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Neighbor Kathy Clark in her living statue persona at the Summer Solstice Festival in the Greensboro Arboretum.

Photo courtesy of Alex Forsyth Photography

It might seem like everyone is off on vacation, but there is so much happening here in Lindley Park!

If you've been gone, you might have missed the drone (page 3) flying over the neighborhood collecting a bird's eye view of Lindley Park for the upcoming centennial celebration (page 9). Or you might not know that 38 candidates are running for Greensboro City Council (page 8) — and that one is a neighbor (page 7). We'll soon be welcoming two new restaurants and possibly a new grocery store to the neighborhood (page 9). Speaking of new businesses, we celebrate a neighbor who's bringing authentic Italian cooking to Lindley Park and beyond.

In this issue, we'll also tell you where the cool kids will be viewing the solar eclipse and what to do with your trash. We've even thrown in a uniquely Lindley love story.

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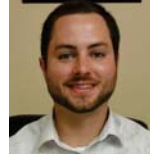
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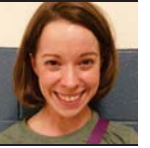
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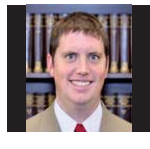
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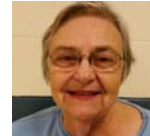
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The Columns also can be found at Bestway, Gene's Barber Shop, Lindley Rec Center, Spring Garden Bakery, the Corner Farmers Market and Common Grounds.

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DRONE VIDEO PROJECT

By Susan Taaffe

As a way to recognize our neighborhood's centennial, the LPNA asked Englewood Street resident Brian Talbert to record the neighborhood's boundaries from a uniquely 2017 perspective — from a flying, remote-controlled, digitally recording drone.

We all know what it's like to live here on the ground. That it can be a long walk from one end of the neighborhood to the other. That train horns can be heard coming from the south. That we have a mix of busy, congested streets and quiet, private ones. That we have lots of trees. Those of us who have lived here a few years know the elementary school has grown. We've seen the stores, restaurants and services offered in the neighborhood change. We see more people commuting by bicycle. If we get a good snowstorm, many neighborhood businesses will be open because they are run by people who can walk to work. Through Brian's work we will also know what our neighborhood looks like from a bird's eye view! (Spoiler alert: We have lots of trees, and there are large tracts of land between Spring Garden Street and Oakland Avenue.)

I knew of Brian's work from seeing his Facebook posts about the Latham Park skate park construction. (His footage reminded me of my childhood imaginings of flying on a magic carpet home from school instead of having to walk the whole way.) Pretty much the only other things I knew about drones were from war coverage in the news and the TV drama "Homeland." Fortunately, Brian has six years of practical experience and the skills and sensitivity to fly a drone in our neighborhood.

To record the neighborhood Brian needed clear space both in the air and on the ground (often a street) to follow and steer the drone, so he worked during low street traffic times and varied his drone's altitude to avoid power lines and trees. To preserve privacy, he flew at high altitudes over residential areas and focused more on public spaces. Brian spent considerable time this spring and summer planning, observing, amending plans, capturing footage and recapturing even better footage — not to mention the hours spent downloading, uploading and editing on his computer. He has provided Lindley Park with a fabulous record of "us" in this moment in time, the culmination of 100 years of community and a charming neighborhood story on video. One can't help but wonder what changes will come and what will remain the same.

The LPNA board and other neighbor volunteers are continuing to produce the year-long celebrations and recognition of our neighborhood's centennial. Look for the premier the video at the LPNA Chili Cook-off and Centennial celebration on Nov. 4. Until then, check out Brian's other projects at Aerial Access on Facebook and his other services at www.aerialaccess.org.



Photo captions: Brian (top) launches one of his video drones. Below is a drone's eye view of the Corner Farmers Market on a recent Saturday morning.

4 ANNUAL CHARITY EVENT

MILES FOR MATTHEW

By Allison and Bobby Greiner

Miles for Matthew is hoping for ideal conditions this year!

