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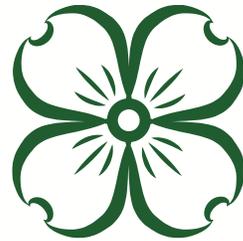
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HISTORIC BROOKHAVEN

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Mark Your Calendars

Annual Neighborhood Street Party

WHEN: Friday, September 17, 2021 from 5:30pm-8:30pm

Co-sponsored by HBNA & Historic Brookhaven Magazine

WHERE: At the triangular mini park located within the intersection of Lakehaven Dr., E. Brookhaven and Davidson Ave. NE

The Varsity, Yumbii, Kona Ice & Alcohol Heroes

Face painting and a fire truck for the kids. A live DJ, and adult fun too



New Neighbor Cocktail Hour & Fall General Meeting

WHEN: Tuesday, October 12th, 2021 from 5:30pm-8:00pm

WHERE: The Capital City Club's Seasons Room

53 West Brookhaven Drive NE, Atlanta 30319

Sponsored by Cathy Boston of HOME and Ruth Skogstad of Skogstad-Sodemann Team



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License Plate Readers – Success stories

Listed below are some facts and two of many cases which were successfully solved in large part to the innovative License Plate Reader (LPR) cameras. 24 cameras are located at all 14 of HBNA's entrances. This technology has dramatically increased both Atlanta and Brookhaven police departments' ability to investigate and deter crime, and to protect our residents. The former license plate reader system which was installed in 2018 was good, but the new Flock Safety system installed in January is better and less expensive. Some of the successes include HBNA cameras helping neighboring communities and vice versa. Flock Safety is in 40+ states and 1,000+ cities. Many investigations are pending and the cameras have played a key role.

QUICK FACTS

One of the features of the License Plate Reader (LPR) system is the ability to alert police officers in their patrol car in real time about the location (in our case the exact HBNA entrance) and direction (coming into or out of that entrance) of a suspect vehicle. This allows police to more quickly respond to the situation. The system continues to track the vehicle if it goes into other neighborhoods which have Flock cameras. The vehicle is identified as suspect from the FBI's and local databases as either a stolen license, a stolen vehicle, missing or wanted person. Flock's system also has the unique ability to identify the vehicle type and color in case the license plate can't be read by the camera.

Since first installing the LPRs in late 2018, there have been 240 alerts to officers patrolling in Historic Brookhaven, 86 of which resulted in arrests. During the first six months of 2021 there were 37 alerts, 19 resulting in arrests. The majority of these arrests were theft of stolen vehicle or stolen license, but others involved possession of cocaine, flight/escape offense, wanted person, and theft of stolen property. Because cars are most often stolen for use in future crimes, these cases likely represent a significant number of crimes averted in Historic Brookhaven and surrounding areas. The goal is to get fewer alerts meaning criminals avoid driving into HBNA. With fewer alerts, residents might wonder if the cameras are working. But the police assure us that without the cameras, there would be more incidences like we see in other parts of Buckhead.

ONE CASE SOLVED OUTSIDE OF HISTORIC BROOKHAVEN EXAMPLE:

WITH THE LPRS: HOMICIDE – APRIL 4, 2021 Officers responded to calls about a person shot near Lenox Mall. Multiple witnesses provided a similar description of the suspect vehicle, with unique identifiers related to the spoiler and exhaust. With these statements provided, officers immediately began checking LPR systems in the area and quickly identified a vehicle that matched the description provided by witnesses. Once the tag was located with assistance of the LPRs, additional queries showed the vehicle hitting multiple LPRs in the area before and after the shooting. This additional information corroborated other information received, and the vehicle identified soon became the primary suspect vehicle. Within hours this vehicle was confirmed to be the suspect vehicle and the suspects were identified. Ultimately warrants were obtained for felony murder on the identified suspects as associated with the vehicle identified through the LPRs.

HISTORIC BROOKHAVEN CASE EXAMPLE:

WANTED PERSON LOCATED – E BROOKHAVEN DRIVE - APRIL 1, 2021 Officers responded to the area of East Brookhaven Drive in reference to an LPR hit for a wanted person. The registered owner was confirmed to have an active warrant from Woodstock Police Department. The vehicle was located unoccupied, and officers walked around the residence attempting to locate the registered owner. A few moments later, the SUV was observed driving away and the officers stopped the vehicle. The driver was confirmed to be actively wanted for failure to appear and was subsequently arrested.

"I also want to point out how much the police appreciate HBNA financially supporting this system. At my recent meeting with Flock and Brookhaven Police, the attendance was extraordinary. About 12 police officers attended including the Chief of Police for Brookhaven (Gary Yandura), the head detective for crime analysis, community engagement officers, and others. Flock had several attendees as well."

