



YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

April 2022

Spring has absolutely sprung! There are so many great events happening in and around our wonderful neighborhood. Check them out below, along with important updates. And even though there's a lot going on right now, don't forget to [join or renew](#) your MLPA membership!

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President's Note

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful time of year in the neighborhood! In the spirit of spring renewal here are three new highlights:

1. New city effort on nightlife. We are encouraged that the new mayor seems to understand the situation we and others are under when it comes to crime around areas, such as Cheshire Bridge, with the formation of the city's first "[nightlife division](#)". We continue our vigilance on the upcoming license review for Club Platinum (please see below), and we will continue to ask for your help in attending public forums to express our concern and opposition when warranted.

2. New wheels! Be on the lookout for our new MLPA security patrol vehicle after replacing the former turn-of-the-century (2000) sedan with a new 2022 navy SUV that will more closely mimic an APD squad car and give our officers better technology during their shifts. We spent \$32,000 on this new vehicle from MLPA funds that we budgeted at the end of 2021.

3. New mantra: We are volunteers. I've seen instances lately of some of our board members being berated by neighbors over frustrations that have to do with city laws as opposed to issues under our immediate control. Our board is made up of volunteers who fit this work into their day jobs and family lives. We don't make the rules when it comes to parks, trees, home variances and other topics many of us understandably take personally. The number one goal of this board is neighborhood security so please also keep in mind we may have bigger issues that take our time. Please think twice before you take out your frustration on us – and take your issues with ordinances you don't like to the appropriate city department.

Many have been asking about the status of Cheshire Bridge repair – we were glad to learn from Councilmember Alex Wan in our board meeting Monday that the RFP process is almost final and work is expected to be completed no later than October 2022. Keep reading for more details.

Have a nice Easter/Passover/other weekend!

Ben Nemo, president@mlpa.org

NOTICE TO APPEAR

City Code Section 10-48(e) requires Applicants for liquor licenses to appear before the NPU in which the proposed licensed establishment is located. You are scheduled to appear before:

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING UNIT: F

Plan to Attend: Club Platinum Alcohol License Application

Thanks to everyone who showed up at the March NPU-F meeting to make your voice heard regarding Club Platinum's alcohol license application. It was very frustrating to hear that they deferred again only hours before the meeting started. Last month was Club Platinum's second consecutive deferral at the request of the applicant's attorney, and unfortunately this can be common practice in a complicated process.

As previously shared, the new owners of the Platinum Club at 1905 Piedmont Road are seeking an alcohol license. This location has been on our radar for a while. Residents in the Manchester area have made many 911 calls to complain, in particular, about noise and illegal parking related to Platinum Club customers. Entrance to the Manchester area townhouses is frequently impeded by overflow parking at the Club along Rockledge Road. The Club does not have adequate parking as required in the City of Atlanta alcohol code.

*We encourage all neighbors who are concerned about this alcohol license application to join Monday evening's NPU meeting to weigh in and vote on whether to endorse the license or not. This upcoming NPU-F meeting will be held on **April 18 at 7:00 pm**. The meeting agenda can be downloaded [here](#).*

The NPU Zoom link for Monday's meeting is:

[https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYlduyprTouE9c3GbvSNXk-QnBIMbRu-Zg3](https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tJYlduyprTouE9c3GbvSNXk-QnBIMbRu-Zg3)

You must be registered as a resident of NPU-F in order to vote. Registration is required once a year. If you need to register, please do so BEFORE April 18. Otherwise, your membership may not be verified in time. If you use your driver's license for verification, be sure to black-out your DL# and DOB.

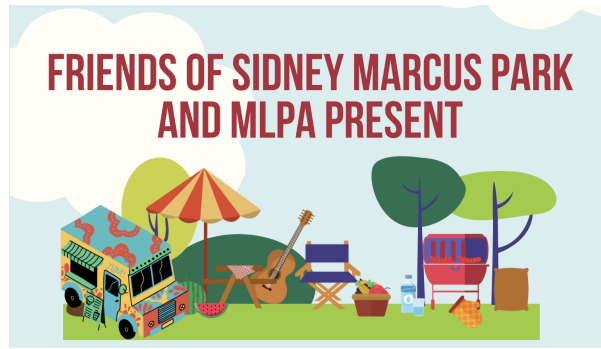
Hope to see you on the NPU Zoom call.

