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President's Message

Reflections for December

By Cristy Lenz • President@inmanpark.org

It's December, the most joyous season for many in the neighborhood, and a time to look back and reflect. By now you've read many end-of-year lists. Here is our recap. We are a neighborhood of volunteers and activists. We love our community and work with each towards a common goal of nurturing our little corner of Atlanta, working with friendship and understanding, even when there are misunderstandings. Living in a community, there is not always consensus on what to do, but we respect our process and move forward. First, let's talk about what we've accomplished together this year:

- Gave out \$35K in school grants distributed among Midtown High, Mary Lin, Hope Hill & Howard
- Celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes, which raised more money than in any other year to date!!!
- Celebrated the 50th Inman Park Festival Parade which featured gnomes, Atlanta United fans, and many Georgia politicians including Sen. Jon Ossoff, Sen. Raphael Warnock and Stacey Abrams
- Received a Proclamation from the City of Atlanta, Fulton County and the Georgia Senate recognizing our 50th Inman Park Festival, one of the only all-volunteer run festivals in the city.
- Celebrated the 50th Inman Park Theatre Night
- Marked the 50th festival with a mural on the Albert building
- Two Words: Butterfly Ball!!!! It was a great party. If you know, you know.
- Held the second Inman Park Wine Stroll with Music and Art, which raised \$45,000 for Springvale Park and IPNA Security Patrol
- Worked with the developers on the designs for the new townhome project on Waverly Way and the Villa de Grip site, thanks to the dedication of the IPNA Zoning and Historic Preservation Committees.
- Through our Historic Preservation Committee, called in many stop-work orders for projects in violation of their permits
- Provided 2,000 hours of Inman Park Security Patrol
- Supported the Freedom Park Conservancy, Little Five Points Alliance and Little Five Points Community Center
- And finally, had the first Holiday Party since Covid!!

Things to look forward to next year:

- Lake Avenue sidewalk replacement project
- Gordon Park restoration



- Discussion of the implementation of Beltline Rail
- A new IPNA website that better represents our community and features an improved member system (fingers crossed)
- Inman Diners Club 2023 (watch your email for sign-up)
- The 51st Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes, chaired by Kila Posey
- The 51st Butterfly Ball and Theatre Night
- The 2023 Inman Park Wine Stroll with Music and Art
- 12 new books to read in the Book Club
- 4 new IPNA board members to be voted in in May as 4 current members roll off
- Springvale Park renovation (if money permits)
- IPNA Bocce Ball Championships
- And finally, the 2023 Holiday Party

It's been a great year. Thanks for being the best neighbors and community in the city. We look forward to doing more great work in 2023!

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*Happy
Holidays*

HAPPY HOLIDAYS from everyone at Little 5 Points Community Center. We hope your holidays will be filled with joy and laughter throughout 2023.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

LOCATION: Our Shifalo Cafe

DAY/TIME: December 13th & 20th, 10:00am-3:00pm

American Red Cross hopes that you will give someone the holiday gift of blood.

Head over to www.redcross.org/give-blood.html to get scheduled for the next Blood Drives here at Little 5 Points Community Center on Dec. 13th and Dec. 20th

Emory University's Community Health Night

LOCATION: Our Shifalo Cafe

DAY/TIME: December 22nd, 4:00pm-8:00pm

Emory University Hope Clinic has partnered with "Someone Cares" to provide FREE walk-up sexual health and COVID-19 testing for our community

For more information about events or to schedule your next event at the Little 5 Points Center for Arts and Community, contact us 404-522-2926 or Little5pcc@gmail.com



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2022 Inman Park Book Club

Meets at 7:00 pm on the last Tuesday of most months.

Most book selections are available at our neighborhood bookstore:

A Cappella Books
208 Haralson Ave, Inman Park
10% Discount! Shop local!

Terri Jones
824 Lake Ave
Holiday Brunch & Book
Exchange

Dec 11

Please see page 9 for full 2023 book selection list!

