



MORNINGSIDE LENOX PARK

ASSOCIATION



MLPA News November, 2018

Halloween was spectacular in Morningside, and November kicks off a busy time holiday season--the MLPA has been busy recruiting new leadership for election this month and:

1. [New MLPA Board Elected at Annual Meeting Monday, Nov. 12](#)
2. [Morningside Wine Walk Tickets Available for This Thursday, 11/15, 5:30-7:30 PM](#)
3. [Run-off Elections Tuesday, December 4, 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM](#)
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MLPA Members Elect 2019 Board

Thanks to all the neighbors who braved the bad weather to come to Morningside Presbyterian Church on Monday, November 12 at 7:00 PM for the Annual meeting. In addition to hearing the state of the association, the group elected new board members for 2019.

They also had a chance to hear from and pose questions to our Morningside Security Patrol head, Captain Ric Vasquez, and Atlanta Police Department Assistant Commander for Zone 2, Captain Patterson. Neighbors have been alarmed by the continuing car break ins, thefts, and other crime in our area. As, Ric Vasquez pointed out, criminals are coming to neighborhoods like Morningside Lenox Park because they are the most lucrative targets. The police reminded us to keep our parked cars cleaned out and to report any problems to 911 or through the new [online reporting utility](#).

Jennifer Ide, Atlanta City Council District 6 Rep, and Matt Westmoreland, Atlanta City Council At Large Rep also presented updates. The meeting concluded with the vote on the 2019 board. The outgoing President, Charlie Nalbome, thanked the nominating committee, Grant Gandy, Sally Bayless, Rachel Spears, and Vern McCarty. Retiring from the board at the end of 2018 are Nalbome, Sally Bayless, Vice President; JP Purdy, Membership Chair; David Hecht, Security Co-Chair; and Austin Hall, At Large.



Shown are: Grant Gandy, Secretary; Lynn Ayers, Secretary, Sharla Borghorst, Vice President, Charles Bayless, Parks Chair, Marianne DeHaan, At Large, Sally Bayless, retiring VP, John Ayers, Zoning Chair, Micah Coleman & Marti Breen, Communications Co-Chairs; Ben Nemo, President, Donald Campbell, At Large, JP Purdy, retiring Membership Chair, Charle Nalbhone, retiring President; and Kevin Tanner, At-Large. Shown below are late arrivals, Sarah Chatel, Membership Chair; Austin Hall, retiring At Large; and Kim Cobb, Traffic Chair.

The 2019 slate was approved unanimously. Its members are Ben Nemo, President; Sharla Borghorst, Vice President; Grant Gandy, Secretary; Lynn Ayers, Treasurer; Tosh Wolfe, Security Chair: Marti Breen & Micah Coleman, Communications Co-Chairs; Pia Colon Wirth, Events Chair; Sarah Chatel, Membership Chair; Kim Cobb, Traffic Chair; John Ayers, Zoning Chair; Phyllis Wingo, Neighborhood Watch Chair, Charles Bayless, Parks Chair; Marianne DeHaan, At Large; Kevin Tanner, At Large and Donald Campbell, At Large.



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There are Still a Few Tickets Remaining for Morningside Business Association's Wine Walk, This Thursday, 5:30-7:30 PM

The August installment of the newly organized [Morningside Business Association's](#) Wine Walk in Morningside Village was such a success, that it's coming back this Thursday, but even bigger and better!

Tickets are still [on sale](#) with the proceeds helping to raise funds for neighborhood initiatives like the License Plate Reader Cameras that connect to the Atlanta Police Department. Find out more about the event on the group's [Facebook page](#), or use [this link](#) to buy tickets and we'll see you on the sidewalks of Morningside Village, at the corner of North Highland and University this Thursday.

This time the group has planned more food, more wines, larger pours, and has added a live band to entertain guests in the space formerly occupied by Wish List. There will be several check in spots where you can pick up your passport that has space for tasting notes as well as offers from your favorite Morningside Village retailers and restaurants.



In addition to the food, wine, and entertainment, everyone attending will be entered into a raffle for a fantastic gift basket worth more than \$750! Good drinks, great

friends, delicious food, a live band, a chance to win a gift basket--it will make this the event of the fall so hope to see y'all there! Remember, ticket proceeds help make Morningside Lenox Park an even more special place to live, so come join in the fun.



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Midterm Vote Needed, December 4th

Several statewide seats are included in a run-off on Tuesday, December 4th, 7:00 AM-7:00 PM. Check the [My Voter Page Georgia](#) to find your polling location, request an absentee ballot, and track your vote.

Morningside Lenox Park Master Plan is Now Online

In the fall 2017, the MLPA Board approved a plan to fund the Morningside Lenox Park Master Plan. A committee was appointed, neighborhood meetings were organized, and the plan kicked off in January. All the hard work culminated in a plan that was approved by the Atlanta City Council in October. Thanks once again to all who worked on the committee to steer the plan to completion, including John Ayers, Kim Cobb, Sharon Ferguson, Aaron Goldman, Austin Hall, Ryan Howard, Jori Mendel, Charlie Nalbome, Susan Szabo, Magan Ward, Kari Watkins, and Randy Young. The plan is now available for all to read on our website. Please take a few minutes to review the work!