More about the alcohol license process: The NPU-F vote regarding the alcohol license is presented to the City of Atlanta [License Review Board](#) (LRB). The LRB then votes to accept or deny the alcohol application. As we have seen with previous applications, the LRB doesn't always vote in line with the NPU. Once the LRB votes, the Mayor has 60 days to make the final decision.



2022 MLPA Events

This year we are focusing on a few of the things that make our neighborhood special - the parks and local businesses! We are excited for these upcoming events. Hope to meet/see you there!



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Celebration of Spring

It has been a long journey since we came together as a community in 2018-2019 and raised \$100,000 for some much-needed improvements at Sidney Marcus Park. Because of this neighborhood support and the Friends of Sidney Marcus Park's (FSMP) active focus, the park advocacy group was awarded a \$100,000 matching funds Legacy Grant from Park Pride in January 2020.

Join us on **Friday, April 29 at 5:30pm at the park** to celebrate the completed renovation and enjoy the warmer weather. We have booked a terrific band, the [Larry Griffith Band](#), along with food trucks, free baked goods from FSMP, activities for the kids and other surprises. Yes, there will be a few (short) speeches from key leaders of our city parks organizations, our neighborhood and city representatives and the FSMP. There will also be plenty of opportunities to talk with the FSMP team and the architect about this major project and continued plans for the park.

So mark your calendars and plan on bringing your chairs, blankets and food truck money. What a time to enjoy the park and reflect on Morningside's amazing effort to make this happen!



New Moms' Brunch

Are you expecting or a new mom with a baby under one year? Join us for MLPA's second New Moms' Brunch on Sunday **May 1 at 10:30am at Whiskey Bird**. We will enjoy a delicious brunch and connect with other moms and moms-to-be to discuss all things baby and this wonderful (and sometimes trying!) stage of life. This event has limited seating, which will be outdoors on the patio. Open to MLPA members and non-members. Cost is \$25 to register and includes choice of entree, shared sides, coffee & dessert. [Click here to register](#) and email [Jennifer Schweidel](#) with any questions.

Stay tuned for the rest of this year's line-up. And if you are looking for a way to get more involved, we'd greatly appreciate your volunteering to help! Email our Events Chair, [Ryan Murphy](#).

- **Concerts in the Park Series** - August through October, Sidney Marcus Park
- **Morningside Parks Fundraiser Pickleball Tournament** - October, Lenox-Wildwood

- Morningside Parks Fundraiser / Tennis Tournament - October, Lenox Village Park Courts
- **Winterfest** (with Virginia Highland District) - December 11, Morningside Village

Note: Given potential delays or public health restrictions, dates and times are subject to change.



Cheshire Bridge Update

By Patrick Quinn for CBS 46 on March 29

"ATLANTA, Ga. (CBS46) - On Tuesday, a city spokesperson said they plan on reopening the Cheshire Bridge by October 31.

"We are currently in the procurement process and are hoping to have an award [for a contractor] made soon. Currently, we are still on schedule to have the bridge open to traffic by Oct. 31, 2022," said Amy Williams, marketing and communications director for the City's Department of Transportation.

Should it open by Halloween, that will mark nearly 15 months since a fire destroyed the Cheshire Bridge in early August 2021 ... " [Read the full article here.](#)

Councilmember Alex Wan shared at our monthly MLPA board meeting this past Monday that he contacts the procurement office weekly, as the process is now in contract negotiation phase (after ATL DOT reviewed and evaluated bid submittals and then forwarded a contractor recommendation for the design and rebuild). Once the contract is signed, the City can announce the selected contractor and provide more information about the project, including timeline. Then hopefully there will be an opportunity to incentivize completion.



Morningside Elementary School Update

Since our last communications about Atlanta Public Schools' (APS) plans to rezone students in the Midtown Cluster to address overcrowding at the elementary level beginning in 2023-24, there have been several Facilities Master Planning (FMP) meetings and opportunities to provide feedback. In case you missed the letter that MLPA sent to APS on behalf of some of our residents, you can [read it here](#).

