

## Lighting Up the Roundabout

By Lois Berthaume

Emory Village Alliance (EVA) will soon light up the trees in the roundabout, enhancing this lovely green focal point and complementing the lighted fountain in the Village Plaza as part of the effort to highlight the Village streetscape. The lighting will further enhance the charm of the Village round!

EVA needs neighborhood support to fund the \$7,000 still needed for power, light installation, and ongoing maintenance. Donating is easy — go to [www.emoryvillage.org](http://www.emoryvillage.org) and click on the “Donate” button.

### Emory Village Plaza – How It Came To Be

Designed as a community gathering spot for musical performances, a pause during the day, or a venue for proposals of marriage, Emory Village Plaza was made possible by more than \$300,000 in capital public-private funds. This included donations from community members, along with the pro bono plaza design work of EVA Board Member Todd Hill of DTJ Design. Druid Hills resident Charles Calhoun, Calhoun Design and Metalworks, Inc., designed and crafted the metal sculpture from trolley car rails excavated during the street scape construction. The Mary Kelly Fountain was a gift from the late Ted Kelly, owner of Architectural Fountains & Pools, Inc.



EVA provided the leadership for this effort; but it took the entire community to make it happen. Thank you!

### North Oxford Streetscape Makeover – Next Up

EVA has developed and approved a schematic revamp for part of the North Oxford Road fronting the Keba, Romeo Pizza, and Chipotle storefronts. The plan will improve safety, handicap access,

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## Druid Hills Tour of Homes: A Mother–Daughter Tradition Since 1984

By Marilyn Mauldin Lee and Linda Lee Duckett

We are a mother (Marilyn) and daughter (Linda) who have been attending the Druid Hill Tour of Homes for the past 34 years and have fond memories of each year. We love the history of the lovely old homes. Each one of the homes is so different and unique, designed by architects of that time period like Phillip Trammell

Shutze and Neel Reid. We like to hear the stories of the original owners and the homes' owners of today. The lovely gardens are another attraction. Like the homes, each one features different flowers, shrubs, trees, etc. The homes are decorated with family treasures passed down through the generations, some from travels abroad.

One of our favorite homes is where the 1989 movie “Driving Miss Daisy” was filmed. Another Druid Hills home that can be seen in that movie is 928 Oakdale Road, which includes a Summer House in the garden designed in the 1990s by Linda’s husband. The Lullwater Garden Club plant sale is always a must see, and we have several plants from these sales in our yards.

Every time we drive by Olmsted Park, we say how beautiful it is and how fortunate Druid Hills is to have this treasure designed by Frederick Law Olmsted. It has been a pleasure to see the park’s restoration starting in 1997. Marilyn remembers her parents taking

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## Greetings from the President

By Anne H. Wallace

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

*50 Years for the Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens  
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For 80 years, Druid Hills Civic Association (DHCA) has been recognized as custodian of the houses, parks, roads, and woods of the neighborhood called Druid Hills. It is my honor to be the first person to serve three consecutive years as President of the DHCA.

To commemorate our 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, DHCA enlisted the talents of David Winston to produce a documentary film featuring 22 longtime residents sharing their stories and memories of days gone by as they grew up, went to school, and raised their families in Druid Hills. The film will premiere on April 21 during the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour weekend. DVDs will be available for purchase.

In *An Informal History of the Druid Hills Civic Association: Celebrating 75 Years of DHCA*, written by Claudia Keenan in 2013, Chapter 5 is called "The Challenge of Change." The year was 1945 — and the City of Atlanta was proposing annexation

of Druid Hills, and DeKalb County wanted to absorb the neighborhood schools into a countywide system. DHCA worked with lawyers and legislators to introduce a law to permit Druid Hills to incorporate as a separate town. Sound familiar??

DHCA will continue to preserve and protect the historical and unique features that define Druid Hills while we also recognize that progress and change are inevitable.

One important objective of DHCA is to support our Druid Hills neighborhood schools, non-profit venues, and organizations such as Callanwolde, The Frazer Center, Olmsted Linear Park Alliance, Park Pride, Freedom Park Conservancy, and our own local pocket parks. Thanks to work by Scouts, neighbors, and Division Chair Steven Misner in 2017, Heaton Park is being re-claimed.

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## 2018 DHCA Annual Meeting

As required by DHCA's Bylaws, the Association held an Annual Meeting of its membership on January 21, at the Fernbank Museum of Natural History. The primary purpose was to elect Officers and a new Board. A complete list of Officers, Board Members, and Committee Chairs is on page 3 of this newsletter and posted on our website at [www.druidhills.org](http://www.druidhills.org).

Several business items were discussed as well.

- Anne Wallace, President, gave an overview of 2017 accomplishments, contributions, and suggested goals and plans for 2018.
- In honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens, Anne presented Excellence Awards to four volunteers who have been in leadership positions and

made the Tour so outstanding over the years: Ryan Graham, Cynthia Waterbury, Richard Burgess, and Bonnie Wolf.

- Ryan Graham, Tour Chair, previewed the 2018 Tour with a beautiful video showing the featured homes for this year.
- Four members of the State legislature who represent our area spoke to the audience about their priorities for this Session. Other elected officials were recognized as well.

The meeting concluded with a presentation by FLOCK Safety, a local company offering solar-powered surveillance cameras that capture license plates as they traverse neighborhood streets in an effort to deter criminals and street crime.

## DHCA 2018 Community Service Awards:

### *Celebrating 50 Years of the Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens*

**Ryan Graham** has been a vital part of Tour leadership for the past 5 years. He has made great strides in recruiting talented people to achieve the goal of the Tour. When making decisions, Ryan always keeps the overall Druid Hills neighborhood in mind. Under Ryan's guidance, the Tour has produced an increase in revenue each year. His insight into potential has not only been profitable for the Tour, but has also increased the relationships between the DHCA, Tour committee, and our neighbors in Druid Hills. A big THANK YOU to Ryan!

**Cynthia Waterbury** has been relentless in raising money for the Tour and the DHCA. As the Tour's sponsorship chair, Cynthia always considers the benefits to both the sponsor and the neighborhood. She is described by some as a "force of nature" with her compelling personality and ability to persuade. Every year she tries to step away from the sponsorship role, but every year she is needed and comes back to make sure the Tour has the sponsors it needs to succeed. Cynthia fills many other roles with the Tour and also serves on the DHCA Board, for which we are grateful!

**Richard Burgess** agreed to include his home on the Tour 5-6 years ago and enjoyed the experience so much he joined the Tour committee. Since then his expertise and relationships with homeowners has been exceptional and has brought back prior homeowners, house managers, and docents for the past 5 years. Richard writes a lot of the description and historical information used as the Docent Notes on each home. These are crucial to the success of the Tour and make for a meaningful visit for Tour guests.

**Bonnie Wolf** has been with the Tour committee for over 20 years! Among the many positions she has held, her Home Selection Group is the basis of successful Tours. She always comes up with great homes to show and is vital in communicating with our homeowners and seeing that they are comfortable putting their home on Tour. Bonnie knows what it takes and is respectful of the needs of homeowners and Tour guests alike. Bonnie also works with publicity to select an appropriate theme each year. She is professional and enthusiastic in

her approach and execution — year after year.

**DHCA would like to express our thanks to the past 50 years of TOUR VOLUNTEERS!**

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## A Mother–Daughter Tradition ...continued from cover

the family out for a drive on Sunday afternoons in the springtime in the 1940s to see the dogwoods in bloom in the neighborhood. We never tire of showing this park to visitors and relaying the rich history of Druid Hills. We have the City of Atlanta, DeKalb County, Fernbank, Olmsted Parks Society, and Olmsted Linear Park Alliance to thank for this restoration of the original Olmsted plan.

From touring beautiful Callanwolde and the Lullwater House at Emory University (1995 tour), to finding treasures at the Artist's Market and plants at the Lullwater Garden Club sale, we have wonderful memories that we will always treasure. They are captured in a special book with each year's brochure and many photos. We look forward to carrying on our mother-daughter tradition during this special 50th anniversary tour!



Marilyn and Linda in front of Rest Haven, Springdale Road, 2016.