NOTE: You MUST be fully vaccinated and boosted to attend face-to-face book club events

Please contact Jan Keith (janetbkeith@gmail.com) with any questions.

Get your IPNA vinyl banners, cloth masks and Historic Inman Park (HIP) stickers for sale at Intown Business Center!



Inman Park Parents!

Want to stay in the know about current APS (and other parenthood-based) news? Join the Inman Park Parent Google Group to hear the latest. Email junoble@yahoo.com to join.

Neighbor to Neighbor

Inman Park neighbor volunteers are ready to assist anyone needing short-term help. For example:

- Getting to medical appointments
- Preparing meals or help with pets while recovering from illness
- Managing daily activities

Visit www.inmanpark.org/lifelonginmanpark
Contact Jackie Lawrence (404-272-0024)

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Each month, the Advocate is mailed directly to over 2000 homes in Inman Park, emailed directly to the Inman Park Google Group and to all IPNA members, and posted on our web site and on Nextdoor to all of our surrounding neighborhoods. Several hundred copies are also distributed to neighborhood businesses. The Advocate provides a great way to advertise to your neighbors.

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Condolences to Cathy Jamison and Steve Kaminshine, Edgewood Ave., on the passing of Cathy's mother, Gail Prejean Cavalier.

Welcome Cyndi Stone to Alta Ave.!

Welcome Josh Feingold to Lake Ave.!

Inman Park Neighborhood Association is looking to recruit a Secretary for the Board!

Our wonderful Secretary, Alex Ganim, will be leaving the neighborhood and thus stepping down. If you're interested in filling this role in the neighborhood association, please get in touch with President Cristy Lenz! This is a great role and it's a lot of fun to serve on the Board.

Thank you for your service, Alex! We will miss you!

Dogs in City of Atlanta parks MUST be on leash. This includes all of Freedom Park in Inman Park.

It is the law: Section 34-205 of the Fulton County Code of Ordinances



New to the 'hood? If you just purchased in Inman Park and would like a Welcome Packet delivered, please email us at Hospitality@inmanpark.org

Do you have personal news or a life event to share with the neighborhood? We would love to hear about it and recognize you in the Advocate!

IP Caregiver Support Group

If you're concerned about someone with memory loss — a family member, friend, or neighbor — please consider attending the Inman Park Caregiver Support Group. We focus on the challenges of caring for someone with cognitive decline. This free group meets every third Thursday of the month from 4:00 to 5:30 at the Inman Park United Methodist Church. Please contact Moira Keller LCSW if you have questions, 404-290-1630 or moira.keller@comcast.net

IPNA Calendar

Dec 11

Book Club
Holiday Brunch
See page 4
for details

Dec 21

IPNA Meeting
Trolley Barn/Zoom
7:30 p.m.

Dec 29

NPU-N Meeting
Zoom
7:00 p.m.

Jan 18

IPNA Meeting
Trolley Barn/Zoom
7:30 p.m.

Jan 26

NPU-N Meeting
Zoom
7:00 p.m.

Jan 31

Book Club
See page 4
for details



Festival Needs Your Help!

By Catherine Butler and Sally Dorn • catherine.b.gunter@gmail.com • sdorn47@comcast.net

Believe it or not, the Inman Park Festival is just around the corner, on April 22nd and 23rd! After a very successful return last year, we are excited to build on that success. Although we had strong sales and profits, we did have trouble recruiting enough volunteers last year to support all the Festival needs. This year, Sally Dorn and I are serving as co-Chairs and are looking to engage the entire neighborhood! We're soliciting block captains broken down by street or complex to talk to neighbors and get everyone involved!

