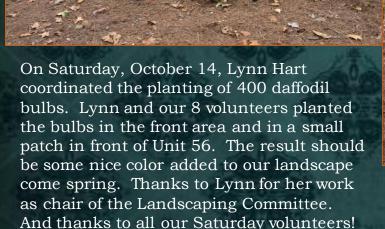
# Lullwater Latest

October 2017

Planting Now For Spring Color



## Yard Sale

Although we were still in the midst of the unusually high daily temperatures, September 23 produced a nice morning for the Lullwater yard sale.





President's Corner November, 2017

Carolyn Johnson, LEOA President

The end of the year is fast approaching. As usual at this time of year, I am wondering where the year went, and looking forward to the festivities ahead. The Christmas holidays always bring all six grandchildren together, creating a wonderful chaotic time. At Lullwater Estate we look forward to the Annual Meeting (on December 6th, mark your calendars), and the decorating of the lamp posts.

As you have probably noticed, we have been pushing ahead with needed infrastructure repairs. Our front wall is repaired and painted, and smaller projects around the complex have begun. Our front column has suffered through its coverup for what seems an endless period of time. First it took many months to find a company that could do the repairs needed to replace the historical design, then we had to go through the bid process, and finally we had to obtain the approval of the insurance company of the truck that damaged it. Just as work was to begin, the contractor scheduled to do the repairs was called to Florida to do repairs following Hurricane Irma. We are now waiting for their return and start of repairs, at which time our wall will be finished. Thanks for everyone's patience during this period.

It is always surprising to the board how expensive it has become to make the necessary repairs to our infrastructure, whether those repairs are for broken water pipes, sagging porches, dead limbs or trees, broken columns, power washing, or a good paint job. Our goal this year has been to continue providing for these needs without raising our monthly assessments, and to accomplish this goal, we have looked at ways to do some tweaking of our budget and costs. I will be sending out notifications on some of the ways we have determined to do this, so please read your email before deleting. It is important for each of you to stay informed.

I wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving and look forward to seeing you on December 6th.

## The Lullwater Pet Community

A lot of pets become familiar faces around Lullwater, so we'd love for you to share a photo of yours.



**Jack** and **Jett** belong to Paul Murdoch. (Evidently just finished their regular hike through Olmsted.)



**London** belongs to Sarah and David Kruse



**Chou Chou** belong to Penny and Joe Lappan



**Rosie** belongs to Tom Hemby (part-time)

#### REMINDER

#### For The Artsy-craftsy Folks In Our Community

Would you like to offer your work for sale to other Lullwater residents? We're considering a Lullwater Creations display table at the December annual meeting, just in time for holiday gifts. We've got some wood-turning creations lined up, but we have to believe that there are plenty of other residents with creative impulses (painting, pottery, jewelry, whatever) who can put their crafts up for display and sale. If you'd like, we can donate your proceeds to your preferred charity. If you are interested please email Robert Marshall at <a href="mailto:robertmarshall949@gmail.com">robertmarshall949@gmail.com</a>

#### Woodlands Update

## Where are the sheep?

For much of the past two months, the sheep have been happily grazing on our neighbor's property at 817 Lullwater Road (north of us, beyond the rear detention pond) where they are confined by an electrified fence. They usually return to the grotto area in the evening and overnight. As the forage at 817 depletes, we will let them return to the front pasture. We will begin supplementing with hay later in the fall.

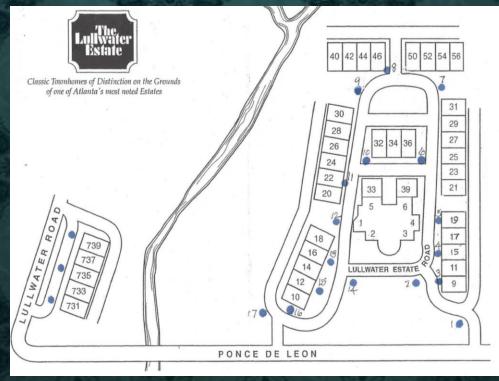


The once-thick brush at 817 Lullwater has been cleared thanks to the sheep.

#### Time for Annual Lamppost Decorating

Each year residents of Lullwater Estate adopt a lamppost to decorate for the holiday season. It brightens the property and encourages us to get out in the neighborhood during the darker, colder days ahead. If you would like to decorate one this season, please review the attached map and let Sarah Kruse (sarabkruse@gmail.com) know by the number noted on the map by November 16. In the case of more than one person requesting the same lamppost, Sarah will get in touch with you.

Please decorate your lamppost sometime after Thanksgiving and no later than December 6, the evening of our annual meeting. We'll schedule a social gathering later in December to sip some cider, eat some cookies and enjoy the decorations. Ouestions? Contact Sarah at 608.751.7437



#### When future generations ask "Why the bollards?"



- Over the last 30 years, many careless truck and van drivers have caused damage to the exit columns.
- As we're seeing now, it can be a time consuming effort to get the party responsible for the damage to own up to their liability.
- The column construction is such that repairs must be handled by specialists.
- Numerous measures have been taken in the past to prevent this damage.
- Ultimately, only the bollards have been able to provide real protection for these historical structures that add so much to the Lullwater community.

#### Meanwhile...

The beauty of our community is maintained thanks to the efforts of the Architectural Control Committee, as well as the efforts of individual residents making renovations to their units – such as the Hudsons in Unit 8 (below).



