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President's Message

The State of the Neighborhood

By Dennis Mobley • president@inmanpark.org



It's customary for presidents of organizations large and small to take stock at the start of a new year. So at the risk of sounding presumptuous, let me paraphrase the words of our national leaders through the years by saying "the state of the neighborhood is strong."

The Nextdoor Inman Park social media site puts our current population at 2,896 dwelling units (with 432 of these households members of Nextdoor). With Inman Quarter (280 Elizabeth) now renting up, and The Alexan at Krog Street Market (222 apartments being developed by Trammel Crow Residential) now under construction, we head into 2015 with well over 3,000 dwelling units in Inman Park.

According to data provided by the Atlanta Regional Commission, the average household size in this neck of the woods, at least as of the 2010 Census, was 1.67 persons. Therefore, we can expect the number of people residing in Inman Park to approach the 5,500 mark by year-end. There are many small towns in America with smaller populations!

Added to this are all of the visitors we continue to attract, whether it is via the Atlanta BeltLine, the restaurants and businesses that now abound, including the Krog Street Market. (I enjoyed a marvelous Korean fried chicken sandwich from Fred's the other day).

So our "small town intown" continues to grow, and from my vantage point, hasn't lost its charm but instead has added to its excitement and vibrancy.

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75 Neighbors Join New Year Day Jump

By George Gary • $\operatorname{GGMDATL}@\operatorname{GMAIL.com}$

For the past 15 years, the First Big Thing of the year for the coolest and most extraordinary of our neighbors has been the Polar Bear Club meeting and gala at the Inman Park Pool on New Year's Day morning.

Sargent at Arms

John Dwyer called things to order at 10am, when old and new attendees dusted off their membership cards, found a towel and shuffled to the bar.



James McManus and Chris McEntee show off their creative Polar Bear Jump attire. Photo by Danny Black

where vats of coffee from stood next to a variety of adult elixirs and hot chocolate for cold kiddies

The revelers exchanged New Year's greetings, business cards, and tales of misbehavior from the previous night. The secretary was then informed of an alarming dearth of whipped cream – seven cans of the pressurized stuff lay empty on the table!

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Love Our Barn Fundraiser

A special way to spend Valentine's Day. Donor packages available.

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Springvale Park Master Plan

Prepare for the January 21 vote on the Springvale Park Master Plan.

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Inman Park Theatre Night

Support our local theatres during Festival. Sponsorships available.

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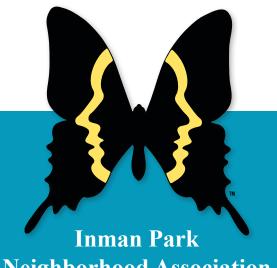


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Content is due on the 20th of the month prior to publication and should be submitted to advocator@inmanpark.org.

IPNA Business Meeting Minutes - December 17, 2014

By Janet Berry • secretary@inmanpark.org

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

Newcomers:

None

Minutes:

The minutes published were corrected: "Christel and Rob are coordinating a clean up day with Jay Tribby and Kwanza Hall before festival" was added, "Jay Tribby is requesting some money to clean up the neighborhood before festival, more on that later" was struck. Motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve last month's minutes as amended.

Announcements:

Oreon Mann announced that the Book Club would not meet this month, but resumes in January at the home of Frank Kotch, 941 Austin Avenue. The book *Into the Beautiful North* by Luis Alberto Urea will be discussed.

Pat Westrick announced that in lieu of the Porch Party, neighbors are invited to Inman Quarter, 280 North Highland Avenue on January 30, at 6 p.m. Food and drinks, courtesy of Inman Quarter, will be provided. Porch Parties will resume in February.

Angela Lewis, a near neighbor, is exploring opening an independent pharmacy on North Highland Road. She welcomed feedback on needs of the neighborhood and asked for suggestions and comments. She was available at the end of the meeting to meet and discuss her ideas with neighbors.

Judy Clements, on behalf of the Trolley Barn announced the launching of a fundraising campaign to secure ownership of the Trolley Barn. All donations to Friends of Inman Park are tax deductible, donation forms are available. Valentine's Day, February 14, 2015 a "ritzy and rollicking" fundraising party will be held to raise funds. Faye Mobley is spearheading the event that will offer opportunities to "stand up and take control of the Barn's destiny."

Police Officer Reports:

Lieutenant Schierbaum, Jerrod Watkins for IPSP and Lieutenant Flovd for Zone 6 were in attendance. Random streets have suffered holiday package thefts, including 30#s of kitty litter taken from a front porch. A photo of a 20-30 year old white male was circulated; he was caught on camera taking a package from a home. An observant North Highland Avenue resident noted the theft of a white gym bag from a parked car. A detailed description was relayed to officers. A bike officer responding to the call, noted a thief matching the description boarding a Marta bus. The bus was detained while the suspect was apprehended, a silver window punch was found in his pocket along with the recovery of the bag and items stolen. Officer Watkins suggested that neighbors make a conscious effort to stop leaving bags in their cars.

The placement of an eight-foot fence behind Bass Fields has been completed- a testimony to the perseverance of residents on Austin Avenue.

Officer Watkins was welcomed as a neighbor after an announcement was made that he will be moving to IQ in January.

Elected Officials:

None present.