As a relatively newer resident, let me introduce myself. When I moved to Atlanta, I was looking for a walkable and engaged community and found Inman Park to be the best fit for me. Since moving here in 2013, I haven't left! I even met and married a true Inman Park local. We bought a house on Haralson and have lived in this home since 2018. I absolutely love Inman Park and how engaged so many of the neighbors are. It's a true community and that can be hard to come by! With new folks like me moving in, the neighborhood has sometimes struggled to engage new and younger members, which is why I decided to get more involved this year. My husband and I did Festival trash duty last year and enjoyed it! So this year, when the email went

out for help with the Festival, I decided to jump in and volunteer - I now serve as co-Chair for Volunteers with Sally Dorn. Everyone has been so welcoming and I've loved getting to know more neighbors - something that has been hard with the pandemic.

To help build our volunteer base, Sally had a great idea to engage the entire neighborhood - block captains! Block captains could be a great way of meeting neighbors and engaging more people (newcomers and old timers) in the neighborhood and Festival! Plus, it's easy! As block captain, you'll visit your neighbors on your block and ask them to sign up for a shift (or 2 or 3). It's that easy! Festival is only possible with its volunteers and we need your help. Have questions? Email or call me or Sally! We would love to talk with you about getting involved.

We are hoping to have the volunteer sign up live by mid January and are looking to secure block captains now so we are ready to go in January! Will you sign up? If you are interested in helping your neighbors get involved, please email us at catherine.b.gunter@gmail.com or sdorn47@comcast.net.

Inman Diners for 2023!

By Karin Mebius • karinmebius@gmail.com

Sign-up for Inman Park Diners 2023 is now open until January 31, 2023!

How does it work, you ask? At the kick-off party in February, the total group (typically around 120-140) of members is divided into smaller groups of 12 up to 14 people each. These smaller groups meet for five dinners over the course of the year, which comes down to about once every two months. The host decides on the menu and everyone brings a dish. Not everybody has to host and you can also team up with another group member to host.

We are celebrating our 16th annual Inman Diners kick-off event on Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Mebius' home at 860 Euclid Avenue. This kick-off is your chance to meet your fellow Inman Diners and to sit down with your group to do some planning for the rest of the year. Make sure to bring your calendar! And since these are COVID times, depending on the situation at any given time, you may be required to show proof of vaccination and wear a mask.

I cannot stress enough that the other important requirement we have is that you must commit to drop everything and show up for all dinners. The dates are completely flexible and your group can decide which ones work best for you. I am stressing this, because the entire concept is based on full attendance. The goal is for neighbors to get to know each other on a higher level than from chatting while walking the dog, meeting at a party or even sharing an occasional dinner. If a dinner has only 6 or 8 participants and several of them know each other already, many chances to get to know more neighbors are wasted.

The Fabulous Inman Diners are not about high cuisine, large dining rooms, blind dates, or anything else. This is about good times, getting to know each other and being able to walk home after some delicious eating and drinking with friends.

Please check the Inman Park website for sign-up: <https://ipna.memberclicks.net/inman-park-diners-club>

Any questions? Email karinmebius@gmail.com

Deck the Halls

By Lynn Curtis Koehnemann • lkoehnemann@gmail.com

At Christmastime, I am able to decorate my home in a way that satisfies the Millennials in my family as well as myself. This younger generation urges sustainability - lifestyle habits that create zero waste. So it's very satisfying to me that the beautiful and venerable Southern tradition of holiday decorating with native evergreen foliage and berries is also green.



Over the decades, American consumers have experimented with many different floral design trends. But one tradition has endured for Southern gardeners: using native magnolias, hollies, redcedar (juniper), pine boughs and more to decorate the house for Christmas. Even when dressing up for the holidays, the women in Southern Garden Clubs continue this.

Several types of these trees and shrubs can grow in your yard and also shine in wreaths, swags and centerpieces. As the days get shorter and cooler and the leaves fall here in Inman Park, these trees remain bright green. Each type of foliage is distinctive in texture, color, size and durability.

Magnolia leaves are glossy green (when collected off the tree) with a fuzzy bronze underside. The thick leaves are from four to nine inches long. Our two native

evergreen types, the Southern Magnolia (*Magnolia grandiflora*) and the Sweetbay Magnolia (*Magnolia virginiana*), grow all over Georgia. (The magnolias with purple and pink flowers are Asian, not native.) A dramatic way to use magnolia boughs is on the fireplace mantel or in a table arrangement.

