

25 YEARS AGO

THE GREAT FULTON BAG & COTTON MILL FIRE



KYLE F. BIDLACK

April 12, 1999 is a day that will not soon be forgotten. It is believed the fire started on the fourth or fifth floor. A small pile of debris had caught fire on the south side of Mill Building No.1. The initial alarm was sounded at 2:37p.

Atlanta Fire Department Station 10 responded quickly and as they rolled over the I-20 bridge – northbound on Boulevard – they could already see black smoke billowing from the mill building.

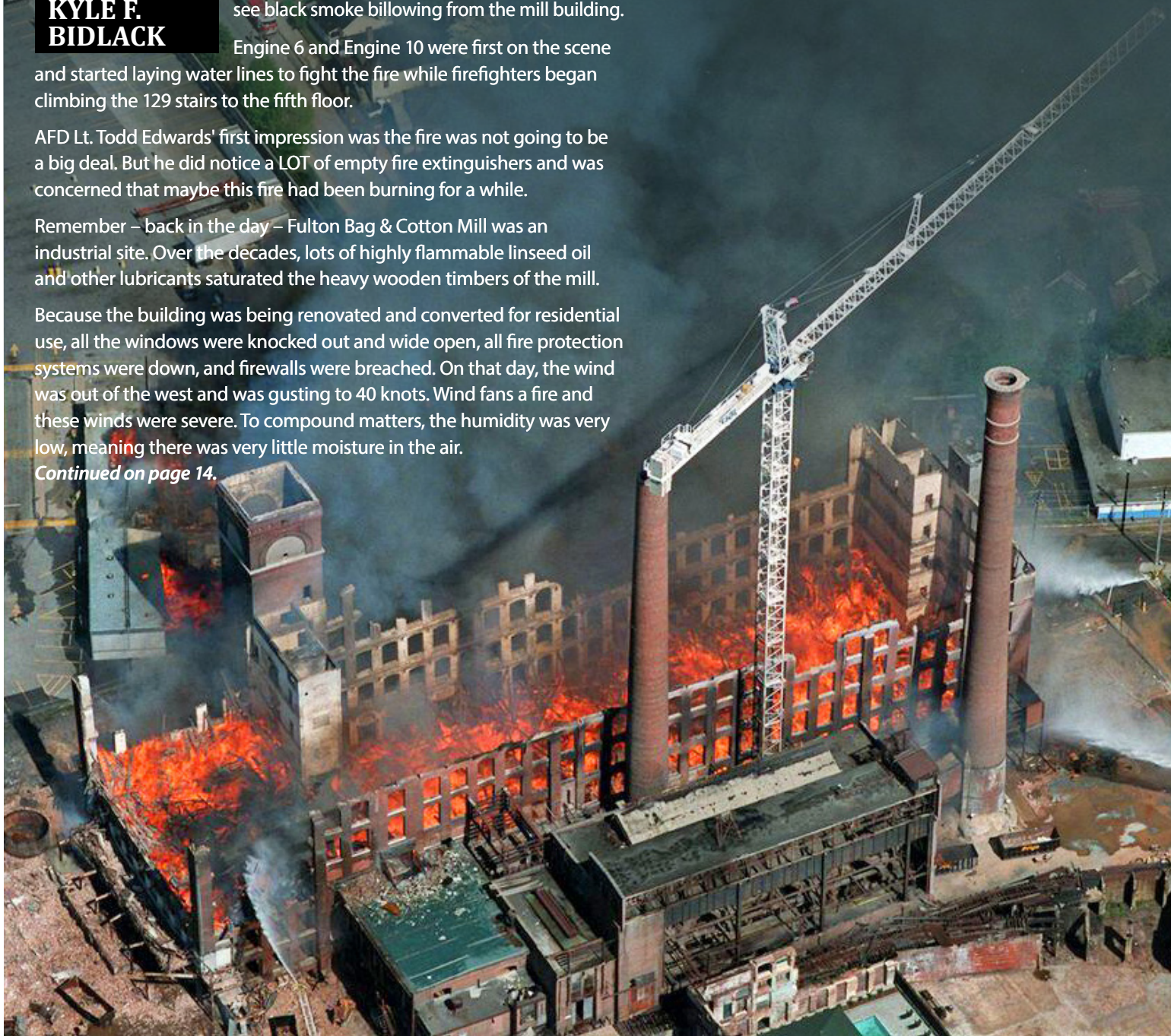
Engine 6 and Engine 10 were first on the scene and started laying water lines to fight the fire while firefighters began climbing the 129 stairs to the fifth floor.

AFD Lt. Todd Edwards' first impression was the fire was not going to be a big deal. But he did notice a LOT of empty fire extinguishers and was concerned that maybe this fire had been burning for a while.

Remember – back in the day – Fulton Bag & Cotton Mill was an industrial site. Over the decades, lots of highly flammable linseed oil and other lubricants saturated the heavy wooden timbers of the mill.

Because the building was being renovated and converted for residential use, all the windows were knocked out and wide open, all fire protection systems were down, and firewalls were breached. On that day, the wind was out of the west and was gusting to 40 knots. Wind fans a fire and these winds were severe. To compound matters, the humidity was very low, meaning there was very little moisture in the air.

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CNIA President's Letter

HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY TO ARDEN ANNE!



**MARINANGELES
GUTIERREZ
RIVERA**

April, abril, abrir, open. Stay open.

Open your calendar and save these upcoming events - a great month to get out and meet your neighbors at the New Neighbor Party on Friday, April 19th.

Then wake on Saturday and groove on over to the **Bake Sale** and concert at Esther Peachy Park, while the artists kick off **Stacks Squares** on April 20th. It'll be a wonderful spring weekend!

Next month, we have two guests anticipated for the May CNIA, including Commissioner Hall and the Krog Codex Project. The **Movie Night** also returns at Cabbagetown Park, along with a round of **Bingo!**, a **Neighborhood Party**, the **O-Games**, **Concert Series**, and more!

As always, we're always looking for volunteers to make the magic happen. See the monthly Committee meeting details under the Community Meetings section or visit the Cabbagetown.com - Calendar for events and more information.

Don't miss the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) presentation at the April CNIA Meeting (4/09) on the Memorial Drive Road Diet and Bike Lane Installation. Join us!

Memorial Drive is a key east-west corridor in the City of Atlanta. It is especially important for efforts to eradicate what's known as the "High Injury Network"—those relatively few streets within the City of Atlanta that account for the majority of serious injury and fatal traffic crashes.

We appreciate the work the Department has previously conducted to resurface and restripe portions of Memorial Drive. GDOT is planning for the installation of a two-way bicycle track along Memorial Drive that connects to Downtown, reducing vehicular lanes from four to two lanes. Last year we submitted a letter to GDOT outlining key questions from the neighborhood which can be found on Cabbagetown.com/transportation-committee. The project team will be attending the April CNIA meeting to discuss project design decisions and to collect any feedback or input.
Cheers, Marina



*On Friday, 29 March, Cabbagetown celebrated the first birthday of sweet baby girl Arden Anne, who dove into a yummy cake under the loving eyes of mommy and daddy (Gaylen & Tim). Also in attendance were Mia, Westley, Marci, Jenny, Mellie, Amanda (and her mum and dad), Terri, Sean, Neil and more. Special thanks to Mellie for baking a delicious cake. **Maybe she'll volunteer to bake something for the C'town Bake Sale on 4/20?***

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Y'ALL!

These Cabbageheads are celebrating this month:
Chelsea Arkin, Dionne Gule, Jordan Hamm, Ben Clayton, Emily Walker, Christy Pensinger, Meng Fei, Liz Mytinger, Amy Bussie, Stephen "Special Delivery" Dennis, Kelsey Osman, Brandon Marlow, James Billy Hill, Alli Paul, Konner Cooke, Jessica Hutchings, Rev. David DeChant, Elena Paulsen, Carolyn Cayte, Peyton Stinson, George Berry, Britt Ahlfert Brown, CC Indivero, Joseph Highsmith, Jake Tompkins, Jess Jones, Jake Elsas, Christine Dolan, Laura Barton, Eric Nave, Karen Flowers, Taylor Coppock, Shirley Hughes, Ann Stuhler, Kristi Janelle, Ed Akins, Sarah White, Stephanie "Pinstriper" Lawniczek, Grayson Patten, Maria Locke, Tatiana DeCusati Gentile, James Durtschi, Katie Hawkins-Gaar, Bibianna Marisa, Erich Welch, Garrett DeHart, Valerie Lynette, Bill Barnes, Joe Ward, Steven Sloss, and Kristina Smith.



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CNIA: General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 12th, 2024, 7p. Meeting conducted by Marinangeles Gutierrez Rivera. Minutes by Lucy Perkins.
Location: Cabbagetown Community Center.