We also want to be sure neighbors are aware that the renovated school building on E Rock Springs Rd **will be vacant** next school year (2022-23). Morningside Elementary School (MES) will continue to operate at the Inman facility on Virginia Ave for another year because current enrollment is too large and cannot be accommodated at the E Rock Springs Rd location.

If you would like to catch up on the most recent meetings, please see the following:

- March 22: APS Midtown Cluster Community Engagement, Inman Facility
 - Facilities Master Planning Presentation - [click here](#)
 - Watch the Meeting - [click here](#)
- March 29: APS 'Feedback We've Received' Community Engagement, Virtual
 - Facilities Master Planning Presentation - [click here](#)
 - Watch the Meeting - [click here](#)
- April 12: MES Go Team 'Discussion Providing Morningside Feedback' with APS Facilities Master Planning, Virtual
 - Watch the Meeting - [click here](#)
 - MES Community Future Use of Inman Survey Results
 - [Survey Results \(two page summary\)](#)
 - [Survey Results \(Tableau\)](#)

APS Next Steps for the FMP and Midtown Cluster: Review, Approve and Finalize Recommendations

- April 15: Final Recommendation Presented to the Superintendent
 - May 2: Board Meeting - First Read of Final Recommendations
 - June 6: Board Meeting - Approval of Final Recommendations
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May 2022 Referendums

From our District 6 City Councilperson Alex Wan

"The City of Atlanta will have two referenda on the upcoming May 24, 2022 primary election ballot requesting approval for approximately \$750 million to invest in various infrastructure projects throughout the city. Of that total, \$350 million would be funded by sales tax proceeds (TSPLOST) and \$400 million would be financed through current property tax revenues without a property tax increase (infrastructure bond) ...

... Each council district will also have \$1.5 million in discretionary funds to allocate towards additional projects that meet the funding requirements.

Thank you to Councilmember Jennifer Ide for championing these investments on our district's behalf. For a complete list of projects click on [TSPLOST](#) and [Infrastructure Bond](#), and please remember to vote on May 24, 2022."

The following are transportation and infrastructure projects impacting Morningside Lenox Park:

- Cheshire Bridge Emergency Repair (\$7m)
- Cheshire Bridge Resurfacing & Safety Improvements (\$3.6m)
- North Highland Repaving and Safety Improvements (\$4.5m)
- Monroe Safe Street (\$4m)
- Morningside Nature Preserve (\$366,769)
- Sidney Marcus Park Improvements (\$300k)
- Herbert Taylor Park Improvements (\$300k)
- Sunken Garden Park Improvements (\$300k)
- South Fork Park Improvements (\$300k)

Sign up for Alex's monthly newsletter [here](#).



FS19 Renovation on Schedule

May Reopening is Anticipated



Fire Station 19 Renovation Update

By Jack White for the Virginia-Highland Civic Association's The Voice

The renovation of our favorite firefighting and emergency facility is substantially on schedule. The station's formal reopening - complete with the return of the EMT and fire-fighting teams - is planned for late May.

The building's replacement windows are stranded somewhere in Supply Chain, USA. Their installation and the renovation of the Captain's Office will follow in June and July.

Those who drive along North Highland certainly noticed the recent northbound lane closure, prolonged a bit by untimely rain. (In construction, all rain is untimely.) The initial work in the street - accommodating new stormwater and fire sprinkler supply lines - was completed as planned. A few more lane closures - to add new concrete on the front driveway and resurface along Virginia Avenue and reconnecting water lines - will also involve detours. When the exact schedules are known, we'll share them.

Many improvements are nearly complete, including new LED lighting, new drains under the main floor (to handle the often hazardous detritus acquired on fire sites), new shower and gender-appropriate residential and bath facilities, new equipment for cleaning uniforms, and new energy efficient HVAC.

At the re-opening ceremony, we'll offer hugs and cheers for the construction contractors, EMT & fire fighting teams, and a host of city and Atlanta Fire Rescue administrators and personnel. Very high on that list are District 6 Councilmembers Alex Wan (now in his 3rd term of support for this project) and his immediate predecessor, Jennifer Ide (who was given several chances to waver but stood strong every time).