Our native hollies, the evergreen berry-bearing American Holly (*Ilex opaca*) and Yaupon holly (*Ilex vomitoria*) and the deciduous Winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*), combine beautifully in arrangements. American Holly's leaves are flatter, with the spines sticking straight out. In contrast, the non-native English Holly's leaves curl under. Inman Park has a champion American Holly tree in Springvale Park; Our native holly trees get taller than English Holly, and this champion specimen in the park is more than 64 feet tall. Yaupon Holly has a very small, finely scalloped leaf and the female plants produce copious red berries. The native Winterberry Holly is a deciduous shrub growing up to 10 feet tall. In winter, the shrub, minus its leaves, is covered with bright red berries. Again, Female plants produce the berries. All three hollies are colorful additions.

The tree I have always called Southern Redcedar is actually a Juniper (*Juniperus virginiana*). "Redcedar" contributes fragrance, color, and long-lasting foliage. The boughs and cones add attractive detail anywhere you use them. Its branches are especially fragrant, and the flat, scaly leaves range in color from gray-green to blue-green. The female trees produce a round blue cone that resembles a berry.

Pine's long needles and cones are luxuriant and have a refreshing scent. Shortleaf Pine (*Pinus echinata*) and Loblolly Pine (*Pinus taeda*) are important tree species here in the Georgia Piedmont, commercially and ecologically. Fire plays a critical role in sustaining the shortleaf pine ecosystem, just as it does in the longleaf pine forest. Without

fire, Shortleaf Pine-dominated forests have declined, and conservationists are working to increase them.

The South's native Oakleaf Hydrangea (*Hydrangea quercifolia*) has leaves that turn red, purple, and bronze and stay attached into winter. The deeply lobed, oak-like leaves can be up to a foot long. When the leaves do fall, the peeling cinnamon-colored bark on the shrub is also attractive.



American Mistletoe (*Phoradendron serotinum*) has small, leathery, olive-colored leaves and white berries. You can find this partially parasitic plant high in the trees after the leaves fall here in Inman Park. It is easy to see the large rounded balls of green foliage. The easiest way to collect mistletoe is from the ground after the power company has trimmed host branches along the street. Another opportunity is after a gusty storm that leaves fallen branches. If you can go to the country and have a friend with a squirrel rifle and good aim, you can try shooting it down. It is most often found on oak, hickory and maple trees.

You can see these trees up close if you visit the Inman Park Arboretum. The online virtual tour is here: <https://www.treesatlanta.org/resources/neighborhood-arboreta/>

Kitty Dare



HAPPY 1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



2023 Inman Park Book Club Selections

Happy New Reading Year!

January 31, Jan Keith, 889 Edgewood Ave., "The Pursuit of the Atlanta Child Killer" by Joseph Drolet

February 28, Cathy Jamison, 805B Edgewood Ave., "The Empire of Pain" by Patrick Radden Keefe

March 28, Susan Pins and Allen Stephens, 850 Piedmont Ave., Unit 2607 (Midtown), "The Measure" by Nikki Erlick

April 25, Shirley Brown, 876 Inman Village Parkway, Unit 512, "The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post" by Allison Pataki

May 30, Linda Dunham, 12 1st Ave. (Kirkwood), "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks

June 27, Santosh Nayak, 228 Montag Circle, "The World Played Chess" by Robert Dugoni

July 25, Ellen Creekmore, 1031 Euclid Ave., "The Latecomer" by Jean Hanff Korelitz

August 29, Paula Mason, 1046 Washita Ave., "A Prayer for Owen Meany" by John Irving

September 26, Patty McGuigan Robinson, 814 Virgil St., "Black Cake" by Charmaine Wilkerson

October 24, Stephanie Sherman, 936 Austin Ave., "Wish You Were Here" by Jodi Picoult