Committee Reports:

Dennis Mobley, President Dennis and Tom Lombardi, our

"Ambassador to IQ," have continued meetings with IQ management. Dennis has also met with North Highland Steel, Brickworks and Inman Village, inviting them to engage in the neighborhood and support IPSP. Dennis has become a "Diplomat in Chief" to the Chandler Park community and the Lake Claire community. All three communities presidents met to discuss mutual concerns. Both Chandler Park and Lake Claire presidents stated, "We want what you have-connectivity to the BeltLine." They voiced a desire to explore the development of a pedestrian bridge across Moreland Avenue at Freedom Parkway. Dennis relayed to them his desire to be kept informed, but, that IPNA will not take on an initiative to promote a bridge.

Molly McLamb, V.P. Historic Preservation Dennis for Molly reported on going discussions with developers interested in Lizzie Chapel.

Tonya Marlatt, V.P. Zoning

Tonya introduced Sothy Thorng and his counsel. Application for a change of ownership has been made for 448 Moreland Avenue. Mr. Thorng relayed that his wife has operated a gas station for three years and that his immediate family has many liquor stores and they will be assisting him. No change is hours or services are planned. Tonya held an Immediate Neighbors Meeting prior to the meeting, no neighbors attended. L5P's Business Association unanimously supported the application. A motion was made to support change in ownership. Motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Leach, Treasurer Barbara presented the Treasurer's Report:

Income	
SP Dues and Membership	\$ 1,340
Total Income:	\$ 1,340
Expenses	
IPSP	\$ 8,597
IPSP Auto Insurance	\$ 3,298
Beautification	\$ 1,805
Springvale Park	\$ 1,105
Christmas Party	
Misc	\$ 381
Total Expenses	\$19,185
Net Loss	

Barbara stated that we have not touched Festival funds, but will in January. We received \$5,000. as a gift from the production company filming Constantine. That covers two weeks of IPSP payroll. Karen Goeckel encouraged us to remember that films will donate to the neighborhood. Contact her with any questions or potential opportunities, she is happy to assist.

Tony New, V.P. Public Safety

Tony encouraged neighbors to leave their porch lights on during the holidays and dark winter months. Security and police are better able to patrol in lighted environments. Tony noted that through the perseverance and attention of Austin Avenue neighbors, a fence has secured Bass Fields with the hopes of discouraging loiterers and criminal activity. Austin Avenue neighbors worked together and made it happen.

Michaela Kendall, V.P. Planning

Michaela noted that the fall schedule for discussion of Lifelong Communities is on page 17 of the Advocator. Sessions are held at IP Methodist Church. The next meetings will be held January 15, and January 29. Judy Clements, working with Kwanza Hall, has accepted the challenge of identifying vacant lots in IP. Judy intends to host charrettes that look to filling needs of a Lifelong Community and then speaking strongly and clearly to promote development meeting those needs. Springvale Park will be coming to IPNA for approval of their Master Planning proposal in early spring. It will mirror the proposal presented and published last month.

Yvonne Merkel, V.P. Communications Yvonne recognized **Alexandra Kronemeyer,**the new editor of the *Advocator*; deadlines for articles are always the 20th of the month. The delay in delivery of the *Advocator* this month is likely due to heavy holiday mail. She is discussing her concern about the delay with the postmaster and KDA.

The distribution of a Request to Respond has been sent to a list of potential website designers. The request is a precursor to a Request for Proposals.

Rick Bizot, NPU Representative for IPNA, congratulated Danny Feig Sandoval for receiving the Civil Engagement Award. His work for the KLENH study was acknowledged and applauded. The award ceremony will be broadcast on Channel 26.

Janet Berry, SecretaryNothing to report

Committee Reports None

Old Business None

New Business None

Meeting was adjourned 8:08 p.m. M

Other Happenings to Note

Atlanta Winter Beer Fest

Saturday, January 24 • 1 p.m. – 6 p.m. • Masquerade • atlantawinterbeerfest.com

All of the indoor rooms as well as tents in the Music Park (heated if necessary) will be open with Live Music on 5 stages, and some additional fun and games throughout the venue. Local and National beers will be available at the event. Music line-up will be announced soon. Get your tickets in advance at the website.

Juggling Competition

Saturday, February 7 • 2 p.m. • Yaarab Shrine Center • atlantajugglers.org

The Groundhog Day Juggling Festival is hosting a competition to find the best juggler! Anything goes just no fire! Food, workshops, and games will also be available during the festival. Admission is free for spectators! The Yaarab Shrine is located at 400 Ponce De Leon Ave.

20th Annual Chinese New Year Celebration

Saturday, February 21 • 1 p.m. • Chien Hong School of Kung Fu • chienhong.com

See displays of various martial 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. For further info contact Shi Fu Gary Mitchell at (404) 525-3226.

Friends of Ponce Library Group

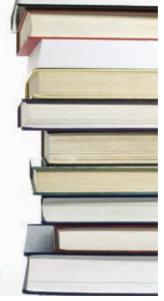
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A Friends of Ponce Library group is in the process of being created. Friends groups support their libraries in various ways, including fundraising via used book sales, special events, etc. The funds raised will be used to support programming and supplemental purchases at the Ponce de Leon branch of the Atlanta-Fulton Library.

The Ponce Library serves some of the most dynamic neighborhoods in the city. It deserves to have a Friends group that reflects this energy, activism and positive urban attitude!

Since this will be <u>your</u> Friends group, it can be whatever we all want it to be!

