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# Berkeley Park Bulletin

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BERKELEY PARK

**JANUARY 2001**

## **January Meeting**

**January 15**

**7:00 pm**

**Fire Station #23**

**NPU-D Meetings**

**Fourth Tuesday of every month**

**Meetings start at 7:30**

**Agape Center on Bolton Road**

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### Berkeley Park Neighborhood Association Vision Statement

To create an area of intown living that is safe, clean and has the direction and determination to take on tasks that are beneficial to the neighborhood and its residents.

## **LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Ted Huckabee

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Hello Neighbors,  
I would like to wish everyone a happy new year. In this new year it is the responsibility of all Berkeley Park residents to become involved. As the new neighborhood president my main goal will be to get more residents involved and participating in our meetings and decisions. As you know Berkeley Park is a great area and we have a great neighborhood association but we need new faces to get involved. Our neighborhood has experienced a great deal in the last year. Many decisions that our association makes will affect your quality of life as well as your

property value in the near future. We would love to hear from those who we don't hear from on a regular basis. If you feel something looks wrong or the neighborhood is not moving in the direction you want then please attend the next meeting and get involved. Get out and meet your neighbor make our community stronger. I look forward to serving as your President in 2001. Please let me know if you have any neighborhood concerns. I can be reached by email [tedhuckabee@earthlink.net](mailto:tedhuckabee@earthlink.net) or by phone 404 609 9309. I hope to hear from and see you soon.

Ted Huckabee

## **SECRETARY REPORT**

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Due to the holidays there was no Executive Committee meeting or BPNA meeting.

## **TREASURER REPORT**

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The BPNA balance is \$602.38.  
Time to pay Association dues. Please make checks payable to "Berkeley Park Neighborhood Association". You can give your check or cash to any Association officer or mail to:

BPNA Treasurer  
761 Berkeley Avenue  
Atlanta, GA 30318

Dues are \$10.00 - \$5.00 for Seniors.

## CRIME WATCH

We need someone to fill this position!

Berkeley Park needs you! We need someone to take over the crime watch position I hold. This is your opportunity to help reduce crime in our neighborhood first hand. Please contact Ted Huckabee or David Dunay if you feel the crime watch program needs you. We cannot let this position go unfilled, if we want to continue keeping Berkeley Park safe for all.

## BEAUTIFICATION

Mari Jorgensen

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As many of you have probably noticed by now, the entrance sign at Antone and Holmes was stolen on Friday night December 15th. We hate when this kind of thing happens in our neighborhood! We are working to replace the sign, which originally cost about \$250. If you have any information about the missing sign or see any suspicious activity in the future please call me directly.

On a brighter note, you have probably noticed that the sign toppers have been installed. There are a few older street signs that are going to require some extra work to get the toppers attached. We hope to have them all up in the next couple months!

This brings us to money! Our BPNA account balance is at an all time low due to the Home Depot fight! And the sign toppers cost a little more than was originally budgeted. There are 33 signs and the sign toppers were about \$50 apiece. If anyone is interested in 'sponsoring' a sign topper, or going in together with neighbors to do so, please give me a call. That would really help the bank account.

Also, if you have not paid your 2001 dues, that would also help. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

## NEWSLETTER

Sharon Arnold

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Last month I asked for your input for the newsletter. As of this month I have not heard from anyone. I know there are a lot of creative, knowledgeable people in this neighborhood! Any and all suggestions or comments are welcome.

Remember association dues are now due. \$10 per member household and \$5 for seniors.

## MEMBERSHIP

We need someone to fill this position!

## NPU-D

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Since this is January of a new year, it's a good time to refresh everyone's knowledge of the NPU, Neighborhood Planning Unit. Berkeley Park is part of NPU-D, which is one of twenty-four NPUs operating throughout the city limits.

The NPU System was established to provide an opportunity for citizens to participate actively in the Comprehensive Development Plan (CDP): the City's vision for the next 5, 10, and 15 years. It is also used as a way for citizens to receive information concerning all functions of City government. The system enables citizens to express ideas and comment on City plans and proposals while assisting the City in developing plans which best meet the needs of different areas.

NPU-D meets on a monthly basis on the fourth (4th) Tuesday. The next meeting is on the 23rd of January. The meeting location is the Agape Community Center located on Bolton Road, .3 of mile south of the intersection of Bolton and Marietta Boulevard. Meetings start at 7:30. Membership is open to anyone 18 years or older whose primary residence is within the NPU, or any corporation, organization, institution or agency, which owns property or has a place of business or profession within the NPU.

An agenda is published for each meeting and is mailed to your home address. If you do not now receive the agenda, contact the Bureau of Neighborhood Conservation at 404.330.6190, fax at 404.658.7084, or Carl Smart, Director at eMail csmart@ci.atlanta.ga.us and ask them to place you on the mailing list.

## LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT

Brett Marsengill

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Hi, my name is Brett Marsengill, I'll be your Land Use neighborhood interest representative. I live on Berkeley Avenue near the new parking lot. I know a little about land use and feel I can contribute toward protecting and enhancing Berkeley Park's quality of life.

The development along Bellemeade is at the top of our 'active' list, meaning it's getting all the attention. We

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(Berkeley Park Residents and Berkeley Park Commercial) need not to forget other areas under pressures of development and community needs. What I would like to do this year is continue efforts towards the 'Home Depot' and look at the 'Fringe' lots of Berkeley Park. Perhaps it's time to add to our SPI-14, and encourage new commitments of compatible land use.

#### Home Depot

The Berkeley Park and the NCA have a traffic study finished. This study looks at the traffic report provided by Home Depot. The findings confirm our collective fear about the increase in traffic resulting from Home Depot. A copy is available for review, just call me at 350-0866.

#### Trees

One of the values of Berkeley Park the trees. This year I'll be pursuing avenues of documenting and protecting our trees. Anyone with interest in this please call.

Get involved, see you at our next BPNA meeting.

## SENIORS

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We have a birthday coming up. Please honor Mildred Frtiz on Sunday, January 28, 2001. Send Mildred a birthday card to 734 Bellemeade.

We need volunteers to help our seniors with electrical and plumbing needs, also to help plant dogwood trees in our neighborhood this spring. Please call me at 404-351-8288 or e-mail me at tawnchi@mindspring.com.

## E. RIVERS ELEMENTARY

Liz Jacobs

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Happy New Year from E. Rivers, your neighborhood school! We hope that everyone had a happy and healthy holiday. We at E. Rivers are ready to start out the year 2001 with a bang!

We were pleased to welcome an artist-in-residence, Karin Mervis, to our school the week of January 8th. The PTA and principal Penny Dollar have been looking for a way to visually represent our uniqueness and diversity as "Buckhead's Neighborhood School." We believe we have found a perfect way to share our school with the community. Karin Mervis and her Community Canvas program was an exciting way to start off the new year. Karin is a painter and former art director who is a native of South Africa. She works through the Georgia Council for the Arts/Young Audiences, Artists-in-Education Residency program. During the week, students had the opportunity to participate class by class and add their special touch to a 4' by 5' canvas based on a painting of our school and environment. The work area was at the front of the school so that the community could share in this exciting project.

Please stop by the school to view our special work of art.

We have been pleased with the outpouring of support from our friends, family and community for our Field of Dreams field renovation project. Many of you have donated generously and have made an impact in helping us move toward our goal. We still have a ways to go, however, and any additional donations are welcomed and will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Louise Geddes at 404-351-2436 for more information.

Tours of the school will given the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am. Please contact Liz Jacobs at 404-350-9000 or at Lizzy@bignet.net for more information about E. Rivers or to be included on a tour. We welcome all visitors!

## SPECIAL TOPICS

### Berkeley Park Wired

Did you know that BPNA has a Web site? The address is <http://www.accessatlanta.com/community/groups/berkeleypark/index.html>. And we're doing our best to keep it updated. Right now you can see the latest HD/Selig proposed plan on the site. It's also used to post the latest Crime Watch information on recent crime incidents and other great information about Berkeley Park. If you haven't checked out the site, do so soon and let us know what you think. We'd also like to hear your suggestions for improvement.

Update Your Email Address: Also, the BPNA is doing a great deal of communicating through the use of eMail. We have developed a good start on a BPNA eMail distribution list but need you to help us keep it updated and current. If you wish to receive BPNA updates via eMail that include important information on the HD/Selig issue, please verify your eMail address (home,

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And there's a Toastmasters Club right in your backyard. PIA Toastmasters Club meets in the Fellowship Hall of the Northside Park Baptist Church just north of I-75 on Howell Mill Road. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday's of each month at 7:00 p.m. and are usually over by 9:00.

At the PIA Toastmasters Club, you'll find men and women from all walks of life, both personally and professionally. You'll find a supportive group that is friendly, fun, and ready to help you enjoy your Toastmasters experience. We're a young, small club but we're growing and would like to have you join us. We encourage you to visit us at a meeting in the near future. You can visit as many times as you wish - there's never any pressure to join. We want you to feel comfortable and we want you to get as much out of Toastmasters as we do.

Join us on January 22nd to learn more about our Club or visit our Web site at [www.accessatlanta.com/community/groups/piatoastmasters/](http://www.accessatlanta.com/community/groups/piatoastmasters/).

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