## Lighting Up the Roundabout ...continued from cover

and the appearance of this area. New parallel parking, a wide tree and landscape space, and new street lights, benches, and bike racks are planned. The improvements will be consistent with streetscape changes made in the Village in recent years and with the Emory Village Overlay design guidelines. The plan is being submitted to DeKalb County for funding and development.



### Open Streets Emory Village – October 2017

This annual “take back the streets” event celebrated its fifth year on October 29, 2017! The afternoon of human powered motion and fun was a terrific, if chilly, event. It began with the opening Halloween parade with Grand Marshall Jeff Rader, DeKalb Commissioner, leading the way for all the young, costumed marchers. The Druid Hills High School served up energetic musical accompaniment. After all, what's a parade without a marching band!

Highlights of the afternoon included Glenn Memorial's annual “trunk or treat” event, where parishioners deck out their car trunks in the finest of Halloween style. Music abounded – the Glenn Youth

Choir, Rocket 88, The Gathering Band, and the Journeyman's Band among the performers. There was dancing too, with the fabulous Silver Classic Crew. The Imperial OPA Circus — always a favorite — entertained with stilt walkers, street performers and acrobats all to the delight of the crowd. And then there were the dogs (and one pig) starring in the Dog Costume Contest. Even our pet friends shared in the fun!

This annual event is made possible by event sponsors including Village merchants, local realtors, and professional groups. EVA would like to recognize the public and community groups and institutions that support Open Streets: DeKalb County, a Presenting Sponsor; Druid Hills



Civic Association and Emory University, Event Sponsors; Glenn Memorial Church, S.H.A.R.E., and the Southfork Conservancy, Patron Sponsors. A shout out to our other Event level sponsors: the Imperial OPA Circus School and Lisa Hill Photography, who also provide services for the events; and local realtors Natalie Gregory Sold and Nicole Davis Homes, Coldwell Banker. We greatly appreciate your support of Open Streets Emory Village and all your contributions to our community.

**Please go to [Emoryvillage.org](http://Emoryvillage.org) for details on these topics and background on Emory Village and the Emory Village Alliance.**

*EVA is a nonprofit community organization committed to the vitality of the historic commercial heart of Druid Hills in Emory Village. Its volunteer shareholders include residents, businesses, property owners, and representatives from Emory University.*

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A DHCA grant of \$2,000 enables Callanwolde to offer this year's gallery openings with **FREE** admission. Neighbors and friends are invited to enjoy future opportunities which include:

*Callanwolde 2018 Juried Exhibition: March 29, 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

*Anthony Greco Paintings: May 24, 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

*Callanwolde Faculty Exhibition: July 19, 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

*Photography Exhibition (artist TBD): September 20, 6:00-8:00 p.m.*

DHCA donated \$500 of Membership Funds to the Fernbank Elementary School Foundation in 2017. This donation enriches the educational experience of all Fernbank students and provides critical resources to Fernbank's fabulous teachers. We also gave \$500 to Paideia School for financial aid for 153 students; \$500 to Druid Hills High School to enrich the academics, arts, and sports programs; and \$500

to Springdale Park Elementary School for high quality programming.

The Frazer Center will be "home" for monthly DHCA Board meetings this year and on Friday, April 13, 2018, the Druid Hills TOUR GALA will be held at the Cator Woolford Gardens. Nestled in the heart of Druid Hills, the Cator Woolford Gardens offers a rare glimpse into 1920s Atlanta. This lush oasis is one of the few viable estates still standing in the city today and is virtually untouched by city sprawl. Once the home of Cator Woolford, the Italian-style gardens are infused with decades of classic beauty and Southern charm, a perfect setting for an evening celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Druid Hills Tour of Homes and Gardens. I hope many of you will join us in thanking The Frazer Center for being such a great host! Please also support Goodness in the Gardens: **SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018!**

## Gateway Bridge or Eyesore?

*By Jennifer J. Richardson*

Under the leadership of Yvette Weatherly, a group has formed to plan and implement improvements to the bridge over Ponce de Leon Avenue that serves the CSX railway. "The bridge should be a gateway to the Druid Hills Community," stated Gale Walldorff, former DeKalb Council Member representing the Druid Hills area. Landmark District Preservation Committee member Carol Sleeth said, "This bridge should let people know they are entering an historic area. There should be sign there saying, 'Welcome to Druid Hills. Please slow down and enjoy our historic neighborhood.'"

Instead of welcoming, the bridge has most recently been an eyesore. It has debris strewn at its base, non-native invasive plants growing around it, and multiple Department of Transportation (DOT) signs hanging on or near it. Graffiti and gang tags are applied to the bridge with regularity. But there are more problems than just signs and vines, and those problems have to do with pedestrian and motorcar safety. Though the bridge itself is maintained by CSX railway, the Georgia DOT (GDOT) governs the traffic lanes and signs beneath and on the bridge. One issue is that the speed limit changes right at the bridge from 40 mph to 35 mph, but motorists often fail to slow down; another is that the arches on either side of the bridge (outside lanes going both east and west) are not high enough to accommodate today's tractor-trailers and box trucks. Despite warning signs and flashing lights, trucks that are too

tall regularly scrape the ceiling of the outermost arches. "Two trucks have even gotten stuck inside the bridge after hitting the sides and top," recalled Lillian Ansley, a nearby neighbor. The GDOT says that, according to their regulations, motorists must be warned about the height of the outermost lanes, but many drivers cannot get to the inner lanes in time or fail to heed the warning.

The bridge, designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, was erected in 1911. It is part of the DeKalb Historic District and a contributing historic structure to that District. While it cannot be demolished or dramatically changed, it can certainly be improved within the guidelines for historic structures. This is precisely why the Bridge Improvement Group recently met.

Members of the group include: Lillian Ansley, Beryl Bergquist, Chastain Clark, Jennie Richardson, Alida Silverman, Carol Sleeth, Kelsy Sullivan, Sue Sullivan, Gale Walldorff, Tom Weatherly, and Yvette Weatherly, who serves as Division 2 Chair on the DHCA board. The GDOT sent two representatives to the meeting, Paul DeNard and Trae Kent, who were extremely helpful in relating DOT regulations, explaining signage needs on state roads, and helping brainstorm how the bridge's appearance can be improved while maintaining safety for motorists and pedestrians.

The bridge group will first investigate all DOT and CSX requirements, and then hire an architect familiar with historic structures

to make suggestions or create a master plan for improving the bridge's appearance and maintaining its historic nature. The group hopes to change an ugly duckling into a beautiful swan to welcome motorists and pedestrians to Druid Hills.



*Current view of the bridge entering Druid Hills from Decatur.*



*After this photo was taken and shared with CSX and DOT, a lot of the debris was removed.*



## Neighborhood Walks Promote Community and Exploration

By Van Biesel and Sarah Kruse

Walk Druid Hills is a community group that hosts planned walks on the second Saturday of each month. The group's mission is to promote active living, community, and exploration of the neighborhoods and parks of Druid Hills.

The walks are typically about three miles long. Most walks are on streets or sidewalks, but several explore the paths and trails of various parks in the area. When possible, the organizers try to get individuals who are knowledgeable about each local neighborhood or park to lead the walks. Since the group started in August 2016, there have been 15 different walk leaders.

Each month, anywhere from half a dozen to as many as 30 walkers, ranging in age from 10 to 80, participate. Some are regulars, but newcomers are welcome! The walks provide a great way to meet neighbors, get some exercise, and learn about Druid Hills.

Environmentalist and neighborhood resident Sally Sears, co-founder of the South Fork Conservancy, led the January walk that explored Zonolite Park. According to Sally: "The temperatures were below freezing, and the grass was crunchy, but the sunshine warmed us. The trail through the woods to the beach was a surprise delight to those who did not know the creek is here. We walked the

### UPCOMING WALKS

**March 10**  
Lullwater Conservation Garden  
& 3 Segments of  
Olmsted Linear Park

**April 14**  
Urban Farms in Druid Hills

**May 12**  
University Streets By-walks  
(also known as Twittens)

**June 9**  
Chelsea Heights Parks



*Walking group in Peavine Creek, February 2017*

entire trail to the downstream edge of the county park, then up along the old railroad spur. The mulched trail inside the rails was a big hit. We sent thank you messages to the trail author who left the historic rail bed, ties, and rails in place yet provided firm, stable footing. Very cool to see the middle-aged tree growing inside the rails. We checked the likely route of the extended trail loop through the woods and returned to the garden and rainwater harvesting cistern."