1. Welcome & Introductions - Marina

2. Review and Approval of January Minutes

a. Unanimous; motion approved!

3. District IV Natalie Hall, Treming White representing

a. Events - 1st and 3rd Wednesday Fulton County Board Meetings - if you have issues or concerns please attend. (Arrive at 9:45 if you want to speak or email ahead.) There's a grant that is currently open for nonprofit youth programs; February 29th to March 29th.

If you know of any youth interested in Fulton County youth commissioner, the deadline is May 24th at 5p. Hello Fresh food distribution event tomorrow - free! First come first serve at St. Peter Missionary Baptist church.

b. Commissioner Hall will be at next month's meeting if you need anything please let them know.

4. City of Atlanta Council Person - Council Person Liliana Bakhtiari, Patrick representing

a. Metal plates on Blvd around Carroll street is from watershed - will be from March 11-25 - they're avoiding rush hour. Metal plate on Estoria is a private contractor - they been asked to secure it. **Q:** Former Cummins lot might have had a body picked up? **A:** APD didn't know about it. If you have info, please reach out.

b. **Q:** Update on short term rental ordinance enforcement? **A:** City planning is still sitting on it. We hear that half of multi-family buildings are *airbnbs*. Ordinance was passed but we're waiting on city planning to enforce.

5. Vice-President Report - Marinangeles Gutierrez

a. CNIA Membership Campaign: Annual Elections!

i. Marina - president - she does it all - motion to approve - unanimous!

ii. Eric Bully - vice president - here to help! - unanimous!

iii. Lucy Perkins - note taker - unanimous

iv. Jack - looking for help or assistance, even from a young enterprising youth! - treasurer - unanimous

v. Hospitality - Amanda - organizes all the fun events - unanimous

vi. Nina Elsas - HPLU co chair - been part of HPLU committee for many years - unanimous

vii. Anya - HPLU co chair - unanimous

viii. Lisa - at large member position - hole patrol, newspaper, Chicken Noodle Network, unanimous!

ix. Hunter - communications chair - wants to be involved! - unanimous!

x. John Dirga - NPU rep - gives great recommendations to the city - if you want to be an alternate please let John know.

xi. Open Positions include Transportation Committee Chair and other Member At-Large positions.

xii. CI also has open positions for park things

6. Financial Report - Jack Cunningham, Treasurer

a. 2024 Annual Budget Presentation

i. Proposed budget for 2024 - goal is not to make money; it's to have events to build community.

ii. Used prior year estimates for proceeds for events. Created a budget with 3-5% cushion. There are savings though so no worries

iii. Review of 2023 budget - newspaper pays for itself. Events do well. Misc funds for mail and such, liability insurance, pay for the website. We spend about \$25,000 - \$30,000 in events every year and raise money for them!

iv. Change CI to \$7,500 for concert series and change reunion and summer games - we don't help with summer games.

v. Does park pride grant go through CI? Yes - we just help

b. Motion to approve making discussed changes - unanimous!

7. APD - Sgt McKeszy

a. Crimes in Ctown - **Q:** Dead body found on the 4th? **A:** Hasn't heard of any violent crime but it could have been an overdose.

They would have made a crime scene but doesn't recall any violent crimes from that day.

b. In Cabbagetown area - two crimes against persons on Wylie - there was a knife - 727 Wylie. 7 crimes against properties, auto thefts, theft from auto, and a break in. 7 crimes against society - drug case on Pearl. Don't leave visible valuables in your cars- don't leave fire arms in your car.

c. **Q:** Resident in Iswald got broken into at 2:30p - person wearing safety vest. **A:** They will watch out for people pretending to be workers. Most of vehicle break-ins are juveniles in stolen cars. **Q:** Is there something we can do for the teenagers who are rowdy but we don't want to call police? **A:** Suspicious? Call 911. If you see someone there for the wrong reasons call 911 and they will investigate.

8. Committee Reports

a. Hospitality Committee - Amanda Bisgaard, Chair

i. April 19th New neighbor party and bingo TBD

1. Reach out if you want to help with hospitality

ii. Annual Yard Sale on March 23rd - please fill out form online if you want to participate. Check the website under events to sign up.

1. Has there been in discussion with **Salvation Army** for bulk pick up after? **Step-up Society** reached out last year but not sure it got started. **CHARM** might be a good option too.

iii. Look for red wagon during yard sale with local honey for sale.

iv. We have tables if you are at the community center and need one.

b. Transportation Committee - Marinangeles Gutierrez

i. GDOT Memorial Drive Bike Lane Project

1. Bike lane from Pearl to Grant - road will be dieted. They're coming next week to talk to us!

ii. ATLDOT - advocating for bike lane on Pearl street - stop signs don't actually calm down traffic - proposing bike lane instead.

iii. Pearl Street Traffic Calming Project Updates

1. The city said it would be done in Q1 which means fiscal. They'll select a contractor, won't start til Fall 2024 - done 2025.

iv. Watershed continues to do investigative work at tunnel. It should be done today and we aren't sure if there will be a Phase II. We will be moving forward with Wylie tactical urbanism project (traffic calming and safety).

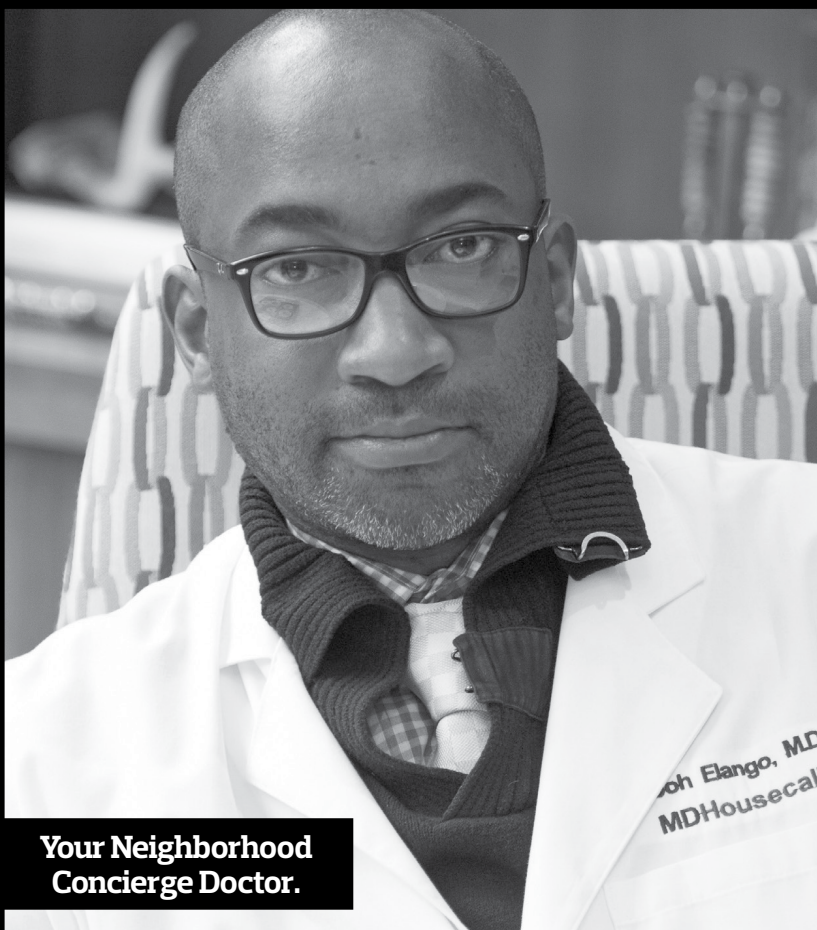
v. Krog Street tunnel concert was amazing. Thank you, John, for coordinating that. *Continued on page 18.*

WHO IS THAT?!!!

CAN YOU IDENTIFY ALL THESE CABBAGEHEADS?

YOU CAN DO IT! Can you identify these current, former, and honorary Cabbageheads based on photos from years gone by? To submit your guesses (in order), email them to: newsletter@cabbagetown.com. The first person to submit all correct answers

in proper order will win one beverage of their choice at Milltown Tavern, courtesy of The Cabbagetown Neighbor. Here is the solution to last month: 1. Joani White Gruczkowski 2. Glenn Drake 3. Laura Bellinger 4. Ralph Clark



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A PERENNIAL QUESTION: "WILL IT COME BACK AGAIN NEXT YEAR?"



**ARTY
SCHRONCE**

That was often asked by people buying flowers when I worked in garden centers. It as (and is) a legitimate question, but was a red flag when it was followed with "I don't want to replant something every year." That told me I needed to do some educating.

