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BERKELEY PARK

SEPTEMBER 2002

**Next Meeting
September 16
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

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Hello Neighbors,

Once again the time has come for Berkeley Park to have another meeting. This meeting will be very important because it will be our last meeting before our January officer election meeting. I will be introducing several new ideas for our neighborhood to vote on as well as going over some old business. I strongly encourage you all to attend. Richard Arnold has already stated that he will not be our NPU

rep next year. The neighborhood needs people new people to get involved and this next meeting is your chance. We have come a long way with Berkeley Parks' current leadership and we need to continue in a positive direction. Please get involved. This area is growing and the association must keep up with the areas progress. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at the next meeting.

TED HUCKABEE

V.P. LETTER

Mike Cosky

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Hello again Berkeley Park. Wow its almost fall! Bring on the cooler temperatures! As you can probably tell there has been a little progress on the house of perpetual renovation but as usual work has kept me from getting as much accomplished as I would like. If only the rest of the Cosky clan were handy with a saw and hammer.

Work also kept me from attending the GRTA meeting and the BPNA meeting about the hysterical designation for the neighborhood. Before I offend anyone let me just say that I use the term "hysterical designation" simply because I think its funny. The lovely Mrs. Cosky came up with that one and I just had to use it. I applaud Dwight Glover for his hard work on this matter. I'm not sure how the building guidelines will work since the homes in this neighborhood were built between the 1920's up to the 60's or 70's but if it keeps out the suburban style Mc houses then it can't be that bad. Although, if we had to jump through the hoops of a historic district when we started our renovation, we probably would have just moved to another neighbor-

hood. Oh well, I'm really not slagging the idea and to be honest I don't even remember how difficult it would be to make changes to your home under the designation so maybe I should brush up on the facts before I open my yap!

Speaking of renovations, the Horgans next door have begun another phase of their master plan and are adding a second story to their home. With Terri's design experience and obvious good taste (she lives next to us after all) I'm sure its going to look great and I can't wait to see the finished product. Of course it will be finished before our house will. I also want to say that it makes me happy to see people like the Horgans, Mike and Deb Wagoner and Andrew Crawford, just to name a few, adding on to their homes rather than leaving the neighborhood. I wish more people would do the same.

If you saw the news flash elsewhere in this newsletter then you probably know that we may be in need of a new BPNA president so if your closet is free of skeletons why not consider volunteering for this or another BPNA office? It really isn't that hard and

only takes as much time as you are willing to give. Who knows, maybe you think you can write better than me. If so, then bring it on!

Finally, the lovely Mrs. Cosky is running an announcement elsewhere on these pages. Men, don't be fooled! What on the surface looks like a simple female bonding ritual is in fact a subversive attempt to control our spare time. If these meetings are allowed to continue we will be doing more weekend chores, watching the kids more, starting or adding to our families. The possibilities are endless. Remember, the "whining" they do will be about you and me. You have been warned.

Come to the meeting Monday sept. 16th.....peace.

TREASURER REPORT

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The BPNA balance is \$879.39. Dues are \$10.00 - Seniors \$5.00 Please make checks payable to "Berkeley Park Neighborhood Association". Send to: BPNA Treasurer
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SENIORS

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Happy Birthday to Eddie Green of 805 Berkeley Avenue who was born on September 11th.

If you're a senior and would like to be added to our birthday wish list, please call me at 404-351-8288.

LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT

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Three items this month (carrying over from last month). Our warehouse folks on Forrest Street seem to be closer to completing their cosmetic renovations. I believe the warehouse is being sectioned off to allow perhaps 3 tenants use of the storage facility. Lets all keep an eye on the developing traffic patterns of the large trucks expected to be using the facility. I will propose at the appropriate BPNA meeting a position of BPNA to contact new tenants to welcome them to the neighborhood and to try and influence them to be aware of our neighborhood concerns with traffic patterns. Overall the cosmetic renovation is a change for the better; we have yet to see about the tenants. On Verner our concerned neighbors are keeping an eye on a property recently denied a variance for porch enclosures. Finally on Tallulah / Antone Franz and Bob are presumably moving forward on their 5 unit condo. If anyone knows of any other land use items please keep me informed.

NPU-D

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Good news, I am pleased to report that a dedicated neigh-

bor has "stepped up to the plate" and volunteered to be the NPU-D Rep for next year. Bob Fehskens has indicated to me he is willing to take on this responsibility and important representative position for our neighborhood. I commend Bob and thank him on behalf of the entire neighborhood. To make sure we always have representation at NPU Executive and regular meetings, we also need an Alternate Rep. There are a couple of folks who have expressed interest in fulfilling this position to assist Bob in his duties next year. We'll update this information in a newsletter later this year.

And speaking of BPNA officer positions, I hope to see many neighbors step forward and get involved with leading our association next year. There is plenty for everyone to do. Remember, we live in a neighborhood that is beautiful and safe and it takes work to keep it that way. The Berkeley Park Neighborhood Association is only as good as each individual's effort put into it. Ask yourself, "Have a made a significant contribution to the BPNA and done my part to improve my neighborhood?" Individuals DO make a difference!

NPU-D Meetings

NPU-D meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month. The meeting is held at the Agape Community Center located on Bolton Road, approximately 3/10th of a mile south of the intersection of Bolton and Marietta Boulevard. The meetings start at 7:30 pm.