Then find an area that strikes a chord and volunteer to help steer the plan through to completion. It's only a vision until members of our community pitch in with the time, talent, and resources to make it a reality.

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Support Morningside's Commercial Districts This Holiday Season

The Morningside Farmers' Market is one of the highlights of our neighborhood! Unlike other markets that have sprung up around town, ours is the only CERTIFIED ALL ORGANIC market that ensures a livelihood for local Georgia farmers. On top of that, you can enjoy free entertainment from live musicians and special chef presentations.

In operation since 1995, the market is open year-round in the parking lot at Morningside Village. Hours are Saturday mornings, 8:00-11:30 AM. If you have not yet stopped by, make a resolution to try some of the 100% certified organic products for your Thanksgiving feasts.

Last week there were still some vine ripened tomatoes and lettuces. Thanksgiving harvests feature sweet heirloom winter squashes - one originally from Zaire! In addition there are meats, poultry, mushrooms, greens, beans, radishes, potatoes, eggplants, and more. Come taste the best Georgia farms can offer and meet the farmers who grow your food. It's a sure fire way to get your picky eaters to try something new.



In addition, Morningside businesses will be open for Shop Local Day, Saturday, November 24th. Skip the Black Friday madness and come out to ensure that the vibrant shops and restaurants in our neighborhood can continue to serve us. One of the greatest assets in Morningside Lenox Park is our business district with unique shops, services, and eateries. Come support your neighbors by shopping there this holiday season.

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2018 North Highland Candy Crawl Is a Big Hit in Morningside

Thanks to all the businesses and volunteers that supported the inaugural MLPA-VHCA (Morningside Lenox Park Association - Virginia-Highland Civic Association) Candy Crawl. The event began a few years ago in Virginia-Highland, but this year expanded to include the entire North Highland corridor through both neighborhoods.



Designed to kick off Halloween with a 'practice run', many businesses along North Highland from University to Ponce gave out candy to ghosts, princesses, super-heroes, and ghouls from 5:30-7:30. Thanks to volunteers Audrie Eidson, Jan Hogan, Scott Askew, and Joseph Edwards, for their services in helping parents and kids safely cross the streets on Monday evening.

Thanks are also due all the businesses that offered promotions to the Candy Crawl participants. Both kids and parents enjoyed specials at Doc Chey's, Osteria, DBA Barbecue, and Atkins Park.

For anyone interested in helping sustain our thriving business corridor, we have launched the N Highland Alliance to connect the merchants and neighbors and continue these great events.

Atlanta Has Easy Way to Check Right of Way Permits

The City of Atlanta, Department of Public Works permits all lane closures within the Atlanta City limits. If there is an obstruction on a neighborhood street, you can now easily check to ensure it was permitted. This is the [website](#) where the information is published monthly.

It's a good idea to regularly check the website to plan your commute. If you encounter a road blockage that is not shown on the permits, you can call 311 to make a report.

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Last 2018 MLPA Concert A Huge Success!

Thanks to our presenting sponsor, Sonny Jones, Dorsey Alston Realtors, the final MLPA Concert in the Park was a smash hit! It began with the first 50 families attending going home with a free pumpkin. There were youngsters toting their prizes and happy adults visiting with friends and neighbors old and new.

Of course, Carter Rude was there, setting up the park for the final concert and directing the activities--when you see him around be sure to thank him for having been both the brains and brawn behind these wonderful neighborhood gatherings. His band, Carter Rude & Friends played as well as the duo, John Moye and Lawson Feltman.

After the originally scheduled food truck had mechanical difficulties, Carter even managed to find



a last minute replacement--judging from the appetizing aromas and happy faces, the artisan pizzas from Southern Crusts were a huge hit.

The final concert featured a special treat as Varuni Napoli, Morningside's favorite Neapolitan restaurant, sponsored a movie, Hotel Transylvania 3. Both kids and parents were entertained by the animated monsters voiced by Selena Gomez, Andy Samberg, and Adam Sandler.

Thanks to our series sponsor, [Sonny Jones, Dorsey Alston Realtors](#), and all the [members](#) of the MLPA, these concerts are free. If you attended this year and are not yet a member, please [join](#) so we can



continue offering community building events like this. They offer some of the best, free, family entertainment in the city, but they need [your help](#) to remain a vital part of the neighborhood .

MLPA Social News

The Morningside Book Club gathered to discuss Amor Towles' *A Gentleman in Moscow*. If you love to read and would like to meet more people in our neighborhood, contact [Jill Cobb](#) for more information. All are welcome--while we are mostly female at this point, men and couples are encouraged to join us.

The MLPA Dinner Club is back up and running. Sharing a meal is a time honored way to nurture friendships, old and new. Contact [Mark Reaves](#) to be added to the email announcements.