What they were asking for was perennials. Perennials live from year to year. They die back in the fall (some are evergreen) but come back from their roots or bulbs

the spring. Annuals are flowers that bloom and set seed in one growing season and die when freezing temperatures arrive.

The people asking this question usually assumed that because a perennial comes back each year it is less work or is superior to annuals. There are many fine perennials and many fine annuals, and each group has positives and negatives.

Here are some things to consider:

Annuals usually have a longer blooming period than perennials. This makes sense when you think about it. A perennial can multiply by producing seeds, but if it doesn't, it is going to be here again next year to have another chance to reproduce. An annual has one shot at making sure its genes will survive. It will bloom and bloom to produce as many seeds as possible. If the seed heads are cut off, it may produce blooms the entire growing season. This trait makes annuals a better choice than perennials if you like lots of flowers for cutting.

There are exceptions, but as a general rule, a perennial will bloom for a month and only have one set of blooms. Because of this, however, perennials can add variety to your garden. If you only have annuals, your garden may look the same in June as in August. One with perennials will change as the seasons progress. For example, bearded irises in April, daylilies in June and native asters in October.

You are likely to have more perennials than annuals for winter and spring flowering - daffodils and Lenten roses, for example. You will probably find more variety of flower shapes and plant forms with perennials than with annuals as well.

Perennials generally require more soil preparation than annuals. Some have exacting requirements as to drainage, soil pH and nutrients to perform their best. And since perennials are going to be growing in the same spot for many years (that is the hope, at least) you should do everything you can to ensure their long-term success. And you should remove all weeds, especially perennial ones (weeds can be perennial, too) such as Bermuda grass. You don't want to try to pull it out after your perennials are growing. This is important for annuals, too, but much more so for perennials.

Just because something is an annual, doesn't necessarily

mean you won't see it again next year. Some annuals reseed themselves if you allow them to drop seed in the fall. Cosmos and marigolds often do this.

Just because perennials live from year to year does not make them a bigger bargain than annuals. Usually, they are more expensive initially. And many annuals can be grown from an inexpensive packet of seed. Perennials can be grown from seed as well but it may be years before they reach blooming size.

And lastly, some of the plants we grow as annuals are actually tender perennials. That means they may live from year to year in frost-free climates. They may be shipped from growers in Florida and be perennials in Orlando but not in Atlanta. Do some research or ask questions if you see an unfamiliar plant labeled as perennial.

Arty Schronce is a degreed horticulturist, garden writer and lecturer whose articles and photographs have appeared in numerous newspapers and various magazines and books.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS CAPPED

On March 31st, the AJC reported that the Georgia House and Senate backed a measure to cap how much home assessments can go up each year at the rate of inflation in an effort to tamp down property tax increases.

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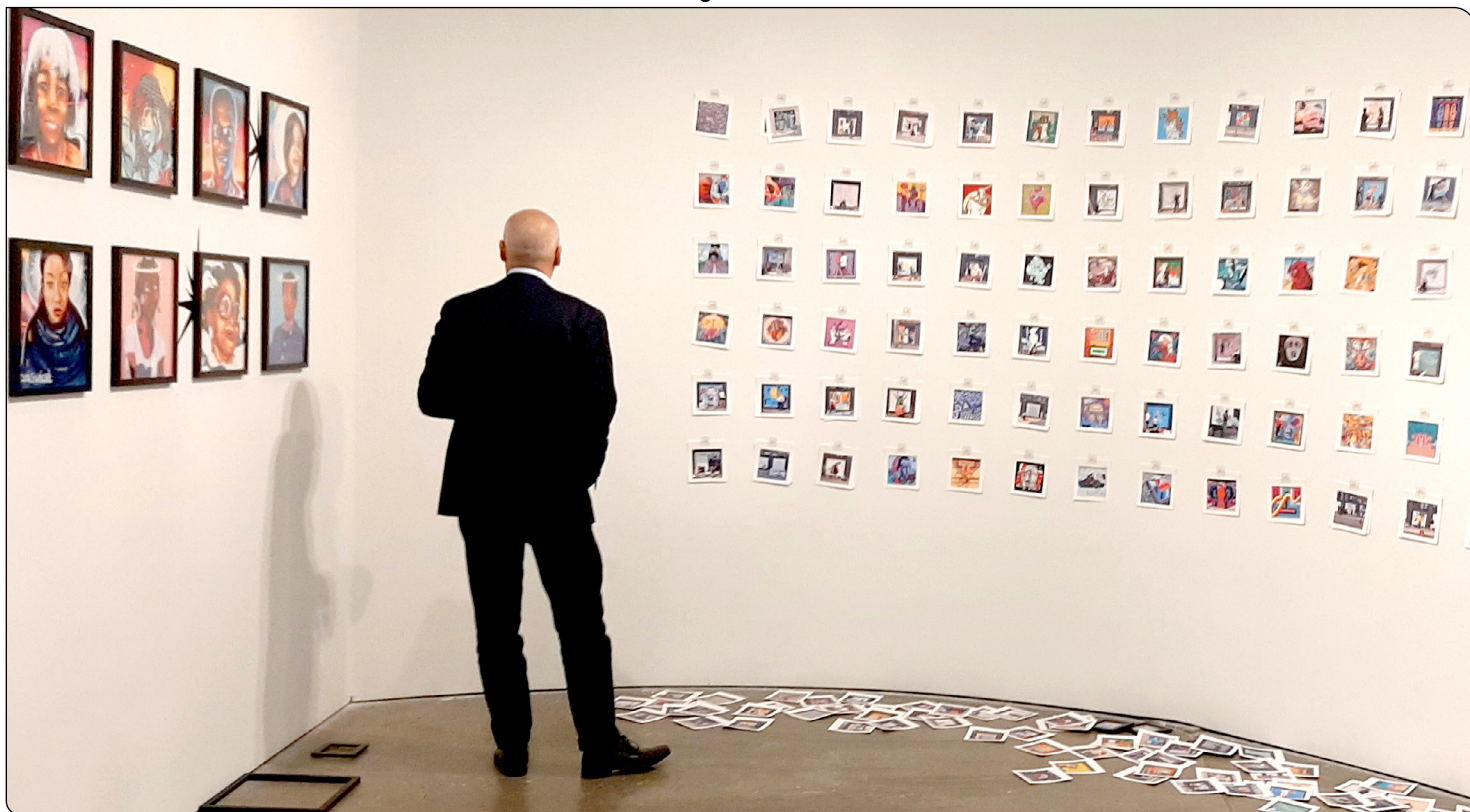
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Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association (CNIA) Meeting Agenda

TUESDAY, APRIL 9th, 2024 at 7p

Meeting to be held at the Cabbagetown Community Center (177 Estoria Street). Find this month's links & materials at www.Cabbagetown.com/agenda

6:30p Food & Community

7p Meeting Begins

I. ATL APD Updates

II. GDOT Presentation: Memorial Drive Bike Lane & Road Diet

III. March Minutes Approval

IV. Atlanta City Councilmember Bakhtiari's Office Update

V. President's Report

VI. Treasurer's Report

VII. NPU-N Report

VIII. Committee Updates

- Hospitality: New Neighbor Party April 19th

- Transportation: Wylie Project

- HPLU: Housing Presentations (as applicable)

- Concert Series: April Concert & Cabbagetown Summer Daze

- Cabbagetown Initiative Report

IX. New Business

~8:40p Adjourn

OTHER COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Cabbagetown Initiative (CI):

Typically First Mondays, April 1st, at the Community Center at 7p

Historic Preservation & Land Use Committee (HPLU):

First Wednesdays, April 3rd, 7p Google Meet

Cabbagetown/Reynoldstown Joint Transportation Committee

(CRTC): Date Change - Thursday, April 4th, 6p - 7:30p

Rotating Location/Google Meet

Hospitality Committee

Meetings are dependent on planning needs. If you'd like to support any of the upcoming events as a volunteer or to host at your home, please fill out the following form via the QR code.

Cabbagetown Hospitality interest form (smartsheet.com):



PAGE 9 NEWS

Cabbagetown has its fair share of weirdness and funk. But step outside of our friendly confines, and things get even weirder and funkier. Don't believe us? Read on...

NOT a Tall Tale

Dr. Li – at Hangzhou Children's Hospital in China – shared a video on social media on March 11 after a baby boy was born sporting a 4-inch-long tail, WION reported. The doctor suspected a condition called a tethered spinal cord, which means the spinal cord is abnormally connected to surrounding tissues, typically at the base of the spine. Doctors advised against removing the tail, as doing so might result in irreversible damage.

NOT Cops & Robbers

Three boys, aged 11, 12 and 16, were taken into custody on March 19 after they robbed a Wells Fargo bank in Houston, KTRK-TV reported. The kids handed a threatening note to a bank teller – but they did not present a weapon. After the FBI released surveillance footage, parents of the boys identified them. The "little rascals," as they've been dubbed, are facing second-degree felony charges. "The age of the younger two, that's unusual for a bank robbery" noted Mike Schneider, a retired juvenile district court judge.