November 28, Diana Glad, 960 Edgewood Ave., "Just Mercy" by Bryan Stevenson

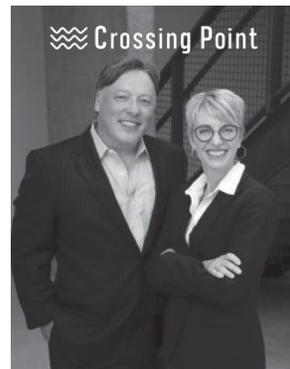
December TBD, John Floyd, 116 Elizabeth St., Holiday Brunch and Book Exchange

Bonus Reads: "The Palace Papers"; "Lessons in Chemistry"; Any Banned Book; "My Personal History"; "Path of Lightning"; "Rise and Fall of an American Dynasty" (Anderson Cooper); "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn"; "River of Gods"; "Jacqueline in Paris"; Any Stacey Abrams romance novel writing as Selena Montgomery

Doggo the Month: Terra



You may have seen Terra greeting you at the doorway of Professional Cleaners...but did you know she also gives high fives? Great dog, great cleaners, great neighbors!



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How I Learned to (Mostly) Stop Worrying and Love the Coyotes

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Over in my part of Inman Park we've recently had a significant increase in coyote action. It started with one of the neighbors hearing yelps in the night, then someone else caught a glimpse of one running about. Then, the other day, my neighbor and her daughter knocked on my door, reporting they'd just seen a big ole' hairy one, loping along in broad daylight at the corner of Hale and Virgil like he was coming down from MARTA or something. This prompted me to contact the good folks at Atlanta Wild Animal Rescue Effort (AWARE) with a few questions. These wonderful people have the mission of rehabilitating injured and orphaned native Georgia wild animals and educating the public about peaceful coexistence with wildlife. I was certainly in need of some education on peaceful coexistence with coyotes, as I was getting concerned about all the pets and small kids on our block, not to mention wondering whether it was ultimately good for these wild animals to live so near to nasty humans.

I went to www.awarewildlife.org, and filled out their easy-to-use contact form and within a day I had some really helpful information from a fantastic volunteer. That's impressive! I've waited longer to hear back from Nordstrom and they pride themselves on their customer service. Anyway, this fine person let me know some crucial information that I'd like to in turn share with you, in case you've had some of the same questions about coexisting peacefully with *Canis latrans*.

1.) *Outdoor cats are implicitly consenting to be part of the local foodchain.* I was surprised by this and a little dismayed as I love cats. However, AWARE told me that cats "can make up a small portion of their diet. The only way to protect your cat is to keep it indoors. When cats are allowed to roam free they kill wildlife and they themselves are susceptible to being killed. Basically they become part of the food chain." Hard truths!

2.) *OK, but what about the dogs and kids?* "They typically pose no threat to people. They do not usually attack dogs, but a smaller dog could be at risk."

3.) *Is it weird or rabid that we are seeing this uptick of coyotes, especially in broad daylight?* "There are actually coyotes in every neighborhood in Georgia, even downtown

and in Buckhead." (Yes, friends, *even in Buckhead!* Go on, AWARE.) "It's the time of year when many animals, including coyotes, are raising their young. As a result, the coyote parents are out hunting to bring food back for the babies, even during the day. Their primary diet includes rats, mice, and other small rodents. Without coyotes, we would have an overabundance of rats, mice and other small rodents."

4.) *Yes, but shouldn't we try to remove the coyotes?* "Municipalities no longer provide free trapping services because when you trap and remove these territorial animals the neighboring coyotes just move in. The other thing that happens is that there are more resources for the surrounding coyotes in the area. This causes them to competitively over breed and you basically wind up with more coyotes than you started out with."

