

EDITORS' NOTE: This MLPA News Special Report on green spaces and green thumbs in Morningside features an in-depth survey of "green" organizations in and around the neighborhood to help you and your neighbors keep our neighborhood green. You'll also find a handy map of all public green spaces in the neighborhood. For more info contact Pat Gardner, Cochair/Beautification Committee, 404.873.6208 Kerry Brown, Cochair, 404.685-1685, www.mlpa.org

Atlanta's Best-Kept Secret Garden

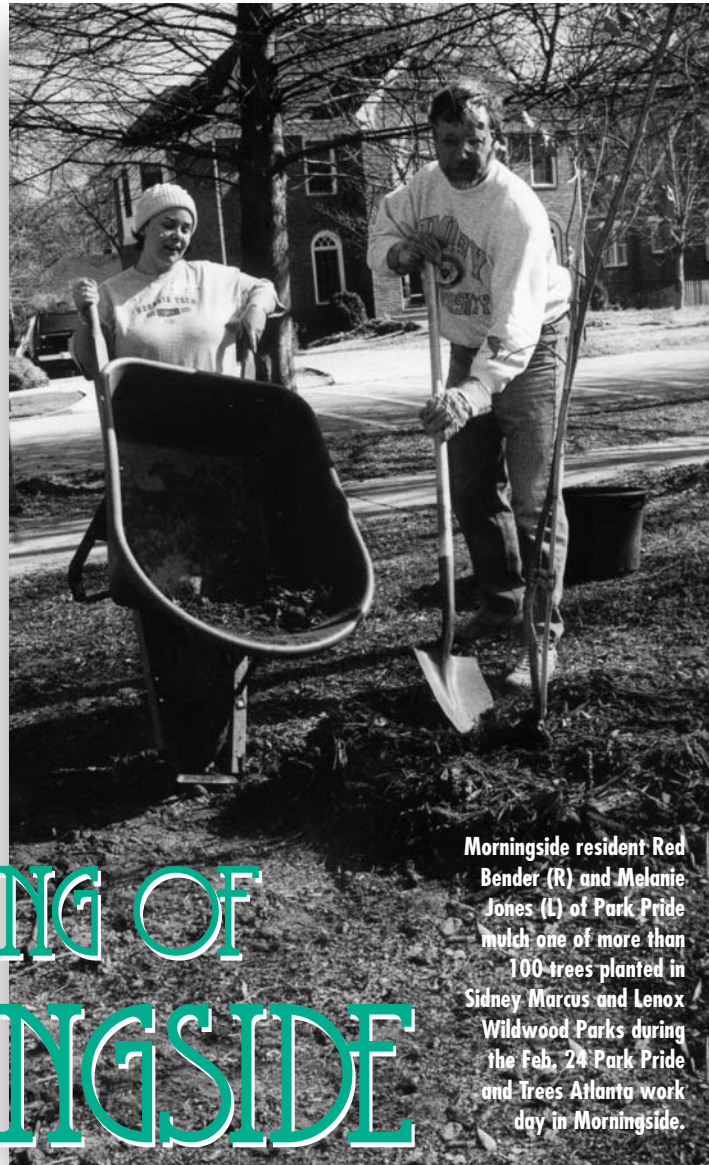
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The willow is weepin', the dogwood is droopin'—who ya gonna call? The answers to these and many more "green" questions have arrived! Here at your fingertips are just a few of the resources every green thumb needs, from botanical gardens for inspiration to garden clubs for fellowship. So clip this list, put it on your refrigerator door and

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A SPECIAL REPORT

THE GREENING OF MORNINGSIDE



Morningside resident Red Bender (R) and Melanie Jones (L) of Park Pride mulch one of more than 100 trees planted in Sidney Marcus and Lenox Wildwood Parks during the Feb. 24 Park Pride and Trees Atlanta work day in Morningside.

All Elected Officials Invited to Attend

MLPA Holds Annual Neighborhood-Wide Meeting on April 29

Come meet with your neighbors to discuss one of Atlanta's most vibrant and friendly intown neighborhoods. This is your opportunity to meet with:

- City, county, and state elected officials
- Representatives of city government departments
- MLPA officers and committee chairs

The meeting will be held at 7:30 PM at the Morningside Presbyterian Church, at 1411 North Morningside.

IMPORTANT NOTE: MLPA members will vote on a new set of bylaws at the April 29 meeting. For the full text of the bylaws, go to www.mlpa.org.