NOT Vacationing in Florida

The World Health Organization reported that leprosy is on the rise, particularly in Florida, Newsweek reported on March 22. The number of infections has more than doubled in the last 10 years, and the disease is often associated with exposure to ... armadillos. About a fifth of the U.S. cases were reported in Florida. "People may become infected from other people with untreated leprosy or from the nine-banded armadillo, a natural host of the bacteria causing the disease," said Francisca Mutapi, co-director of the Global Health Academy at the University of Edinburgh.

NOT Dressed Properly

A woman who just wanted to watch a livestream of a funeral became a viral sensation after she accidentally left the camera on while she took a shower, the Daily Mail reported on March 21. The Zoom broadcast was also being shown on a big screen to in-person mourners at the church in North London. The funeral was for a father of three who had died of cancer. Even worse, the woman apparently turned up at the wake later with no idea what she had done – until "ten minutes later crying her eyes out," as one mourner said.

NOT a Brilliant Criminal

When Daniel Allegretto Jr., 19, nearly struck a parked police car with his Honda Accord in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, on March 15, he set off a chase that ended with his arrest – and not just for bad driving. Investigators found Allegretto, of Freeland, Pennsylvania, was carrying 2,200 individual doses of fentanyl, 250 grams of methamphetamine, illegal steroids, cash and materials used to process and package drugs. He was held on a \$125,000 bail.

"Believe you can, and you're halfway there."

Theodore Roosevelt

420 FEST! ARE YOU READY?



Who's ready for the SweetWater 420 Festival this year?! I know I am! Great beer, great tunes, and this year in a new location! The event venue at Pullman Yards will be an excellent host for 420 Fest goes with three stages of incredible live music. Located on the edges of Kirkwood and Edgewood, us Cabbageheads will have an easier trek to this weekend of fun.

This year's music lineup!

I'm most excited to see Slightly Stoopid, the headliner on Saturday. Other bands and artists include Larkin Poe, Grace Potter, Bombargo, The Psychodelics, and Gov't Mule... just to name a few. And Sunday's lineup boasts the Hedonistas, Moe., Black Pumas, Houndmouth, and Beck as the headliner. Even New Orleans is in the house on Sunday with Trombone Shorty & Orleans Ave.! Can you feel the music yet?! Get your tickets at sweetwater420fest.com: single day (gates open at noon) and half-day (entry after 5) passes are available this year.



About Pullman Yards

Considering we live in the best little town that is rich in history, I was amazed to learn more about Pullman Yards. Pratt Engineering built the property in 1904 and produced fertilizer bombs for WWI. After the war, the property was used to produce liquid carbonated gasses which got them purchased by a little company known as *The Coca-Cola Company*. In 1926, The Pullman Company bought and expanded the property, and gave them the name they are known as today.

Back then, Pullman was the name known in rail travel and the property was used to repair rail cars. During segregation, Pullman was the largest employer of African American men who were called The Pullman Porters. A. Philip Randolph, a civil rights activist, helped found the first African American labor union in the US with the Pullman Porters to help with working conditions for those employed by the Pullman Company.

Travel by rail declined and over time the site became abandoned. But, new life was breathed into the area by artists and the filming industry. Movie buff? Pullman Yards is a featured location in *Fast and Furious*, *Baby Driver*, *Hunger Games*, and *Bad Boys 3*.

Are you ready?! crack open your favorite SweetWater beverage and crank up the tunes! It's 420 Fest time!

Top of the Charts

By Kyle F. Bidlack

What is Cabbagetown listening to? Good question.

Here's March's hottest songs on the *Milltown Tavern* juke box.

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| 1 CREED HIGHER | CREED TOPS THE CHART FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT MONTH |
| 2 LARKIN POE IN THE AIR TONIGHT | 9 THE 1975 CHOCOLATE |
| 3 REX ORANGE COUNTY LOVING IS EASY | 10 CAGE THE ELEPHANT BLACK MADONNA |
| 4 THE LUMINEERS ANGELA | 11 BORN'S 10,000 EMERALD POOLS |
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Q: WHO SAW BRIANNA BASS SING WITH TYLER KEY & THE STRANGERS AT THE CABBAGETOWN CONCERT SERIES?

By Kyle F. Bidlack

A: All the people in this photo and many more (about 300 by the end of the night). On Thursday evening, March 21st, Tyler Key and The Strangers, along with Cody Marlowe, and Brianna Bass gathered to give us one helluva show! Americana, Rock, Southern Rock, Folk, and a couple dashes of Blues, all delivered with soul, spirit, and infectious energy.

At times, it was loud, and at times, not so loud. But volume is but one ingredient of what is quickly becoming a magical event. There is something very special about the Cabbagetown Concert Series. The way that performers quickly create a bond with their

amphitheatre crowd. Perhaps Joyce Brookshire is watching over these performances and tossing down a blessing or two. One thing is for sure, John Dirga, Bradley VanNorman, Duck Burns, Jacob Elsas, Daniel Karasek, Slim Chance, Rich Mudafort, Macklani, Dr Anya Chang, and many more, are a big reason it all happens.

Come see what the fuss is all about on Thursday, April 18th, when we host *The Relics* with *Red Eye Orchestra* at The Joyce Brookshire Amphitheatre (located in the lower southeast corner of Cabbagetown Park). It'll cure what ails ya. I promise.

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VOLUNTEER SHOUT-OUTS

The entire neighborhood would like to give a great big hug to the following folks who "chipped" in their blood and sweat on Saturday, March 16th for the Park Clean-Up:

Lauren Appel, Matt Coglianesi, Tiffany Morgan, Z Gillispie, Tova Baruch, Dan Valentine, Melia Valentine, Lucas Valentine, Brennan McElhone, Ted Summer, Kyle F. Bidlack, Katherine Kennedy, June Kennedy, Fawn Armagost, Rich Mudafort, Ian Storms, Lisa Myers (and Piggy), Brittany Barnes, Nick Barnes, Graham Parker, Tim Burke, Izzy Hendry, Hunter Burk, and DJ Nuckols.

Said Ian Storms, after the clean-up; "Feels good to know that maybe we prevented a kid from breaking an ankle in the park." Big thanks too to all the brand new Cabbageheads that just moved in on Berean Ave.

EASTER SURPRISE IN THE PARK

by Kyle F. Bidlack

Something lovely happened in Cabbagetown Park on Easter morning. It all started the night before when Zed DeChant "went digging for something in the attic and found an old bag of plastic eggs."

Zed said they didn't want them to go to waste, so they got a couple rolls of nickels to filled the eggs (making them dog-safe and pest-proof). Zed then gathered up some eggs and pocket change donated by neighbors and hid them in the park around midnight.

Then, sure enough, on Easter morning, word spread that the Easter Bunny had hidden 40 eggs all around the park (at varying levels of difficulty). Rumor has it, one even had a \$5 bill tucked inside.

On behalf of the kids of C'town, thank you Zed for making sure the Easter Bunny didn't forget our magical little village.

Why is it so magical? Because we have souls like Zed.

FLOUR POWER!

by Daniel Karasek

The first annual Cabbagetown Bake Sale is at Esther Peachy Lefevre Park on 4/20/2024, which happens to be a special palindrome date!

The event runs from 12p until 6p. Come purchase baked goods made by your neighbors to help raise money for C'town Park improvements.

There will also be a blind judging of cupcakes made by local sponsors; Little's Foodstore, Sweet Cheats, Kupcakerie, and Lucille's Bakeshop.

While enjoying a tasty treat, check out some live music from Hum Ripple, Das Kaiser, and Kayas Embrace. This event is FREE to attend. Check out this fire bake sale, see who gets smoked in the blind judging, and remember, we don't need flour since we already baked!

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25 YEARS AGO: THE GREAT MILL FIRE

Continued from front page.

In mere minutes, the small debris fire was showing signs of exploding into something far worse. Because it started close to the elevator shaft, the fire began to easily and quickly move up and down the floors. Firefighters on the fourth floor reported that they could see fire on the fifth floor through the slatted wood planks.

At this time, there were only 12 firefighters on floors four and five. Soon there after, the firefighters on the fifth floor reported that the fire was spreading too quickly and was beginning to drop in and merge with the fire on the fourth floor.

From ground level, Battalion Chief Clarence Walker could now see massive flames leaping out of the fifth floor windows. AFD made the decision to abandon the fifth floor, and concern transitions to a slight sense of panic for AFD on the scene. A walking retreat of the fifth floor turned into a running evacuation.