Please come to the meeting on <u>Tuesday, January</u>
<u>27th at 7:00 PM at the Ponce library</u> to form the Board of Directors and determine the direction for this new Friends' group. Your participation can make a difference! Please RSVP to eileenbrown@mindspring.com. M



February Advocator Deadline: January 20

If you have news to share with your neighbors in the February issue of the *Advocator*, please send your submissions to **advocator@inmanpark.org** on or before January 20.

IPNA Calendar

Jan **21**

IPNA Meeting Trolley Barn 7:30 p.m.

Jan **22**

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

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Book Club 941 Austin Ave. See page 15

Jan 30

Porch Party Inman Quarter at 280 N. Highland 6:00 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Feb **14**

Love Our Barn Event Trolley Barn See page 11

Feb **18**

IPNA Meeting Trolley Barn 7:30 p.m.

Feb **19**

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

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Inman Diners Club Kick-Off 860 Euclid Ave See page 20

Meet Your IPSP



Sergeant Tom Soukup

Years with APD 10 Years with IPSP

Lives in Grantville, GA Hails from Minneapolis, MN

Duty Details:

Supervise the Criminal Investigations Unit in Zone 3

Favorite thing about Inman Park:

The people – they're so committed to their community and the city that it really makes a difference.

Best part of my job:

Ensuring victims get closure and "karma" gets the bad guy

Worst part of my job:

Time away from my family

Hardest part of my job:

Seeing the worst in people

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

A teacher

Best advice I ever received:

Rub some dirt on it and suck it up

Superpower I wish I had:

ESP – that would make my job so easy!

Favorite Movie:

Saving Private Ryan

Favorite Sports Team:

Minnesota Vikings

Last Book Read:

13 Soldiers by John McCain

My best "bust" ever:

My first "cold" traffic stop with my K-9 partner resulted in a seizure of \$250,000 of drug money.

My top safety/security tip:

Watch your 6 (behind you).

Public Safety Update

By Tony Neu • VP Public Safety • public.safety@inmanpark.org

Happy New Year, Inman Park! As we kick off 2015, I'm pleased to announce that Sergeant Tom Soukup will replace Captain Brent Schierbaum as the IPSP Coordinator.

Our very own Captain Schierbaum was recently promoted to Major within the Atlanta Police Department, and given the demands of his new role, will not be able to continue as the IPSP Coordinator. On behalf of the IPSP, I want to thank Captain Schierbaum for his work with the patrol. His leadership these past seven years has been a key factor in the success of the IPSP. We wish him well in his new role.

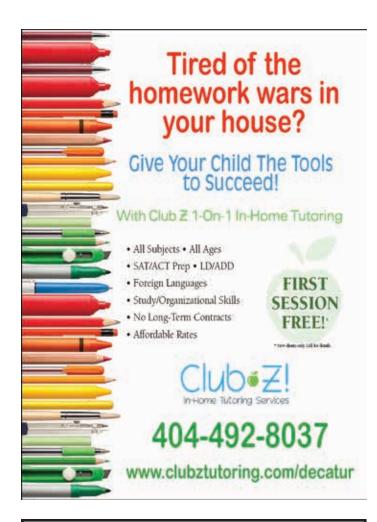
As both an APD and IPSP veteran – as well as a veteran of the U.S. Army - Sgt. Soukup brings a wealth of knowledge to the role and will ensure a smooth transition for the operation of the patrol. After beginning with APD in 2004 in Zone 6 patrolling in and around Inman Park, Sgt. Soukup today supervises the Criminal Investigations Unit in Zone 3. Over the course of his career, Sgt. Soukup was a K9 handler with the Military Police, the Clayton County Narcotics Unit and the Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport K9 Explosives Detection and Disposal Unit. You can learn more about Sgt. Soukup in his profile at left.

In looking ahead to public safety initiatives in IP, one thing we are focused on is the lack of lighting in some areas of the neighborhood. As we work to develop solutions for some particularly challenging common areas, it has been suggested that it also would be helpful if each homeowner took a look at his or her home with the goal of improving exterior lighting – even if it's as simple as regularly turning on a porch light. Not only can enhanced lighting deter criminal activity, it can provide a safer environment for neighbors and guests who are often pedestrians through our very walkable neighborhood. We are calling this initiative Lights On in Inman Park, and I welcome any other ideas or suggestions you have to support it.

It has been a pleasure working with everyone this past year and I look forward to continuing our efforts in 2015. Stay safe out there! M

Inman Park Patrol Activity December 2014

Directed Patrols	
Suspicious Person	
Residential Alarm6	911 Hang Up Call1
Illegal Parking6	Indecent Exposure1
Theft4	Abandoned Auto1
Criminal Trespass2	Intoxicated Person1
Open Door2	Arrest (Theft) 1
Fireworks1	Parking Citation4
Reckless Driver1	Vehicle Impound1
Recovered Stolen Auto 1	



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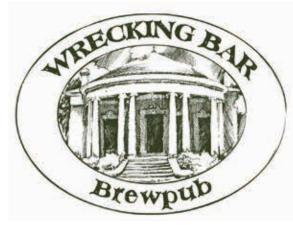
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The Trolley Barn Christmas Tree



Kathryn Lawler, Rich Wortmann, Missy Wortmann



Chef Diane the Food Diva, Rufus Pounds

Celebrating the Holidays in Inman Park: Photos with Santa



Before Santa's Visit on the McCaa's porch



Photographer Greg Scott



Santa visits Inman Park

Trolley Barn Board Launches Fundraising Campaign

By Linda Dunham • Atlbarn@bellsouth.net

Atlanta and Edgewood **Street Railway Company Board of Directors**

AESRC is a neighbor-led, non-profit organization [501(c)(3)] that operates The Trolley Barn as a low-impact event venue in Inman Park.