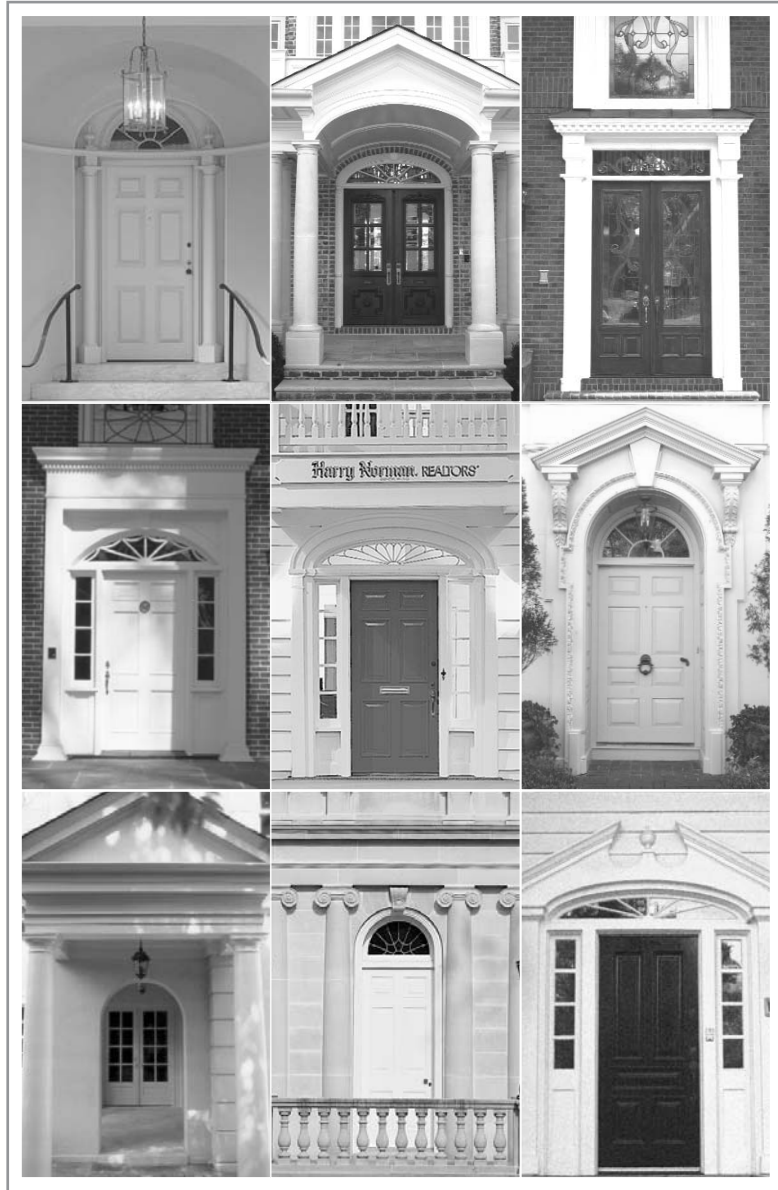
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring! What could possibly beat this season? The only thing better is Spring in Morningside Lenox Park. Think I'm kidding? Take a minute to stop your hurrying and look around you. Glorious flowering trees and shrubs greet you as you go down the street. Our neighborhood parks, sometimes so tucked away as to be invisible, bloom outrageously as if in competition with one another. Birds, drawn to the many trees in our

Our neighborhood has fought many battles to maintain the lush look and feel that so many neighborhoods can only dream of having.

neighborhood, sing their thanks to us all. Hawks, owls, even blue herons, take to the sky as if to say we can have a bit of paradise in the city. All this beauty and greenery doesn't just happen. Our neighborhood has fought many battles to maintain the lush look and feel that so many neighborhoods can only dream of having. Each zoning issue, each permit to build, has the potential to change our wonderful neighborhood. Not that all change is a bad thing, but we must always keep an eye out for the big picture. We have to keep a mental picture of our neighborhood as we want it and work to make sure the changes that do come help us maintain that picture.

Living in such a wonderful place requires work. We have a group of very dedicated volunteers who give freely of their time to make sure their

neighborhood, YOUR neighborhood, is a great place to live. These volunteers need your help. Please come to our annual meeting, April 29, and find out how you can do your part to keep Morningside Lenox Park one of the best neighborhoods in this city.