Join Walk Druid Hills for a spring or summer walk. Find details posted monthly on [druidhills.org/events](http://druidhills.org/events). A map of nine self-guided neighborhood walks can also be found at [druidhills.org/resources](http://druidhills.org/resources).

## Update on East Lake

By Yvette Weatherly

I am the Druid Hills Division 2 Chair and have been attending the East Lake Steering Committee meetings. On February 1, the Committee discussed the results of the Development Concept Plans Survey. Changes are desired for the large parking lots on the north and south sides of the East Lake Station. MARTA would like to increase ridership and revenue; riders and neighbors would like to see improvements to sidewalks and trails for better bike connectivity. Also requested are more open green space, expanded commercial opportunities that would be destinations for community members, and affordable housing (not to exceed five stories). The complete results can be found at: <https://courbanize.com/projects/east-lake-station/updates>.

Another issue facing the neighborhood is the possible AT&T development at 1034 College Avenue, the site of Oakhurst Baptist

Church originally built for its 1,500 members. After losing 1,000 members due to community changes, Oakhurst Baptist first leased the buildings to Bell South, then sold to them. This property is close to the south East Lake MARTA station, so there is much potential there for property improvements that enhance and protect the surrounding neighborhoods. You can see the results for the AT&T Concept Plan Evaluation at: <https://owncloud.tsw-design.net/index.php/s/gjXupdaIfsxBUie#pdfviewer>. You can also learn more about the community and the AT&T property online in a video called "The Turning Point" at: <http://www.oakhurstbaptist.org/oakhurst-baptist-news/videos>.

## Do You Want to Be a Part of Druid Hills History?

By Sue Sullivan

I am working with a small group of our local historians to put together an Arcadia Publishing "Images of America" book on Druid Hills. If you have not seen these books, they are wonderful image-rich publications that are sold in bookstores and online, and distributed nationwide. There are Arcadia books about Inman Park, Ansley, Grant Park, Virginia Highland, Avondale Estates — seemingly every place BUT Druid Hills!

What makes these books so special are the never-before-seen photographs that come from the old photo albums of the families who lived, worked, worshipped, and played in these neighborhoods. These are the images that capture the real history. Arcadia requires that up to 300 photographs with text be supplied to create these books. **We need your help!** We are looking for photographs and images anywhere from 1893, when Frederick Law Olmsted planned Druid Hills, to the late 1980s when the Road Fight Ended. Color photographs are fine, but will be reprinted in black and white.

I know that for many of you, these old albums aren't always easily accessible. Please call or email me and I will be happy to help pull them from your attics and basements, and brush off the cobwebs. All photos will be scanned and returned immediately, and everything used in the publication will be credited under the photo with your name. We are working under a short time line, so if this article trig-



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Images of America book on Inman Park

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## History Happens Here

By Fran Putney

Those of us who call Druid Hills “home” know how much history is steeped in this neighborhood. In this spirit, members of the DHCA decided that the upcoming celebration of the 50th Anniversary Tour of Homes & Gardens (April 20–22, 2018) and the coinciding 80th Anniversary of the Druid Hills Civic Association might be the perfect time to capture stories about our neighborhood and its residents who lived here during these past decades.

The idea began to take shape last summer when a special project committee held meetings to formulate a concept and identify individuals who could share stories about Druid Hills from long ago to more recently. Neighborhood historians Jennie Richardson, Alida Silverman, and Sue Sullivan found that many residents, some of whom are in their nineties and have lived in Druid Hills since the 1930s, were eager to tell their stories on camera.

DHCA Board member David Winston, a professional video producer, volunteered his creative and technical expertise for the project. The Olmsted Linear Park Alliance (OLPA) graciously allowed us to use their beautiful 1913 home-turned-office (1788 Ponce de Leon Avenue) as the setting for our documentary. On Monday, November 6, a warm and beautiful fall day, 23 neighbors came for the on-camera group conversations.

Stories were told about growing up in Druid Hills during the 1930s, ‘40s, and ‘50s. They included fascinating and humorous memories about the neighborhood, its homes and notable people, Emory Village, Druid Hills High School, and other local places. Did you know that Sam Massell, long before he became Mayor of Atlanta and President of the Buckhead Coalition, grew up in Druid Hills? He also came by and told stories for the video, including those about his early entrepreneurial endeavors selling lemonade at the corner of Oakdale and N. Decatur Road.

Participants in another group shared experiences about efforts to protect our neighborhood during the ‘70s and early ‘80s when the construction of a highway threatened. Everyone had answers to the questions: Why is Druid Hills such a special community? What are the challenges that face our neighborhood today? Though the cameras can be intimidating, the interviewees soon felt at ease as they enjoyed this unique opportunity to tell their stories and visit with old friends.

Many brought documents, photos, and memorabilia that were scanned for historical purposes. Some will be creatively interspersed with the interviews in the video. DHCA is extremely thankful to



*Lights! Camera! Action!*

all our participants and to the volunteers whose efforts brought this project to fruition.

The documentary, “DRUID HILLS: History Happens Here,” will premiere during the celebration of the 2018 Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens. It will be shown at the Paideia Auditorium on Saturday of Tour Weekend (April 21) as one of the events included in the Tour ticket price. Video DVDs will also be available for purchase.



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The tour events take place Friday, April 20, 1:00 – 5:00pm; Saturday, April 21, 10:00am – 5:00pm; and Sunday, April 22, 10:00am – 5:00pm. Individual and discounted group tickets may be purchased in advance on the website: [druidhillstour.org](http://druidhillstour.org). Tour merchandise is also available for sale on the same website. Proceeds from the tour, events, and merchandise benefit the Druid Hills neighborhood, which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

*All events are free and open to the public!*

## History Happens Here

**R**yan Graham, Chair of the Druid Hills Civic Association Tour Committee, announces the 50th Anniversary of the Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens, April 20-22, 2018. “This vibrant tradition continues as the historic Druid Hills neighborhood welcomes neighbors and visitors alike to tour homes featuring architecture from renowned architects, experience award winning interior design, enjoy southern fare, hear local musicians, see Georgia artists, shop and dine in Emory Village, and explore all Druid Hills has to offer. ‘History Happens Here’ through the vibrant community culture of Druid Hills where tour goers will find inspiration, celebration, and a focus on preserving and extending the vision of noted landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted.” The Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens is a project of the Druid Hills Civic Association, manifested through the extensive volunteer efforts of the Tour Committee, to benefit historic preservation, green space restoration, and neighborhood unity.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 20

#### ***Druid Hills History Exhibit At Emory 1:00 – 5:00pm***

##### ***Main Floor of Woodruff Library***

Enjoy some history of Druid Hills Civic Association and the annual Tour in a display provided by the Rose Library Archives.

#### ***Lullwater Garden Club Plant Sale 1:00 – 5:00pm | 984 Springdale Road***

#### ***Spark Chorus Performs In The Emory Village Plaza***

##### ***5:00 – 5:30pm | Emory Village Plaza***

The children of Springdale Elementary perform their choral debut at the Tour of Homes.

#### ***Jazz In The Plaza***

##### ***6:00 – 7:30pm | Emory Village Plaza***

Listen to the smooth sounds of local resident Michael Hoskin on saxophone, along with a rhythm section of veteran Atlanta musicians, playing a variety of classic jazz standards.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 21

#### ***Druid Hills History Exhibit At Emory 10:00 – 5:00pm***

##### ***Main Floor of Woodruff Library***

Enjoy some history of Druid Hills Civic Association and the annual Tour in a display provided by the Rose Library Archives.

#### ***Salute Our Public Schools Springdale Park Elementary Tour 10:00 – 5:00pm***

***Springdale Park Elementary School***  
Visit the historic site turned from residence into a public school. Featuring a tour of the

roof top garden, historic residence, and the playground open to the public. Tomato saplings will be for sale.

#### ***Lullwater Garden Club Plant Sale 10:00 – 5:00pm | 984 Springdale Road***

#### ***Debut Of “History Happens Here” Film 11:00 – 5:00pm | Paideia Auditorium***

A film debut created by David Winston. A documentary of commentary from past residents regarding the development of Druid Hills, its trials, tribulations, and triumphs over the years. Showing every hour on the hour.

