

BUS # 253

In service from 1954 - 1974



1955 GMC

*Operated by the
Atlanta Transit Company*



**1963 GMC
'City Slicker'**



BUS # 946



**1988 Flxible
BUS # 3360**



**1996 New Flyer
BUS # 2701**



**2013 New Flyer XN40
BUS #1401**

LOOKING BACK ON 35 YEARS...



- 1972 MARTA purchases *Atlanta Transit Company* for \$13 million.
- 1979 Operation begins on MARTA rail system
- 1999 Most recent MARTA station opens at North Springs.
- 2006 (July) all 38 MARTA stations converted to Breeze Card digital fare system
- 2014 The new Atlanta Streetcar will begin service from downtown to the Sweet Auburn district.

1979:

Popular Movies: Superman, Alien, Kramer vs. Kramer, The Deer Hunter

Popular Singers: Blondie, Donna Summer, Gloria Gaynor, Village People.

U.S. President: Jimmy Carter

Average Wage: \$17,500 per year

Avg. House Price: \$58,100

Avg. Monthly Rent: \$280

Fuel Cost per Gallon: 86¢

Technology:

- Sony introduced the Walkman for \$200.
- Philips demonstrates the Compact Disc for first time.
- Voyager I reveals Jupiter's rings.
- VisiCalc becomes first SpreadSheet program.
- First commercial cellular network by NTT

1988:

Popular Movies: Rain Man, Big, A Fish Called Wanda.

Popular Singers: Enya, Robert Palmer, U2

U.S. President: Ronald Reagan

Average Wage: \$24,450 per year

Avg. House Price: \$91,600

Avg. Monthly Rent: \$420

Fuel Cost per Gallon: 91¢

Technology:

- First transatlantic fibre optic cable laid able to carry 40,000 telephone calls simultaneously.
- Stephen Hawking Published: "A Brief History of Time".
- The Morris worm, first computer worm distributed via the internet, is launched from MIT.

1996:

Popular Movies: Mission: Impossible, Independence Day, Jerry McGuire.

Popular Singers: Spice Girls, Mariah Carey, Eric Clapton.

U.S. President: Bill Clinton

Average Wage: \$36,300 per year

Avg. House Price: \$118,200

Avg. Monthly Rent: \$554

Fuel Cost per Gallon: \$1.22

Technology:

- eBay started.
- IBM's 'Deep Blue' defeats chess champ Gary Kasparov.
- MSNBC 24-Hr News launched.
- DVDs are launched in Japan and internet users top 10 million.

2013:

Popular Movies: Gravity, 12 Years a Slave, Frozen.

Popular Singers: Lorde, Bruno Mars, Beyonce.

U.S. President: Barack Obama

Average Wage: \$44,321 per year

Avg. House Price: \$317,600

Avg. Monthly Rent: \$1,100

Fuel Cost per Gallon: \$3.69

Technology:

- Discovery of numerous Earthlike exoplanets.
- Development of viable lab-grown ears, teeth, livers & blood vessels
- Successful new treatments for diseases such as HIV, Usher syndrome and leukodystrophy.
- Major expansion in capabilities of 3D printing and autonomous cars.