Tom Mallory
HBNA Surveillance
Camera Committee





Let It Flow: Drainage Solutions Bring Improvements to Life

This spring and summer, the HBNA Transportation and Beautification / Maintenance Committees jointly launched a three-part initiative focused on improving storm water capture and disposal:

(1) Storm drain assessment with the Atlanta Department of Watershed Management engineers on sections of Club Dr., Vermont Rd., and Winall Down Rd.

(2) City of Atlanta's "Adopt-a-Drain" program for COA Brookhaven residents. (Note: City of Brookhaven / DeKalb County does not have an "Adopt-a-Drain program; instead, residents are assessed a storm water service fee on their tax bill).

(3) Proactive resident education and participation in keeping ALL of our storm drains, neighborhood-wide, free of yard trimmings, branches, and leaf bags.

HBNA Communications sent several explanatory emails to pertinent residents detailing each aspect of this three-point effort to significantly improve drainage and curb appeal.



Adopt-a Drain: How to get started!

Choose one or more drains near your home and go to: <https://www.atlantawatershed.org/adoptadrain/> for information about the program and the brief online application. Our wonderful contact is Project Manager Tanisha Lawson, TLawson@atlantaga.gov. She will email you promptly to set-up a visit to your drain(s) to assess the need for an initial DWM deep-cleaning and present you with a supply kit to aid you in your street-level cleaning. The Adopt-a-Drain program launched in the City of Atlanta in April 2019 and already boasts over 200 volunteers in all four corners of Atlanta, comprising 25-30 neighborhoods. Come join your Brookhaven neighbors who have already signed on: Catherine Mehofer and new neighbors Ron and Megan Bonneau. When asked why they jumped in to help, Ron replied, "We live in such a beautiful neighborhood that my wife Megan and I thought an easy way to help maintain that beauty was to participate in the program and take care of our drains / streets."



Good Neighbor Reminders



The City of Atlanta and City of Brookhaven Stormwater Ordinance sections that pertain to Illicit Discharges and Illegal Connections are identical in language and read in part:

“Pollutant means anything which causes or contributes to pollution. Pollutants may include, but are not limited to: paints, varnishes, and solvents; petroleum hydrocarbons; automotive fluids; cooking grease; detergents; degreasers, cleaning chemicals; non-hazardous liquid and solid wastes and YARD WASTES; refuse, rubbish, garbage, litter, or other discarded or abandoned objects and accumulations, so that the same may cause or contribute to pollution; floatables; pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers; liquid and solid wastes, sewage, fecal coliform and pathogens; dissolved and particulate metals; ANIMAL WASTES; wastes and residues that result from constructing a building or structure; concrete and cement.”

- Please have a talk with your landscape contractor asking them to cease blowing yard waste into storm drains.
- Refrain from piling branches, leaf bags, or other debris on top of or near storm drains.
- For those homes surrounding Mayson Ravine, Vermont Park, and the perimeter of the Capital City Country Club, do not blow leaves and debris into the parks. No debris on the Club’s perimeter. Do not place leaf bags, branches, etc., on these properties.



Let’s work together to create a better environment for our storm drains and enhance curb appeal! Thank you!

For the Safety of All Neighbors

Drivers and cyclists please observe the 25mph speed limit, stop signs, yield signs, and crosswalks. Non-compliance is a real and potentially life-threatening situation we face daily on our beautiful streets. Slow down, make a full stop, and watch for pedestrians. Walkers, sidewalks are your safest choice where available. In areas lacking a sidewalk, please walk facing traffic.

Transport Yourself and Join Us

The HBNA Transportation Committee is an active group who seeks to improve neighborhood safety through a variety of initiatives. We meet once a month on Thursday at 4:00pm and welcome new members. Please contact co-chairs Shelby Cobb shelbywcoobb@gmail.com or Gay Colyer gcolyer51@aol.com if you would like to join us and help make a positive difference in our neighborhood! A big thank you to current members: Gordon Anderson, Anne Culberson, Tristan Plaisance, Jim Rowley, and Susy Stovin.



Planting Roots
Troop 379 joined the tree planting efforts with the Brookhaven Park Conservancy.



Beautification progress

The CME committee will begin adding plantings in some of our major common areas this Fall. Thanks to Park Pride and the Club Estates Garden Club new plantings of native plants and bulbs will be added to Vermont Park.

The new benches are being set and the old benches are being utilized in other areas.

As Fall leaf season approaches we ask that neighbors monitor their yard crew's disposal of leaves and make sure they are not blown into the parks or the storm drains.



Camp Wieuca Service Day

Orange Ribbons for Halloween again this year!