Steve Hays, Chairman Diane Floyd, Treasurer Christel Sundin, Vice President – Administration Richard Westrick, Vice President – Operations Thom Abelew **Judy Clements** Jay Doyle Oreon Mann Jacques Mebius Faye Mobley **Dennis Mobley**

Porch Party January 30 • 6:00 p.m. Inman Quarter • 280 N. Highland Ave

Our new neighbor at Elizabeth and N. Highland, Inman Quarter (IQ), is sponsoring a special porch party for the neighborhood on Friday, January 30, 2015 from 6 to 10 p.m. Goodies to eat and drink will be available and they look forward to showing off their place! Signs will be posted on the N. Highland entrance to guide us in. Come hang out after the holidays and get to know your new neighbor on Highland!

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

As we've shared in previous updates, there will soon be a "For Sale" sign in front of The Trolley Barn because it is one of the assets the City of Atlanta plans to shed in 2015.

In addition to being a historically significant building for Inman Park, The Trolley Barn hosts the IPNA archives and is home to many IPNA events each year that bring neighbors together. It also features the Dance Festival during Inman Park Festival weekend and, of course, is a part of lifelong memories for many people both in and out of Inman Park who have celebrated a wedding or other special life event there.

The Trolley Barn Board of Directors, which operates as the Atlanta and Edgewood Street Railway Company (a 501(c)(3) entity) that currently leases The Barn from the City, is led by neighbors and is preparing to purchase The Barn in order to keep the historic icon in Inman Park and maintain its status as a low-impact event venue. In preparing to participate in the City's sealed bid process for The Barn, the board is launching a fundraising campaign in an effort to raise \$500,000.

The first event of this fundraising campaign is the *Love* Our [Trolley] Barn event on Saturday, February 14. This special event invites neighbors to wear their best red and enjoy an evening of dinner, drinks, and dancing in celebration of Inman Park's love for The Barn. More details about this event and how to get your ticket are at right.

Other activities of the fundraising campaign, led by **Judy Clements**, will be announced shortly, so please watch this space as well as the Inman Park Yahoo Group and Nextdoor Inman Park for details. Donations toward the effort are welcome at any time, though, so please contact Judy (judyclements@me.com) if you would like to make a contribution. (Note: should The Trolley Barn not be the winning bidder, all fundraising contributions will be refunded.)

We also are interested in collecting memories and stories from neighbors and others who have held a special event at The Barn. If you have held a special event at The Barn, or know someone who has, please share your memory with us at atlbarn@bellsouth.net. M



WHY

Inman Park helped save the Barn from extinction back in the 1970s, when it was vacant and about to crumble. Neighbors invested countless hours of sweat equity to restore it. Today, its Board successfully operates it as a low-impact event venue and our neighborhood meeting place. Soon the City of Atlanta will sell it to the highest bidder, and we must raise money **NOW** to make a matching offer or WE LOSE the Barn.

WHAT

This special event will feature dinner, drinks, entertainment and a live auction. It will be a fun and exciting evening to celebrate Inman Park's love of The Trolley Barn and fundraise to keep this unique historic icon in Inman Park.

DONOR EVENT PACKAGES

to purchase event tickets.

Select a ticket package and mail this form with your payment to the address below. Contributions are **tax deductible** to extent allowed by law, and should the neighbor-led Trolley Barn board not be successful in its effort to purchase The Trolley Barn, all contributions will be refunded in full.

	\$1,000	Two (2) event tickets. Recognized at the event in our publicity. Individual event tickets available for \$500 each.
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	\$7,500	Eight (8) event tickets and recognized as significant donor at the event and in our publicity. You will also have free use of the Barn for a week day or evening (Monday through Thursday), subject to availability, through 2018.
	\$10,000	Ten (10) event tickets and recognized as a significant donor at the event and in our publicity. You will also have free use of the Barn for a Saturday night of your choice, subject to availability, through 2018.
Na	me(s)	Date
Em	ail Address	Phone #
Mo	iil with vour	check payable to The Trolley Barn to The Trolley Barn . 963 Edgewood

Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30307 or contact a Trolley Barn board member (listed at left)

Next Steps on Springvale Park Master Plan

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As you may recall, the conclusions from the Springvale Park master planning process were outlined in last October's Advocator and presented at the October IPNA meeting. Pond and Company, our master planners, showed us three draft versions of the master plan. Each version included a different strategy for making the north and south halves of the park feel more integrated. Making Springvale a unified, single park (or at least be perceived as a more unified, single park) was one of the central desires expressed by the neighborhood back when we began this "visioning" and master planning process. The options for accomplishing that goal are outlined below. Please keep in mind that whatever alterations we design for the park will be carefully vetted to make sure they are Festival-friendly!

The options, corresponding to the drawings below, include:

1. Leave the Euclid Avenue earth bridge (a.k.a. the berm) in place and add new stairs to the sides to allow access to both halves of the park from Euclid Avenue. This would also involve repairing/replacing the existing stair leading from the corner of Waverly and Euclid down into the north side of the park. This would appear at first to be the least expensive and least controversial of the three options. However, we have been advised that constructing stairs on steep slopes that have been filled (such as the berm) can be a fairly costly undertaking – both in terms of engineering and materials. We are also facing some uncertainty with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) with this option. The law may prevent us from adding new stairs without also adding ramps. It's not possible to create long enough ramps to span the distance between Euclid Avenue and the park below without doing significant damage to the park. Our argument against adding ramps would be that both sides of the park can be accessed from Park Lane. That may be an acceptable solution that avoids adding ramps.