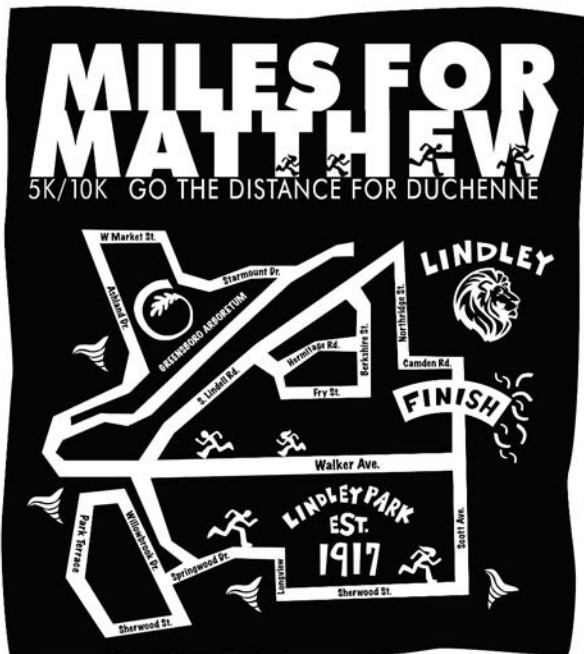
Does anyone recall the event from last year? Were any of you among the brave 189 runners or 100 volunteers who endured winds and rain last Oct. 8? Hurricane Matthew was in full force in Greensboro the day of Miles for Matthew — oh, the irony! We were humbled by the surprisingly large turnout despite the conditions. It's proof that this community is committed to the fight to end Duchenne muscular dystrophy.

This year, on Sept. 30, we are at it again, but we have ordered blue skies and a light breeze for our loyal runners, walkers and volunteers. Consider being a participant in any capacity, even if you just cheer from your front porch or lawn.

Each year, our goal is to send \$20,000 to \$30,000 to Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy, which spends this money on research for the treatment of Duchenne muscular dystrophy. In eight years, Miles For Matthew has spent more than \$200,000 on research. Our current focus is gene therapy, which we hope will give years of mobility and independence back to our son, Matthew, and boys like him.

Refer to our map logo below to see if the race will affect you the morning of Sept. 30 and thank you for your support!

To register to run, visit www.runsignup.com/Miles4Matthew.



**5K/10K runs on
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DAL MASO PASTA: BUSINESS BORN IN LINDLEY PARK

By Kathy Newsom

Originally from Venezuela, Marco Dal Maso grew up cooking with his Italian father at home and in restaurants. In 2014, Marco and his wife, Adriana, moved to Lindley Park. As Adriana started a job as a graphic designer at Volvo Trucks: Marco had a dream: to share his passion for authentic Italian food.

In November 2015, Marco launched Dal Maso Pasta with his twin brother Paolo. He cooked fresh fettuccine, baked lasagna and more from his Walker Avenue home and sold it at the Corner Farmers Market. His food was a hit, and most Saturdays he sold out before noon.

As demand grew, Marco began cooking out of communal certified kitchens. He got his ServSafe certification and started making eggplant Parmesan, pesto, marinara and mushroom sauce. Around that time he joined forces with another Italian cook, Lindley Park resident Heather Wright-Borso. Heather helped cook and sold Dal Maso Pasta at the Greensboro Farmers Curb Market. Marco also has a permanent stand at the Piedmont Triad Farmers Market in Colfax.

Marco's next goal is to sell his pasta through independent markets like Bestway and, eventually, grocery chains.

I recently sat down with Marco to pick his brain and answer some of my burning questions about Italian food.

How is your pasta different from what I would make or buy at the store?

First of all, my recipes are northern Italian style which uses much less red sauce than American dishes or southern Italian. I make a bechamel sauce for my lasagna which is made from flour, butter and milk for a very creamy sauce. I layer the main ingredient — either sauteed mushrooms or broccoli — with freshly made noodles and the bechamel.

Tell me about the noodles. Why make them fresh?

The boxed pasta in the store is semolina and water. I add fresh eggs and all-purpose flour. The pasta you get from me was made that week and has a much richer flavor and texture.

OK, so I have some kind of embarrassing cooking questions to ask: Is tossing the pasta against the wall a good way to test if it is done?

I know that some people, Italians included, throw the pasta at the wall but I do not do that! I have a pretty good feel for how long my pasta takes to cook and a minute or so before that time I start tasting it to determine exactly when to drain.

Is it better to let pasta sit in the colander to serve topped with sauce later, or do you mix pasta and sauce before serving?

I cook my sauce alongside the pot where I boil the pasta. When the sauce is almost done, I drop the noodles in the water, cook to al dente (a bit more bite than most Americans prefer) then do a very quick strain, leaving some pasta water intact and dump directly in the saucepan. The pasta continues to cook and absorb the sauce. I always serve pasta mixed in the sauce.

When you cook noodles do you break them in half?

No, never! And never cut the noodles at the table unless you are serving a baby! My father would freak out when anyone would cut the noodles!