#### ***Paideia School Urban Agricultural Farmstand***

##### ***10:00 – 2:00 | 1210 Springdale Road***

Neighborhood grown produce and student made products.

#### ***Wood & Wind Chamber Players***

##### ***10:00 – 12:00 | 1436 Fairview Road***

Long time Tour contributor and Druid Hills resident, Jennie Richardson, will be playing classical music on harp and keyboard as well as a show tune or two.

#### ***Beekeeping***

##### ***10:00am and 2:00pm***

##### ***2010 North Ponce de Leon***

Homeowner Jeffrey Gold will discuss home garden beekeeping.

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##### ***10:00 – 5:00pm (or until gone)***

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### SUNDAY, APRIL 22

#### ***Druid Hills History Exhibit At Emory 11:00 – 5:00pm***

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#### ***Salute Our Public Schools – Springdale Park Elementary Tour 10:00 – 5:00pm***

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#### ***Lullwater Garden Club Plant Sale 10:00 – 5:00pm | 984 Springdale Road***

#### ***Obsidian Duo***

##### ***2:00 – 5:00pm | 1210 Springdale Road***

This piano and violin playing duo presents a variety of jazz, classical, and popular favorites as well as original compositions for your listening pleasure.



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One of the longest running and premiere tour of homes in the nation, the 2018 Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens celebrates its 50th anniversary with six homes and six gardens that feature the work of master renovators and landscape designers.

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### 1363 North Decatur Road

#### “Casa di Quattro Ragazzi”

*Yovy Gonzales & Mike Dorsey*

1363 North Decatur Road was designed by noted female architect Leila Ross Wilburn. Built in 1923, the home's plan can be found in Ms. Wilburn's plan book, *Ideal Homes of Today*. The compact design was built with flawless flow and an eye for entertaining. The residence was influenced by the Mediterranean style originally constructed with a flat, red-tile roof and hidden gutters. By the time Yovy and Michael purchased the property, Casa di Quattro Ragazzi had undergone major exterior renovations thought to have taken place in the mid-1960s. As with many older homes, Casa di Quattro Ragazzi little resembled its original design so Yovy and Michael set about the task of bringing Mrs. Wilburn's design back to life. During the research phase, the owners were quite fortunate to connect with the daughter-in-law of the original owners. She was able to provide pictures of the home from the 1940s -1960s. Those pictures were the final piece of documentation required by Dekalb County Historic Commission to grant approval for the return of the home to its original design.



### 1214 Villa Drive “Villa Mira Flores”

*Stephanie & Scott Wright*

This residence, Villa Mira Flores, meaning “House of Flowers” is on the National Register of Historic Places. The villa is significant as a strong example of the Mediterranean Revival style notably popular during the 1920s and 1930s, but not as common in Georgia as other Revival styles. Scott and Stephanie's home is significant to the realm of landscape architecture for its Italian Revival landscape design by Henry H. Jordan and James L. Turner; the design was carried out in 1925. Hardscapes include raised walls, arched openings, a pond, and a bat house. In 2004, a pool and pergola were added to the exterior landscape design in the style of the historic architecture. Most of the historic plantings have been lost over the

years; however, the design layout remains intact. The house has played host to movie stars filming in Atlanta and is continuously scouted for movie industry film projects. The homeowners hope that these self-sustaining opportunities remain to ensure Villa Mira Flores continuation over the next 100 years.

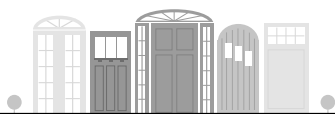
### 1196 Springdale Road

#### “Through the Looking Glass”

*Kirstin & Michael Jacobson*

Constructed in 1919, seven fireplaces grace this beautifully restored home designed by renowned architect Neel Reid. An extensive renovation in 2003, completed by the previous owner, was careful to maintain the charm and character of the home, while staying within the original footprint. In 2014, Kirsten and Michael completed a family room addition to Through the Looking Glass. Noting the many similarities between the home and the Neel Reid-designed Old Scottish Rite Hospital in Decatur, Architect Karen Soorikian chose the hospital ward buildings as the foundational base for the family room's design, thus maximizing the sunlight filtering into the home. An extensive landscape renovation was drawn by Paige Shaw to create a garden view from all windows of the home. Of special interest to Atlanta historians: Robert W. Woodruff, former President of the Coca-Cola company, resided at 1196 Springdale Road from the 1920s to 1948. Enjoy touring the main floor, gardens, pool, and carriage house on this stunning property!





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### 1210 Springdale Road “Club Ragunas” *Judy & Tony Ragunas*

The Club Ragunas home dates to 1920. Ernest Woodruff was one of the first owners; the Ragunas family has occupied the home for the past 60 years as its third owner. Over the years renovations have touched nearly every corner of the property with a significant focus on the kitchen, master bath, and guest house. Through each renovation, Tony and Judy worked very hard to maintain the integrity and flow of the original design. Inside the main house, they have paired antique furnishings, chandeliers, and rugs with their art collection. The art collection at Club Ragunas is exceptionally reflective of the couple's travels and also includes selections from the Olmsted Plein Air Invitationals. The vast two-acre club-like property features a swimming pool, tennis court, hot tub, fire pit, and guest house that must be seen during a visit to the home. While walking about, be sure to make note of the unique collection of over 60 specimens of Japanese Maples.



### 938 Springdale Road “The Labyrinth” *Joni Winston*

Joni Winston purchased 938 Springdale primarily because she fell in love with the back yard and her vision for the outdoor environment. Each existing element was conceived and installed after Joni purchased the property. Passage to the natural wonderland is through the screened porch overlooking the grotto featuring a sculpture from artist/blacksmith Corrina Sephora. Beyond the grotto, expanses of lawn, a swimming pool and water feature, dry creek bed, potting shed, and detached garage greet the visitor's eye. The main focal point of the garden is a labyrinth: a gentle path used for walking meditation. The rear of the oasis provides

a magical wooded area with paths among the trees, a fire pit, and a treehouse looking out to the street. A recent storm detached a limb from a nearby oak tree, causing it to fall between the grotto and the garage in a most unusual way. Joni liked the storm's artistic contribution and decided to leave it as an expression of “earth art!”

### 965 Springdale Road “The Woodland Garden” *Gloria & Jim Boone*

Jim and Gloria Boone moved into The Woodland Garden home in July 2009 after a near two-year renovation. Picture in your mind a backyard dotted with several old growth trees shrouded in English ivy that also covered the surrounding ground, many areas of sparse grass and struggling shrubs intertwined and choked with honeysuckle, kudzu, and wild grape ivy. Jim and Gloria's dense backyard acquired a new lease on life when Gloria earned a certificate in landscape design from Emory University. Designing a “new” yard as her capstone project, diligent efforts ensued to transform the land into the envisioned fledgling woodland garden. Working with Holly Brooks of King Landscaping, Gloria and Jim modified the design to include the installation of a wide variety of shrubs and perennials and a stacked stone patio that is tucked in along the gentle sloping terrain. A dozen trees purchased from Trees Atlanta have added a much needed canopy, with the grand result being a backyard oasis that provides the Boones a serene respite from the bustling sounds of the city.





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### 1775 South Ponce de Leon

#### “Treehouse Porch”

*Martha & Toby Brooks*

A hallmark of Druid Hills, as conceived by Frederick Law Olmsted in the late 1880s, is the intentional design use of deep, spacious lots for estate homes in the “perfect suburb.” The Brooks residence is located on one such estate lot. Set on 2 acres abutting the protected Frazer Forest, the property features an interesting variety of plant materials and a screened treehouse. The treehouse platform, originally built as a fort by Toby and his three sons when the family purchased the home in 2005, was renovated last summer to include a ramp and a fully screened structure overlooking the Frazer woodlands. Through the years, the Brooks have removed undergrowth, ivy, and other invasive species to carve out numerous, natural outdoor rooms. The Brooks property, with its outdoor treehouse, water feature, patios, and fire pit, is reflective of the Olmsted neighborhood’s design vision of creating an ideal “retreat” to return to after a busy day in Atlanta.



