

APARTMENT OF THE WEEK

# Highlands of West Village

'Live, work, play' sums it up nicely

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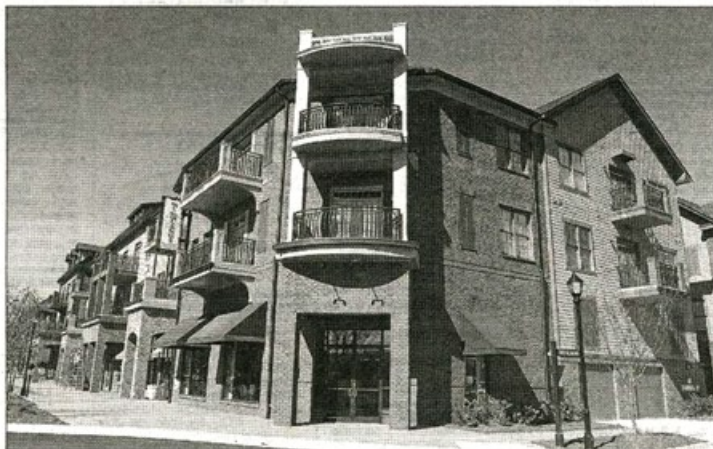
For Jerred Morris, Highlands of West Village combines an old love — the Vinings area — and a new passion: the walking lifestyle.

His apartment is one flight up from the commercial level of this mixed-use development under construction in south Cobb County.

"The Highlands of West Village ad says, 'live, work, play,' and that's basically what I do," the 26-year-old says. "I own my own business, ... and I do everything out of my home office."

When he needs a coffee break, he walks down to the new on-site Starbucks. And with the community's commercial spaces filling up, soon Morris and his neighbors will be steps away from shops, galleries, restaurants and night-spots.

Morris' office is in his one-bedroom apartment's bonus



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Highlands of West Village features a clubroom with plasma TVs and a wine-tasting lounge. There's also a fitness center.

room, or den as it's called in the community's literature. Other residents use the den as a guest room, media room or home gym.

Three other floor plans offer an optional bonus space that can serve as an extra bedroom, thanks to a private or dedicated bath.

As for Highlands' location

just outside I-285, Morris says, "I don't think you can beat it. You get intown living without the intown traffic." He enjoys being able to see the Atlanta skyline from his balcony, and within 20 minutes of off-highway driving in moderate traffic, he can be in the heart of downtown.

Near Highlands are the up-scale retailers and eateries of Ivy Walk, and some of Atlanta's best shopping — at Vinings Jubilee, Cobb Galleria, Cumberland Mall, Lenox Square and Phipps Plaza — is within a 15-minute drive.

Highlands' amenities package is tailored to sophisticated young professionals. Wi-Fi access is available in the pool area as well as the business center. In the clubroom are plasma TVs, a wine-tasting lounge and a professional kitchen/bar with a latte maker. The fitness center includes a room for yoga and Pilates, and meditation gardens provide a quiet retreat outdoors.

Morris says Highlands' customer service is top-notch. "Anytime you call downstairs, they're more than willing to help you with whatever you need."

For a fee, the staff will provide concierge services including valet trash pickup, dry-cleaning pickup and dog walking.

**AT A GLANCE**

**Address:** 4600 W. Village Place, Smyrna, Suite 4001

**County:** Cobb

**Information:** 770-432-0456;  
[www.highlandsofwestvillage.com](http://www.highlandsofwestvillage.com)

**Year built:** under construction

**Rent** (subject to change): one-, two- and three-bedroom (680-2,664 square feet) \$895-\$2,290

**Fees:** application, \$50; administration \$150; remote, \$50; trash service, \$25 a month; pet (with restrictions), \$400

**Managed by:** RAM Partners

**Number of units:** 292 when complete

**Amenities:** pool with cabana and grills (under construction), clubroom, cyberlounge, meditation gardens, clothes care center, controlled-access parking deck; some units offer sunroom, loft, den courtyard; townhomes have private garage

**Units for disabled:** yes

**Public transit:** no

**Schools:** Nickajack Elementary, Campb Middle, Campbell High

**More on schools:** visit [www.ajchomefinder.com/schoolguide](http://www.ajchomefinder.com/schoolguide)

**Getting there:** From downtown Atlanta, northwest on Marietta Street. Turn right on Marietta Boulevard, which becomes Atlanta Road. The community is just outside I-285 on the left. Map on Page 2