5.) *Oooh, no, we don't want more coyotes, thanks anyway, even though they eat our rats. What can we do about it then, if we ought not try to remove them?* "The best way to deal with coyotes is to remove all the food sources in your neighborhood. This includes covering trash cans and not feeding pets or cats outside. The next thing you will want to do is every time you see these coyotes you want to scare them. One of the best ways to scare them is to fill a coke can halfway with pennies and tape up the top and shake it. If you remove all food sources in the neighborhood and scare them every time you see them, typically they will push back and stop coming so close, but they will still defend the territory from other coyotes and eat all the mice and rats in your area and you won't have any of the population problems discussed above."

Well, I learned a lot! I'm still a little freaked out by coyotes, but you better believe I'm filling my coke cans with pennies and getting ready to shake it like a polaroid picture next time one comes in my sightline. A little bummed about the cat news, of course, but it helps to put it all in circle of life style context. I hope you are all now aware (ha!) of the great work being done by AWARE, and maybe feel a little bit better about our neighborhood canids, as I ever so slightly do.

Inman Park United Methodist Church Holiday Event!

"Jesus & The Beatles" will be playing Sunday, December 4th at 5 pm and Saturday, December 10th at 7 pm at Inman Park UMC, 1015 Edgewood Ave. in Inman Park.

The show is free and features an original script weaving the story of Jesus' birth w/ 15 Beatles songs, performed by a live band of IPUMC members. Donations for the Stewart Center - a nonprofit that supports strong communities in southwest Atlanta - are encouraged.

Springvale Park: Salute to Jerry Prine

By Beau Weidman • g.weidman@comcast.net

Jerry has given us a hyacinth bed. Look for blue bells in spring. They have graced yards in the neighborhood for years and have now made it to Springvale.

Because so many of SVP's azaleas bloom in spring, particularly around the time of Festival, we often overlook Georgia's summer blooming versions of these shrubs. Just around June, white blooms appear in Springvale and the neighboring yards. This is the viscosum.

Found throughout the Atlanta area, viscosum will survive in wetter areas while other members of its family clamor for 'dry feet'. The beautiful white flowers are fragrant. A lot is going on between now and June, but it is worth the wait for viscosum blooms.



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IPNA Meeting Minutes: November 16, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:30p by Cristy Lenz.
Participants: 13 online, 21 in person.

IPNA Meeting Agenda:
Welcome/Introduction of newcomers:
• Heidi from Seven Stages
• Diego – Lake Ave, helping with sidewalks

Police officers' report:
Sgt Soukup: Patrol going well. Working to add more hours, finding trusted patrol men and women. ConnectAtlanta.org. crimes through city have been solved because people had their cameras registered. No PD access reach out and homeowners check their own. Zone 5 crime suppression unit. Started crime suppression unit in zone 6. Half time in zone 6 and zone 5. Zone 6 half is in IP. Means more officers in IP. cameras/footage, and share footage.

Q: Any leads on investigation – Jay Doyle and house break-ins A: Nothing so far. Suspect may be out of the area, still active case.
Q: Murder at Piedmont Park (months ago)? A: Not a cold case, still working on, no suspect yet.

Q: Manuel's murder? A: Proceeding very well, was a murder and vehicle break-in. Very active case.

Sgt Haslam: Auto break-ins, especially on IP corridor. Video footage the most helpful. On his watch, had officer restricted in area for Inman Park, and also run a traffic cop to the area, so blue lights are in the area.

Q: Have we given a shout out to our new police chief? Great interview on radio on WABE. He was our police officer before, and we're so proud of him. A: Before Sgt Soukup Chief Sherbaum took over coordinator position about 15-17 years ago. He's got strong roots in IP. Did great things for morale in APD, police officers returning.

Minutes of last meeting: Motion approved unanimously

Announcements:
Holiday Party on Dec 2: The invite up, please register! Food, music, booze. A photobooth! Fill it out online. Can bring one guest for free, and \$35 for additional guests.