### 1436 Fairview Road “Original Home of J. Neel Reid, Architect”

When Neel Reid designed his Druid Hills home, he selected, as his inspiration, a Connecticut home designed by Charles Platt. Having the freedom to experiment with past architectural styles, Mr. Reid designed a direct American Georgian example of a two-story house with central entrance embellished with Doric doorway and Palladian windows. Built in 1914, the house was a model home while Springdale Road was under development. Mr. Reid maintained his professional office in what is now the home’s den. He lived with his mother until moving to Mimosa Hall in Roswell in 1916. The present-day owners have updated

and modernized while maintaining the original footprint of the home. Renovations have been made with care, staying true to the original style of the home. A 1998 renovation of the kitchen enlarged the culinary space by incorporating the previous rear porch square footage. The grounds of the home have also evolved over the years. Presently, a formal, sculpted front lawn graces the street with a natural woodland area linked by patios and stone stairs providing a backyard sanctuary.

### 393 The Falls Court

*Mary Emma & Dan McConaughy*

A visit to the McConaughy Nature Preserve and Historic Site is a treat and a step back in time. Situated on a five-acre old growth forest, the property is the site of the historic Durand Mill with its 120-foot waterfall. Built circa 1830, the 130-foot long dirt dam provided water power for the mill. A one-mile nature trail wanders through this forest comprised of oak, hickory, beech, and at least 40 other species of trees and over 50 species of wildflowers. Resident birds include the red shouldered hawk, the pileated woodpecker, mallard ducks, and many songbirds. A conservation easement will protect this natural Georgia forest forever. Nestled among the rocks and forest is a unique mid-century home overlooking the waterfalls. Mary Emma and Dan built the home between 1967 and 1969, and continue to reside in this unique natural setting to this day.







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### 940 Clifton Road “Camp Clifton” *Gail & John Hayes with adjacent garden of Michael Terry*

The gardens of 940 Clifton Road have been created during the past 25 years by Gail and John Hayes with assistance from many talented garden designers. Featuring reclaimed stone walkways, the front facing Parterre Garden was designed using Korean boxwoods and Asiatic jasmine. Located behind the home, the garden “rooms” on either side of the crepe myrtle/boxwood allée feature gorgeous elements. Walking room to room, the visitor finds a stone wall perennial garden including old fashioned favorites like Hollyhocks and Snapdragons, Boxwoods, Gardenia, New Dawn climbing roses, and a David Austin rose garden with red, pink, and white scented roses. Next up is a room for a raised-bed vegetable garden featuring organic plants from The Wylde Center in Oakhurst and a Japanese-style garden featuring conifer plants, an exquisite Japanese maple, and bonsai plants. A garden shed resembling a “tiny home” featuring hand-painted flower prints, garden tools and pots, a white border of perennial plants, and a small boxwood and topiary parterre garden round out the walk through the natural rooms of this outdoor home. A “must see” special attraction is the recently added native Azalea Garden on the way to next-door neighbor Michael Terry’s amazing backyard oasis featuring a rock waterfall, pond, and beautifully landscaped garden.

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### 2010 North Ponce De Leon “The Beehive House” *Cynthia Messina & Jeffrey Gold*

Built in 1927, this brick Tudor home in the English Manor style possesses classic architectural detailing, with limestone accents, a slate roof, and a unique floor plan. With dedication to maintaining historic integrity, Cynthia and Jeffrey purposely preserved the original metal casement windows, including an elegant

bay window with double curved panes. The entry vestibule opens to a stunning, domed octagonal foyer providing the central conduit to the formal dining room, living room, den, kitchen, and second level. Cynthia and Jeffrey’s 2017 chef’s kitchen addition honors historic architectural detailing in the continued use of brick and limestone and purposely crafted metal casement windows matching the 1927 originals. The luxurious pool and lush gardens make the perfect extension of a home that is incredibly functional for a 21st century family while retaining all its early 20th century charm. *Mr. Gold will discuss home garden beekeeping at 10am and 2pm on Saturday, April 21, 2018.*

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### 2086 North Ponce de Leon “Casa Marco” *Deana Kingsbury*

Built in 1926, this Mediterranean style home represents, to its owner, Druid Hills living at its best! The home was originally designed by renowned architect Leila Ross Wilburn who was a true pioneer in her field. Ms. Wilburn led the way for female architects in the South through her plan books and innovative designs. Deanna renovated the home in 2016, to expand the kitchen and master bedroom, and the red Spanish tile roof was reinstalled to restore the original look to the home. The rear-facing living room wall was replaced with steel and glass windows showcasing the covered patio and pool area. The renovated kitchen is a chef’s dream and the central heart of the home. Highlights include an expansive 10 foot island workspace, commercial grade range, butler’s pantry, and snack bar with service to the pool area. The master suite on the main floor is accessed through a hallway and alcove incorporating recycled original brick materials from the house. The master bath has two separate metal and stone vanities; a huge rain shower offers a relaxing spa-like experience. The home décor was inspired by a California boutique hotel creating the feeling of being on vacation every day.





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### WILL CALL, TROLLEYS, PARKING, & RESTROOMS

Will Call will be set-up at Lucky's Burger & Brew Emory Village (1569 N. Decatur Road) during tour hours for ticket pick-up and purchase. The trolleys will run during Tour hours along the Tour route.

For touring homes and gardens, parking availability is indicated along the tour route. Please observe "No Tour Parking" signs. Parking is also available in the Emory parking decks on Saturday and Sunday (fees may apply). Parking is not allowed in the Emory Village business lots. Restroom facilities are available in Emory Village throughout the tour and at Springdale Elementary on Saturday and Sunday.



### PLEASE NOTE

No photography, smoking, food, beverages, backpacks, or strollers allowed inside homes. Comfortable shoes are recommended; high heels are not allowed in the homes. The Druid Hills Tour of Homes & Gardens makes every effort to keep the event problem free. It assumes no responsibility for accidents or injuries that may occur during the Tour. Please exercise utmost caution when crossing all streets. Tour held rain or shine.

### Lullwater Garden Club Plant Sale

The Lullwater Garden Club will present its annual plant sale on the same days and at the same times as the Druid Hills Tour of Homes and Gardens: April 20-22, 2018. The sale will take place in the front yard of Sally Clarke's home, 984 Springdale Road NE.

Each year, Garden Club members select shrubs and perennial and annual flowers that are especially suited to our growing conditions here in Atlanta. In addition, they bring lots of exciting and rare plants from their own gardens, including wildflowers, name-variety day lilies, ferns, trees, heirloom tomato plants, herbs, and vegetables that they have started from seedlings. And, as always, the night-blooming moon-flower vines will be available.

When you patronize the Lullwater Garden Club's sale, you get gorgeous specimens for garden at prices much lower than local nurseries. You get expert advice from members, many of whom are DeKalb County Master Gardeners, who will be happy to answer your gardening questions. Most of all, you contribute to a community institution during their annual (and only) fundraiser. Money raised from the plant sale will go toward continuing renovation and beautification of the Lullwater Conservation Garden, which is open to the public from dawn to dusk.

For more information about the Lullwater Garden Club, or to reserve the Conservation Garden for your wedding or special event, contact President Heather Ewing at [hce.ewing@ATT.net](mailto:hce.ewing@ATT.net).