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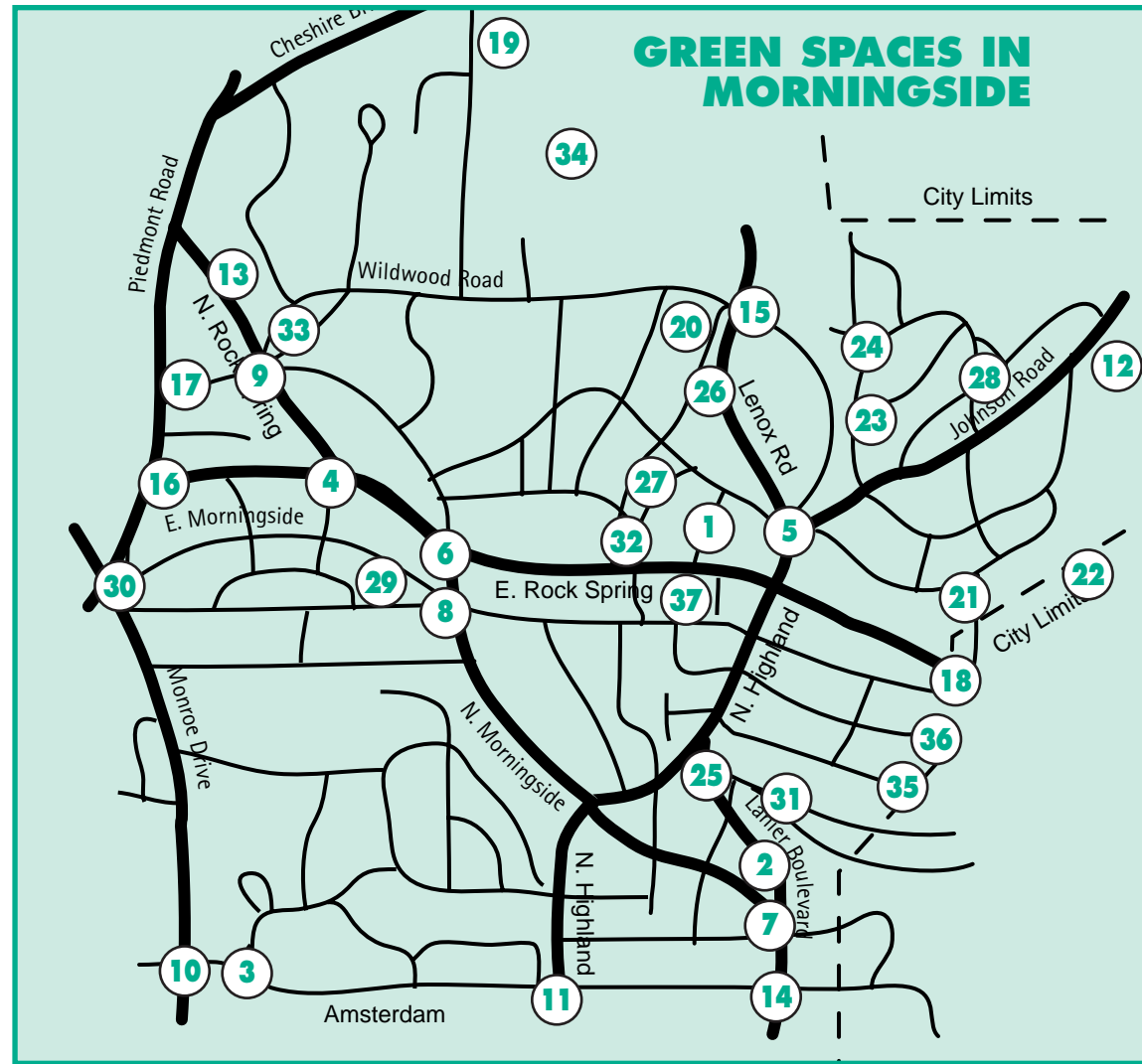
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GREEN FACTOID

Recommended urban public greenspace acreage per 1,000 population: **10 acres**
 Atlanta urban public greenspace acreage per 1,000 population: **7.2 acres**
 Atlanta urban public greenspace acreage per 1,000 population, excluding golf courses: **5 acres**
 Source: City of Atlanta Parks Department



peruse it the next time you're tending to your own little corner of Morningside, Atlanta's best-kept secret garden.

■ **Atlanta Botanical Garden** 1345 Piedmont Ave. NE, 404.876.5859 www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org. The Garden is open Tuesday through Sunday 9am to 7pm. A stunning array of gardens awaits you—Camellia, Conifer, Herb, Japanese, Rock, Rose and Woodland, to name a few. That valuable resource, the Museum Shop, offers gardening books, bulbs and seeds, as well as unique gift items.

■ **Plant Hotline** 404/888-4769 Step right up and call this number to leave your plant and gardening questions. A volunteer Master Gardener will investigate your query using the Research/Reference Library at the Garden and return your call promptly!

■ **City of Atlanta**, Sandra de Witt, Arborist/Bureau of Parks, 404.817.6814. The City of Atlanta offers Morningsiders a double-pronged approach to tree care. The Arborist/Bureau of Parks maintains right-of-way trees, those trees in front of most of our homes between the sidewalk and the street. Call Sandra de Witt if your tree needs care

(she can put in a work order for the Forestry Division) or for permission if you yourself need to plant, prune or remove a right-of-way tree. Frank Mobley, Arborist/Bureau of Buildings 404.330.687, The Arborist/Bureau of Buildings deals with trees on private property. Call Frank Mobley when you need a permit to remove a tree or if you wish to file an appeal under Atlanta's Tree Protection Ordinance (for Ordinance wording, see www.treeeagle.org).