Chief Tolbert arrives and sees the situation quickly deteriorating. He said "The thought that was running through my mind was not IF we had any firefighter fatalities, but just how many DID we have."

The roof pancaked into the fifth floor. Black smoke gave way to pure orange walls of flames. Now in full evacuation mode, firefighters began running down stairs, three at a time.

Through the mayhem, they lost track of Lt. Mark Greene. AFD was beginning to fear they had lost their first firefighter. Meanwhile the strong winds are now blowing smoke, flames, and embers east, into the rest of the Cabbagetown neighborhood – which as we all know – is virtually all old wooden shotgun shacks.

A few minutes later, the fifth floor pancakes onto the fourth floor. AFD re-enters the building in an attempt to find Lt. Greene.

Chief Tolbert makes the decision to evacuate residents on Carroll Street. It was at that point that firefighters found Lt. Greene alive and well on the ground floor of Mill Bldg. No.1: the first peice of good news on a day which sorely needed some.

The flames were so hot, they began melting some of the fittings on AFD Ladder Truck No.1 and the fire had now spread to two, two-story apartment buildings at the north end of Carroll Street. Because the mill fire was drawing so much water, there was not much water and pressure left to fight the fires on Carroll Street.

Meanwhile Chief Tolbert is concerned about the CSX Hulsey Railyard (with lots of flammables to the north), mill residents to the west, and the rest of the neighborhood to the east, which now has three buildings on fire.

In less then an hour, seven buildings were burning on Carroll St, Savannah St, and Berean Ave. Minutes later, trailers in Hulsey Yard caught fire. This now became a three-alarm fire with multiple fire stations responding to the mill, the neighborhood, and Hulsey Yard. The fourth alarm was struck at 3:11p, followed by the fifth alarm at 3:32p, the sixth at 3:51p and seventh at 4:01p. The radiant heat from the mill fire was felt as far away as Powell St. One house on Tye Street and one house on Memorial Drive was involved. One of the last spot fires was reported at 3:50p at 491 Glenwood Place.

What was a three-alarm fire less than two hours ago, was now a seven-alarm fire. Twenty engines were in Cabbagetown and only 10 engines were left to cover the rest of the City. Atlanta called in help from nearby municipalities. It took more than four hours for AFD to begin to get a handle on the situation.

At the end of the day, there was no major injuries and no loss of life. And while we lost most of Mill Bldg. No.1, we didn't lose the over 200 Cabbagetown shotgun shacks, thanks in part to neighbors helping neighbors by using garden hoses (hence the nickname "Garden Hose Brigade") to wet down roofs, stomp out embers with their feet, and safeguarding pets.

CNN interviewed Joyce Brookshire the day after the blaze. Joyce used to stay at the mill day care center while her mother worked. "I thought about all the sweat and tears and all those old pine floors" she said. "I knew most of the people who worked in it from the 1950s. "I can't imagine being here without it being there," she added.

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CHOMP WANTS YOU!



LAUREN APPEL

Chomp and Stomp started in 2003 as a neighborhood block party, conceived by John Berger and Nathan Bolster. It's first iteration featured three kegs of 420 and a couple dozen tents. It has always been backed by the Cabbagetown Initiative Community Development Corporation (CI) as a means to raise money for our Cabbagetown parks and community.

What started out small, has expanded to a giant Atlanta Fall festival that also still helps

us keep our neighborhood beautiful. Nowadays we're just able to aim a little higher, as we support three parks, two pocket parks, the Wylie Street Wall, and the Cabbagetown Community Garden.

Last year marked our 20th anniversary of Chomp, and it lived up to the momentous birthday in the best ways. I am honored to have been the Chomp Chair for the 2021, 2022, and 2023 years. I come after many impressive people before me, including Nathan, John, Katherine Dirga, Alicia Foresee, and Katie Butler. This is, again, just to name a few. It's a lot of fun, and can be a lot of work. I was fortunate enough to have Katherine and Alicia available to talk me out of a lot of ideas (yes, there were others beyond expanding the Artist's Market to Gaskill), and talk me through how to do a lot of other things. I am just fortunate enough to have Katie Butler live in the house behind me, so that can be a great thing for Chomp or just a random Tuesday.

There are a lot of amazing people in Cabbagetown who put in a lot of work each year to pull off Chomp & Stomp and Romp. The aim is to make it look pretty darn easy and effortless the day of, and I think the crews do a damn good job to make that happen. That being said, it does take a lot of planning. Despite our best wishes, we can't just deposit a whole mess of tents, chili, adult beverages, music, stages, artists, random entertainments, spectacles, and supplies out of nowhere and then have it zip away. I think I had that dream once. It was weird.

We've got many people in the neighborhood who are ready and able to step back in and manage some of the cogs of Chomp, but we need a few folks to step up and be our 2024 Chomp Chairs.

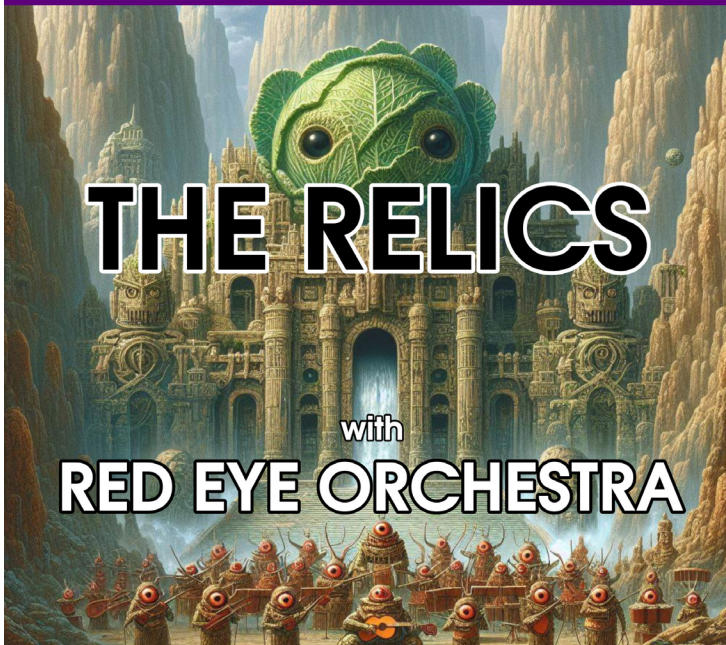
We've got a lot of village, we just need village coordinators. Chomp planning starts in earnest mid-June. If you've been in the neighborhood for a while, then you know the village is full of great support. Plus, I've made a project plan. If you're relatively new to the neighborhood I can assure you there is no better way to meet your neighbors than to chair Chomp.

If you're interested, or just interested in learning more, please reach out to me at info@chompandstomp.com. I'd be happy to answer and all of your questions.

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On December 30, 2023 at the Earl along with opener, nerve pop champions, Small Reactions, Dropsonic or "DroSo" as they are occasionally referred to, delivered the goods with a kinetic volcano of sound.

Longtime Atlanta band Dropsonic is something to be seen and heard.

The sound that never lets you down, and quite possibly makes you fall in love or breaks your heart at the same

time. The music is something that sweeps you off your feet through your eyes and ears: audio/visual narcotics.

There was a buzzing atmosphere in the Earl that night as celebrations were continuing to the end of another year. An excitement filled the room that you could sort of sense. It was a packed house with fans and the many "who's who?" of Atlanta music scene veterans.

Finally, getting a chance to see one of the top talents in Atlanta music, drummer, Chandler Rentz with the new line up. Dan Dixon and Dave Chase have always had a fiery distinct sound, picture Mother's Finest had a baby with Led Zeppelin. Or, maybe if The Who and Radiohead were from Chicago and ZZ Top was from the U.K.

That being said with Rentz on drums, Dropsonic has honed their own unique sound to a new high level of energy and juicy delivery. It has evolved and tightened up in a way that makes perfect sense and feels right. Lucky us!

Like any resilient band, act or otherwise Dropsonic has survived for many years they have persevered against the natural odds of choosing to be in a band in the first place. They have created so much great music even with several other amazing projects as well. It's a win to get to see the guys enjoying themselves and "killin it hard" as the kids say.

I jokingly nicknamed lead singer/guitarist Dan Dixon "Hot Licks" Hooligan in good fun. Seriously, though he has proven – for sometime now – his talents on guitar are a force and special to our city's rich pool of songwriters, players, and producers. DD and Dave Chase have a magic connection and we all are grateful for the face melting.

The set opener was the song "Low life" and is always a fan favorite They also played two new songs "This Ain't Living" and "Walk". The encore song was an extended version of "Spiders".

Word has it they are working and recording on a new album. Great news for all. Thanks for the rock!



