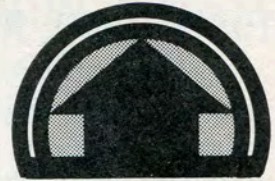


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Newsletter of the Virginia-Highland Civic Association

P.O. Box 8401, Station F / Atlanta, Georgia 30306

November, 1980

DECEMBER MEETING: PARTY AND AWARDS

The December General Meeting of the Virginia-Highland Civic Association will be held on Thursday night, December 11 in the Highland Branch Library, at 8:00 p.m.

This meeting will be our annual Christmas Party and Awards Ceremony. We will recognize the people who have given their time and talents to the Civic Association over the past year.

Effie Taylor is planning the refreshments. If you would like to help, call her at 875-6720. Also, if you know of someone who should be recognized at the Awards Ceremony for his or her services to Virginia-Highland, call me at 875-7804.

--Susan Walker
Chairman, Civic
Association

SPECIAL ELECTION

Tues. Nov. 25, 1980
STATE COURT JUDGE
-VOTE-



Photo by Orin Kell

The October meeting of the Civic Association brought together a lot of people interested in and willing to volunteer their time for next year's projects and committees. If you missed the meeting, you can still volunteer for the activity of your choice.

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

No General Meeting

22 (Saturday) Love to Susan and Charles

27 (Thursday) Happy Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

No VOICE this month

5 (Friday) VOICE deadline (for January issue)

11 (Thursday) Civic Association Christmas Party, 8:00 p.m., Highland Branch Library

ANOTHER TIME... ANOTHER PLACE

HISTORICAL ATLANTA

When relating historical events ... those moments we have been instructed to remember, but are forever forgetting ... there is the need for the tracing of events one after another -- neatly laying down one thread to pick up the next.

Therefore, putting aside dramatic flair for a little sequence and unity, this month's "Another Time... Another Place" is recognizing several of the outstanding dates and events in Atlanta's history. These events have had a definite influence on the development of Atlanta and her neighborhoods. Please take warning, this may bring back fond memories of your eighth grade Georgia history course.

- 1814 - Fort Gilmer, a U.S. outpost, is established at Standing Peachtree, an Indian village situated where Peachtree Creek flows into the Chattahoochee.
- 1822 - Richard Todd and his family settled in what is now the Virginia-Highland area.
- 1833 - Hardy Ivy, brother-in-law to Richard Todd, becomes the first permanent non-Indian settler in what is now downtown Atlanta.
- 1837 - Surveyors for the Western and Atlantic Railroad determine southern terminus for rail line from Tennessee. Settlement called "Terminus" begins to take shape around this point.

- 1842 - Passenger train service from Terminus begins with Christmas Eve run to Marietta and back.
- 1843 - Terminus incorporated as the town of Marthasville, named for a daughter of former Governor Wilson Lumpkin.
- 1845 - Marthasville renamed Atlanta. The new name probably represented the feminine form of Atlantic and was thought of by railroad executive J. Edgar Thomson.
- 1846 - The Atlanta Hotel and Washington Hall become the City's first hostelryes.
- 1847 - Atlanta's first bank established as an agency of Georgia Railroad. City of Atlanta chartered and has approximately 2,000 inhabitants.
- 1848 - The City of Atlanta elects its first Mayor, Moses W. Formwalt, and its first City Council.
- 1849 - The Intelligencer, Atlanta's first successful newspaper was started.
- 1850 - City purchases original acreage of Oakland Cemetery. First fire company formed of volunteers.
- 1851 - The "Moral Party" wins out over the "Free and Rowdy Party" in a spirited city election.
- 1853 - First official city map of Atlanta drawn by Edward A. Vincent.