■ **Morningside Garden Club**, Betty Layng, Member Information, 404.875.0041

In 2000 the Garden Club celebrated 20 glorious years of making their gardens grow! Members marked the occasion with a ten-day trip to Sissinghurst, Great Dixter and other notable gardens in Kent, Sussex and the Cotswolds. These marvelous hands-on ladies also maintain the landmark traffic island at Lenox-Johnson Road. They invite intown gardeners to join their meetings on the first Wednesday of every month.

■ **Morningside/Lenox Park Association (MLPA)** Pat Gardner,

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HOW GREEN IS MORNINGSIDE?

The chart below is a compilation of data from the MLPA Parks Committee and the City of Atlanta Parks Department. In all, it lists 36 green spaces in Morningside, Lenox Park and Johnson Estates, 37 if you count the newly re-opened Morningside Rec Center, which is owned & operated by the City Parks

Department (see p. 6).

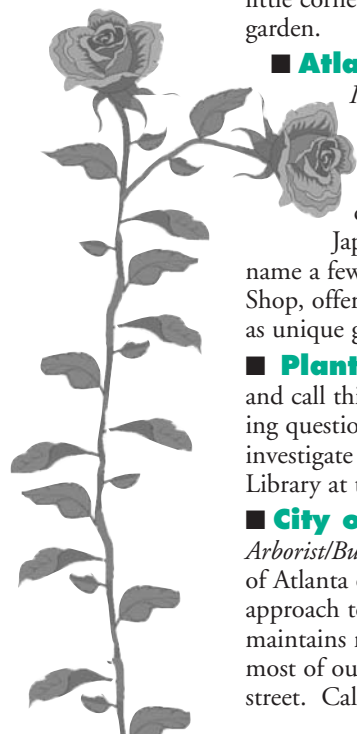
The oldest, Smith Park, at the intersection of Monroe and Piedmont, was established in 1924. The newest, the Wildwood Urban Forest, was purchased by the City last year on behalf of the Wildwood Urban Forest Group after a protracted zoning fight.

Greenspace	Responsibility	Yr. Estab.	Amenities
Medians			
1 Barclay Median	City	1952	
2 Lanier Boulevard Median	City		
Traffic Islands			
3 Amsterdam & Courtenay	City		
4 E. Morningside & N. Rock Springs	City	1948	Woodrow Wilson Monument, Benches
5 Lenox & Johnson	M'side Garden Club		
6 N. M'side/N. Pelham/E. Rock Spring	14West	1936	
7 N. Morningside & Lanier	City		Plantings
8 Sherwood & Cumberland	Harry Norman Realtors		
9 Wildwood & Rock Spring Roundabout	Resident*		
Markers			
10 Amsterdam & Monroe	City		
11 Amsterdam & Virginia/Highland	City		
12 Daniel Johnson	City		
13 E. Rock Springs	City		
14 Lanier Blvd.	Resident*		
15 Lenox Road	City		
16 Morningside & Piedmont	City		
17 Piedmont & Pelham	Harry Norman Realtors		
18 Rock Springs	City		
19 Wellbourne Drive	City		
20 Wildwood Road & Lenox	City		
Parks			
21 Beech Valley	Resident*		Memorial Garden
22 Daniel Johnson Nature Preserve	Resident*	1935	Way cool nature trail & creek
23 Hickory Grove	Betty Grayson	1939	Bench
24 Homestead	Resident*	1934	
25 Lanier Boulevard Park at University			
26 Lenox/Wildwood	City	1953	Tennis. Ct, Wtr. Ftn., Playscape
27 Morningside Nature Trail	City		Nature Trail
28 Noble	City	1939	Playscape, Water Ftn.
29 Sidney Marcus	City		Playscape, Water Ftn.
30 Smith	Harry Norman Realtors	1924	Koi Pond, Water Ftn.
31 Spring Valley/University Corner			
32 Sunken Garden	City		Playscape
33 Wildwood Gardens	Resident*		Plantings
34 Wildwood Urban Forest	Wildwood Urban Forest Group	Virgin Forest	
35 Zimmer Park			Bench
36 Reeder Circle	Resident*		Basketball Net
Other			
37 Morningside Recreation Center	City	1952	See p. 6

* indicates local resident care. If you routinely care for the plantings for a neighborhood park, traffic island, or marker, we'd like to give you credit for your civic spirit. Please contact Kerry Brown at 404.685-1685.