OK, but you use a fork and spoon to twirl the noodles, right?

No. My father was always strict about that, too. You learn to eat with just the fork — no cutting, no spoon. Take your time and learn to twist onto your fork.





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MICHELLE KENNEDY, CITY COUNCIL AT LARGE CANDIDATE



By Palmer McIntyre

If you have never met Lindley Park neighbor Michelle Kennedy, now is a great time to get to know her as she rolls out her campaign for an at-large seat on the Greensboro City Council. You might know Michelle as the executive director of the Interactive Resource Center, where she has been since 2014. But you might not know that Michelle has tremendous experience in many aspects of civic affairs that have prepared her well for a position on City Council. Michelle originally came to Greensboro from her hometown of Seagrove as a teaching fellow at UNCG. She never made it into a classroom, but has spent most of these past 25 years in Greensboro serving at-risk communities and working for social justice.

Her years of experience working with nonprofits and city, county and state government agencies building partnerships and collaborating regardless of politics has laid a strong foundation for politics. She feels that it's the right moment in her personal and professional journey to make a difference at the city level.

"When you look at cities across the south, Greensboro is poised to emerge as a leader in equitable economic development and leveling the playing field," she said. "Our city is ready for fresh ideas and new leadership."

Michelle's priorities are equitable economic development; economic justice; social justice; and safe, decent and affordable housing. She wants to be sure we keep our money local and that we are using our resources as efficiently as possible. Her focus will be to build trust and have honest conversations to identify problems and work out solutions with transparency and accountability.

There's a ton more we could say about Michelle, but her record speaks for itself:

- News & Record's Woman of the Year (2016)
- Guilford Green Foundation's Distinguished Leadership Award (2016)
- Named a "Women Making A Difference" (1808 Magazine, 2015)
- Community Foundation of Greater Greensboro Game Changer (2014)

Michelle is mother to Damian, a 2017 graduate of Grimsley High School, and Maddie, a rising fourth grader at New Garden Friends School.



Find out more about her progressive platform at her website at www.kennedyforgso.com or on Facebook (kennedyforgso). Look for opportunities to meet her around the neighborhood soon. Interested in getting involved with her campaign? Sign up on her website.

The primary will be Oct. 10, when the field of at-large candidates will be narrowed to six. Election Day is Nov. 7.

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LOCAL ELECTIONS

By Elizabeth Link

Thirty-eight candidates are running for Greensboro City Council this fall. Because there are so many candidates, there will be a primary election Oct. 10. In the at-large race, Lindley Park voters will pick three candidates from the 15 names on the ballot; the top six vote-getters will proceed to the general election Nov. 7. We also will have the chance to choose among the three candidates for mayor and the three candidates running for the District 4 seat. Nancy Hoffman, the District 4 incumbent, is seeking her fourth term. The top two vote-getters in the mayoral and District 4 primary will advance to the Nov. 7 election.

There will be early voting for the primary from Sept. 21 to Oct. 7. For the general election, early voting runs from Oct. 19 to Nov. 4.

Since the last election the city council and mayoral elections have changed from a two-year cycle to a four-year cycle. That means whoever is elected will hold office for twice as long. It's a bit of a chore when there are so many people running, but please study up on the candidates and choose the ones you think will be best qualified to represent the city and its citizens. Then go out on election day and vote!

Candidates for the at large seat are:

- [Marikay Abuzuaiter \(i\)](#)
- [Mike Barber \(i\)](#)
- [Yvonne Johnson \(i\)](#)
- [Irving Allen](#)
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Candidates for the District 4 (includes Lindley Park) seat are:

- Nancy Hoffman (i)
- Andrew Belford
- Gary Kenton

Candidates for mayor are:

- Nancy Vaughn (i)
- John Brown
- Diane Moffett

Note: (i) = incumbent

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT TIDBITS

Howard Street Hub growth

The highly anticipated pedestrian crosswalk at Spring Garden and Howard streets has been completed. That should make it a little easier to pass between the soon-to-be SIX restaurants at the Howard Street Hub. **Bites +Pints Gastropub** will open soon in the former Fat Dogs location. And **Jet's Pizza** is opening a second Greensboro location in strip between **Barbaritos** and **China Cafe**. The Jet's space is 2,900 square feet and will focus mainly on take-out and delivery of its specialty deep-dish pizzas.

A new grocery store for Lindley Park?

