

Parkwood Garden Club, Inc.
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October 1, 2011

Dear Neighbor,

The Parkwood Garden Club (PGC) needs you! We will be 60 years old in 2012 and we need your ideas, enthusiasm, financial support and/or strong backs to continue to be a vibrant neighborhood! PGC began in 1952 as an organization of 54 neighborhood women whose purpose was to grow and arrange flowers and to maintain the Parkwood neighborhood. Over the years, we have evolved into a club of both men and women still dedicated to maintaining the neighborhood, but also to promoting safety and planning family events.

During the month of October, we are asking you to either join the PGC for the first time or to renew your membership of \$40. Some of the benefits of membership are: landscape maintenance around the Park and at the intersection of the Parkwoods and East Lake Rd.; a printed directory of your neighbors; social events throughout the year; and, an all volunteer Board that meets regularly to discuss your concerns. During the past year, the Board and its committees contacted elected officials to get pot holes filled, storm drains cleaned, telephone poles removed, road signs erected and an attractive fence put up on the Park at West Ponce de Leon Ave. We continue to address issues related to noise, the health of our stream and our trees and the removal of invasive plants from the Park. Please review our great website, <http://parkwoodgardenclub.com>, for neighborhood news, crime reports, Parkwood Park updates and minutes of PGC Board meetings. We have come a long way since 1952!

Please help continue the tradition of stewardship of our neighborhood by mailing your application and \$40 membership dues to the PGC in the attached envelope. The attached budget will show you how crucial your membership is to cover our basic expenses. If you have any questions or concerns about our neighborhood, please do not hesitate to call me at 404-377-5275. Thank you in advance for your support of our neighborhood and initiatives.

Warm regards,

Karna Candler
PGC President

Parkwood Garden Club Proposed Budget - 2012

Income

Dues (90 members @ \$40)	\$ 3,600.00
General Fund Carryover	\$ 100.00
Total Income	\$ 3,700.00

Expenses

Administrative

Directory Printing	\$ 300.00
Flyers	\$ 50.00
Property Taxes	\$ 35.00
Insurance	\$ 250.00
Annual Corp Registration	\$ 50.00
Web Site	\$ 25.00
P.O. Box	\$ 42.00
Misc	\$ 133.00
Total	\$ 885.00

Grounds

Geigerscapes	\$ 1,530.00
Misc	\$ 260.00
Total	\$ 1,790.00

Social

Spring Party	\$ 300.00
Fall Picnic	\$ 300.00
Holiday Party	\$ 350.00
Total	\$ 950.00

Civic

Holiday Decorations	\$ 75.00
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Total Expenses \$ 3,700.00

Reserve/Contingency Fund \$ 5,000.00

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Dear Neighbor,

The Parkwood Park Committee (PPC) was formed just a little over a year ago with a strong commitment to restoration of our park. Over the past year we have hosted four neighborhood wide meetings to share information about the park's history as well as provided updates on our four major projects:

Invasive Plant Removal,
West Ponce de Leon Project,
Path and Native Plant Identification, and
East Lake Traffic Circle Landscape Plan.

To tackle the invasive plant removal, PPC hosted four neighborhood wide work days as well as Mondays in the Park over the summer. Over the past year you have generously donated over 500 volunteer hours and helped us remove over five truck loads of invasive plant materials.

PPC worked with DeKalb County Roads and Drainage to improve the W Ponce de Leon area and replace the chain link with a black aluminum fence around the culvert. The inlet header wall on W Parkwood was also repaired.

Volunteers chopped their way through the English ivy, grapes, briars, and other undergrowth to create walking trails along both the East and West Parkwood sides of the creek. Dozens of native plants have been identified and labeled. The paths and plants are documented on maps located on our website.

Thanks to your generous donations, the East Lake Traffic Circle Landscape Plans are now funded and implementation will begin in November. We will be adding boulders, an understory tree, and several perennials to enjoy for years to come.

How can you help in the upcoming year?

Volunteer during our work days. We still have invasive plants we need to remove from the park, paths to mulch, and general clean-up around the park.

Donate to the park. Your Parkwood Garden Club dues pay the taxes, insurance, and monthly perimeter maintenance for the park, but we need your special donations to the park to fund our major projects.

Our budget for 2012 is totally dependent on your donations.

East Lake Traffic Circle - fire hydrant meter rental and water	\$200
Invasive Plant Removal - approved herbicides	\$300
West Ponce de Leon - plant purchases and maintenance	\$2100-\$2300

We look forward to your support in the upcoming year. Please consider adding a donation to your membership renewal contained in this package.

Sincerely,

Sheri Kennedy, Chairperson
Parkwood Park Committee

Parkwood Park W Ponce de Leon Plant List

Abbreviation	Plant Name	Quantity	Estimated Price
Shrubs			
CL	Sweet Shrub	5 @\$50 each	\$250
IG	Inkberry	8 @\$50 each	\$400
OLHY	Oakleaf Hydrangea	3 @ \$50	\$150
Understory Trees			
DW	Dogwood	2-3 @\$200 each	\$400-\$600
WB	Winterberry	3 @ \$100 each	\$300
UM	Umbrella Magnolia	1	donation
Existing Trees			
TP	Tulip Poplar	Existing	\$0
RO	Red Oak	Existing	\$0
Perennials, Ferns, Ground covers			
	Meyers Zoysia		\$200
Ferns	Various native ferns		\$200
Watering Plan			
			\$200
		TOTAL	\$2100-\$2300