"In a city, a public space can be an asset or a liability. A main street or a park can be a symbol of a neighborhood's vitality and character, or an emblem of its disorganization and poverty of spirit. When it is an asset, it takes on the neighborhood's identity, becoming its star attraction and raising the quality of life, and property values, for residents."

— Project for Public Spaces, "Why Build Partnerships for Parks?" in *Public Parks, Private Partners*



News from the Hood



Anne Fauver, 6th District Council Member
Contact: 404-330-6049.

City Council Report From 6th District Council Member Anne Fauver The 2002 Budget Process

The Finance Committee of the City Council continues to hold hearings regarding Mayor Franklin's 2002 Budget. While we may have no other choice but to increase our property taxes for the 2002 Budget, I do want to make clear that this is not a permanent millage rate increase. The City Council is reviewing a number of items that will make a repeat of the unprecedented budget deficit impossible and that will make the process of preparing the budget more orderly, particularly for a new administration. I am hopeful that the millage rate increase can be reduced or eliminated when we review the 2003 budget.

I have also been working with Mayor Franklin and her Ethics Reform Task Force to introduce Ethics Legislation aimed at identifying and remedying the many improper actions that have caused city residents to question the integrity of their leaders. The Ethics Legislation creates a new, independent Board of Ethics to review, evaluate and report suspected ethical violations. ☺

State Legislative Report From Pat Gardner, State Representative, District 47

As your new Representative I have approached this session with energy and enthusiasm. The 2002 session of the Georgia General Assembly has been overshadowed by declining state revenues that have required dramatic cuts in the state government. Discussions about whether the reapportionment plan passed during the summer would be approved by the courts added a sense of uncertainty. It is likely that our neighborhood will be voting for FOUR representatives in next election.

I have appreciated the many letters and emails from the neighborhood educating me about such issues as teacher salaries, cel phones in schools, funding for treatment courts and Hope House and legislation on child endangerment and predatory lending.

I'm a member of three committees: Health & Ecology, Human Relations & Aging, and Industrial Relations. I am particularly pleased to serve on a Senior Prescription Benefit Task Force, which is investigating ways to help needy seniors have access to medications. ☺



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The Morningside Community Recreation Center Re-Opens

The newly renovated Morningside Recreation Center is now open for business. Built in 1953 by the City Parks Department, the new Rec features a large multi-purpose meeting room, kitchen, game room, full-size gymnasium, and soccer field.

A city-run after-school program is available Monday thru Friday from 2:45 to 6:00 pm, staffed with 15-to-1 ratio. Activities include: computer learning lab, homework tutoring, soccer, basketball, football, hockey, cheerleading, arts & crafts, a game room & movies. The Morningside Rec offers these after-school programs for \$80/month.

Adult programs are offered Monday thru Thursday from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Your input is needed to complete our fall schedule. Suggested programs: Men's Basketball, Co-ed Volleyball, Yoga & Aerobics.

The Facility will be open on Saturdays for Community Members! You can reserve the Center for family or community events such as birthday parties, baby showers, neighborhood meetings & celebrations!

Come by to meet the staff and see the programs in action. All inquiries regarding programs should be directed to: Ms. Wanda Jackson, Facility Manager, at (404) 881-0174. ☺

Get Ready for MLPA's "Celebration of Summer '02"

Believe it or not, it's almost time for the MLPA's annual end-of-school event, "Celebration of Summer." It's always held on the last day of school, which this year falls on May 24, so mark your calendars now!

If you'd like to help out with this fun event, contact the event chair, Mike McCool, at (404) 872-2633, or email him at mjmccool@mindspring.com. There are also a few corporate sponsorships available (very high visibility, ridiculously low cost). Contact Mike for that too.

See you on May 24! ☺

COMMITTEE REPORTS



PUBLIC SAFETY

In December there were 13 reported crimes: 7 burglaries, 2 car break-ins, 2 auto thefts, and 2 other larcenies. In January there were 8 reported crimes: 6 burglaries, 1 car break-in, and 1 auto theft. In February, while on MSP duty, Officer Stapler assisted the APD in tracking and arresting a group of burglars who may be responsible for some of these recent crimes. Remember, if you see anything suspicious or are victimized by a crime, call 911.