Remove the portion of berm that spans the mid-section of the park and replace it with a structural bridge. This option allows access to the full length of the park without the need to climb stairs and cross over Euclid. It would also allow the stream to flow without interruption from the natural spring head in the south side into the pond in the north side. This option, of course, involves significant cost. Pond and Company estimated that the cost could run anywhere from \$4 million to \$10 million. Their estimates include a fairly generous amount for contingencies. As a point of reference, the Edgewood bridge replacement cost just under \$5 million – including the stairs and ramps. So, our committee is estimating a \$5 million cost for the Springvale Park bridge. This is based on Pond and Company's numbers and the Edgewood Avenue bridge numbers.



Remove the berm and restore the park to its original, pre-1961 configuration. This option would sever Euclid and create an overlook into the park from the Euclid and Waverly intersection. The Festival tent would need to move eastward on Euclid toward Elizabeth Street. Through traffic would be diverted onto Waverly and Edgewood. Pond and Company ran traffic counts for this option and the numbers indicated that the neighboring streets are capable of carrying the traffic load from Euclid. From a "numbers" standpoint it can work. However, this option significantly impacts long established traffic patterns in the neighborhood and is likely the least viable of the three. It's somewhat doubtful that the City would allow a block of Euclid to be permanently closed.



During January's IPNA meeting, I will ask the membership which of the three options they would like include in the final master plan. Don't miss this meeting if you want your voice heard! Please keep in mind that that a vote in favor of a particular option doesn't mean that the option will necessarily be funded and built. All we are asking for at this point is direction from the neighborhood about what option they would like to pursue. And, please keep in mind that we can always scale back our plans if funding doesn't materialize. However, it is very difficult to add more to our plans once they've been reviewed and accepted by the City.



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President's Message continued

As 2015 begins, the neighborhood continues to recover from the effects of the Great Recession, as evidenced by real estate prices and rents. The online publication Curbed Atlanta described us thusly, in its recent voting competition for its "Curbed Cup" neighborhood of the year: "Atlanta's first planned suburb has emerged from the depths of 1960s decrepitude to gain mention as one of America's loveliest neighborhoods. Chockfull of high-earning former hippies and attorneys you'd like to have a beer with, it's a leafy showcase of stunning Victorians and smartly renovated bungalows, hugged by convenient arteries to downtown and the Beltline. Already home to some of ATL's best restaurants (both Rathbun complexes, Sotto Sotto, etc.) IP's food and bar buzz has only begun; expect two new Ford Fry concepts in coming months, and good luck finding a seat at that crazv popular new marketplace. Downside: The cost of standalone homes in the land of black-and-yellow butterflies remains cosmically high..."

As a neighborhood association, our finances are strong and membership and volunteerism appears to be growing, as evidenced by our new Advocator editor (yay Alex!) but also by neighbors new and old strengthening our committees and even offering their houses and condos for the Tour Homes during our wonderful Festival.

The year ahead also will bring the sale of The Trolley Barn by the City of Atlanta, as AESRC President, and IP neighbor, Steve Hays has advised in recent issues of the Advocator. An ad-hoc "Love Our Barn" event committee, headed by Faye Mobley (aka my better half) is planning a signature fundraising evening for Valentine's Day. The hope is to fill the Barn with donors willing to make a minimum \$500 taxdeductible contribution in an effort to raise funds for the imminent purchase of the Barn. The committee appreciates it's a lot to ask of neighbors, especially following the holiday season, but I hope you will join us in this effort to keep the Trolley Barn in Inman Park – and owned by a board comprised of IP neighbors. You can read more about the pending sale and this exciting event on pages 11 and 12 of this issue.

We will need every ounce of this collective strength to meet the challenges of 2015 head-on. For example, will we let someone buy our beloved Trolley Barn out from under us? Will we find a place for all the additional cars our growth will occasion, as the KLENH traffic study takes its place in the City's (long, long) funding queue? Can we find a way to enable us aging baby boomers to live out our days in Inman Park?

I am confident that if YOU get involved, we will prevail, in typical Inman Park style. Happy New Year! M

Sympathy to

Susan Schlittler Austin Avenue on the death of her brother-in-law

Book Club Calendar

The Inman Park Book Club meets on the last Tuesday of the month to discuss the featured selection. Please bring a covered dish to share. Visit inmanpark.org for the full 2015 schedule and book selections. Jan Keith (404-688-7330) welcomes any questions you may have.

Jan

Into the Beautiful North by Luis Alberto Urea Frank Kotch | 941 Austin Ave.

Feb

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

CHaRM Recycling Facility Opens

By Yvonne Merkel • Advocator Staff

CHaRM, or the Center for Hard to Recycle Materials, is a new permanent drop-off facility from Live Thrive Atlanta that accepts a wider range of items than typical curbside recycling and, in doing so, keeps hazardous materials out of our air, water and soil.



CHaRM opens next month and is located at 1110 Hill Street in Atlanta, about 1.5 miles from Zoo Atlanta. The facility will accept the following hard-to-recycle materials, among others: batteries • carpet • chemicals/pesticides • electronics • expired medications • fats/oil/ grease • film packaging • paint (latex/oil) • light bulbs • mattresses • plastic bags/wrap • tires • Styrofoam.