We'll also salute the endless hours provided by local citizens (Chip Bullock, Catherine Lewis, Lola Carlisle, and Robin Ragland stand out; Chip is still attending weekly progress and monitoring meetings) and the \$125,000+ in community-based funding carefully managed by VHCA Treasurers Peggy Berg and Barry Loudis. Those monies - doggedly and patiently assembled by a decade of firefighters, citizens, association efforts, and business owners (especially Rich Chey) covered the architectural and design expertise of Tom Little and his skilled colleagues at Surber-Barber.

Watch this space for details on the re-opening ceremonies - and keep the faith. We're almost there.

Parks

WE'LL CROSS THAT BRIDGE WHEN ... WE RAISE THE MATCHING FUNDS!

Current Trail:

- Sloped and uneven
- Steep incline
- Eroding
- Nearly impassable after rainfall
- Disconnected trail across Berkshire Road



New Trail with Pedestrian Bridge Addition:

- Level terrain
- Accessible for all (strollers, infirm, etc.)
- Clearly connects trail across Berkshire Road

Lenox-Wildwood Park

[The Friends of Sunken Garden and Lenox-Wildwood Parks](#) (FoSGLW) need your help! In last month's MLPA newsletter, the park group announced that they've received a Legacy Matching Grant from Park Pride in the amount of \$30,000 - to fund a portion of the cost of installing a new pedestrian bridge in Lenox-Wildwood Park that will improve accessibility and connectivity with other sections of the park and to Sunken Garden Park. If a neighbor donates \$250 now, they'll receive \$500 for this project! **To make your donation (tax-deductible through Park Pride) for the new pedestrian bridge addition, please [click here](#) and select Lenox-Wildwood Park from the dropdown menu.** Our neighborhood's parks are one of our greatest assets, and we appreciate your continued support.



Herbert Taylor Park and Daniel Johnson Park

Thanks to Morningside Elementary School's SWAG (Sustainability, Wellness and Gardening) and Dolphins Do Good venture! Friends of Herbert Taylor Park & Daniel Johnson Park (FoHTDJ) hosted more than 30 students and parents on a beautiful spring afternoon. Neighborhood archaeologists, John Mayes and Ansley Abraham, showed their ancient treasures that were left by the communities who lived in the park hundreds of years ago. After visiting some of the champion trees in the park, the group helped free some of the trees of English ivy.

And more thanks to all the Friends who came out for the make-up workday on Sunday, March 13! After abruptly cancelling the Saturday workday due to high winds, sleet and snow, an intrepid group braved the cool weather on Sunday afternoon. Thanks to all who came and helped us rebuild the trail along Rock Creek. Please stay on it when you visit to protect the native plants that are beginning to peek through. Shown below are some of the native azaleas we planted last fall that are now blooming! Take a look on your next visit.

Lastly, we have a plan! FoHTDJ, with help from MLPA, commissioned a restoration plan for the park. With more than 35 acres in this urban forest, a habitat restoration is essential. We can share the plan if you are interested and will be using it to guide our work this year. Contact visittaylorpark@gmail.com for details.





Morningside Parks Need YOU!

Parks throughout our neighborhood are being restored by active Friends of the Park groups, but **we need your help**. No experience necessary, all ages welcome, and credit for service will be provided if needed. See the following schedule for volunteering, or you can support our parks financially with a tax deductible donation through Park Pride [here](#) (select a Morningside park from the drop down menu).

- Herbert Taylor Park, Friends of the Park Workday
 - Occurs on the 2nd Saturday of each month, 9:00am-Noon
 - Meet at kiosk on the corner of Beech Valley and Pasadena
- Lenox-Wildwood Park, Friends of the Park Workday
 - Occurs on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 9:00am-Noon
 - Meet at the picnic table/grill area by the parking lot on Lenox
- Morningside Nature Preserve, Trees Atlanta Workday
 - Occurs on the 4th Saturday of each month, 9:00am-Noon
 - Visit [Trees Atlanta](#)

If you have any questions or for more information, please contact parks@mlpa.org.

MEET OUR SPONSORS



Meet LaDonna and Darnell Suggs, one of our generous MLPA Platinum Sponsors. The Suggs are proud owners of a new franchise that they brought to the Atlanta market one year ago this past spring - it's [THE TEN SPOT](#) in Morningside Village! A vibrant and comprehensive beauty bar, [THE TEN SPOT](#) blends the best of a luxury spa with the convenience of the traditional nail

But, THE TEN SPOT blends the best of a luxury spa with the convenience of the traditional nail salon and wax studio. It caters to what busy consumers want most: an exceptional experience for efficient services in a clinically clean environment. It's the ultimate one-stop shop for beauty with service offerings including mani/pedis, facials, waxing, brow and lash services, threading and more.

