgewood Avenue

Sally Dorn 1014 Edgewood Avenue, Unit #7

Steve Ellison has called the shots on the bands at Festival for the past decade.

#### **Music Stages**

By Karin Mebius • Festival Chair karinmebius@gmail.com

We checked in with Steve Ellison, Music Coordinator for the Festival Committee, to learn more about the music of Festival and here's what he had to say.

Advocator: How long have you been booking Festival music acts?

**Steve:** This is my 12th year and before that I set up the sound systems for a few years.

A: What's your connection to the music of Festival? S: I enjoy being able to support Atlanta's music scene and the many talented artists here. And even though by day I'm a professional do-all (and architectural wayfinding consultant), in my off hours I try and play bass in the band 10 degrees Off. And yes, we've been fortunate to play for Festival audiences for several years. That's what y'all get for letting me book all the music.

**A:** What are your criteria for booking a Festival act?

S: First, I try to offer entertainment from a variety

# **Festival Focus**



of genres. Second, I focus on higher-energy acts that complement the ambiance of Festival. Third, an act has to be family-friendly for our audience, and affordable as well. I work to stretch our budget by limiting the number of out-of-town groups since local groups have lower travel costs and really welcome the local exposure; they spend so much of their time on the road touring, that the hometown fans don't really see them that often.

A: Are there any fan favorites you bring back each year? S: I try really hard to develop a fresh lineup for each Festival, but we do have some groups that can boast multiple appearances. In fact, Sunday afternoon's lineup at our Delta Park Stage is comprised entirely of repeats from previous years. It's being offered up as "Longtime Atlanta Favorites and All-Star Jam." It features *Donna Hopkins, The Breeze Kings, The Swimming Pool Q's, Delta Moon, Col. Bruce Hampton, Geoff Achison, and Randall Bramblett.* 

A: Can you tell us a little about the WonderRoot Stage? S: WonderRoot is an Atlanta-based nonprofit that empowers artists to engage in their communities through arts-based service work. Several years ago about half the performers on the Poplar Circle stage were WonderRoot performers. They were received so well that they now sponsor that stage. It's been a great partnership, and that stage has developed quite a following, as their performers lend a youthful energy and imagination to our musical offerings.

A: What are some of this year's most anticipated performances? S: Aside from the aforementioned, I'm looking forward to Ruby Velle and the Soulphonics, Adron, and Paula Hanke and Rhythms of Brazil. But I'm also looking forward to kicking off the Festival's sponsorship/support of the Atlanta Musicians' Emergency Relief Fund.







# **Festival Focus**



#### 8th Annual Rocket Run Blasts Off Sunday, May 1 at Inman Park Festival

By Eric Goldberg • Neighbor Ericgold@mindspring.com

Come out Sunday, May 1, 2016, and run a beautiful course on a beautiful spring morning in Inman Park and support Mary Lin Elementary School, its students and community. The funds raised through the Rocket Run will support the Outdoor Classroom as well as fund the ongoing work of the Foundation to help Mary Lin Elementary School achieve its educational goals by providing instructional, physical, and technological opportunities for the enrichment of Mary Lin students.

To register for the Rocket Run, go to the race website: www.rocketrun. org.

The race start and end point is Poplar Circle -- the portion of Freedom Park on Euclid Avenue across from Waverly Way. The 5K starts at 9 a.m.; the 1-mile Rocket Blast for kids race follows the 5K at 9:45 a.m.

Thanks to your fantastic participation and fundraising last year we raised over \$45,000 to help build Mary Lin's new playground. Let's keep up the momentum for our school!

Start gathering pledges now and you could win a NEW BIKE – earn a raffle ticket for every \$25 you raise! M



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#### Parade Grand Marshal

By Karin Heim • Inman Park Festival Parade Organizer ipfestivalparade@gmail.com

The Inman Park Festival Parade Committee is pleased to announce The Trolley Barn as the 2016 Parade Grand Marshal. While it is unusual to have a "thing" as our Grand Marshal, this designation recognizes the hard work and dedication of Inman Park residents and friends who not only raised the money to purchase The Trolley Barn, but who have restored and preserved it, and who will continue Inman Park's stewardship of this extraordinary historic structure.

Since 1980 The Trolley Barn has been leased from the City of Atlanta by the Atlanta & Edgewood Street Railway Company (AESRC) d/b/a The Trolley Barn. AESRC was incorporated about 40 years ago by Inman Park neighbors who oversaw the Barn's renovation and preservation. AESRC's Board of Directors is comprised solely of Inman Park residents. The AESRC is optimistic that the purchase of the Barn from the City will be completed by Festival.