***Congratulations to the Lullwater Garden Club, recently awarded "Garden Club of the Year" by the DeKalb Federation of Garden Clubs for 2017, and given a lovely silver tray in recognition of that accomplishment.***

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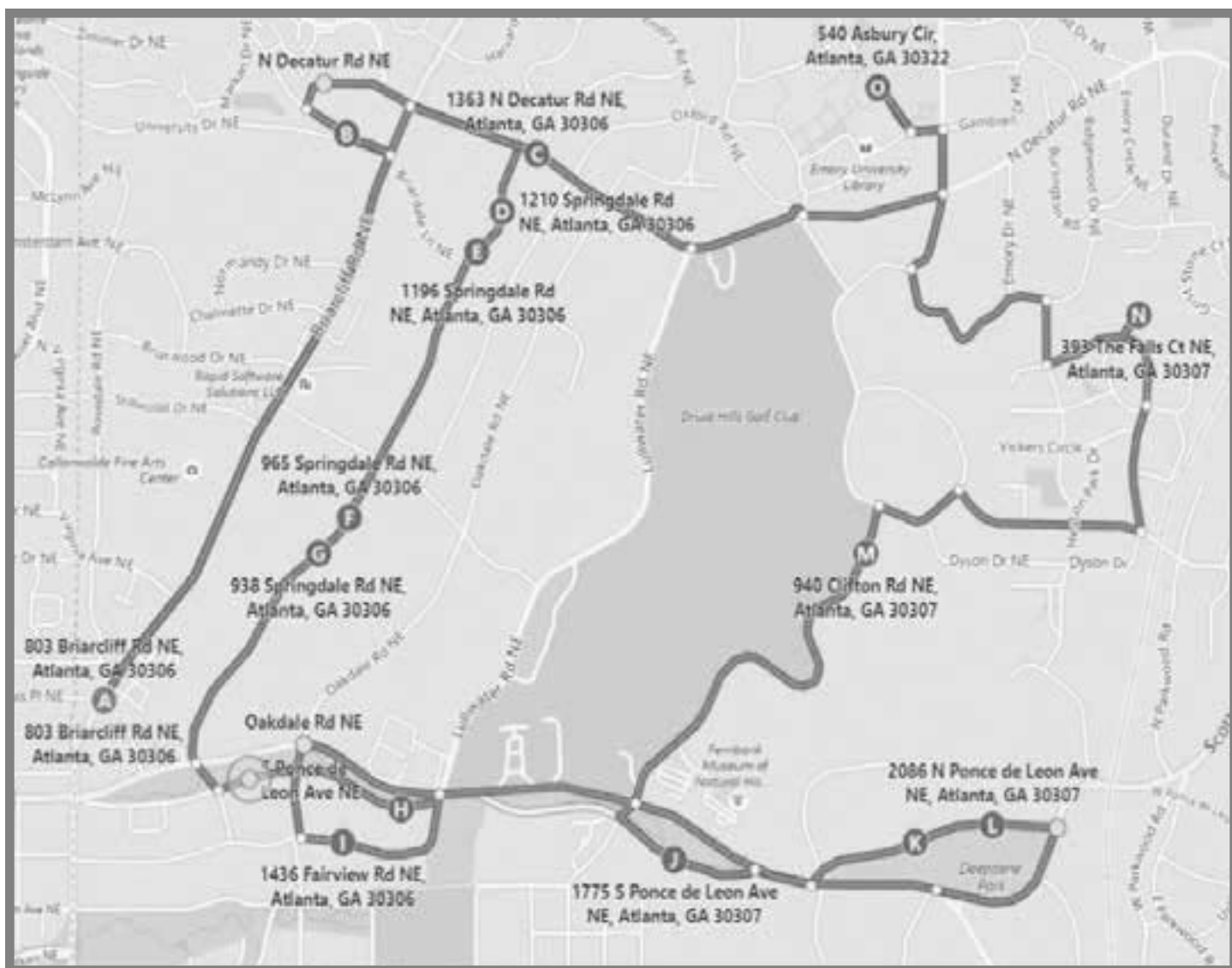
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## Update on the Lullwater Conservation Garden Club

The Lullwater Garden Club (LGC) began a fund-raising effort several years ago to support restoration work on the Lullwater Conservation Garden. The Club had contracted with Spencer Tunnell of Tunnell & Tunnell Landscape Architecture to obtain a plan that was in keeping with the community requirements for historic preservation. The first step in the restoration effort was the installation of curbing surrounding the Garden to stem the destruction caused by water erosion.

The LGC has raised almost \$100,000 for the curb and began discussions with The Chattanooga Group, Inc., the construction company whose bid was most in line with the overall objectives of the project. Permitting is required for these types of projects. Approximately 75% of the Garden is located within City of Atlanta limits. Accordingly, the LGC went before the Urban Design Commission (UDC) for project approval but was rejected because the



plan called for concrete curbing to be dyed to match other curbing in the historic Druid Hills neighborhood. The UDC mandated that the curb needed to be constructed of granite.

The project is now on hold until estimates can be obtained and funding can be raised for the \$50,000 to \$100,000 estimated cost increase of the granite. If you are interested in supporting this project, please make your check payable to *Lullwater Conservation Garden, Inc.* and mail it to P.O. Box 133135, Atlanta, GA 30333. The LGC is grateful for any contribution, large or small. The Lullwater Conservation Garden is a tax-exempt (501C3) corporation, so all gifts are tax deductible. If you have questions, contact Kim Storbeck at [kstorbeck922@gmail.com](mailto:kstorbeck922@gmail.com).

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## More Infill Development Threatens Historic Homes

By Amy Erwin

Have you ever walked or biked down the PATH near the edge of Candler Park and Druid Hills and wondered about the abandoned church and massive Tudor mansion on South Ponce de Leon? Both, especially the home, have an interesting history yet are at risk of being destroyed by a developer.

This property, known as “Pinebloom,” is significant for several reasons: the building is a rare and beautiful example of Tudor Revival architecture in Atlanta from the early 20th century, designed by Walter T. Downing, a distinguished architect of the time; the original owner, Preston S. Arkwright, was an influential and accomplished businessman and civic leader who helped shape the future of the city; the property is part of the Druid Hills Landmark District, which is on the National Register of Historic Places; and it is in Atlanta’s second planned “suburb” which was designed by Frederick Law Olmsted Sr. between 1892 and 1894. It is considered the finest example of Olmsted’s principles and practices in the South.

The Georgia Baptist Mission Board (GBMB, formerly known as the Georgia Baptist Convention) owns Pinebloom. It is still used today by members of the Jackson Hill Baptist Church. Reportedly, the GBMB thought that maintenance of both structures was too costly and wanted to sell the property and/or demolish the church. The Board was approached by a developer who has stated that he would build condominiums within Pinebloom and build homes behind the house where the historic gardens used to be. Since church members have a legal agreement that allows them to continue worshipping in Pinebloom, that issue will need to be resolved. At present, the GBMB is suing the Jackson Hill Church to evict them from the property so that the sale can proceed without the stipulation that church members can continue to worship there.

This same developer has already purchased the historic Patillo-Woolford Georgian mansion next door to Pinebloom. In response to this and the pending development at Pinebloom, a group of concerned neighbors have been actively working with the developer and the City in opposing any proposals that vary from the zoning ordinance. Since both properties are within the Druid Hills Landmark District, that committee is leading formal responses to the City Planning and Historic Preservation Department and the Urban Design Commission. Both properties were zoned Multi-Family years ago, so this aspect cannot be changed. However, any new development must abide by the Landmark District guidelines, which are very specific and are intended to support historic preservation.

The Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation selects 10 properties in the state of Georgia each year that are of historical and architectural importance and at risk of destruction. I led an effort, with the help of Jennie Richardson (local historian and long-time resident) and Gary Seibert (who lives behind the properties), to submit a case for both Pinebloom and the Patillo-Woolford house to be on the 2018 list. On November 15, 2017, the Georgia Trust announced that both properties were selected. The Georgia Trust will help give a larger voice to preservation efforts and may also get involved in discussions with the owner and future owner to help mitigate destruction of the property.

The Pinebloom property is one of the last remaining great mansions in Atlanta from the early 20th century, and its loss would be felt throughout the community. However, it could make a great future home for the right owner who values and preserves its historic integrity.



Rear elevation of Pinebloom mansion. A developer has proposed building homes behind the mansion.



Front elevation of historic Pinebloom mansion, which has recently been put on the “Places in Peril” list by the Georgia Trust For Historic Preservation.



Preston Arkwright’s library inside historic Pinebloom mansion. Arkwright, an Atlanta civic leader and president of Georgia Power Company, is shown in the oil portrait above the fireplace.



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## Have You Been to Fernbank Science Center Lately?

Fernbank Science Center recently celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Since 1967, the center has supported science education in DeKalb County, the State of Georgia, and beyond. Generations have been touched with what the science center has to offer.