The Triad Business Journal reports that the first Lidl grocery store in Greensboro could be in the works. City planners met June 9 with Kotis Properties officials to review potential plans of the shopping center at 3950 W. Market St. that currently includes Triad Yoga. The plan would include demolishing the abandoned Citgo at the front of the property and renovating the old Kroger store that once anchored the shopping center. Lidl is similar to Trader Joe's in terms of store size and quality of products offered.

Art Crosswalk planned for Elam and Camden intersection

The city is working with Lindley Elementary art teacher Beverly Clary to design a colorful crosswalk to connect the school with the east side of Elam Avenue. Installation is scheduled for fall.

Walker Avenue repaved

After a hot summer of work, the Walker Avenue repave is almost complete. The city added bike "sharrow" markers and delineated parking around the Corner. Additional signage also was installed to clarify parking and crosswalks.

LPNA EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date chosen for Chili Cook-off and Centennial Celebration, volunteers needed

This year's annual Chili Cook-off, slated for Nov. 4, will incorporate the neighborhood's centennial celebration. The event will feature the popular Chili Cookoff, historical displays, and music. The drone video will also be shown (see page 3). We are looking for volunteers to help with the cook-off and compilation of historical photos. To volunteer, send an email to Stephen Johnson at stephen@elamgardens.com.

Come to an LPNA meeting

As always, we encourage neighbors to come to an LPNA meeting. Our next **business meeting** is Aug. 29 from 7 to 8 p.m. at Common Grounds. At that meeting, we'll discuss upcoming events and issues. The next **general meeting** will be 6p.m. Sept. 26 at Lindley Rec Center. This meeting is family friendly and a free dinner is served.

Contribute to the newsletter

Kathy is passing the Columns torch to Kate Stilton, who will organize the newsletter starting with the December issue. We are always looking for story ideas and reporters/writers, and we're also looking for someone to take over the newsletter ad sales. If you are interested in helping with the Columns in any way, contact kathyhouseofhope67@gmail.com.

CITY-WIDE VIEWING PARTY

By Dortch Mann

This is the first time in 99 years that a total solar eclipse's path will cover the entire United States. The band of totality (the shadow of the moon as it completely covers the sun) is only 70 miles wide and is far to the west of the Triad. However, here in Greensboro, the eclipse will be at 93.76 percent, so it will seem almost total.



March for Science-Greensboro is organizing a fun, safe and educational eclipse viewing experience on Aug. 21 starting at 1:30 p.m.

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RUBBISH, HOW TO DEAL WITH IT

By Elizabeth Link

I recently wanted to put a few large items at the street for trash pickup, but didn't know if I needed to call for pickup. I called the City's Contact Center at 336-373-CITY (2489). They put me in touch with the City's Solid Waste division, which sent me information about trash pickup that I thought would be useful to share:

Recycling is collected curbside every other week. To find out which week your recycling is collected, visit <http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/index.aspx?page=468>. If your brown can is full and you have extra items to recycle, you may take it to any one of the 20 public recycling drop-off locations conveniently located throughout Greensboro. The closest station is at Lindley Elementary; there's another at Grimsley High School. (Or ask your neighbor if they've got room in their can — that usually works for us!)

Yard waste consists of leaves, grass clippings and small limbs. Yard waste should be placed in a 32-gallon trash can or bagged in heavy duty clear plastic bags. Filled cans and bags must weigh less than 50 pounds or collection crews may not be able to lift them into the trucks. If you have tree limbs or branches, they should be placed in bundles no more than 5 feet long and no heavier than 50 pounds.

Bulk trash consists of items too big to fit in your green trash container, such as furniture, mattresses, swing sets and lawn mowers. Bulk trash is collected every other week on your recycling collection day. Remember that extra bags of trash are not considered bulk items and will not be collected.

Large appliances are collected by appointment. Call 336-373-2489 to schedule pickup.

Small appliances, like toaster ovens and microwaves, should be taken to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center located at 2750 Patterson St. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. This is also where you may dispose of other electronic devices, used batteries and leftover chemicals such as pesticides and herbicides, household cleaners, paints and anti-freeze. For a list of chemicals that should be taken to the Collection Center rather than sent to the landfill, visit the city's website.

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OUR SUMMER CHORUS

By Elizabeth Link

One constant feature of summer days in Lindley Park is the rasping call of cicadas. This sound signals to me that summer is fully upon us. We'll usually hear the first ones singing late in the day in early June. As we progress into July and August, the singing becomes louder and more constant throughout the day. A full chorus of cicadas can reach 100 decibels — as loud as a lawnmower. These are dog-day cicadas, also known as annual cicadas, although their life cycle actually takes two years to complete.