Past and present Board members and the rest of the Barn family will be riding in the Parade on a float as the collective "Grand Marshal."

#### Inman Park Precision Attaché Drill Team

By Richard Westrick • Neighbor • Richard.westrick@gmail.com

Once a year, when the azaleas begin to bloom and the pollen turns the air to a gentle shade of green, 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,



Photo by Bill Byrd

cold chills running down their spines, with the realization that the 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 Fonteyn-esque!

Would YOU like to have the magic happen to you? Would YOU like to join 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 St. and Edgewood Ave. at, oh, say 1:35pm or so and we'll shake hands, finish our beers, and practice for at least five minutes.

This may be Joseph's and my last year, but it could easily be your First! Or Fifth! Or...

Come join us for a unique Inman Park experience! M

# SPOTLIGHT ON...

#### Inman Park Festival Parade

By Pat Westrick  $\bullet$  Neighbor  $\bullet$  patwestrick@gmail.com

Pirates and Dragons and Puppets oh my! Billed as Atlanta's most eclectic parade, the Inman Park Festival Parade will begin at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 30. The event is rain or shine, but we're hoping that unlike in 2010, the Precision Drill team will only need their umbrellas for their routine and not by necessity.

Every Festival Parade brings plenty of fun. You'll see the neighborhood traditions – the Monarch Butterfly (who leads



the parade in black tights, leotards and huge wings), the Marching Abominables, who seem to grow in number and get more colorful each year, the Grand Marshal (For more on this year's selection read Parade Chair Karen Heim's article), plenty of bands and the Trash Monarch on the street sweeper.

Photo by Thom Gonyeau

Plus each year there

are new favorites who may or may not return. Will the Box Heroes use their powers for good? Will those bridesmaids use the parade as an excuse to wear their dresses again? Will the Krewe of the Grateful Gluttons be able to get enough people to dress up like gnomes to be entered into the Guinness Book of World Records? There's only one way to find out. So grab your sunscreen, claim your viewing spot - preferably near a beer truck (hey beer sales benefit the neighborhood), and get ready to cheer, wave and see your neighbors like you've never seen then before.

# Porch Party Thank You -February 2016

Thank you to Melissa Miller and Thom Abelew for hosting the February Porch Party! It was a little too chilly for the porch so we hung out in their awesome stone kitchen instead!



# Recycling

By Tracy L. Hambrick • Recycling Manager • 404-546-2928

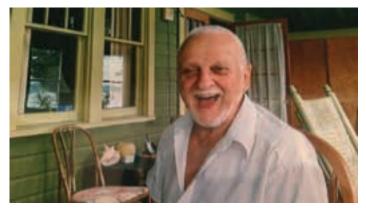
Reduce, reuse, recycle. The three chasing arrows logo found on every recyclable item represent these three words. That logo informs the consumer that the item is recyclable where allowed. Recycling is just one portion of the larger effort that goes into saving our natural resources. The big picture approach includes a fourth R, "refuse." Refuse to accept single-use items. Bring a reusable bag when shopping and refuse the single-use plastic bag. Bring a travel mug for beverages and refuse a single-use coffee cup, wrapper and lid. Up to 52 billion paper coffee cups per year are used once then thrown away. Due to health regulations, the cups must be made almost entirely of virgin paper (not recycled or previously used). Would you join the City of Atlanta and reduce, reuse, recycle, and refuse?

The City of Atlanta accepts the following recyclables curbside: cardboard, carton board, paper, glass, plastics #1-5 & 7 metal cans and juice cartons. All recycling should be clean and dry then placed loosely in bin; not bagged. Lids and caps should be removed and placed in recycling bin.

The City of Atlanta hosts Recycle Day at 850 Oak St., SW, Atlanta, GA 30310. This event is held the 3rd Saturday of each month, except in December, between 9 AM and noon. Acceptable items include: paper for shredding, clothing, tires, #6 polystyrene, electronics and all items accepted curbside.

www.atlantaga.gov/recycling

## In Memory of Bob Eberwein



Robert V. Eberwein, 81, of Atlanta, Georgia passed away on March 17, 2016, at his home after a short illness. Born in Pittsfield, MA on February 9, 1935, he was the son of John and Jeanne Eberwein of Pittsfield. A memorial service will be held in Atlanta and one later in Pittsfield this summer. Mr. Eberwein leaves three sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Sutherland, Mrs. Jeannine Rontowski and Ms. Lucille Eberwein, all of Pittsfield, and many beloved friends in Inman Park and in Atlanta. He was preceded in death by three siblings, Anita, Marie (Mitzi) and John.