Additionally, CHaRM accepts items such as: shoes, books, musical instruments, sports equipment, bikes, textiles and building materials that can be reused and distributed to local nonprofits that work with children or other groups in need.

The CHaRM facility complements the two recycling events in Buckhead and Old Fourth Ward each month by Keep Atlanta Beautiful, which also accept many hard-to-recycle items. For more information on each program, visit livethrive.org and keepatlantabeautiful.org.



Festival Focus

Festival Planning Ramps Up

The Festival Committee members are hard at work to ensure this year's Festival is the best yet! Among other activities, sponsorships are being secured, exhibitors are being selected, and bands are being sought. Local artist Amber Singleton created this year's design, and we look forward to sharing the design and meeting Amber in next month's Advocator. Until then, take a look at what gems the Tour of Homes will feature and learn a little more about Theatre Night. And, of course, be sure you've blocked your calendar for April 24-26 and give thought to which weekend volunteer job(s) you'll sign up for! M

Thank you to these neighbors who have graciously agreed to open their homes for the 2015 Tour of Homes during Festival weekend:

Vicky Berry & Jesse Archer

958 Austin Avenue

Thea & Al Quillan 394 Sinclair Avenue The 2015 Tour of Homes also will feature these historic Inman Park buildings:

Heather Sears & Merritt Lancaster

987 Waverly Way

Veronica & Brian Roof

Inman Park United Methodist Church

401 Sinclair Avenue

1015 Edgewood Avenue

Tia Landau

926 Waverly Way (The Natalie, Unit B)

Karin & Steve Stern 227 Degress Avenue

The Trolley Barn 963 Edgewood Avenue

Susan Crawley & John Murrill

1134 Alta Avenue

Lisa & Rick Yates 216 Degress Avenue

Over the next few months, we'll take a closer look at select aspects of the Inman Park Spring Festival and Tour of Homes.

Theatre Night

By Pat Westrick • Patwestrick@gmail.com

It's hard to believe Theatre Night has been a part of the Inman Park Festival for the last 24 years!

Since 1981, the neighborhood hosted a street dance under the tent on the Saturday night of Festival, complete with a disc jockey named Daddy G and vintage rock 'n roll. No one can now remember exactly why that ended after the 1993 Festival, but it seems that both the Saturday Night Dance and Theatre Night coexisted for a few years. (The details of exactly how the logistics of that worked are lost in the midst of Festival history, but if the list of committee chairs in the old tour tickets is to be believed, coexist they did.)

Theatre Night first made its appearance at the 1991 Festival, and I remember when it was proposed as an idea to the committee. For several years, we earmarked some of the proceeds from the sale of Tour Tickets to be given to various philanthropic efforts throughout the city, including historic preservation and the arts. That year's Festival Chair, Bill McMurry, proposed also contributing to the theaters in our own neighborhood by inviting them to present a scene or two from their current productions to patrons who would elegantly dine al fresco under the tent. Sponsorships were solicited, tables were sold, and all the proceeds were divided among the participating theaters. The first Theatre Night chairperson was the late Margie Veneziale, who lived on Ashland Avenue, and under her skilled and stylish leadership, it grew to an eagerly anticipated event to fill our Festival Saturday evenings.

The Horizon Theatre and Seven Stages have been participants since the beginning. In those days, Actor's Express was located at 280 Elizabeth (in the space later occupied by Dad's Garage), and they were also a part of those early years. We've been treated to some wonderful mini-performances through the years, and always leave smiling, relaxed, and grateful to live where we do. If you, too, enjoy live theater and would like to sample some of the best in the city, I encourage you to sign up early to participate because tables sell out fast!



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:







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- Name in program as a Patron Sponsor

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

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	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:

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NPU-N Update

By Rick Bizot • NPU-N Representative for IPNA • NPU.N@INMANPARK.ORG

Notes from the December 18, 2014 meeting:

PRESENTATIONS:

Parks Department: Tom Cullen reported that the putting green for Candler Park is in the design process. He also reminds everyone that Bessie Branham Park in Kirkwood (2051 Delano Avenue) has the closest Recreation Center to Inman Park. This newly renovated Recreation Center has a large community room, gymnasium with indoor basketball courts, men's and women's locker rooms, classrooms, physical fitness room, library, arts & crafts room, pottery kiln and a kitchen. It also has one of the City's new Cyber Centers, with computers and other high-tech equipment available throughout the week.

Public Works: Dennis Muma introduced Ashley White, a new civil engineer in the Transportation Department. He also reminds everyone of the Infrastructure Bond referendum coming up in February 2015, for which the Mayor seeks support.

LICENSE REVIEW BOARD:

William Ford Fry (Superica Restaurant, 99 Krog St, Inman Park) New alcohol license request for new location. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the application.

Sothy Thorng (Little Five Points Package Store, 448 Moreland Ave NE, Little Five Points Business District and Inman Park) Change of Ownership request for liquor, beer and wine licenses at existing location. NPU-N Board voted unanimously to support the application.

Tanusree Malatker (Moreland Package Store, 15 Moreland Ave SE, Reynoldstown) Change of Ownership request for alcohol license at existing location. Application was deferred at the beginning of the meeting; applicant not present.