- 1854 - Fulton County organized from portions of DeKalb County. City Hall/Fulton County Courthouse erected in spot where the State Capitol now stands. Atlanta Medical College chartered.
- 1855 - Atlanta streets become gaslit for the first time, on Christmas Day.
- 1856 - The Atlanta Gas Light Company officially incorporated, the City's first corporation.
- 1857 - Atlanta first designated the "Gate City" for its increasing importance as a rail center.
- 1859 - Atlanta's first city directory published.
- 1862 - Atlanta becomes a major Confederate military post.
- 1863 - Lemuel P. Grant supervises the construction of the City's defense lines.
- 1864 - Mayor James M. Calhoun officially surrenders Atlanta to General William T. Sherman, who orders Atlanta citizens to leave the City. Sherman's forces leave most of City in ruins as they began their March to the Sea.
- 1866 - New permanent buildings began to appear along Atlanta streets, and business resumes.
- 1867 - Atlanta University chartered for black students. The first Rich's store opens in a one-story wooden building on Whitehall Street. Young Men's Library Association founded, inspirers of eventual library system.

- 1868 - Atlanta replaces Milledgeville as Georgia's capital. The Atlanta Constitution founded.
- 1869 - Atlantans elect their first Board of Education.
- 1871 - First railed streetcars, horse and mule drawn, appear on Atlanta streets.
- 1873 - The City's first uniformed police force constituted. The Church of Immaculate Conception completes its new building, existing today as Atlanta's oldest church structure.
- 1875 - Atlanta's first public water works system put into operation at Lakewood Park.
- 1877 - Telephones first introduced to Atlanta.
- 1878 - Atlanta opens its first official weather office atop the Kimball House.
- 1879 - Morehouse College moved to Atlanta from Augusta. The Southern Medical College on Edgewood Avenue founded, later to become a part of Emory's School of Medicine.
- 1881 - Morris Brown College founded. Spelman Seminary established.
- 1882 - A paid professional fire department replaces volunteer fire department.
- 1883 - The Atlanta Journal begins to cover Dixie like the dew.

- 1884 - The City's first subdivision, Peters Park, developed in area now the Georgia Tech campus.
- 1885 - The Georgia School of Technology created by legislative act.
- 1886 - Baltimore Block completed, the first apartment complex. Coca-Cola introduced.
- 1887 - Piedmont Exposition held in what is now Piedmont Park, attended by President Grover Cleveland.
- 1889 - Agnes Scott College (known as Decatur Female Seminary) founded. The golden domed Georgia State Capitol completed. New electric street-cars appear from Edgewood and Pryor to Inman Park.



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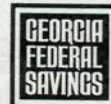
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- 1892 - Grady Hospital's original unit dedicated.
- 1893 - DeGive's Opera House opens, later to be known as the Loew's Grand Theater.
- 1898 - The famed Cyclorama painting acquired by the City and put on display at Grant Park.
- 1901 - Locomobile steamer, the first locally owned automobile appeared.
- 1902 - The Carnegie Library dedicated. The Federal Penitentiary opens.
- 1904 - Atlanta purchases Piedmont Park and extends the City limits to include that area.
- 1911 - Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and Woodrow Wilson are honored guests at the Southern Commercial Congress.
- 1913 - Georgia State University (known then as the Georgia Tech Evening School of Commerce) founded in the Walton Building in downtown Atlanta.
- 1915 - Emory University chartered.
- 1917 - Atlanta experiences its most devastating fire since the days of General Sherman.
- 1918 - Brookwood Train Station opens, designed by architect Neel Reid. The last of the horsedrawn steamers phased out by the fire department.
- 1922 - Atlantans listen to their first local radio stations, WSB and WGST.

- 1925 - The City leases (and later purchases) Candler Field for a municipal airport.
- 1928 - Air mail service introduced in Atlanta.
- 1930 - Bobby Jones, Atlanta golfer, wins grand slam of golf. Delta and Eastern Airlines initiate scheduled passenger service.
- 1932 - The boundaries of Fulton County extended with the annexation of Campbell and Milton counties and of the Roswell district of Cobb County.
- 1935 - Techwood Homes, dedicated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, becomes Atlanta's pioneering public housing project.
- 1936 - Gone With The Wind published.
- 1948 - WSB-TV is launched as the City's first television station.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

--Craig Strain
(Resource Material:
Atlanta Historical
Society)