Mr. Eberwein graduated from the University of Massachusetts and the University of Ohio where he studied architecture and foreign languages. He later pursued a graduate degree in German and French from the University of Wurzberg in Germany. After a stint with the U.S. Army and Army Reserves, Mr. Eberwein began his teaching career. He taught briefly in the Pittsfield Public School System before accepting a position in the German Department at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia.

In the early 1970s he changed careers when he moved to Inman Park in Atlanta, a community of decaying Victorian homes that were being renovated during a bright period of revitalization. The old Trolley Barn which housed Atlanta's original elecctric trolley cars was situated within the park. Mr. Eberwein was instrumental in the complete redevelopment and rehabilitation of this historical edifice, which now serves as a conference center and party venue for weddings and celebrations. He served as its Executive Director for many years.

Mr. Eberwein, an artist and lifelong painter in oils, delighted friends, family and institutions with his many works of art, his quick wit and his enthusiasm for life.

He was a wonderful man whom we will all miss dearly.

# **Our Sympathy** & Condolences

**Jay Doyle,** Edgewood Ave., on the loss of his father

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# The Autumn of Our Discontent

By JIM ABBOT • INMAN PARK TREE WATCH • ABBOT.JIM@GMAIL.COM

Here's a riddle for you. What do you call a Johnny Appleseed who drives a hybrid car around town, smug in the knowledge that he's a friend of the environment, while some guys are blowing leaves at his house with pollution-spewing, decibel-disgorging machines?

If you answered, "the person who wrote this article," congratulations! Also acceptable: "someone not very smart."

A little while back, I read that a certified lab has shown that to equal the hydrocarbon emissions from just 30 minutes of running a single 2-stroke leaf blower, you'd have to drive your heavyduty Ford Raptor pickup truck 3,900 miles. That's the distance from Atlanta to someplace on the far side of Juneau, Alaska. Or to put it another way, that's 67 hours of continuous driving.

30 minutes of the one = 67 hours of the other. Wow.

Estimates are that leaf blowers account for 5%–10% of total US emissions of carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxides, hydrocarbons, and whatever PM2.5 is.

After I read all that, I fired my mow-andblow crew. For the time being, anyway. So I'm doing my own cleanup, though for leaf season, I have my eye on one of those new-generation, battery-powered leaf blowers that have just come on the market.

We're a few months away from autumn. It's not too late for us to consider reducing the amount of grass in our yards, talking to our landscaping crews about trading in their gas-powered



machines for the battery-powered ones. or even just switching from a once-aweek to every-other-week schedule for the leaf-blower battalions to storm the neighborhood.

I know, I know. First, I beg you to let us plant a tree in your yard, and then I try to make it harder for you to clean up the debris. Like I said, "not very smart." M

# Inman Park's Gang of Three a/k/a The GutterSlopes

By Marge Hays • Walkable Inman Park Committee • hays\_207@bellsouth.net



The Gang of Melissa Miller, Marge Hays, and Sandy Hoke

One facet of IP's Lifelong Committee's Sidewalk Subcommittee undertaking includes surveying all our neighborhood's sidewalk ramps – or lack thereof. This is being done in conjunction with a Georgia Tech Sidewalk study and utilizes GT's expertise and equipment. It's a significant undertaking that may take several months to complete, as there are many ramps or potential ramp sites to be surveyed.

Your neighbors Melissa Miller, Sandy Hoke and Marge Hays, sporting safety vests and toting measuring devices, have begun congregating at various corners for this purpose. Based on one of the measurements to be taken, we have dubbed ourselves The GutterSlopes. We measure up and we're on the level!



# Sidewalk Subsidy Program

By Millie Astin • Walkable Inman Park Committee • mcastin@bellsouth.net

Believe it or not, the Inman Park Sidewalk Committee formed in late 2001 to salvage our deteriorating sidewalks. Through our council woman, Debi Starnes, we secured an initial grant of \$57,000 to jumpstart our program. We started with a long swath of sidewalk on Lake Avenue and from there began offering subsidies to Inman Park neighbors. Once the grant ran out, IPNA established a budget to subsidize the sidewalk program. To date, we have re-laid over 150 individual sidewalks and five community sidewalks on almost every street in the neighborhood.

We are particularly proud of the streets like Alta, Austin, Euclid, Hale and Waverly where so many neighbors have participated in the program that we have entire blocks that are new and more walkable. That has been by design: the subsidy rewards contiguous neighbors who get their sidewalks repaired by granting higher subsidies. The standard subsidy is 50%, but 2 contiguous neighbors receive a 55% subsidy, and 3 or more contiguous neighbors receive a 60% subsidy.