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Zoning Committee Report

V-18-310	731 East Morningside Dr. NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-311	1764 Homestead Ave NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-330	1278 Avalon Pl. NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-331	1680 Johnson Rd NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-332	1292 Monroe Dr. NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-337	1190 Cumberland Rd NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-338	1250 Beach Valley Rd NE	Approved 4-0-0
V-18-344	1350 North Highland Ave. NE	Approved 4-0-0


The next zoning meeting will be held at Morningside Presbyterian Church at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, December 6 at 7:00 PM. The cases to be covered will be posted at www.mlpa.org/zoning/. Any neighbors interested in the outcome should come to these meetings.

New committee members are always welcome, simply come to three meetings to qualify to vote.



Half-Priced Wine
Stop by Tuesday and Wednesday for half-priced bottles from our Italian wine selection with the purchase of any artisan pizza.

Tuesday – Half priced bottles of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay
Wednesday – Half priced bottles of Montepulciano and Pinot Grigio



News from Atlanta City Council District 6 Representative, Jennifer Ide

[Click](#) to view and sign up for the latest newsletter from our Atlanta City Council District 6 Representative, Jennifer Ide. It covers:

- Election Day
- The Gulch Vote
- Atlanta Beltline Northwest Meeting
- Virginia-Highland Tour of Homes, December 1-2
- Atlanta Jingle Jog



MLPA Events Listing

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM, [CHARM Recycling](#), 1110 Hill Street, SE. Check the website before visiting for holiday schedule changes.

Saturdays, 8:00-11:30 AM, Morningside Farmers' Market, Morningside Village lot next to Nowak's. Now in its 23rd year, the market features totally organic produce grown by local farm families. Email manager@morningsidemarket.com to get on the email list and see which vendors are coming.

Saturdays, 9:00-Noon, Engel & Voelkers in Morningside Village, Coffee, Donuts, & Game Day. Stop by after your Morningside Farmers' Market visit for some sustenance and football!

Monday, November 19, 7:00 PM, NPU-F Meeting, Hillside Center, [1301 Monroe Dr. NE](#). All neighbors are invited and those 18+ have a vote.

Friday, November 16, 9:15-10:15 AM, Inman Middle School Principal's Coffee.

Saturday, November 17-Sunday, November 25, APS Thanksgiving Break. Watch for kids in the neighborhood.

Saturday, November 24, Shop Local, Support Morningside businesses by shopping or dining at local establishments and make it a habit throughout the holidays.

Tuesday, November 27, 7:00 PM, MLPA Garden Club. Contact [Marti Breen](#) for details.

Thursday, November 29-Saturday, December 1, 7:00 PM, Steel Magnolias, Grady High School.

Saturday, December 1, 8:00 AM, [Eastside Beltline 10K](#), the Stove Works, [112 Krog St.](#), registration with race beginning at 9:30 AM.

Sunday, December 2, 9:00 AM, [Jingle Bell Jog 5K](#), Piedmont Park near Charles Allen entrance at 10th Street.

Monday, December 4, 7:00 PM, Grady High School, Parent/Principal Coffee, Grady High School Theater.

Friday, December 7, 8:00-9:00 AM, Morningside Elementary School Principal's Coffee.

Friday, December 7, 8:30-10:00 AM, Community coffees with Leslie Grant, APS Board, Blueprint Church, [475 Boulevard NE, 30308](#).

Saturday, December 8, 8:30-10:00 AM, Community coffees with Leslie Grant, APS Board, Community Grounds, [1297 McDonough SE, 30315](#).

Monday, December 12, 7:00 PM, MLPA Annual Meeting, Morningside Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, [1401 North Morningside Dr](#). We will present the annual finances and slate of new board members for 2019. All neighbors are welcome but only active members may vote.

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Scene Around Morningside - MLPA Concerts in the Park Wraps





This is your newsletter. Please send us your ideas for articles, interviews, and photos for inclusion. Send them to communications@mlpa.org.

Neighborhood Meeting Schedule:

MLPA Zoning Meetings - 1st Tuesday of every month, 7:00 pm, Morningside Presbyterian Church

MLPA Board Meetings - 2nd Monday of every month, 7:00 pm, Morningside Presbyterian Church

NPU-F Meetings - 3rd Monday of every month, 7:00 pm, Hillside Facility, [1301 Monroe Drive](#)

All neighborhood meetings are open to the public and your involvement is always welcome.

Quick Links:

[MLPA](#) - Morningside Lenox Park Association website

[NPU-F](#) - Neighborhood Planning Unit F website

[APD](#) - Atlanta Police website-- we are in Zone 2

[PEDS](#) - A quick link to report pedestrian hazards to city

[City of Atlanta](#) - City's website

[Atlanta District 6](#) - Our City Council District website

Senate District 36 - Nan Orrock, Georgia State Senator

House District 57 - Pat Gardner, Georgia State Representative

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