E. RIVERS ELEMENTARY

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The E. Rivers Lions are back at school and are roaring with excitement! The new school year has started out on a positive note, and the children seem happy to be back at school. We are glad to see so many new kindergartners from the surrounding neighborhoods!

The third graders at E. Rivers recently had the privilege to visit the Governor's Mansion! The children were invited to take part in a media event in honor of the September 11 tragedy. They were treated to a tour of the mansion and had the opportunity to meet Governor and Mrs. Barnes. We felt very honored to be asked to take part in such a special event.

Here are two ways you can help support your neighborhood school throughout the year! One way is to use a special E. Rivers card when you shop at Publix or Kroger. When you show this card to the cashier, proceeds will go toward the school. Another way to help is to save "Box Tops for Education" from General Mills products. E. Rivers gets 10 cents for each box top, and Publix is participating in a program that doubles the box tops. These are two almost effortless ways you can help! Contact Liz Jacobs at 404-350-9000 for more information.

As we look ahead to October, here are some important dates:

Oct. 5 - Fall Clean Up Day with Hands on Atlanta volunteers, parents and neighbors

Oct. 10 - Peachtree Presbyterian Elementary School Fair - come by and visit our booth!

Oct. 24 - Prospective Parent Meet and Greet Party - evening event

Oct. 25 - Prospective Parent Tours of the school

Oct. 26 - Fall Bake Sale - Peachtree Battle Shopping Center

Please contact Liz Jacobs to be placed on our mailing list, to make an appointment for a tour of the school, or to ask any questions about E. Rivers. She can be reached at 404-350-9000 or lizzyj@bigfoot.com. The school website is also a great source for information: www.erivers-elem.org.

SPECIAL TOPICS

Remembering Mrs. Clyde Black. Mrs. Black of Antone Street died Tuesday September 10. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends.

3rd Annual Trees Atlanta Tree Sale

Help clean Atlanta's air...

Buy a tree at the 3rd Annual Trees Atlanta Tree Sale - Piedmont Park October 19th 8-2

All proceeds benefit Atlanta neighborhood tree planting projects.

Trees Atlanta will host its third annual Tree Sale on Saturday, October 19, 2002 at the Education Complex in Piedmont Park from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The sale will feature over one hundred varieties of unusual and hard to find trees, concentrating on varieties native to the South and Georgia. Featured trees include two-winged silver bell, beech, paw paw, pignut hickory, sassafras, yellowwood and 9 varieties of native oaks. Other varieties available include dogwoods, white oaks, American Hollies, needle palm, American Elm and tulip poplars. Trees Atlanta has also combed the Southeast to find non-invasive exotics such as china fir, flame, Fantasy Crepe Myrtle, parrotia, fragrant snowbell and yellow-flowering magnolias. For a complete list of the tree varieties, visit www.treesatlanta.org.

Trees and plants are available at discounted prices and all proceeds will benefit Atlanta neighborhood tree planting projects. Representatives from Trees Atlanta will be available to answer questions about the organization, volunteering, and tree care and placement. Trees Atlanta is dedicated to protecting and improving our metropolitan environment by planting and conserving trees. Each year, Trees Atlanta volunteers and contractors plant over 2,000 trees.

The Education Center complex in Piedmont Park is located just west of Monroe Drive off of Park Drive. Follow Park Drive into the park and bear right to the Education Center.

Wine and Whine

Inaugural Berkeley Park Women's Wine and Whine Meeting:

Please come join us for the Berkeley Park Women's Wine and Whine meeting on Sunday, October 6th at 2:30PM - 4:30PM. To be held at the home of Heather Cosky, 757 Antone Street.

Please bring a bottle of your favorite wine to sip and share. I'll provide the food.

Non-drinker? No problem, I'll provide some sodas as well,

or bring your favorite beverage.

Kids? They're welcome (we have a play room) - bring them if you like, but why not leave them with your significant other and come and enjoy some down time!

Agenda? None, just come meet some of your neighbors and wine and whine all you want.

The Wine and Whine is open to all women living in Berkeley Park. Hope to see you there!



BPNA President's Sanity Questioned

Last week, the BPNA received these shocking photos of our beloved President Ted Huckabee from an anonymous source. The photos show Huckabee engaging in outrageous behavior including what appears to be a ritual dance and the shaving of some sort of numeric code into the back of his head.

No information was available at this time as to whether Huckabee has offered an explanation for his erratic behavior but two theories have been circulating among BPNA staffers.

The first is that Ted is an obsessed fan of Agent 99 from the hit '60's TV show "Get Smart" which would explain the numbers on his head but hardly the bizarre dancing.

The other theory is that the "99" on his head actually started out to be the numbers "666" but was aborted when Huckabee noticed they were being shaved up side down. This theory would also explain the satanic dance ritual in the other photo.

While it would be understandable to question Mr. Huckabee's ability to function as BPNA president at this time, it must be remembered that no official charges have been filed and these theories are just that, theories. Be assured that when we have all the answers, so will you.

With the holiday season approaching, if you are in charge of planning a party and need the services of a live band, here's just the ticket! Contact Bump at 404-388-5434. For those of you that may not know - Bump is a fireman at Station #23. His band - Collective Force - plays anything from classic to country music. They have performed with Earth, Wind and Fire and opened for people like Kenny Rogers and many more. Call Bump at the number above for more information.

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