Photo by David Marshall Railey

POTTERY! SPRING OPEN STUDIO & SALE

By Kyle F. Bidlack

On Thursday, April 11th from 4p to 8p, and Friday & Saturday from 11a to 5p, The HOUSE of TAU pottery studio – 597 Tennelle St – will be the site of a Spring Open Studio & Sale.

Wine aficionados take notice: The Thursday Opening Night event will feature a wine tasting from the Stephen Fenton Collection. Available for purchase on all three dates will be a fine, curated collection of plates, pitchers, vases, platters, planters, candlestick holders, bowls of every shape and size :) and more. Featured in this special event, are the works of *Chakura Kineard, Dane Dean, Erin Hamm, Monica Campana, Katie Hayes, and K.Tauches.*

Painted and glazed with one-of-a-kind designs from dreams, ancestors, and a deep connection with nature. And all this is accomplished in the studio, which is based out of everyone's favourite historic 1890s house at the corner of world-famous Carroll Street and Tennelle Street.



Says K. Tauches "This Winter, we've been very busy producing ceramics for spring markets. To launch it off, we will have this Open Studio and Sale. Come by to shop or just to see all the cool new forms, colors, and patterns before they go out into the world."



K.Tauches at House of TAU. 597 Tennelle Street.

K.Tauches is the artist and driving force behind *House of TAU*. Not only does she produce her own work (and guerilla garden efforts in the empty lot next door), she opens up her studio to a small community of potters who fire with her. She considers herself a sort of "pottery coach" to all levels of practitioners.

Her Monday night "Open Studio" sessions are informal, seating up to six people at a time. Together, they work on small projects, based on each person's skill level.

House of TAU produces small batch, handbuilt ceramics for food, plants, and ritual. ("Handbuilt means that artworks are custom made without a wheel, the old fashioned way!) Pieces are hand-



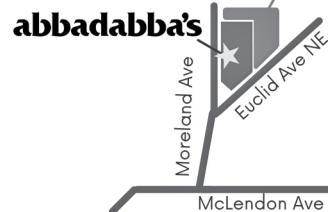
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CNIA: General Meeting Minutes

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vi. CDP - Comprehensive Development Plan. The city is in process of writing the CDP - they'll be engaging the community to learn more about the planning efforts. (It's a document that gives a narrative of the city's goals.) There's a section about Cabbagetown: if we need to update it now is the chance. **Atlantaforall.com** - there are surveys and you can get involved. Next community meeting on the 21st.

c. NPU-N Updates - John Dirga, Cabbagetown Representative

i. Renoldstown got a great grant. ii. Street sweeping schedule! - May 12th and Sep 8th are next dates - trying hard to get more info and get them clean. They won't clean streets with cars on them.

d. Cabbagetown Initiative (CI)- Todd Gandee, CI President

i. C'town Parks Amphitheater - Park Pride Grant & Fundraising Campaign - we must raise \$50,000 so they can match it. '24 is about raising money for '25 construction. With \$150k we should be able to do great things in the amphitheater. We'll try to go as upstream as we can to fix drainage issue but we might have to raise more money and talk to parks and rec and watershed. More **Cabbagetown Concert Series** to help with awareness. **Bake Sale** coming the same day as the **Stacks Squares** updates. There will be bands playing at Esther Peachy as well. Please volunteer to bake! Reactivating **FOCers**. With all of our skill sets combined we can do great things like redoing the playground! 1. Perhaps we can share about Joyce? She was pushed out of Cabbagetown by gentrification - the amphitheater is named after her. We'll record some of her songs like a **Tiny Desk Concert**.

2. Can we use it for **Movie Night**?

Capacity is small but maybe we can make it multipurpose.

ii. Park Clean-Up March 16th. 10a-12p and 12p-2p shifts - tools provided. Please sign up. Volunteer hours count towards the grant!

iii. Concert Series March 21st - please come or volunteer

iv. Bake Sale April 20th. Stack Squares show at Atlanta Contemporary on March 28th

e. Historic Preservation and Land Use Committee -

Jacob Elsas/Any Warren, Co-Chairs

i. 254 Berean Avenue - hoping to rebuild screened in porch that is rotting. HPLU approved it. Right now nothing about the house is historic - owner trying to bring historic back. 13 approve-unanimous - approved.

ii. 270 Berean Avenue - Owners looking for more space - adding to back of home. HPLU requested changes that were all met. UDC may not approve changes based on neighbors' homes. HPLU approves on condition that they change windows on back of house. Motion to accept modifications to this home with conditions of making changes - unanimous!

9. New Business

Dumpster Day - Cleaning out community center during yard sale! Putting it on the curb or if not suitable to donate we'll be dumping it. It will be on the calendar.

10. Old Business. none

11. Motion to close at 8:51p - unanimous.



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CABBAGETOWN REUNION!

We are thrilled to celebrate the 2024 Cabbagetown Reunion on Saturday, June 1st, 11a to 5p on Carroll Street, between Pickett Street & Shelton Ave, with a gathering of neighbors in front of the Little Food Store (198 Carroll 30312). On behalf of CNIA President Marinangeles Gutiérrez Rivera, you are cordially invited to attend the festivities!

Cabbagetown Reunion is a time for residents past and present to get together, share memories, make new friends, and enjoy an afternoon with each other on Carroll Street. Since the 1980's, residents have traditionally met in front of Little's Grocery (founded in 1929) to honor the history of the neighborhood and look forward to a bright future.



John and Karen at The Cabbagetown Reunion on Carroll Street

The 2024 Reunion will feature Cornhole and music by local bands! The event is being organized by the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association, and is open to all.

The following street closures will take place from 11a to 5p:

- Carroll Street & Shelton Avenue
- Carroll Street & Pickett Street
- Carroll Street & Gaskill Street

Reinhardt, Gaskill, and the north end of Carroll Street will remain OPEN to traffic & parking.

Additionally, Cabbagetown announces Summer Daze 2024!

An interconnected series of programming to celebrate the new capital improvement campaign to improve Joyce Brookshire Memorial Amphitheatre. You are invited to view the calendar of events here: cabbagetown.com/joyce

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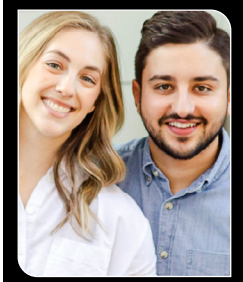
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C'town Chows: Fake Spring Clean Eats



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As true Georgians know, Fake Spring has sprung, and with sunnier weather comes cravings for 'so fresh and so clean clean' eats. From nutrient-rich smoothies and freshly cold-pressed juices to light bites and healthy offerings, here are some of our favorite spots to keep you feeling your best inside-and-out this season.

There's a new kid on the block over in Madison Yards - Eden - whose original location resides in Woodstock. Wife and

husband team, Stephanie & Chris Beck, grew up in Georgia and both had their own health and wellness journeys. After not being able to find local food options to meet their needs, they opened *Eden* to offer nutritious and tasty bites to their community.

With friendly smiles and welcoming vibes, Eden offers a wide variety of healthy options. Their menu items do not have any processed or artificial sugar, except honey, agave or maple syrup, which is listed on the menu. Some of their most popular items include dreamy smoothie bowls loaded with fruits, veggies, vitamins & minerals as well as their savory, not-so-basic avocado toast packed with fiber.

Personal favorites so far have been their protein-packed smoothies after a workout, such as the David (banana, avocado, almond milk, chocolate protein powder, agave, cacao powder, pink himalayan sea salt) and Goliath (banana, spinach, almond butter, chia seeds, flax meal, cacao powder, chocolate protein powder, coconut milk). Give this new local spot a try the next time you're heading down the Beltline trail or running errands for a self-care treat!

Another tried-and-true health joint we frequent is Ju-C Bar located in Krog Street Market. With the goal of serving nourishing bites to the community, Ju-C Bar offers everything from organic smoothies, cold-press juices and wellness shots to savory wraps, toasts and filling salads.

A few of our favorites include the Cinch Acai Bowl (organic Brazilian acai blended with banana topped with bananas, strawberries, granola & honey), Jade Juice (spinach, kale, cucumber, apple, celery, lemon & ginger), and of course the Living Life Wellness Shot (orange, lemon, grapefruit, apple cider vinegar, cinnamon, turmeric, ginger, garlic, horseradish, habanero pepper & honey) – this will knock out anything ya got!

Stopping by Ju-C Bar during a tour of Krog or on your way down that side of the Beltline trail makes for the perfect pick-me-up to feel refreshed and energized.

As the weather continues to warm up and the sun brightens up C'town, we hope you check out these local spots and enjoy them as much as we have. As always, reach out to us at stacy.spector22@gmail.com with any suggestions on where we should try next!

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OAKLAND SUMMER CAMPS

By Angie Wynne

Oakland Cemetery Announces Summer Camp Schedule.