If you have not been recently or if you are new to the area, then you really should plan a visit to the science center. The Jim Cherry Memorial Planetarium was recently upgraded with a stunning 4K laser projection system. Combined with the iconic Zeiss Mark V planetarium projector, these technologies collectively create a stunning immersive environment, which guide the audience through the wonders of the universe. Public planetarium programs are offered weekly on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. If star gazing is your thing, visit the Dr. Ralph Buice Jr. Observatory. **Free** public observations are offered every Thursday and Friday nights following the last planetarium show. The observatory houses a 0.9 meter (36-inch) Cassegrain reflector beneath a 10 meter (30 ft.) dome. This



is one of the largest instruments ever dedicated to education and public viewing.

If you are nostalgic, you will be pleased to see several of the original exhibits still on display in the Fernbank Science Center exhibit hall. The exhibit hall also has several new exhibits, interspersed with other long-term stalwarts such as the Apollo 6 capsule...*the real Apollo 6 capsule!* The center's extensive natural history collection was recently relocated to the exhibit hall and is on display in open view cabinetry. There are grizzly bears, birds of prey, and every other kind of animal imaginable. If living animals are your passion, then the center has you covered there as well. The live animal exhibits include an observation honey bee hive, snakes, poison dart frogs, spiders, turtles, and more. New exhibits rotate in the main hall. Currently, the Nikon

Small World photography exhibit is on display. Small World is regarded as the leading forum for showcasing the beauty and complexity of life as seen through the light microscope.

Special public events are offered during the evenings and on Saturdays throughout the year. These include Chemistry Day, Astronomy Day, Snake Day, and Bird Day, just to name a few. Admission to these special events is free! The biannual Spring and Fall plant sales are not to be missed. A wide variety of trees, shrubs, and flowering perennials are available for purchase. Many of the plants are native species that are often difficult to find elsewhere! The center's horticulture staff will be on hand at the plant sales to provide planting advice and suggestions for gardening problems.

General admission to Fernbank Science Center is free! Parking is free! Tickets to planetarium programs are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information about everything that is going on at the center, please visit [www.fernbank.edu](http://www.fernbank.edu).



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## School News

### Fernbank Elementary School

We've had a really great year at Fernbank, your International Baccalaureate neighborhood public school serving children in grades PreK through 5th!

*Did you know?* The institution that is known today as Fernbank Elementary had its beginning in September of 1919, to serve Emory University faculty and staff children, along with those already in the area. Its first home was a temporary wooden building, used as a chapel and assembly hall on the Emory University campus. Its population grew and grew — so in 1957, ground was broken for a larger building located on Heaton Park Drive. As you may already know, this building was demolished and a new building was constructed in 2015 to accommodate our larger student body and make better use of the school grounds.

We have certainly taken full advantage of this wonderful new facility! In the back, on what used to be a playground built on Georgia red clay (imagine those dusty shoes!), is now a huge, grassy field. The play structure is adjacent, on the side of the building. Children have “wigggle” (recess) and P.E. every day at Fernbank, which we firmly believe helps them be their best student selves. These outdoor areas, along with our huge, light-filled gym, give them all the room they need to run off their energy!

These spaces have also hosted our fun family events: our rising PreK/Kindergartner and back-to-school picnics, Film at the Fern (where families picnic and watch a movie together), Field Day — to name a few. There are always plenty of fun things to do with our school community!

**Join us!** Do you have a young child who will be going to school soon? What about a friend who's thinking of moving to Druid Hills? We encourage a tour of Fernbank! Tours are held every month. The next one will be on March 19th from 9–10 am.

Rising Kindergarten parents: Bring your child to Kindergarten Roundup on March 16th from 9:30–11:30 am. Future Fernbankers typically watch a video about our school and how much fun it is here, eat a snack in the cafeteria, go on a bus ride, and visit the classrooms.

Fernbank's Pre-K lottery will be held March 20th. You apply in person at Fernbank between 8:30 am and 1:00 pm. The drawing will be done at 1:15 pm. Bring your child's birth certificate, social security card, proof of your Fernbank district residence (not a phone bill), and your photo ID.

Fernbank has a summer camp! Children in grades rising K–6 are welcome to attend one of our summer camp sessions. You do not have to attend Fernbank to participate in our summer camp.

For more information about Fernbank and what we are all about, check out our website at: [fernbankelementary.com](http://fernbankelementary.com).

### Ben Franklin Academy

Ben Franklin Academy (BFA) is the only SACS/SAIS accredited independent school in Atlanta that offers competency-based education at the Mastery level of 90% or above. Founded in 1987, BFA provides students with a challenging, individualized college-prep education with a low student/teacher ratio.

The school offers the traditional full-day program and a Work Study half-day program. Students choose which option works best for them. BFA's many athletes, dancers, entrepreneurs, etc. thrive in the Work Study Program; younger students, students graduating ahead of schedule, students taking college courses, and students taking multiple Advanced Placement courses often choose the full-day program.

Adele McLees is a typical student in BFA's Work Study Program. She started volunteering at an after-school program, tutoring young, refugee children with their homework and English skills. She helped build a library and won an award from the Kiwanis Club of Atlanta to complete the project. Because of this experience with refugees, Adele has decided to study social justice in college.

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BFA Science Teacher, Dameron Black, discussing AP Biology with student, Carole Ann Block.



BFA Government and US History Teacher, Jan Bedol, discussing current events with her students, including Augustin Bonta.

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Harriet Mycroft chose the full-day option, giving her time to pursue more science and AP classes. Harriet spent her summer in a scholars program at Winship Cancer Institute that paired students with medical professionals working on a research project related to cancer. Harriet worked at both Emory University Hospital and Grady Memorial Hospital, investigating the possibility of improving the quality of scans in HIV lymphoma patients. Harriet submitted her research to the Southeastern Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging in Birmingham, Alabama, this past fall and published her findings with her professors. She plans to major in biochemistry and minor in music in college.

These examples depict how students at BFA are able to pursue their interests, develop their gifts, and pursue their dreams. If you are interested in learning more about Ben Franklin Academy, please visit the webpage at: <http://www.benfranklinacademy.org> or on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/BenFranklinAcademyATL/>.

### ***Paideia School***

**20 under 20:** Five high school seniors were honored by the publication *Intown Atlanta* as part of its annual "20 Under 20" edition that recognizes young people for outstanding volunteer community service. Nicole Pozzo and Kira Harris were both named to the "20 Under 20" list; Sophie Green, Isabel Pitman and Analla Reid received honorable mention.

**State Academic Bowl:** Paideia's junior high academic bowl team won the state championship in the competition for the PAGE (Professional Association of Georgia Educators) tournament. The competition required qualification through regional competition, followed by the state tournament against the best teams from 12 Georgia regions.

**All-State Chorus Competition:** William Currey, Luca Davidorf, Matthew Davidorf, Max Karnik, Sophie Lyman, Caroline Porkert, and Anna Zheng passed auditions allowing them to participate in the GMEA All-State Chorus competition held in Athens in February.

**Robotics Team Tournaments:** Paideia's junior high robotics team won the Core Values award demonstrating outstanding teamwork at the DeKalb Metro Atlanta Super Regional. Earlier the team competed at the Regional Qualifier, winning the Champions Award and qualifying for the Super Regional. The high school robotics team competed in a VEX Robotics tournament at Tucker High School. Two of Paideia's three teams were selected by other teams as alliance partners for the playoffs: Alec Harris and Nikhel Krishna, who made it to the quarter finals; and Chip Miller and Rakibul Chowdhury, who made it to the semifinals.

**Regional Scholastic Awards:** Thirty-eight students were honored with Regional Scholastic Art and Writing gold key, silver key, and honorable mention awards. The 17 stu-

dents awarded gold keys went on to the national judging in New York in March.

**Orchestra Challenges:** Four Paideia high school orchestra students were selected to participate in the 2018 Georgia All State Orchestra. Sarah Chen '18 and Meredith Salzinger '21 for violin; and Jordan Leslie '20 and Evan Nicholson '21 for cello. Jason Guo was a winner in the Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra concerto competition and will be featured in the 2018/19 Season in either an Atlanta Symphony Youth Orchestra performance or an Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Education performance.

**Science Olympiad:** High school students Sophie Green and David Chalmers finished first in the chemistry lab event in all classifications at the Brookwood Invitational Tournament, one of the largest and most prestigious Science Olympiad tournaments in the Southeast. The Paideia team finished as one of the top two single A teams.