The bugs are dark green to black with clear wings and green wing veins, about 1¾ inches long. The buzzing call we hear is the male vibrating membranes in their abdomens to attract a mate. After mating, the female cuts a ½-inch to ¾-inch slit in the bark of a tree branch and lays eggs in it. Eggs hatch one-and-a-half to two-and-a-half months later into a larval form called nymphs. The nymphs fall to the ground, burrow into the soil and start feeding on tree roots. They emerge two years later in mid-summer as a brown, wingless bug, which climbs up onto a plant and molts into a winged adult. They leave behind a brown shell that looks like a bug. Many of us have found these shells still attached to trees or plants. Adults live four to six weeks.

There are also periodic cicadas, with 30 different species in the United States, all with a 13- or 17-year life cycle. These tend to inhabit much smaller areas and are much less common. A brood of 17-year cicadas last emerged in Greensboro in 2013 in a neighborhood north of Friendly Avenue. For a time the air was filled with thousands of flying cicadas, trees and fences were dotted with the shells of nymphs, and dead bugs littered the streets.

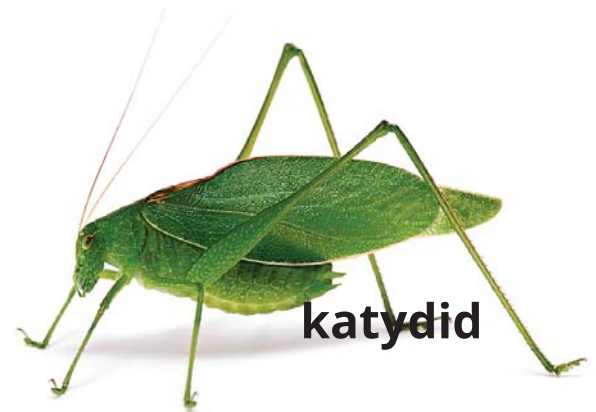
Cicada calling gets loudest in the evening, and they stop calling as dusk falls. But as they stop calling, another insect, the katydid, starts calling and continues through most of the night. It's a three-syllable call that sounds similar to their name — "ka-ty-did." The scientific name for this bug is *Pterophylla camellifolia*, known as the true katydid. They're about two inches long, bright green and shaped like a leaf. They're well camouflaged for a life up among the leaves of trees, and it's why you're much more likely to hear them than to see them. Katydid are related to crickets and grasshoppers and have the same sort of long legs for jumping. Females lay their eggs in crevices in the bark of trees. The nymphs hatch the following spring and go through five stages before emerging as adults later in the summer.

Katydid start singing a little later in the year than cicadas — in late June, after the summer solstice. They, too, can raise quite a racket. While the cicadas will continue singing only through early September, katydids will continue singing in the night until the late fall or the first heavy frost.

If you're interested in digging more into the lives of these bugs, visit the website www.entnemdept.ufl.edu/walker/buzz. It's a big site that contains information about many bugs, including pictures, recordings of calls, and links to other bug-related websites.



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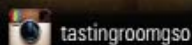
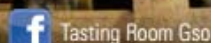
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FOR THE LOVE OF LINDLEY

By Rebecca Medendorp

Ours is a love story across the neighborhood. My husband Mark and I moved to Lindley Park after a tumultuous long-distance relationship where I lived in NYC and he lived here in Greensboro's Fisher Park. We knew we wanted to live in Lindley Park, because of the charm of the older houses and the true neighborhood feel. But buying a house when only one of you lives here is a major challenge.

After many not-so-great viewings we fell in love with a two-story home that was being sold because the owner was moving to an assisted living facility. It was in amazing condition, and we had the good fortune of the first contract on the house falling through. Patti Eckard, of course, was the Realtor who had listed the house. Her husband, Bill, showed us around at the open house.

We moved into our new home in June 2010. Having

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Rebecca and Mark's engagement day.

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I am not really sure what was said next — maybe it was heat or the shock, or maybe I was still trying to decide if he really did sprain his ankle — but I said yes. There we were in one of the most beautiful sections of our neighborhood crying, laughing and sweating for joy. We decided to walk home, and a friendly passer-by took our engagement photo, running clothes and all. Less than a year later we were married in the gazebo in the Arboretum just a few hundred yards from where we were engaged.

Lindley Park is not only our neighborhood, but it is our love story. Two kids and two cats later, I don't think we could imagine living anywhere else.



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