#### What I Did On My Summer Vacation

#### The Saliers in Italy

Don Saliers traveled to Italy with the whole family in July. All twelve gathered for a once-in-a-lifetime set of days in a Tuscan villa. After Tuscany, Don had several days by himself in Rome, staying with the Maryknoll community near the Villa Borghese. In addition to the Vatican, the Sistine Chapel, the Pantheon and other tourist places, many out-of-the-way places were visited, including St. Benedict's original monastery (517 A.D.) at Subiaco in the remote mountains. Here are some of the scenes.



The great pasta lesson and party. One of the highlights was a pastamaking lesson from the hostess. Pictured are the five grandchildren, their parents, myself and Patricia our instructor. Can you imagine the joy and delight, once the sauces were cooked, of sitting down to the feast?

## The Saliers in Italy (continued)



Don at the Duomo in Sienna.

Tuscany from near the villa.



Don overlooking Rome



Cleo (the youngest) at a Trattoria

#### ...and Tom Hemby in Italy

Well, I didn't learn to make pasta, but I was amazed at how wonderful the "real" Italian food is! My girlfriend Marta and I visited Rome, Florence, and Napes in September. Just a few of the more interesting experiences:



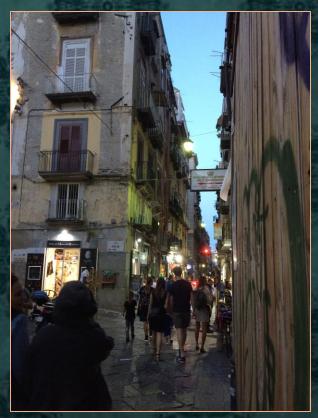
The gorgeous afternoon sunlight in St. Peter's Basillica.



Peaches in wine. e Pront Mangia trattoria, Naples.



Mussolini's bedroom in Villa Torlonia, Rome. Judging from that bed, he was quite short.



Naples is a bit strange. But the coast is beautiful and their taxi service was the best of the 3 cities we visited.

## Atlanta and Beyond

by Betsy Marvin

An old building, maybe a little shabby. Hand-lettered signs and friendly people. Hardly a seat to be found at mealtime. Modest prices and exquisite food. These characteristics we look for and sometimes find, whether on the road or here at home in Atlanta, those eateries we smilingly call, "Down and dirty!" Often they've been in families for years, while recipes are perfected but traditions are preserved. We found a fish restaurant down a broken cobbled street in Tangier, Morocco, that had all the ambiance of an unfinished basement,....and a fixed menu of courses to swoon for. The mouth waters at the memory. And Anthony Bourdain agreed!

Recently we visited such a place in an obscure corner of Topeka, Kansas, called Porubsky's. C.W. Porubsky's Grocery and Tavern has been in the same spot for seventy years. The spicy and unusual horseradish pickle vies with the scrumptious ham salad for the deliciousness prize, but they both give way when October rolls around and the famous chili is served. The minuscule neighborhood, "Little Russia," where Porubsky's sits, was nearly leveled by a developer a few years back. But the State Legislature, a majority of whose members are dedicated fans, stepped in to save the day....and the chili!

Occasionally it shows up in national publications, like *Roadfood* and *Travel and Leisure*, but it's mostly full of locals, from CEOs to construction workers to, yes, legislators.

And what do we have in Atlanta to compare? We'd love to hear your favorites! One place we stop by for lunch on occasion is the Our Way Cafe, out on West College, Avondale Estates, in a strip mall. Here, baked chicken, meat loaf, pork roast

and sometimes salmon loaf, accompanied by creamed spinach, wonderful creamed corn, spicy green beans and other vegetables, give the hungry customer pause while he or she tries not to overload the plate! For desserts, there's always room for cobblers - peach, cherry and maybe another fruit that day. And let's not forget the cornbread! Mmm, mmm! It's real Southern cooking!



We all enjoy elegant dining rooms with smooth service and beautifully plated courses, but sometimes, the little place around the corner, serving up cheerful hospitality and traditionally prepared "home cooking," hits the spot like nothing else.

What do you think?

#### Did You Know?

- ❖ Shirley Hollberg (#16) is a notary public and is glad to provide free notary services to members of the community. Please don't sign the document until you are in front of Shirley for her to see the actual ink go on the page. The content of what you are signing is of no concern or business of hers and she will not attempt to interpret, explain or even be concerned with what it is that you are signing. If witnesses are required in addition to the notary, please bring them with you.
- ❖ Violation of the entrance and exit restrictions in Lullwater (i.e., entering the exit or exiting the entrance) are a serious safety hazard. A \$25.00 fine is imposed for each occasion that a resident or resident's family member exits by car through the entrance gate or enters through exit gate on Ponce de Leon Avenue. But remember, the consequences of a head-on collision are much more severe.

#### Save the Date

December 6 Lullwater Estate Annual Meeting. Details coming soon.

Literary Ladies:

November 19: Host: Georgia Marshall, Unit 54. <u>The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society</u>, Mary Ann Shaffer.

January 18: Host: Betsy Marvin, Unit 25. Among the Living and the Dead,

Inara Verzamnicks.

February 15: Host: Carolyn Johnson, Unit 34. The Hare with the Amber

Eyes, Edmund de Waal.

• March 15: Host: Shirley Hollberg, Unit 16. Bel Canto, Ann Patchett.

(Book group does not meet in December.)

#### Men's Breakfast

Every other Wednesday morning, the men of Lullwater meet at the American Road House on N. Highland to chat about anything/everything and enjoy each other's company. Start time is 8:30ish. Next one is November 1rst.

## **Newsletter Contributions**

We would love to hear news from you, the residents, about your lives, homes, travels, families, and concerns. Please send your articles and images to Tom Hemby any time.

We'd appreciate it if you limit the commentary to 300 words.



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