First Voices Festival: Heidi, the Artistic Director at 7 Stages and

LSP always been home and close neighbor with Inman Park. Announcing next big event, and as we reimagine our role in art community and theater artists, we are holding our next event in Inman Park at the Austin Ave Soccer field. We stand on Muskogee Creek land, and this event is about making relationships with our indigenous community members. There will be an authentic native American Pow wow hosted and fully curated by native American artist, Buffalo, with family links to Yellow Bird who own Turtle Island Trading Company in LSP. Pow wow will be held this Saturday at 9am, grand entry at noon. Money has been raised to pay dancers and curators, no cost to attendees. Evening show at 7 Stages, with members of multiple tribes. Wrecking Bar at 5pm, 7 Stages at 7pm. Tix for show can be purchased online or at theater.

Coyote spotted in neighborhood – keep small animals inside.

Elected Officials' Reports: Not in attendance.

IPNA Officers' Reports President

Secretary search, we've stood up a nominating committee, please send ideas to Cristy.

Historic Preservation 136 Elizabeth Street (Motion to support the proposal, seconded. 36 votes to support, no votes against or abstentions)

• Small addition on side- will go out 6 feet for purpose of enlargement first floor bedroom and bathroom. Window will match the windows on front of house. Already submitted to UDC, all info included. Immediate neighbors meeting, 8 attended, all supported. One caveat that the driveway on the other side of the house is not shared for use during the construction. Historic Preservation was unanimously in support.

Villa de Grip Update: Background: Started with a 2015 rezoning proposal, which was not supported by the neighborhood, or by Amir, and the council overturned the proposal. IPNA has worked with the developers for about a year and a half, and met for an immediate neighbors meeting last night. The "compatibility rule" includes a height restriction to

tallest building on the block. UDC decided our compatibility rule doesn't apply to several of the buildings in the project. We are making our case and presenting to UDC, Nov 21 Monday.

Developers were supposed to be at this meeting to present an update on the plans, but are not in attendance. Regina and Sandy provided an overview of some aspects of the project:

• Building A – variance for height requested. Glass atrium. Building already has a second floor, added before building permits. Structural changes concerning, to have proper second floor and have structure be sound, will need to raise (28' to 35'tall). They have to preserve this building, replacing windows to look. UDC said glass roof is not consistent with compatibility rule, likely have to fill this in with brick.

• Building C – multifamily (neighborhood has more issues)

• Building E – Office building (neighborhood has more issues)

• Historic Preservation has a major issues with the height. Issues with way UDC interpreted compatibility rule.



- We have already hired a consultant to review the compatibility rule and precedence. Historic designation at risk, making sure UDC is respecting these ordinances.
- UDC meeting at 4pm in Council Chambers. Regina, Sandy, Cathy, Cristy and consultants all going. Encourage others to go to show neighborhood support.
- Cathy made motion vote in opposition and submit the comments/ amendments from the immediate neighbors to the UDC. Make note of our concerns and immediate neighbors. 34 voted to support motion in opposition to the plans, 2 do not support the motion, 1 abstained.

Zoning
54-62 Waverly Way: the way city recorded the document. Making a change, if you see the difference, it's just an administrative change? (CHECK THE AUDIO)

Planning
Lake Ave Sidewalk Update:

- Visual workup on sidewalk map. Contractor bids coming in. The specifications include a concrete base and preserves the brick, neighbors are excited about the progress. Updates on the project will be socialized with impacted neighbors once bids have been received, and the committee needs confirmation about which neighbors will participate. planning@inmanpark.org

IPNA Beltline Committee information:

- This new IPNA committee has formed to talk about beltline in our neighborhood. The project is happening (city confirmed), and this committee will focus on how it looks and works in our neighborhood. Planning@inmanpark.org if you are interested in influencing/engaging with these plans moving forward.

Treasurer - nothing
 Communications - nothing
 Public Safety – nothing
 Secretary -nothing

NPU Report
 Vote: LSP Vegan and Arts Festival in May 27/28 (Motion to not support Veganfest, seconded. 26 voted not to support festival, no votes against motion).