Here's how the program works:

- 1) Homeowners request to be placed on the list by contacting Millie Astin at mcastin@bellsouth.net.
- 2) Our contractor provides an estimate for the work.
- 3) Homeowners decide whether they wish to proceed.
- 4) Our contractor sends homeowner contracts and city paperwork.
- 5) Homeowners return the paperwork along with their portion of the cost.
- 6) Our contractor obtains city permits and work commences.
- 7) After all work is completed and has passed city inspection, IPNA pays the subsidy to the contractor.

This year, we have plans to complete 10 sidewalks, but have funds for 2-3 more. If you want to be added to this year's

program, send an email request to Millie Astin at mcastin@ bellsouth.net with the following information:

- 1) your name
- 2) address
- 3) best phone number
- 4) email address
- 5) current sidewalk material (brick, pavers, stamped concrete, or concrete) of your sidewalk and that of the neighbors on either side

We are very excited that Lifelong Inman Park is partnering with the Sidewalk Committee in our efforts to make Inman Park more beautiful and easier to navigate!

# **Book Club Calendar**

The Inman Park Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. to discuss the featured selection. Please bring a covered dish to share, and contact Jan Keith (404-688-7330) with any questions.

April

No Book Club. Enjoy Festival!

May **31** 

*The Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline Oreon Mann 877 Edgewood Ave NE





# **NPU-N** Update

BY RICK BIZOT • NPU-N REPRESENTATIVE FOR IPNA • NPU.N@INMANPARK.ORG

Notes from the March 24, 2016 meeting:

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Fire Department: Capt. Chip Newell reported that there have been eight fire deaths in the City this year, which equals last vear's total. He advised that free smoke detectors are available from your local fire department; they will even install them for you.

Police Department: Capt. Scott Gourley reported that the crime rate is flat, and car break-ins remain an issue. He also reported that they recently made an arrest that they expect to tie to numerous break-ins and robberies over the past several months.

Parks Department: Tom Cullen reported that the Parks Department has many activity programs available for kids, teens and others. He recommended the swimming programs for health and safety. See http://www.atlantaga.gov/index.aspx?page=963 for more information.

Dept. of Public Works: Dennis Muma reported that they are still studying the Lake-Elizabeth intersection to determine appropriate crosswalk locations.

Candler Park Conservancy: CNIA has nominated Barb King to be the NPU-N representative on the Board of the Conservancy. Ms. King stated her interest and qualifications for the position. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the nomination.

#### LICENSE REVIEW BOARD:

Robert Amick (Nexto Restaurant, 822 Ralph McGill Blvd, Poncey-Highland) New business/new location request for liquor license. Applicant was not present. Motion to oppose the application due to lack of attendance was passed unanimously.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS / OUTDOOR FESTIVALS:**

Spring Festival on Ponce (April 2-3, 2016; Olmsted Linear Park) Applicant received support from DHCA; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

#### **BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT:**

1983 Tuxedo Ave NE (V-15-398, Lake Claire); seeking a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the required west side yard setback from 7' to 3' for an addition to the 2nd story of an existing single family dwelling. LCN made a motion to reconsider the application; this motion was supported unanimously by the NPU-N Board. Applicant has been in contact with LCN, and has received support from LCN, conditioned on site plan dated 12/10/15; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

#### **NPU-N** Members

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

Cabbagetown cabbagetown.com

**Candler Park** candlerpark.org

**Druid Hills** druidhills.org

Inman Park inmanpark.org

Lake Claire lakeclaire.org **Poncey-Highland** ponceyhighland.com

Reynoldstown reynoldstown.net

L5P Community Center l5pccc.org

**L5P Business Assn** little5points.com

151 Flat Shoals Ave SE (V-15-405, Reynoldstown); seeking a variance from the zoning regulations to reduce the west side transitional yard from 20' to 7' to allow for a multi-family development. RCIL supported the application; NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support.

For the following two applications, the applicant was not present. Items were deferred at the start of the meeting at the request of the applicant until next month.

195 Cleveland St SE (V-16-044, Reynoldstown); seeking a variance from the Zoning regulation to (1) reduce the required half-depth front yard setback from the 15' to 7' to construct a new single family dwelling.

545 Hardendorf Ave NE (V-16-052, Lake Claire); seeking a variance from the zoning regulations (1) to reduce the required half-depth front yard from 17.5' in order to construct a single family dwelling.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

NPU-N Bylaws Affirmations: Constituent organizations need to vote to reaffirm the NPU-N bylaws in one of their upcoming meetings. Vote tallies to be reported back to NPU-N.