LaDonna and Darnell are not only business owners in the neighborhood, they are also Morningside Lenox Park residents! In 2010, they bought their first home on Lenox Road and later moved to Spring Valley Lane in 2017. They say it's hard to single out one thing they love most about our neighborhood ... from the beautiful, diverse architecture to the tree-lined streets, or the hidden parks and walkability to fantastic amenities. But if we have to choose, it would be the neighbors - and we've met so many more of them through opening THE TEN SPOT. THE TEN SPOT is our way of giving a little something back to a neighborhood that gives so much!

Check out all of these great upcoming events at THE TEN SPOT:

- **Spring giveaway in partnership with *Artichoke Dinner Club*!** Win a free [10spot facial](#) + \$50 a week in food for a month! [Enter here](#) by April 18.
- **Plant Pop-Up shop on Friday, April 22!** Celebrate Earth Day at THE TEN SPOT with a pampering plant pop-up. We've teamed up with our fave local plant shop to offer perfectly potted plants and tips to boost your green thumb.
- **One Year Anniversary Celebration on Saturday April 23-Sunday April 24!** Come celebrate this milestone occasion with us! **#FeelLikeATen** all weekend long with 10% off all services on Saturday + Sunday!
- **Mother's Day Sweet Treats Pop-Up on Sunday, May 8!** It's Mother's Day in the sweetest way. Join us for our sweet treats mother's day pamper party and pop-up shop with *Kaylee's Candy Boutique*.

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Become an MLPA Sponsor in 2022

Start the new year off as an MLPA Sponsor in 2022! We are excited to share partnership packages that will further support our work in the neighborhood. With three levels for engagement, the MLPA Business Partnership Program will connect you with our members and other Morningside homeowners and residents. Click [here](#) to see our different tiers, their benefits and to become a sponsor. For more detailed information, click [here](#) or contact our Partnerships Chair, [Mark Smith](#), with any questions.

Zoning

There were no zoning cases this month. The next zoning meeting will be held on May 3 at 7:00 pm. Any neighbors interested in variance outcomes should come to these meetings. All neighbors are welcome to attend; come to three meetings to qualify to vote. For more information, contact MLPA Zoning Chair, Rebekah Falkler, at zoning@mlpa.org.



Morningside Farmers' Market Special Updates

On April 23 from 8:00 – 11:30 am, [Morningside Farmers' Market](#) will celebrate the spring season with “Greens, Eggs & Jam,” a fun filled event celebrating spring vegetables and delicious foods made on the spot. The event will feature organic spring produce, kids’ activities, music and more! Morningside Farmers Market, known as “Atlanta’s Organic Market,” has been offering certified organic produce, local meats, breads, and goods since 1995, every Saturday morning year-round.

As the temperatures rise and the days get longer, you’ll find more veggies in the stalls, as well as other goodies. Listen to music from Parker Smith while selecting vibrant produce from Diamond Hill and Row by Rowe Farms, and eggs and meats from Grateful Pastures, Riverview Farms, and No Mad Hens. Sip on San Francisco coffee and munch on Sole’s Gourmet Cookies, Pure Bliss granola or divine chocolate from Xocolatl. Let the kids listen to “Lettuce Turnip at the Farmer’s Market,” by author Danielle Jackson, and enjoy activities from Small Bites Adventure Club. How convenient that Love is Love Farm is offering plant starts for sale – might as well grab basil for our herb garden! Dinner is planned for tomorrow with a casserole from Dandelion Food & Goods, but lunchtime is right around the corner, so why not grab tacos for the family from Maricela Vega of Chico?

Mark your calendar and join us for fun and good eating at the Morningside Farmers Market! Morningside Farmers Market’s year-round home is in the Morningside Presbyterian Church parking lot (1411 N. Morningside Drive NE). The market’s location offers a spacious, tree-lined setting for marketgoers and vendors alike.



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So much is happening! We hope you find something of interest.