ZONING REVIEW BOARD:

Candler Park / Reynoldstown MARTA station, south parcel (Z-14-051, NPU-O): to rezone from the C-1 (Community Business) District to the MRC-3 (Mixed Residential Commercial) District, certain properties located on La France Street, Whitefoord Avenue, Hutchinson Street, and Mayson Avenue. [NPU-O; Review and Comment only]. Item was taken off the agenda; City is working to determine best zoning category.

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

SPECIAL EVENTS AND OUTDOOR FESTIVALS:

Paideia School Field Day (Candler Park), Fri. April 3, 2015. Applicant not present; NPU-N Board voted 6-0 to defer.

TEXT AMENDMENTS, ORDINANCES AND **RESOLUTIONS:**

Proposed Tree Ordinance Revisions (14-O-1474, review and comment only): NPU-N Board voted unanimously to comment that we support anything that strengthens to tree protection

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 15pccc.org

L5P Business Assn little5points.com

ordinance to preserve the City's tree canopy. [Note: there will be a public workshop in the 2nd or 3rd week of January 2015, and they hope to have a vote on the ordinance soon thereafter]

NEW BUSINESS (UPCOMING):

Publix Marathon: March 22, 2015; route appears to be similar to past route.

NPU-N Bylaws revisions: items to consider include time allotments for presentations; default alternate delegates from constituent organizations.

Palookaville, L5P: Owner of Palookaville is in the planning stages, hoping to open a small, take-out only retail storefront at 1105 Euclid Ave (420 SF former hair salon space adjacent to 7 Stages).

NPU-N Executive Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of every month, January through October. The November and December 2015 meeting dates will be determined at the January 2015 meeting. 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, January 22, 2015. M

Congratulations

to these former IP kids as they welcome a new generation of IPers

Sunday, October 19 - Lachlan Burnette son of Jane Bradshaw, who grew up on Hurt Street (grandson of Cathy and Bo Bradshaw)

Wednesday, October 22 - Timothy Biggers son of Drue Hudson, who grew up on Hurt Street (grandson of David Hudson and the late Ann Schnur)

Friday, October 24 - Maeve Higginbotham daughter of Jenny Westrick, who grew up on Sinclair Ave and Elizabeth Street (granddaughter of Pat and Richard Westrick)

Danny Feig-Sandoval **Receives APAB Award**

JONATHAN R. MILLER • OUTGOING NPU-N CHAIR JMILLER@HGDLAWFIRM.COM • PHOTO BY LORI FEIG-SANDOVAL

The Atlanta Planning Advisory Board ("APAB") annually recognizes citizens who have given their time generously to help make Atlanta a better place to live and work. APAB asks each Neighborhood Planning Unit ("NPU") to nominate a person or organization to recognize. As Chair of NPU-N (which includes Inman Park), it was my special pleasure to help APAB recognize our own Danny Feig-Sandoval at the December 20, 2014 ceremony held in the City Council chambers of City Hall. Below is the description NPU-N submitted:

For over 30 years, Danny Feig-Sandoval has been a positive force for community improvement in Inman Park and the surrounding communities in Atlanta. Danny currently heads the Transportation Committee of the Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA), which recently completed a forward thinking transportation strategy for the Krog-Lake-Elizabeth-N. Highland area in response to the development boom in that area.

Previous efforts include implementation of traffic calming measures on Lake Avenue, organizing a neighborhood cleanup of the DOT property at the Austin-Moreland intersection, and leadership roles in the Inman Park Festival and other community efforts too numerous to list. Danny leads by example as well, using his bicycle as a primary mode of personal transportation.

In earlier years, Danny played an active role in the Roadbusters and CAUTION, which fought the construction of an elevated highway through several Atlanta neighborhoods and eventually led to the creation of Freedom Park. For more than three decades, Danny has been actively engaged in the community to make his part of Atlanta a better place to walk, bike and live.

When I first ventured out into the neighborhood, it was Danny who I frequently encountered. By example, he has shown me that patience and persistence, along with listening, are the key to getting things done. I am very happy that NPU-N and APAB have recognized Danny for what Inman Park has known for a long time. Congratulations Danny.



Jonathan Miller, APAB Chairman Ben Howard, Danny Feig Sandoval

Atlanta Urban Design Commission (AUDC) Update

By Molly McLamb • VP Historic Preservation HISTORIC.PRESERVATION@INMANPARK.ORG

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

Recent AUDC actions on applications for Certificates of Appropriateness:

November 24, 2014

850 Euclid Ave. Application for a Type II Certificate of Appropriateness (CA2-14-365) for alterations. Property is zoned RG-3 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1)/ BeltLine.

Staff Recommendation: Deny without prejudice. Commission Voted: Denied without prejudice.

242 Elizabeth St. Application for a Type III Certificate of Appropriateness (CA3-14-376) for a variance to allow an expansion of a deck in a front yard, and additions in the side and front yards that have smaller setbacks than the existing house, and (CA3-14-375) for alterations and additions. Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1) / BeltLine.

Staff Recommendation – (CA3-14-376): Approve **Commission Voted: Approved** Staff Recommendation – (CA3-14-375): Approve with **Commission Voted: Approved with conditions.**

Upcoming AUDC applications for Certificates of Appropriateness:

January 10, 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).

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.) at

Property is zoned R-5 / Inman Park Historic District (Subarea 1)

Please see the agenda on page 22 for applications scheduled for this month's IPNA meeting.