*NPU-N Executive Committee meets on the fourth Thursday* of every month, January through October. The November and December 2016 meeting dates will be: Mon., Nov. 28 and Thurs., Dec. 29, 2016. 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, April 28, 2016.

# Kale Ceasar Salad with Polenta Croutons

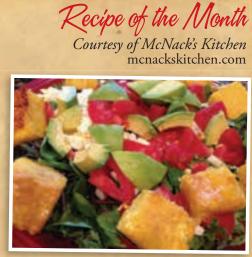
#### Ingredients:

#### For the salad:

(Note: The amount for each ingredient is purposely omitted. Use as much or as little of each one as you like)!

For the Polenta: 3 c. water 1 1/2 c. yellow cornmeal 1 1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper Hard boiled eggs, chopped Caesar dressing Shredded parmesan cheese Avocado Tomato, chopped

2 tsp. salt 2. tsp. olive oil 1/8 tsp. fresh cracked pepper 1/3 c. shredded parmesan



#### Preparation:

Before you make the salad, you need to make the polenta. Here's how: Put water in

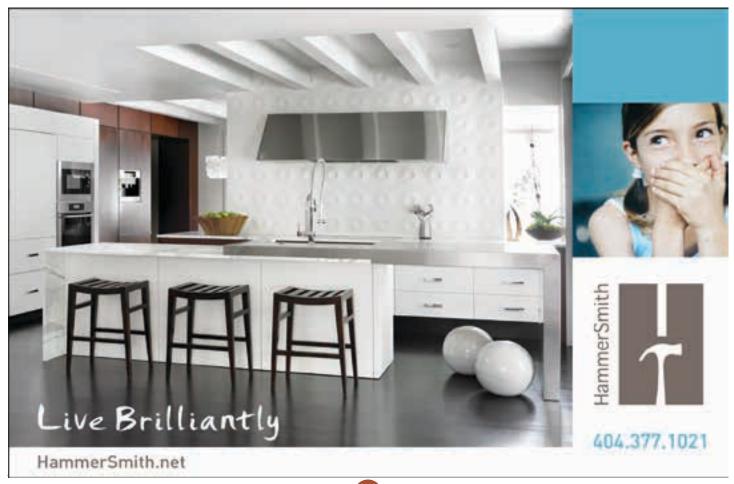
a medium saucepan and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and pour in the cornmeal, stirring constantly. Simmer, stirring often until thickened, about 6-8 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in the cayenne pepper, salt, olive oil and pepper. Spray an 8x8 baking pan with nonstick cooking spray. Pour the polenta into the pan and spread it evenly. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese. Let cool. (After it is no longer warm to the touch, I put it in the refrigerator for about 15 minutes).

Preheat oven to 450 Degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Remove polenta from refrigerator and cut into small squares. Place the squares on the parchment paper and bake for 20 minutes. Using tongs, flip the polenta and bake for an additional 15 minutes, or until polenta is crisp and evenly brown on all sides.

Once the polenta croutons are ready, grab a bowl and put in desired amounts of kale, eggs, and dressing. Mix well and plate the salad. Add tomato, avocado, cheese and croutons!



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# Agenda

April 20, 2016

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
    - i. Vote on Proposed Bylaws Revision
    - ii. Nominations for IPNA Officers for 2016-2018 Term
  - B. Historic Preservation
    - i. 209 Hale Street Type III Certificate of Appropriateness
    - ii. 187 Degress Ave Type III Certificate of Appropriateness
  - C. Treasurer
  - D. Planning
    - i. NPU-N Report
    - ii. NPU-N By-Laws Affirmation vote
  - E. Zoning
  - F. Public Safety
  - G. Communications
  - H. Secretary
- VII. Committee Reports
- VIII. Old Business
- IX. New Business
  - X. Adjourn

Thank you to Proof Bakeshop of Hurt St for providing cookies at the March IPNA meeting!



# Good to Know

**Inman Park Neighborhood** Association (IPNA) membership: Available to those who live within, own property within or operate a business within the boundaries of Inman Park. Membership is free with online registration at inmanpark.org. Membership allows you to vote (see bylaws online for details), gives you access to the directory and makes you eligible for special neighborhood events. In addition to being a member of IPNA. you may register for the Inman Park Security Patrol (IPSP) which staffs offduty Atlanta Police officers to patrol our neighborhood. There are four levels of commitment starting at \$50 per year.

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 InmanParkFestival.org 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

# 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 submissions to **advocator@inmanpark.org** on or before April 20.





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