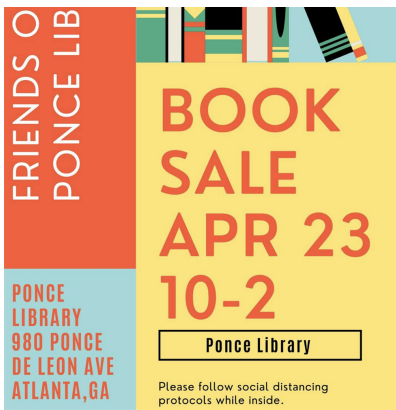


Community Easter Egg Hunt and EGGstravaganza! On April 16 from 10:00am - 12:00pm, you're invited to this special day at Haygood UMC. There will be a hunt for eggs and plenty of other fun activities for children - including a bouncy house, a game truck for older kids, plus hot Krispy Kremes and other refreshments served from the Haygood Happy Camper!



The Morningside Presbyterian Preschool (MPP) Spring Fling is back and better (and bigger) than ever! This is a community event held in the Morningside Presbyterian Church parking lot on April 23rd from 10:00am-1:00pm. It is a huge outdoor carnival with fun for the entire family. For the kids, we will have multiple bounce houses, a trackless train, carnival games, craft stations, face painting, a petting zoo, a gymnastics obstacle course (sponsored by Intown Tumbling), and a dunk tank! We will also have a Toddler Zone for the younger children. For the adults, we have Grill-Off wristbands which will get you an overflowing, delicious tasting plate from some talented preschool parent-chefs. Wristbands for the children's activities (which includes a kid's meal and drink) and Grill-Off will be available for purchase the day of the event and cost \$25. For questions, please contact [Liz Conwell](#).





Friends of Ponce Library Spring Book Sale! Come shop our Spring Book Sale on April 23 from 10:00am - 2:00pm at the Ponce Library. We are overflowing with gently used books for adults and children. Great books at a great price! All proceeds used to support our wonderful Ponce Library.



Whiskey Bird Turns 5 This Month! Join us for this family-friendly neighborhood celebration of the restaurant's five years in Morningside. On April 23 from 2:00-5:00pm, in the parking lot behind Whiskey Bird off Lanier Boulevard, we welcome everyone to drop by anytime (reservations or tickets are not required to attend). Light bites and drinks will be available for purchase (food and drink will be available from 2:30-4:30pm), in addition to live music and a face painter. If guests are planning to join us for brunch before or dinner after, we will have reservations available (but will be keeping most of our tables available for walk-ins).





Next Gen Comedy Night Benefitting Grady Cares! Please join us May 12 from 7:00-9:00pm at Red Light Cafe for a Grady Cares benefit with five hilarious, legit up-and-coming comics. A night of comedy, drinks and snacks benefitting Grady Cares, which provides emergency food, clothing and supplies to families in need within the Midtown Cluster of schools. Our organization exists only through generous donations and the volunteer efforts of neighbors. So give back to your community while having a blast with these great young comedians. Tickets are free ([book your free ticket here](#)), but donations are expected at the door. ;) Catch these Gen Z comics before they're charging \$100 a ticket!



Porchfest! Are you ready to rock in neighboring Virginia-Highland? The Virginia-Highland District has announced the line-up for their second-annual Porchfest on May 14! With 75 bands playing on 55 porches across the neighborhood, this year's event will be bigger and better than ever.

- Start your day with the Rock n Run, where you can jog across the neighborhood dressed like your favorite musician.
- Embark upon your VIP experience with an exclusive Blues and Booze brunch, along with access to the VIP bar for the remainder of the day.
- Peruse Virginia-Highland and jam to your favorite local band with a wide variety of genres.
- Bring your little ones to the Kids Corner for a bounce house, face painting, balloon animals, and other games.
- Check out all the food trucks for a tasty bite, along with a variety of local vendors to snag a souvenir.
- Pre-order merchandise to pick up your Porchfest gear ready-to-go the day of the event.

Find all of the details and more information [here](#).