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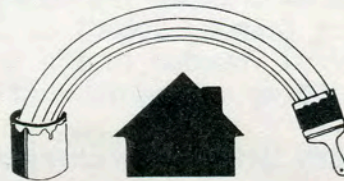
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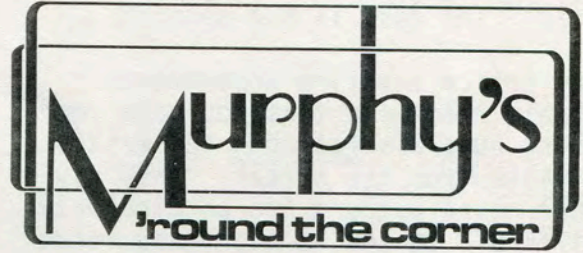
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Thursday, December 18 - Atlanta
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(Editor's Note: Special thanks
to Jennifer Chambers for gathering
this information to enrich your
holiday celebrations)

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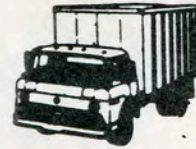
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THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW...



...that our general meeting on October 23rd brought out lots of Virginia-Highlanders who are interested in helping with some of our Civic Association projects. But we need more volunteers!!

...that Lorraine Frankel has agreed to co-chair the Virginia-Highland portion of the St. Valentine's Day Swing; the annual dance began last year with the Midtown and Morningside - Lenox Park neighborhoods. An additional co-chairman is needed.

...that Charles Longley and Jeff Whalen will be the co-chairmen of our Annual Tour of Homes this spring. They still need lots of workers.

...that Jerry Bright, co-chairman of the June In-Town Celebration, cannot do it alone. If you are willing to work with Jerry or be Chairman of the parade at the celebration, we need you too.

...that the History Committee needs a co-chairman ... that someone who perhaps cannot get to meetings but would like to organize and keep track of clippings about the Civic Association is needed desperately!

For information on all these volunteer tasks, call Susan Walker (875-7804).

...that lots of wonderful members of our Civic Association have contributed to the effort that goes into providing you with a monthly newsletter all year. Thank you to each and every VOICE volunteer.



Photos by Orin Kell

...that our next issue of the VOICE will be in January, so happy holidays to all of you from the VOICE team.

--Diane Grimes
Editor


COMMITTEE NEWS

PARKS AND RECREATION

Our community is moving closer to obtaining additional park land along the south side of Virginia Avenue between Arcadia and Barnett Street. This open land, which in past years has served as the site for the neighborhood In-Town Celebration, offers an opportunity to substantially add to our recreational area. The Department of Transportation and the City of Atlanta will be negotiating an exchange of properties - the Virginia Avenue lands for parcels currently held by the City which DOT needs for the expansion of the Downtown Connector. The City in return will open negotiations with the Civic Association to give us the use of the land as open space as long as we as a neighborhood provide maintenance and upkeep. The Civic Association needs to know your feelings on this matter.

The Morningside Recreational Center at 1053 East Rock Springs Road has announced some new programs aimed at adults. The activities include Mothers Day Out, Slimnastics, Adult Ceramics, Xmas in the Woods, and Clogging. For more information please contact Henrietta Carter at 874-0579.

A federal grant has been awarded to the City of Atlanta which has earmarked funds for the upgrading of Orme Park. The funds will be used to improve landscaping, control erosion, repair walkways and bridges, and repair existing equipment. The neighborhood survey, conducted by Bill Swint, provided the federal and city

governments with the input that was needed in order to successfully secure this grant. The Civic Association thanks Bill for all his work and thanks the community for responding to the survey.

--Jerry Bright
Parks and Recreation

**NEIGHBORHOOD
SCHOOL NEWS**

Georgia State University art students have been practicing their ability to teach art at C. W. Hill Elementary School. They must be good teachers because there has been some really interesting art coming out of that school! They are also having a "Saturday School of Arts" with Billy Densmore, from Northside High School, beginning November 3rd.

Inman Middle School has a Red Cross Club. They pattern themselves after the American Red Cross by helping those in need. They had Halloween parties for some hospitalized children and are collecting can goods for a Thanksgiving basket for some needy families.

Morningside Elementary School had a week of KALEIDOSCOPE, which was a week of an artist in residence at the school working with the children and a big night of family sharing at the end of the week. I heard it was fantastic!

All of our schools from Hill to Grady had successful Open House PTA meetings at the beginning of the year. Let's keep up the enthusiasm!!

--Jennifer Chambers