- Event on Euclid Ave/LSP that will shut down Euclid between Washita and Moreland and Euclid to Sinclair. They held this event last year and did not provide notice to neighbors about street closures. Didn't contribute to neighborhood or flyer last year. No one appeared to present. Organizer has been engaged by business owners in LSP to solve some of the issues, she hasn't shown up. LSPA voted unanimously to not support.

Committee Reports

Festival

Transportation
 Janice Darling updates:
 Bike racks – map in the back of the room to place bike stickers on the map where you think they belong. Will be pretty. Also can participate online (posted on website).

Committee wants to do a master plan for IP. Look at traffic calming, holistically. The recent stop sign requests seem chaotic, they are popping up everywhere. Committee is working to poll and get neighborhood involvement.

- Comment: Neighbors like the stop signs on Euclid and don't want them to go away.
- Q: does this include delivery trucks and drivers and bottlenecks A: yes, hopefully. These are being mapped and considered.

Working on signal at Elizabeth and Edgewood – no longer a timed light, will be flashing red, all way stop.

Slow work at large concrete triangle at Euclid and Edgewood, not looking very good right now. The design is not complete, the city team did not finish the work. The contract needed to be amended for paving and striping around that triangle. Bike lane in mess, they know they need to fix it, waiting

on another contract to finish broader work. Committee is working with Amir, because it is not safe right now, and the city knows this. Beautification committee is also tackling this – Matt Cherry and others – are targeting getting this improved before festival.

- Q: More information about the issues with the contract?
- A: Regarding the city contract, they broadened the space of the project by about a block. Required a rework of the contract. Too big for DoT to do in house, and too small for a contractor. Iterative process with procurement with the city. Meeting with Amir a lot on this, he is aware. Trying to push it through at this point.

Freedom Park Conservancy: Master plan will be voted on in January 2023, and adopted in March.

Springvale Park Committee: nothing

Education Committee: nothing

Filming: nothing

Old business/New business Adjourn – Jonathan – NPU agenda posted, includes rezoning condo along Ponce and North. Support restriction on drive thru facilities? Will this set a good or bad precedent? Not sure. On NPU agenda for next week.

Meeting adjourned (unanimously) at 8:44.



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Agenda

December 21, 2022

IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m.

Location: Trolley Barn / Zoom

I. Welcome & Introduction of Newcomers

II. Police Officers' Reports

III. Minutes of Last Meeting

IV. Announcements

V. Elected Officials' Reports

VI. IPNA Officers' Reports

A. President

B. Planning

C. Zoning

D. Historic Preservation

E. Public Safety

F. Communications

G. Treasurer

H. Secretary

VII. Committee Reports

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Adjourn

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Check inmanpark.org the day of the meeting for any agenda updates

Want to be a part of next month's Advocator?

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



Good to Know

Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA) membership:

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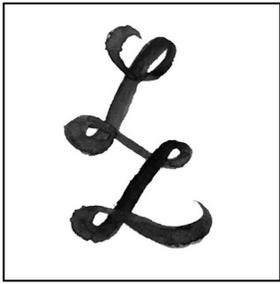
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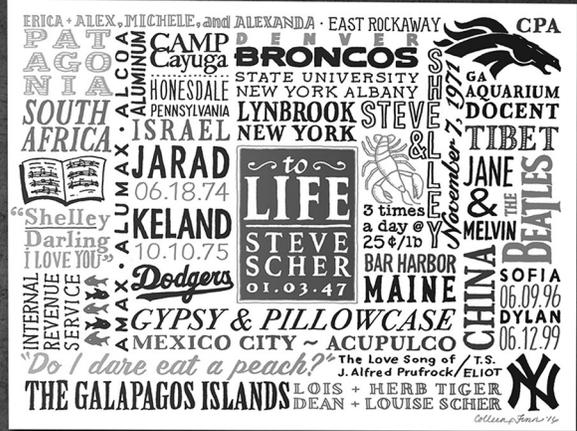
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