MSP members are encouraged to use the vacation security check service. Our officers will check your home at least once daily while you are gone. Send your request card by mail 1-2 weeks prior to your departure, or drop it in the black message box at the Morningside Presbyterian Church at 1411 N. Morningside Dr. The box is located on your right as you enter the church parking lot from Morningside Dr. Also, if home renovations require you to move out temporarily, send in a vacation request. If you have any questions, call the MSP phone number, 404-817-9664 and leave a message. An officer or one of our Board members will get back to you. ☺

SIDEWALKS

If your sidewalk is crumbling or cracking and you want to repair it, the Sidewalk Committee of the MLPA has a deal for you! MLPA will reimburse you for one half of the cost of repairing your sidewalk, up to \$250. If the repair costs \$500 or more, you will receive \$250. Please contact Lee Kintzel at 404-876-9198 or kintzellee@aol.com. ☺

TRAFFIC

With the attention that our Collector Streets study has gotten, a lot of residents don't realize that the Traffic Committee is involved in many other things. Some of our current activities:

- Quarterly meetings with the City's Bureau of Traffic and Transportation, to make requests for safety enhancements and repairs;
- Regular meetings with the police to encourage enforcement and learn how citizens can help the police to be effective;
- Neighborhood Slow-Downs;
- Recording license plates of speeders using the Laser gun;
- Regular communication with, and directing special situations and requests to Councilperson Anne Fauver's office;
- Working with PEDS to promote pedestrian safety and access;
- Communication with school and PTA groups to ensure that we include each other in plans.
- One request that the city is now considering for us is permitting left turns from Piedmont, southbound, onto Cheshire Bridge to help ease traffic volume through our neighborhood.

Please join the volunteers on the Traffic Committee, the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30, at Morningside Presbyterian Church. We need you! ☺







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GREEN THUMB ORGANIZATIONS IN MORNINGSIDE

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- Marcia Bansley, Trees Atlanta

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Cochair/Beautification Committee, 404.873.6208
Kerry Brown, Cochair, 404.685-1685, www.mlpa.org
 The Beautification Committee deals with dig-in-the-dirt enhancement of our neighborhood green spaces. They support sponsorship of these spaces by local merchants, recruit Morningsiders to care for them, and provide reimbursement for flowers and other materials. The Committee works with the City of Atlanta so that every pocket park in Morningside is cared for by either a business sponsor, resident volunteers or the City. The Beautification Committee maintains our familiar urn-and-column monuments as well.

Charlotte Gillis, Cochair/Parks Committee
 404.876.4021, *Clara Mont-Claire, Cochair,*
 404.872.6170, *www.treeeagle.org.* In need of a free tree? Just visit www.treeeagle.org and sign up for 2003! Maintaining this website and providing free trees are just two of the many ways in which the Parks Committee undertakes to keep Morningside forested. They also deal with governmental issues such as permitting and serving as liaison with city and county agencies.

■ **Park Pride, City Hall East – 8th Floor, 675 Ponce de Leon Ave., Atlanta GA 30308,**
 404.817.6761, *www.parkpride.org*

Park Pride boasts a long history of activity in Morningside. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit they've served as a Fiscal Partner with numerous community groups; for example, holding monies raised by neighbors in the successful effort to create a playscape at Sunken Garden Park. As an Adopt-A-Park sponsor they facilitated the adoption by Harry Norman Realtors of Smith Park (at the intersection of Monroe and Piedmont) and of the park at Pelham and Piedmont.

■ **Piedmont Park Conservancy, P.O. Box 7795, Atlanta GA 30357-0795, 404.875.7275,**
www.piedmontpark.org

Founded in 1989 and headed by Morningside resident Debbie McCown, the Conservancy is currently engaged in a ten-year, \$25-million effort to restore the park. Become a member for \$35 a year! Come join your neighbors in tilling one of 70 plots soon to be available in a one-acre Urban Garden off Monroe Drive.

■ **Rock Creek Watershed Alliance**

Charlotte Gillis, President, 404.876.4021, Ken Jones, Membership, 404.876-9322

Founded four years ago, this nonprofit group is "a coalition of community stakeholders dedicated to the restoration and preservation of the ecological balance and beauty of Rock Creek and its tributaries." As a certified Adopt-A-Stream sponsor, the Alliance works with their partners in the business community to

carry out water quality testing and performs cleanups of Rock Creek twice a year. They can even teach you and your family how to be a Creek Keeper Home!

■ **Trees Atlanta, 96 Poplar ST NW, Atlanta GA 30303, 404.522.4097, www.treesatlanta.org**

Trees Atlanta is dedicated "to protecting and improving our urban environment by planting and conserving trees." Over the last sixteen years Trees Atlanta has planted 434 bald cypress, dogwood, fringe tree, ginkgo, green ash, redbud, tupelo, and an assortment of maples—florida, red and trident—in our neighborhood. Add to that number the 270-plus Trees Atlanta has placed in Piedmont Park. President Marcia Bansley declares, "We love working in Morningside. If everyone were like the folks in Morningside, Atlanta would be flat out amazing!"

■ **Wildwood Urban Forest Group, Rochelle Routman, Membership, 404.892.3661, www.whidco.com/Wildwood.** The Wildwood Urban Forest is Morningside's newest and largest green space!. This 31-acre parcel of urban forest, located between Welbourne and Lenox Roads, was acquired in 2001. Now in the comprehensive planning phase,

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Splish Splash! The Indigo Grill is Back!