Exploring the History and Trees of Morningside! On [May 21 from 9:00-10:30am](#), join docent Susan Slemenda (Morningside Lenox Park resident since 2005; retired in 2007 and found a passion for walking and learning about trees) on a tour that will explore three neighborhood parks. With both interesting history dating from the 1920s and classic trees, you will learn about the importance of the community in keeping tree canopy and promoting insects, birds, etc. Touring a neighborhood is a delightful way to learn more about the special trees, history and explore (or rediscover) the urban forest growing along our community streets and parks. Learn how this neighborhood has worked together to keep green areas by the stopping of interstate 485 in the late 1960s. This 1.5-hour tour is a leisurely walk on city sidewalks. [Register for this free event here.](#)



Morningside Elementary Rising Kindergarten Information

Rising K Dolphin Splash Event Registration Opening

Dolphin Splash will be held on April 20 from 8:15 - 10:45am. This event is for parents and students who are registered for Kindergarten next year at MES. It's an opportunity to see the school, meet teachers, get some MES goodies and get ready for the year to come!

Your child will need to be registered to begin Kindergarten in the fall at MES, in order to register for the event. If your child falls into this category, you will receive a communication from MES administration soon with a link to register for the event.

Dolphin Dive-in Kindergarten Camp

Dolphin Dive-in Kindergarten Camp is taught by MES Kindergarten teachers and is open to students registered in Kindergarten for the 2022-23 school year at Morningside Elementary. There will be two camp sessions at the Morningside Elementary Inman campus.

- Session 1: June 6-10 Theme: Under the Sea
- Session 2: June 13-17 Theme: Eric Carle

Both sessions will be from 9 am-12 pm with arrival starting at 8:45 am. \$350 per child for each week. Campers will need to wear tennis shoes and bring a water bottle and lunch box from home. Snack is provided.

See [the website](#) to register. Registration will open at 9am on March 14, HOWEVER your child must be registered for Kindergarten at Morningside Elementary before registering for camp. Contact person: [Becky Georges](#)

Additional Information

- MES Website for 2022-23 Kindergarten Roundup/Registration - [click here](#)
 - Join the MES Rising K 2022/23 Facebook Page - [click here](#)
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Morningside Elementary Temporary Noise Variances

As construction for the renovation and addition at Morningside Elementary continues, so do the temporary noise variance renewals. Please be aware that Parrish Construction Group requests weekday times from 5:00am-10:00pm, and weekend times of 6:00am-9:00pm, for construction noise, construction workers, delivery trucks and equipment operating. You can follow the progress reports and updates [here](#).

Neighborhood Meeting Schedule

All neighborhood meetings are open to the public and your involvement is always welcome. There will be a public comment period at the beginning of each MLPA Board meeting if you would like to share an idea or concern. Or just join us to learn more. We hope to see you there!

- **MLPA Board Meetings** - 2nd Monday of every month, 7:00 pm [Contact](#)
 - **MLPA Zoning Meetings** - 1st/2nd Tuesday of every month (see Zoning above), 7:00pm [Contact](#)
 - **NPU-F Meetings** - 3rd Monday of every month, 7:00pm, [Online via Zoom](#)
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Around Town




BeltLine Subarea 6 Master Plan. Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. (ABI) is updating the Subarea 6 Master Plan. The Subarea 6 geography includes the neighborhoods Ansley Park, Midtown, Morningside/Lenox Park, Piedmont Heights, Sherwood Forest, and Virginia Highland. A public meeting was held on March 22. You can watch the [Zoom recording](#) or download the [presentation slides](#). Their upcoming and previous meetings are all listed on their [website](#).

Here are some links to the updates regarding the various portions of the Northeast Trail.

- [Segment 1 \(Piedmont Park – Monroe Dr. to Westminster Dr.\)](#)
- [Segment 2 \(Central/Hairpin - Clear Creek to Buford Hwy.\)](#)
- [Segment 3 and Connector Trails \(Buford Hwy to MARTA Lindbergh Station\)](#)

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Plan to vote in every election... Vote **EARLY** beginning 3 weeks before Election Day. Vote by mail if you can't vote in person. Go to tinyurl.com/GEORGIA-ELECTIONS-DIVISION to guide you.

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Vote! As we approach the primary election in May and the general election in November, there are several upcoming deadlines for registering to vote, voting early and voting absentee by mail. Please be aware of dates, deadlines, required IDs and other details. See the graphic above for specific information. As long as voters are ready, and make a plan to vote, voting can be fairly easy. **READY, SET, VOTE!**

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