**National Merit Scholarship Competition:** Nine seniors have been named finalists in the 2018 Competition for National Merit Scholarship Program. They are: Ella Amsbary, William Currey, William Johnson, Emma Jones, Griffin McCauley, Anna McEntee, Erin Meller, Julia Simmons and Nailah Smith.



*Paideia students honored with Regional Scholastic Awards.*

## Maurice “Ted” Maloof: Artist and Attorney

By Jennifer J. Richardson

Ted Maloof died at the age of 86 on December 21, 2017. A native of Copperhill, Tennessee, Ted grew up in a Lebanese family. He attended Notre Dame and Emory University School of Law. In Atlanta, Ted co-founded the law firm of Hicks, Maloof and Campbell. Married to Gloria Idrau Maloof for 58 years, the couple had one son, Julian.



One year for his birthday, Gloria gave Ted a camera that kindled his second career. Ted had long been interested in all forms of art, especially kinetic sculpture and photography. His tastes were eclectic but leaned toward everything contemporary. His favorite composers were Igor Stravinsky and Philip Glass and he loved modern art and sculpture.

Ultimately, Ted became a renowned photographer whose work was collected and displayed by many of his fans. In addition, he

was widely exhibited and his photographs are in the permanent collection of the Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia. A gallery in the Atlanta Photograph Group's headquarters is named after Ted and Gloria.

For the past 20 years, Ted generously donated one or more of his photographs to the Olmsted Linear Park Alliance to be auctioned at the group's annual fund-raising gala. His art generated impressive interest and bidding, and the proceeds from the sale of his photographs helped restore and maintain the Olmsted Park.

For his photographs, Ted used Leica rangefinders (M3 and M6), and Canon and Nikon SLR cameras. As times changed, he switched to a digital Canon. His favorite subjects were nudes, flowers, regular and surreal landscapes, and “anything politically incorrect” he often said with a grin. He had a keen intellect, a wide stripe of creativity, and an unconventional sense of humor — to the delight of all who knew him.

Ted's wit, art, and presence will be sorely missed in Druid Hills.



*Ted took this black and white pigment print entitled “Lily” in 2006. The photograph is in the permanent collection of the Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia.*

## Lorraine Loftis (1932–2018)

By Jennifer J. Richardson

Lorraine Loftis died peacefully in her sleep at her home on Lullwater Road on Sunday, February 4, 2018. Born and raised in New York, she moved to Georgia with her family after she graduated from Hunter College. In Georgia, Lorraine began her teaching career at Tucker Elementary School. At some point, a handsome suitor asked Lorraine for a date and she accepted. As she later told a friend, “He not only has a job, but he also owns a home on Lullwater Road.” Before long, Lorraine married James Loftis, a real estate investor, and moved into



that same home on Lullwater where she spent the rest of her life. The couple had one daughter, Nanette, who works for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Lorraine joined the Lullwater Garden Club in 1964. She served as president of the club from 1966–1968, and remained a very active member until her death. She was also a member of the DeKalb Federation of Garden Clubs, where she served as a board member for over 30 years. She was a charter member of the Federation's Life Membership program and served on the Federation's board of trustees. From 1997 to 1999, Lorraine served as Redbud District Director. She also served as the liaison between Stone Mountain and the Yellow Daisy festival for 16 years and, in 2009, chaired the Yellow Daisy Festival. Lorraine served on the Garden Club of Georgia's board for more than 20 years and retired to the status of emeritus board member. She was involved in having the courtyard at Callan-

wolde enclosed for events, helped with the DeKalb Federation office complex at Callanwolde, and assisted in saving the mansion from demolition back in the 1970s. In 2017, Lorraine was awarded “Member of the Year” by the DeKalb Federation.

In addition to her garden club work, Lorraine was a member of the Druid Hills Civitan Club, the Emory Presbyterian Church, and the Olmsted Linear Park Alliance. Several years ago, she dedicated a bench in Shadyside Park in memory of her husband.

Pursuing her interest in real estate, Lorraine obtained her real estate license and joined the Karafotias Realty Company, which specializes in homes in this area. She loved the Atlanta Braves and was an avid gambler — often taking the bus to nearby casinos but never disclosing how much she won (or lost). She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

## In Memory of June Hardeman Hemby

By Jennifer J. Richardson

Olmsted Park volunteer, June Hemby, died last year. June and her late husband, John Hemby, were true angels to OLPA, volunteering in almost every capacity and wherever needed, and donating substantial amounts of money to ensure the park stayed viable for future generations.

June Hardeman Hemby was born and raised in Tennessee and attended David Lipscomb College in Nashville, where she earned a BA in music. June met the love of her life, John, who was already a fantastic piano player, and the two fit together like hand in glove. They took off on a joint adventure as John rose through the ranks at Georgia Power. Being with Georgia Power meant that the couple moved to various towns in Georgia throughout John's career, including Athens, Waycross, and Macon. They ended up in Atlanta where John retired as Executive Vice President.

June was a homemaker, a teacher of piano, and a Sunday School teacher. She twice served as president of the Women of Georgia Power group in Waycross and Macon, and also served as president of the Macon Music Teachers Association. She and John were members of the Druid Hills Golf Club,



*June and John Hemby at the dedication of a park bench in their honor.*

where John entertained the Downtown Kiwanis Club group each Christmas playing carols on the piano. June played on the Club's senior women's tennis team. Both John and June were lifelong members of the Church of Christ.

When June and John moved into the Lullwater Estates condominium community, they soon became active supporters of the Olmsted Linear Park renovation. They donated money and time, and John served on the board for many years. A bench in the park was dedicated in their honor by their extended family.

Later, the Georgia Power Foundation dedicated the rehabilitation of the last extant trolley shed (located beside Deepdene Park) to John's memory.

A gracious, charming and dignified woman, June could frequently be found beside John, supporting him in whatever he did or taking on community service ventures of her own. They could both be seen in the park picking up trash on a regular basis before June's health prevented her from accompanying him. They were at every OLPA gala, helping to make the fundraiser a success and greeting their many friends.

John often liked to quote the Georgia Power slogan that had been written by its first president and Druid Hills resident, Preston Arkwright: "A citizen wherever we serve." June and John were citizens of Georgia and of Druid Hills, serving their community with tireless enthusiasm and perseverance. Their legacy is carried on by three daughters, one son, 13 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

We were honored to know them and grateful for their service to OLPA. We extend our deepest sympathy to June's family.

## Theodore Cole Weimar (2002–2018)

By Jennifer J. Richardson

Theo Weimar died on January 10, 2018. He was fifteen years of age. He leaves behind his parents, Connie and Walter Weimar, his older brother Robert, his dog Muffin, and his many friends in several in-town communities.



Theo was a resident of Candler Park neighborhood and was well known in Druid Hills. He was a member of Boy Scout Troop 18 at Glenn Memorial United Methodist Church, where he achieved the rank of Star Scout with Gryphon Patrol. He was a volunteer for the Olmsted Linear Park Alliance, helping to maintain the park; and he also volunteered with the South Fork Conservancy and Can-

dlar Park neighborhood groups.

Theo attended Mary Lin Elementary School, Samuel Inman Middle School, and Henry W. Grady High School, where he was a sophomore honor student. Theo was a gifted student who enjoyed math, science, literary arts, essay writing, and the Greek and Latin languages. Theo excelled at public speaking and debating, and won many honors and prizes for his abilities. He was a member of the Grady Jesters, a public speaking and debate club, and participated in impromptu and extemporaneous speaking competitions.

Theo was a life-long member of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, where he had served as an acolyte. His funeral services were held there, and his internment took place in the Greek section of Greenwood Cemetery.

Theo could be both solemn and mischievous. Mature beyond his age, he could intel-

ligently discuss most any subject with adults — sometimes better than his elders. He was elegant, polite, and well-mannered in a way that seemed drawn from past centuries. Yet he was also adept at understanding and using computers, and hoped to study and serve in the field of cyber security and computer technology. For these reasons, he was a joy to be around and could hold his own with his peers and with adults.

One wonders with profound sorrow what Theo might have accomplished in a longer life. As his mother said, "Theo only had fifteen years, but he had the most amazing life!" Goodbye to an exemplary young man, Theo Weimar. You left an indelible mark for the good on all who knew you, and your memory will stay with us always.

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