By Susan Drake

Like the Atlanta phoenix that rises from the ashes, Indigo Coastal Grill has awakened once again on North Highland Avenue. This prime piece of Morningside real estate has been home to Partners, then Indigo, then Star—and now Indigo again! Powering the latest incarnation is chef and part-owner Jean-Marc Carelle, who brings impressive credentials to the new undertaking.

Born in Nice in the South of France, Jean-Marc studied at the culinary institute of Le Touquet in the North. After stints earning his chef's hat in Paris, on the QEII and on the Orient Express, Jean-Marc then worked on the island of Saint Barths in the Caribbean for four years.

The reborn Indigo Coastal Grille merges Jean-Marc's French training with his island experience—"Caribbean with a French flair," he calls it. The menu is mainly seafood: fresh mussels, blue point oysters, poached sea bass, filet of grouper with fresh herbs and creamy risoto. The chefs smoke their own salmon on site. Steering away from sauces, Jean-Marc emphasizes infusions of herbs and fruits for lighter flavors.

Tempting appetizers include Accras de crabe facon St. Barth (jumbo crab fritters served with a spicy corn salad, mango, blood orange and sesame tuile) while Pot au feu de Homard et de Saint Jacques (lobster and scallop stew slowly cooked in ginger broth, topped with candied orange peels, seasonal vegetables) rules the entrees. And winning the heart of any vegetarian is Salade de legumes oubliés, vinaigrette au balsamic blanc (heart of organic lettuce, baked red beets, Jerusalem artichokes and sesame tuile with a white balsamic dressing).

For diners preferring something other than seafood, there are rigatoni pasta, free-range chicken and filet mignon. On the dessert cart soufflés reign supreme, among them chocolate and Grand Marnier. Indigo's chefs also make their own ice cream and sorbets. And the wine list goes on and on . . . ☺



Phillipe Pochet (l) and Jean-Marc Carelle show off their wares in the newly re-installed Indigo Coastal Grille on North Highland.

INDIGO FACTS ON FILE:

Dinner Mondays through Saturdays from 5:30 to 10:30pm; on Sundays from 5 to 9 pm; and for Sunday brunch 11am to 2:30pm! Indigo doesn't require reservations but does accept them at 404.876.0676.

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Neighborhood School Reports

Morningside School

Liz Coyle, Morningside PTA President
Inman Middle School

Parents who are considering enrolling their children at Morningside may find out more about the school by attending a Prospective Parent Meeting and Tour on April 18 at 9:00am.

Kindergarten and new students planning to attend Morningside Elementary School during the 2002-2003 school year may register between 8:30am and 2:30pm on April 1st, April 22nd and May 6th, 2002. The following information will be necessary to complete the registration process:

1. The child's birth certificate and social security card (copies will be made in the school office).
2. Certificate of Immunization form #3231 and Certificate of Ear, Eye and Dental Record form #3300 (forms are available from pediatricians and dentists).
3. Proof of Residence, such as a utility bill (gas or electric, no phone) or lease agreement if your utilities are included.

Parents who are considering enrolling their children at Morningside may find out more about the school by attending a Prospective Parent Meeting and Tour on April 18 at 9:00am. ☺

Inman is proud of the fact that the school accountability reports are out and our school is ranked 5th in the state of Georgia! Our students and teachers have worked very hard to achieve this ranking and we applaud them. Our National Academic League team recently won the city championship and our Quiz Bowl team placed second. The Debate team won 84 medals this year, more than any other school in the city. The boys and girls basketball teams had excellent seasons with winning records, and Inman's chorus received a superior rating at the statewide competition in February. All of this to say, Inman continues to be a very busy place as we work to provide our students with a well rounded education! We thank the community for their continued support. ☺