Happening weekly from June 3 through July 26, Oakland’s week-long summer camps for kids 7-10 years old offer a unique opportunity to dig into STEAM through daily creativity-fueling crafts, exciting skill-building games, hands-on problem-solving activities, and engaging experiments that will ignite campers’ imagination and love of learning. Activities are centered around a different STEAM-related theme each week, so students can attend one or more camps and have a different experience. Take a look at the weekly camp themes:

June 3 – 7: Eco Adventures: Flora

Delve into the vibrant world of Oakland’s unique plants, trees, and grasses and learn how Oakland’s 48 acres provide critical habitat for pollinators, birds, and other wildlife.

June 10 – 14: Eco Adventures: Fauna

Discover how Oakland’s 48-acre greenspace contributes to Atlanta’s environmental health. Engage with animal life at Oakland and understand how Oakland’s flora provide habitat for wildlife.

June 17 – 21: Oakland Rocks! Geology Week

Investigate how weathering and chemical reactions impact the different types of rocks around Oakland and gain a new perspective on rock classification. Learn how Oakland’s preservation team cares for Oakland’s stone monuments and headstones and discover other jobs in the geology field.

June 24 – 28: Waterways of Atlanta

See how the water cycle plays a pivotal role in our daily lives and decipher the importance of irrigation systems as it relates to parks and nature around Atlanta.

July 1 – 3: What’s Cooking? Gardens and Food

Gain a deeper appreciation for and knowledge about how food is grown. Campers will engage with local farmers’ markets to see how gardening influences Atlanta’s economy and their own nutrition. They’ll also learn to identify edible plants and fruit-producing trees around Oakland and participate in a cooking class.

July 8 – 12: Atlanta from Above

From birdwatching to air pollution to drones, campers will explore how the sky and what’s in it affect Atlanta’s everyday living.

July 15 – 19: Simple Machines

Campers will design simple machines to aid in solving problems at Oakland (and in the city at large) and will discover ways to enhance gardening and hardscape at Oakland through mechanical engineering.

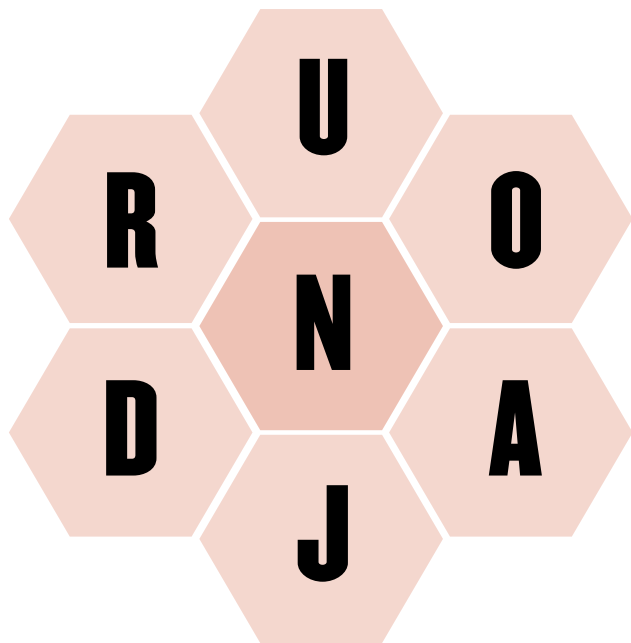
July 22 – 26: Get Active at Oakland

This camp focuses on the importance of being active and encompasses how nature and mental health and well-being are connected.

Registration for summer camp is open now. Scholarships are available. Visit oaklandcemetery.com/summer-steam-camp to learn more and register.

Spelling Bee

How To Play Spelling Bee: 1) Words must include the center letter. 2) Words must contain at least four letters. 3) Letters can be used more than once. 4) Each puzzle includes at least one “panagram,” which uses every letter at least once. **How many pangrams can you find?**



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Last month's Panagram solution: **Applicable**

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The entire neighborhood would like to give a great big hug to the following folks who "chipped" in their blood and sweat on Saturday, March 16th for the Park Clean-Up: Lauren Appel, Matt Coglianesse, Tiffany Morgan, Z Gillispie, Tova Baruch, Dan Valentine, Melia Valentine, Lucas Valentine, Brennan McElhone, Ted Summer, Kyle F. Bidlack, Katherine Kennedy, June Kennedy, Fawn Armagost, Rich Mudafont, Ian Storms, Lisa Myers (and Piggy), Brittany Barnes, Nick Barnes, Graham Parker, Tim Burke, Izzy Hendry, Hunter Burk, and DJ Nuckols.

PEOPLE GET READY: THERE'S A STITCH A COMIN'

By Kyle F. Bidlack

Last month, legislators from Georgia revealed that more than \$200 million in federal funding has been secured for two of the most monumental transportation and recreation infrastructure projects in city history: Downtown's highway-capping Stitch and the Atlanta BeltLine.

According to U.S. Sen. Jon Ossoff's office, the "historic" federal funding will total \$208 million, or enough to cover construction of the Stitch's initial phase, plus pieces of a new multi-use pathway branching off the BeltLine for a project called the Flint River Trail.

These projects will help unite neighborhoods and boost alternate transportation options. Ossoff made the announcement alongside Sen. Raphael Warnock and U.S. Rep. Nikema Williams, D-Atlanta. The grant funding is part of a bipartisan infrastructure bill approved by Congress in 2021.

The bulk of the funding – \$157 million – will go toward funding

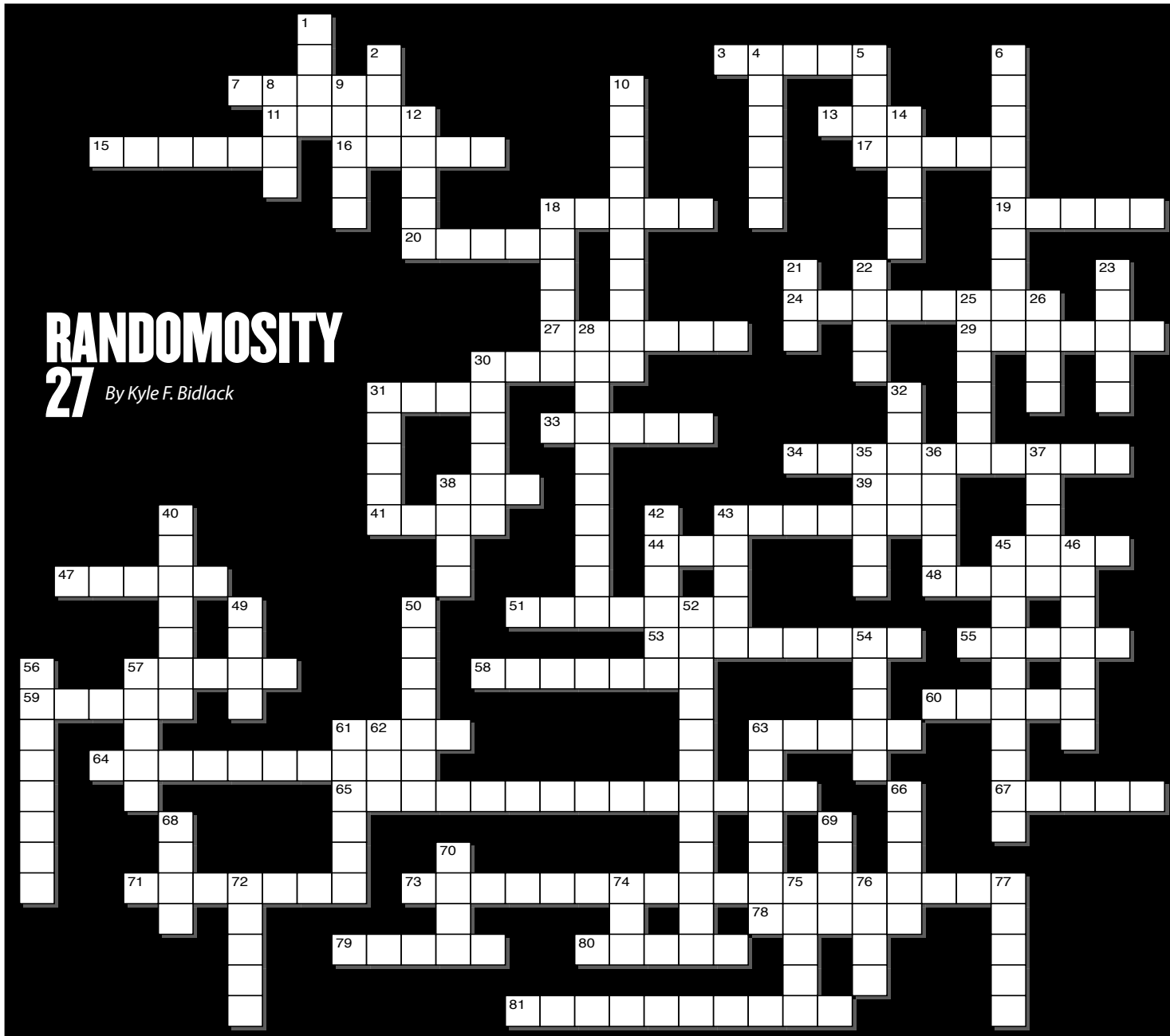
phase one of the Stitch. That calls for up to five acres of new park space over the downtown Connector between Peachtree and Courtland streets, multimodal improvements for the area's street network, aesthetic upgrades, and easier access to MARTA's Civic Center bus and rail station.