If you are open to having Trick-or-Treaters come to your home Halloween night, we suggest you tie an Orange Ribbon on your mailbox. That way Trick or Treaters only go to the homes that are participating. **Cathy Boston**, with **HOME REAL ESTATE**, is donating Orange Ribbons throughout our neighborhood and will be dropping them off at each house.

Use them or any orange ribbon to signify you want

Trick-or-Treaters to come to your door. Feel free to be creative and festive, just make sure trick-or-treaters can see them. Ideally, get the ribbons on your mailbox a few days ahead of Halloween so that families know which homes are welcoming the children."



The Friends of Little Nancy Creek Park is sincerely grateful for the partnership with our neighbors in Historic Brookhaven and North Buckhead. Beginning in 2007, we have been able to raise over \$1,000,000 in donations, which in turn have qualified for matching grants, allowing us to create and maintain one of the best neighborhood parks in the City of Atlanta. The most recent campaign qualified for a matching grant with Park Pride, and allowed us to install a new rain garden, enhance erosion control around the creek, and improve drainage at the park entrance. Come enjoy the park! For more information on getting involved please contact Mandy LeCompte at mandy.lecompte@icloud.com





New Neighbors

Owen & Kristy Jennings	1199 Bellaire Drive	Brent & Colleen Lane	4106 East Brookhaven Drive
Russ & Kelli Pennington	1227 Bellaire Drive	Nkem & Eukay Chukwumerije	4279 East Brookhaven Drive
Regi & Yasmin Altema	1152 Brookgate Way	Ray & Stefanie Winborne	4410 East Brookhaven Drive
Ed & Sarah Emerson	939 Calvert Lane	Ryan & Suzanna Chapman	4459 East Brookhaven Drive
Maureen Greco	934 Carter Drive	Alberto Bruni	4295 Lakehaven Drive
Melissa & Trevor Shepard	4622 Club Circle	Maya & Rockmond Dunbar	4320 Lakehaven Drive
Katie & Joey Hardison	3765 Club Drive	Ryan & Justine Regnier	2893 Mabry Lane
Janet Hoover	3884 Club Drive	Mehta Keshav and Reddy Shashikiran	2830 Mabry Road
Ron & Megan Bonneau	3990 Club Drive	Sean Day and Jill Bunney	2939 Mabry Road
Jake Dale	3996 Club Drive	Marlie Davis	3718 Paige Way NE
Kenny & Kathleen Ignatowski	4094 Club Drive	Quinton Prince and Troy Zhang	3777 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd
Jay Brown	4141 Club Drive	Jon Jones	4075 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd
Meaghan & Jared Boyd	4192 Club Drive	Tenia Morris	4323 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd
Matt & Celeste Hunt	4380 Club Drive	Melissa & Justin Howard	945 Stovall Boulevard
Chris Tran	4412 Club Drive	Bill & Abigail Curvino	4338 Town Commons Circle
Joe & Patty Urban	4418 Club Drive	Brian & Rachel Greaves	3884 Vermont Road
Deborah & Mike Wurtsbaugh	4485 Club Drive	Chris & Maggie Pearce	973 Wendover Drive
Cory & Beth Crotty	4495 Club Drive	Justin Mcausland	955 Wendover
John & Whitney Kaspers	4570 Club Terrace	Alfredo Mesa and Elizabeth Elison	52 West Brookhaven Drive
Hannah & Toby Clements	4585 Club Terrace	Jennifer Mercer and Derek Basemore	100 West Brookhaven Drive
Meredith & Chris Kowal	4601 Club Valley Drive	Connor Connoly	4234 West Club Lane
David & Chris Feroletto	4620 Club Valley Drive	Ali Smith	4238 West Club Lane
Kimberly & David Sewell	4405 Davidson Avenue	Andrew & Carolyn McGhee	934 Winall Down
Hayley Sullivan	4000 East Brookhaven Drive	Brian & Allison Barnes	954 Winall Down

The Women of Historic Brookhaven is a neighborhood group of ladies that plan social activities for the neighborhood and support the Childrens Healthcare of Atlanta initiatives. While activities have been on hold for nearly 18 months due to the pandemic, new activities are being planned for this fall. Please join us for a Historic Brookhaven shop night at Poppy's of Atlanta (56 E Andrews Dr NW) on Thursday, September 16th from 6:15-9pm. Let's shop!



Women's Bible Study Group

Would you like to meet women in the neighborhood and enjoy digging into a Bible Study? The Brookhaven Women's Bible Study will be kicking off a new year on Thursday morning, September 9th from 8 to 9:30 a.m. We will be studying **Courageous Influence** published by Revell. We would love to have you join us! For more information, please contact Suzy Brister at suzbrister@aol.com.