Martha Rusche, PTA President
Inman Middle School

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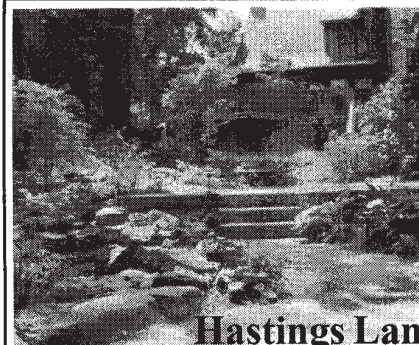
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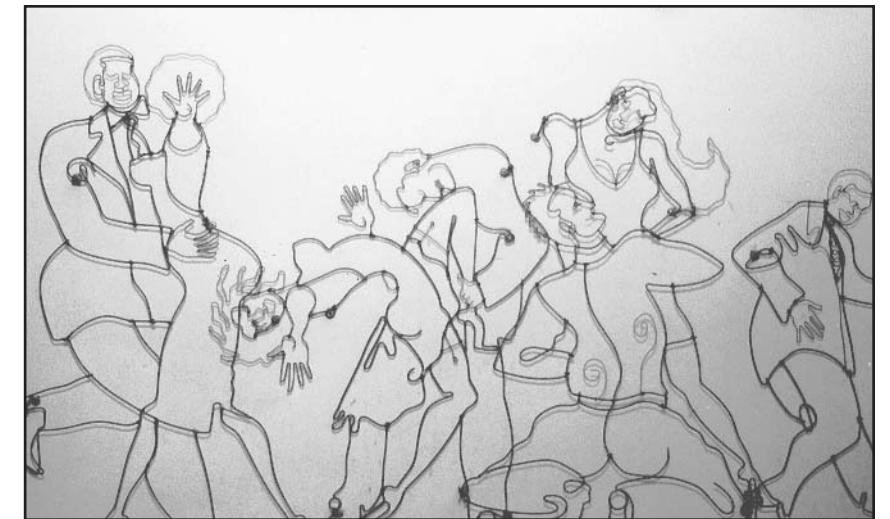
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Where in Morningside Lenox Park?

Last Issue's Puzzle asked two questions: First, how many traffic signs are there within a fifty-yard radius of the Pelham/E. Rock Spring traffic circle/roundabout. Second, how many traffic bumps/reflectors encircle it?

Well, gang, we had no takers. So Mr. WIMLP himself had to schlep out there and count them all on his own. The answers (are we really ready for this?): 117 signs and 488 reflectors. Please, somebody call the Guinness Book of World Records.

This Issue's Puzzle doesn't require as much work. Tell us if you can where the image shown at right was taken. The first correct respondent gets his/her name in print in the next issue of MLPA News. See back page for contact info. ☺



Council of Intown Neighbors and Schools

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On March 13 the Council of Intown Neighborhoods and Schools held its monthly meeting at C.W. Hill Elementary School at 12 p.m. The focus of the meeting was the renovation of Grady High School and brought together all stakeholders in the vision and plans for Grady. Presenters included representatives from APS, architects, a landscape architect and a representative from the Boy's High Alumni Association.

The April CINS meeting will be held on April 17 at Inman Middle School at 12 p.m. This meeting will feature Joe Martin speaking about state initiatives/local impact in education. For more information please contact Cecily Harsch-Kinnane at (404)874-4913 or Sarah Fedota at (404)874-6988. ☺

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In the mid-1970s I whomped up a nature trail. No committees, no money. I just went out and did it. Betty Rae, my daughter's teacher at Morningside School suggested I do it. I checked with the Parks Dept. if it was OK. I had some help from Ravenal MacCracken, an Eagle Scout. But other than him, that was it.

The trail in question is the Morningside Nature Trail. Before we started, it was simply a path through the woods. Ravenel and I added rip rap to control erosion (courtesy the City), tree mulch and horizontal telephone poles for benches and to define the path (courtesy Georgia Power), and two signs, one at each end, that said "Morningside Nature Trail" (courtesy the Parks Department sign shop at Piedmont Park). It didn't cost any money. We just did it. Later on some nice folks whomped up some plant signage and some more erosion control. Whomping is easy. Just do it. - Van Hall.

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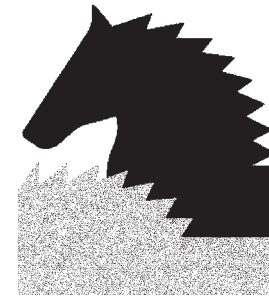
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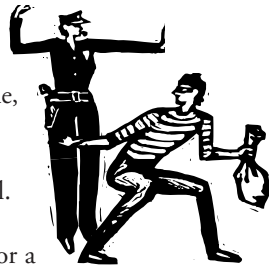
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The Morningside Security Patrol has completed its sixth year of operation. Our off-duty police officers have logged thousands of patrol miles in an effort to deter criminal activity. They are currently averaging 5-15 hours of patrol daily, providing coverage to the entire neighborhood -- over 3,000 residences. They continue to check MSP members' homes who have requested special vacation patrol. Your ongoing membership is vital in order to maintain this productive service. Thank you in advance for your financial support and volunteer efforts!

Support Your MLPA! You'll get the benefit of:

- Up-to-date news and info about our neighborhood & intown community
- Advocacy for important issues such as parks, traffic, schools, and zoning
- Information about organizations and activities close to home

Six Very Excellent Reasons to Become A Member of the Morningside Security Patrol



Any resident of Morningside, Lenox Park, or Johnson Estates may join the Morningside Security Patrol. Here are six (very excellent) reasons to join. See below for a membership form, or go to our website at www.MLPA.org

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