AUDC Contact Information:

Website: www.atlantaga.gov/government/urbandesign.aspx

Address: 55 Trinity Avenue, Suite 3350

Atlanta GA 30335-0331

Phone: (404) 330-6145 Fax: (404) 658-6734

75 Neighbors Join New Year Day Jump • continued

Costumes were judged ad hoc: James McManus won Smallest Amount of Material Without Resorting to a Thong, and Grace Dwyer and Chris McEntee competed in the leopard-skin print one-piece sleepwear category. While Grace was lovely in the footie model, Chris just looked silly, so he won. Sparky, the one-eyed Pekingese bartender who started all of this madness, signed autographs and barked at the cameras.

Minutes from the last jump were read and discarded, announcements were made: Bo and Ginger Lyons were the oldest couple; Amelia Darling and Adam Miller were celebrating birthdays; and our youngest jumper was only four years old. Sponsors Java Vino, Patriot Pools, Velocity Screenprinting were recognized. Bodimer J. Wadell asked to be recognized and wasn't.

The jumpers counted off – 75 in all. Someone in the crowd started a countdown and before we knew it, a great splash ringed the entire pool followed by a collective gasp. And just as quickly, the pool was empty again – as if it never happened. But Dave Darling caught it all on video for WSB-TV news, and folks saw it for themselves on the evening broadcast. (You can view it online at http://www.wsbtv.com/videos/news/inman-park-polar-bear-dip/vC8ZQp/).

Since no one seconded a call for adjournment, many members remained until the police were called. Before the last were escorted away, several ideas were collected for future meetings; favorites were Polar Bear Beach Towels, a Hot Drink Mix-off (like a chili cook-off), and a call for More Bacon...and whipped cream. Send us your ideas sometime before December and just maybe they'll be a part of Polar Bear Jump 2016!



We just want to say thank you to our new neighborhood of Inman Park! We moved here from California and for many years my New Year's Day tradition was an icy dip in the Pacific followed by a bracing Irish Coffee. Jumping into the Inman Park Pool was a great substitute and we met tons of new friends that morning.

I thought I'd share my favorite photo, though there was definitely more whiskey

Chris & Monica on Sinclair Ave.

Inman Diners 2015 Enrollment Through February 12

KARIN MEBIUS • KARINMEBIUS @GMAIL.COM

It's open enrollment time again, not just for Obamacare but also for Inman Diners 2015. The process is simple: Do you live in Inman Park? Would you like to get to know your neighbors better? Over dinner? If you answer yes to these questions you can sign up by sending an email with your name(s), email address, street address and phone number to karinmebius@gmail.com. Do it today.

After sign-up which closes on February 12, 2015, participants are divided into smaller groups of 12 to 14. These smaller groups meet for five dinners during the year, once about every two months. In 2014 over 100 neighbors participated.

A couple of points:

- The most important ingredient is participation. Please commit to as many of the five dinners as possible and be there.
- This is not necessarily about exquisite cooking, although we have had some great dishes and exciting (and/or wild) theme dinners.
- This is also not about large dining rooms, blind dates, or anything else. This is about having fun, getting to know each other and being able to walk home after some good eating and drinking with your neighbors.

Please note that this year the kick-off party will be three weeks later than normal, Saturday, February 21, 2015, at 860 Euclid.

We are looking forward to seeing you this year!



Polar Bear Club 2015



Jump organizers George Gary and John Dwyer spend a moment with Sparky, the dog who started it all back in 2000 Photo by: Kris Dwyer



George and John deliver prejump announcements Photo by: Yvonne Merkel



Melissa Miller scored a prime viewing spot and wore considerably more layers than neighbors primed to jump Photo by: Yvonne Merkel



75 jumpers hit the water on New Year's Day for the annual Inman Park Polar Bear Jump Photos by: Kris Dwyer



Plenty of liquid courage was on hand for anxious (of age) jumpers Photo by: Danny Black



Photos by: Danny Black



Al and Ruth Caproni share a laugh after completing the jump Photo by: Danny Black



Event sweatshirts were on hand for those jumpers needing extra layers or a souvenir Photo by: Yvonne Merkel



Charlotte Schellhammer Photo by Allie Burum Schellhammer



Caroline Schellhammer, Catherine Schellhammer, and Aerin Jones Photo by: Allie Burum Schellhammer

genda

January 21, 2014 Meeting IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m. • Babysitting Available The Trolley Barn • 963 Edgewood Ave NE

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 - C. Treasurer
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 - 1. Springvale Park Master Plan Vote
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 - G. Communications
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- 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 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

Join the Inman Park Security Patrol

Staffed by off-duty police officers, the IPSP **JOIN TODAY** 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 today to join, renew your membership or make a donation.

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New Year's Resolutions, 2015:

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- 2. Work Out Daily
- 3. Volunteer for Festival
- 4. Organize Entire Life
- 5. Call Pat & Melissa: Buy House!

We'll help with #5. And we promise to offer encouragement on all the rest!



Melissa Miller 404-276-7736 404-388-6466 Pat Westrick Re/Max Cityside 404-371-4419



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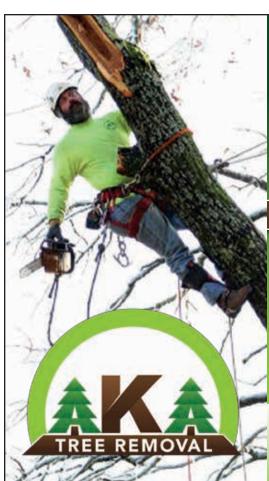


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New Inman Park Location! 1015 Edgewood Avenue Atlanta, GA 30307 404-377-1315

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