The Stitch's planning team applied for the \$157 million in funding in the form of a FY23 Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods grant in September. Eventually, the Stitch's scope calls for 14 acres of new public space spread across three-quarters of a mile, all intended to reconnect neighborhoods torn apart by downtown freeway creation.

The design phase of The Stitch kicked off last month and is expected to be finished this summer. Engineering the project will follow soon after. Original reporting by Urbanize Atlanta said Stitch construction could start in 2026, pending more funding.

RANDOMOSITY

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ACROSS

- 3) Kings, queens and jokers.
- 7) "Very cool!," in old lingo.
- 11) A little suspicious.
- 13) Word after lightning or stink.
- 15) Begin to cry.
- 16) State animal of Maine.
- 17) Like the kereru pigeons of New Zealand, which fall out of trees after eating fermented fruit.
- 18) Romantic connection.
- 19) Self-driving taxi service seen around San Francisco.
- 20) *What the letters in this clue do.*
- 24) What the pirate said on his 80th birthday (dad joke).
- 27) Rounded root vegetable.
- 29) Street sign with an arrow.
- 30) Exercise that you try to get in daily.
- 31) Largest desert in Asia.
- 33) Drunken, as a brunch.
- 34) Noted product of Vermont.
- 38) British "Z".

- 39) Evil spell.
- 41) Norse god with a hammer.
- 43) Canine handler?
- 44) Typically 3, 4, or 5 in golf.
- 45) Microsoft search engine.
- 47) Muppet with a long, hooked beak.
- 48) Vowel group.
- 51) Coating on lashes.
- 53) ___ and the Heartbreakers.
- 55) See eye to eye.
- 57) Wing it on stage.
- 58) Party bag contents.
- 59) Tough shoes to run in.
- 60) First full month of spring.
- 61) Big screen movie format.
- 63) Where Goldilocks is discovered by the Three Bears.
- 64) Losing player in the 2024 Super Bowl.
- 65) Their R'town restaurant tagline is "Part Time for Life."
- 67) Like happening restaurants.
- 71) Part of school that totally bites?

- 73) A tradition unlike any other.
 - 78) Language in which you might wish someone "Goedemorgen".
 - 79) Many ancient shark fossils.
 - 80) Company with planes that ship.
 - 81) Street sign with a big red circle.
- DOWN**
- 1) State in the Mountain time zone.
 - 2) ___ list.
 - 4) College reunion attendees.
 - 5) Hot guy.
 - 6) They are introducing a new mini-bus this year.
 - 8) Sports award like Best Upset or Best Team.
 - 9) Florida's third-most populous city.
 - 10) A tradition unlike any other.
 - 12) Meditation teachers.
 - 14) Feel around in the dark.
 - 18) Neighboring city of Tampa, informally.
 - 21) Crested woodland bird.
 - 22) Comic actor Rogen.

- 23) Word meaning "beverage" that scores 20 points in Scrabble.
- 25) Bad Wordle to spoil.
- 26) Site with Agave restaurant reviews.
- 28) Available to whoever wants it.
- 30) Heat on low.
- 31) Filler between bathroom tiles.
- 32) What golf courses and bad plots both have.
- 35) Suffix meaning "lover of".
- 36) Non-actor on a movie set.
- 37) 2:3, for example.
- 38) Company whose name became a verb in the 2020s.
- 40) Washington NBA team.
- 42) Drug such as morphine or codeine.
- 43) Aspiration.
- 45) A crooner from 1926 to 1977.
- 46) Chocolate hazelnut spread.
- 49) Wicked.
- 50) Big cost for a working parent.
- 52) Key to deciphering Egyptian hieroglyphics.

- 54) Value of B or C, in Scrabble.
- 56) Las Vegas thoroughfare.
- 57) Let happen.
- 61) Still being tested, as an app.
- 62) Sea, in French.
- 63) Country with a renowned "Ring Road".
- 66) What a bolt icon indicates on a phone camera.
- 68) Don't do this.
- 69) Sudden burst of electricity.
- 70) What gives amber ale its sweet flavor.
- 72) Full of activity and excitement.
- 74) She-sheep.
- 75) Swear word.
- 76) Low-pH substance.
- 77) What "rizz," Oxford's 2023 Word of the Year, means.

HONEY BEE SWARM SEASON

By Peter Helfrich

"Bee" ready for swarm season! Each spring, honey bee colonies reproduce by splitting their populations in half via a process called swarming. One half of the colony stays behind in their original hive, while the other half sets out in search of a new home. After departing their hives, swarms often temporarily settle as a huge ball of bees – usually on a branch, railing, post, mailbox, etc. This is when honey bee swarms are most often seen or encountered.

Don't panic! While intimidating, honey bee swarms are typically not dangerous and can be observed safely from a respectful distance. However, since honey bees sometimes take up residence where they are not wanted (e.g., walls of homes or other structures), a beekeeper should be contacted immediately to collect the swarm and give it a proper new home.

Metro Atlanta Beekeepers Association (MABA) staffs a Swarm Hotline members of the public can call to report a swarm. MABA Swarm Commander Dave Marshall will then assign a local beekeeper to collect the bees. Supply as much of the following information as possible:

- What is the exact address of where the swarm is located?
- How high off the ground is the swarm?
- Is the swarm in a structure or on a tree, bush, fence etc.?
- How long has the swarm been at this location?
- What size is it? Softball? Cantaloupe? Football? Basketball?
- Is there a phone number where you can be reached?
- Can you take a photo of the swarm?

The Metro Atlanta Beekeepers Association Swarm Hotline number is: 812.369.0401. About Metro Atlanta Beekeepers Association Metro Atlanta Beekeepers Association is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that supports an active beekeeping community and promotes the art and science of honey bees and beekeeping to the public through education, events and services.

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MORE MARTA STATIONS COMING?

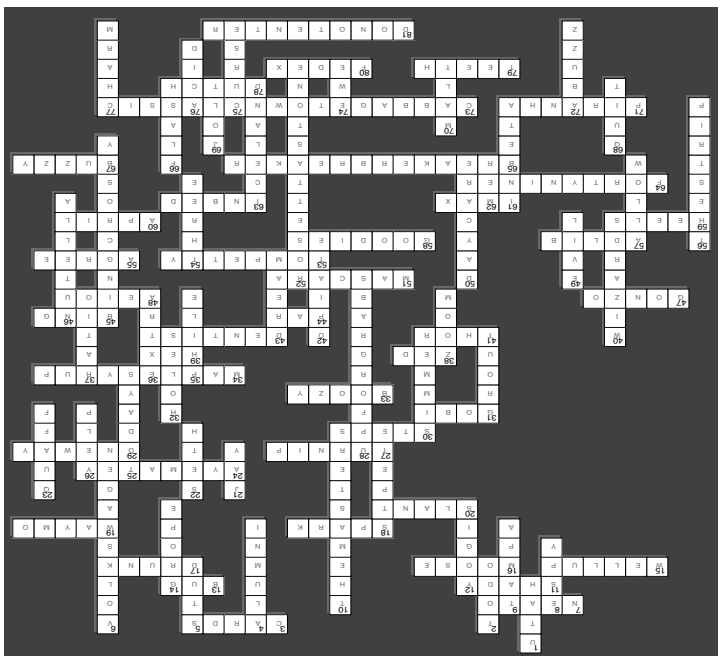
By Kyle F. Bidlack

Late this past month, Mayor Andre Dickens announced – out of the clear blue sky – four new infill MARTA train stations are coming to our fair city. Only one location was specified – Murphy Crossing (Southwest Atlanta) – all other locations remain nebulous.

In the past, **More MARTA** has dreamed of new stations near the Krog Street Tunnel; between Ashby and Bankhead stations; between Inman Park/Old Fourth Ward and the King Memorial station; and in Mechanicsville near McDaniel Street.

As of press time, no word on cost, funding sources, timelines, and actual locations. For now the picture remains obscured by clouds.

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