

Atlanta Memorial Park Conservancy

Peachtree Creek Gets Some TLC



On Saturday, March 1, 2014 80 volunteers gathered in Atlanta Memorial Park for the First Annual Peachtree Creek Cleanup Day. Partnering with Chattahoochee Riverkeeper (CRK), AMPC recruited volunteers from AMPC & CRK, Castlewood Civic Association, Springlake Civic Association, Brandon Civic Association, Wildwood Civic Association, Peachtree Battle Alliance, Memorial Park Neighborhood Association, Friends of Bobby Jones Golf Course, Diplomatic Leadership Corps, Pollack Shores and PSREG/Matrix Residential.

Among the **2.3 tons** of trash removed from the water: a shopping cart, 37 tires (weighing 832 lbs.), hub caps, a car bumper, clothing, shoes, metal pipes, gutters, appliances, plastic bottles, golf balls and a golf club.

The cleanup effort focused on the 2 mile stretch of Peachtree and Tanyard Creek that run through Atlanta Memorial Park from Colonial Homes to Howell Mill. Both creeks funnel water from an immense natural drainage basin that serves some

55,000 acres of land ranging from Decatur to Dunwoody and are highly contaminated with garbage and debris.

The Atlanta Memorial Park Conservancy aims to create a Master Plan for the property that currently includes Bobby Jones Golf Course, Bitsy Grant Tennis Center and Atlanta Memorial Park (the "Park"). The Master Plan will focus, among other things, on solutions to improve conditions on those segments of Peachtree Creek and Tanyard Creek running through the Park, including storm water management and flood mitigation; restoration and preservation of creek beds to prevent further erosion; and management of sewer-related issues.

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