

"A fine glass vase goes from treasure to trash, the moment it is broken." ~ Vera Nazarian

### ..... **Neighborhood Meeting**

The next neighborhood meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 9th, 6:45p at the Cabbagetown Community Center.

#### AGENDA

6:45p - Welcome and Snacks 7:00p - Meeting begins

Welcome, announcements and Review and approval of September minutes

- Atlanta Police Department
- City of Atlanta Valencia Hudson
- Financial Report Saundra Rueppel

#### **Committee Reports**

- NPU John Dirga
- Historic Preservation and Land Use Committee - Nicole Seekely Review suggested Cabbagetown By law changes as it pertains to the UDC.

Review suggested zoning changes as it pertains to Cabbagetown Landmark district regulations.

- Public Safety/Neighborhood Watch **Committee - Daniel Black**
- Hospitality Laura Bellinger
- Cabbagetown Initiative -**Kendall Rawls**
- Transportation Committee -Shaun Houlihan
- Property Tax/Affordable Housing Committee - Rich Mudafort

#### **Old Business**

Update on trash citations, future plans for locating trash receptacles.

#### New Business - None

#### 8:45p - Adjourned

Final September minutes will be adopted at the October meeting. The Community Center is located at 177 Estoria Street.

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of Lennon and Mc-Cartney "Life is very short and there's no time for fussing and fighting my friend."

The City has dealt Cabbagetown some tough cards as of late. First our property taxes went up by 300<sup>%</sup> in

some cases. Many submitted appeals. Some were successful. So were not.

Then many Cabbageheads reported sub-par sanitation services. Our fearless and relentless leader, CNIA President Katie Butler (along with our CNIA Officers and Chairpersons) worked (and continue to work) hard on our behalf, to arrive at a solution.

Representatives from Public Works heard (and saw) our stories... and responded with woes of being under-funded, and under-equipped.

Then, in early September, APD officers descended upon Cabbagetown and issued over fifty arrest citations for folks who "store containers on public right-of-way. Past garbage collection date." Workers also removed herbie curbies they deemed illegal.

Those cited, were order to appear in court on October 4<sup>th</sup> at 8a or face possible arrest. Some residents have retained legal counsel. There is no official word regarding potential fines. CNIA is working closely with Councilperson Natalyn Archibong's office to arrive at a sensible solution.

On September 28<sup>th</sup>, many Cabbageheads got letters from James A. Jackson Jr., and the Mayor's office. The letters informed us that the arrest citations were dismissed and those cited were no longer obligated to appear in court.

hours of hard work by Katie Butler and a small army of friends.

It is our hope that these citations were not vindictive on the part of the City. The timing of the citations does lead one to question motive. Especially when other neighborhoods across the City are not reporting the same type of code enforcement.

In the meantime, as fine, upstanding citizens, we should aim towards obeying solid waste ordinances. Placing our containers curbside no earlier than 7p the night before scheduled pick-up, and returning the containers to a proper place no later than 7p on the day of pick-up. There are some of us who can not do this due to physical or property limitations. In these instances, the City does offer "backyard pick-up services" but if you do not meet certain criteria, you will be charged <sup>\$</sup>962.21 annually (atlantaga.gov/government/departments/publicworks/office-of-solid-waste-services/solid-wastecurbside-scheduling-services).

The Department of Public Works needs to up *it's game too*. Sanitation workers need to do a better job. They need to empty all containers completely and neatly. They need to return containers to the proper place and not leave them in the road. They need to observe the rules of the road. When traffic backs up behind them, they should ocassionally pull over and allow traffic to pass. They should not drive into on-coming traffic.

Department of Public Works supervisors should observe and enforce proper job performance from their sanitation teams. Sanitation workers MUST understand expectations and See Page 3 earn an honest paycheck.

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*Ve Can Work It Out* In the immortal words | have no doubt that this is the result of many



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### Cabbagetown President's Letter/Mad Lib



KATIE BUTLER (Exclamation) \_\_\_\_\_ ! What a/n (adjective) \_\_\_\_ month it has been here in (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_ Cabbagetown. We've had so many (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_ events to share together.

For example: We shared in many (*adjective*)\_\_\_\_\_ posts on Facebook/Nextdoor/bulletin boards about (*noun*)\_\_\_\_\_\_, learning that we all share the same (adjective)

\_\_\_\_\_ issues. What a (noun)\_\_\_\_\_ it is to not feel so alone in this (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ struggle!

Then, the *(adjective)* \_\_\_\_\_ City of Atlanta joined us at our monthly CNIA meeting. They gave us *(noun)* \_\_\_\_\_ and offered to help us solve the *(adjective)* \_\_\_\_\_ problems we've been facing.

We held a/n (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ concert at the Joyce Brookshire Amphitheater in Cabbagetown Park. What a/n (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ release from the (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ issues of the day. I sure am glad those concerts include (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (noun) \_\_\_\_\_, (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (noun) \_\_\_\_\_, and (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (noun) \_\_\_\_\_ !

We experienced our 9<sup>th</sup> week without regular trash collection! (exclamation)\_\_\_\_\_\_! We continued to enter (plural noun) \_\_\_\_\_\_ into the City's (noun) \_\_\_\_\_\_ system.

To try and fix this, we led the Department of Public Works on a *(adjective)* \_\_\_\_\_\_ tour of Cabbagetown, so they could check out our *(adjective)* \_\_\_\_\_\_ streets and trash service. We *(adverb)* \_\_\_\_\_\_ need to figure out where to put our trash cans!

Then, Fall came! Sort of. We all (*past tense verb*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the (*adjective*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ weather together, wishing for a (*noun*) \_\_\_\_\_\_ where the seasons still happen predictably. (*exclamation*) \_\_\_\_\_\_.

 Fall means that we're in full planning mode for Chomp and

 Stomp, the most (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and (adjective)

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ festival in all of the land, with the best (noun)

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, (noun) \_\_\_\_\_\_, and (noun) \_\_\_\_\_\_ around. To be

 part of the excitement, go on over to chompandstomp.com!

 Please join us for the next (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ installment

 of CNIA on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7p! Cabbagetown

 Community Center! Bring your (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ self!

 Eat some (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pizza! HELP us manage this

 (adjective) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [noun] \_\_\_\_\_\_!

Yours truly, Katie and Chelsea, CNIA Prez and VP (you elected us) \*Send any really good complete Ctown Mad Libs to *cabbagechat@gmail.com*. You may win a sticker or a tshirt, if we have any.

### Suggested words (feel free to use your own!):

*Adjectives:* stinky, smelly, trashy, trash, frustrating, hilarious, unexpected, daring, months-old, harmonious, brave, narrow, desperately, hot, humid, sultry, prestigious, folksy, crowded, chilliful, festive, exciting, harmonious, exciting, cooperative

*Nouns:* beer, music, diapers, bags of dog poop, bags for dog poop, hope, laughs, trash, joy, relief, pain, grief, 311, complaints, trash can, problem, neighborhood, community, world, sanity, chili, bluegrass, art, neighbors, volunteer(s).

*Exclamations:* Wow!, Egad!, Blimey!, are-you-serious?!, Sigh..., AHHH!, Not this again!, Why is Cthulhu so displeased with our pleasant little quarter?!

A Cabbagetown Haiku: Arrest citation My Mom will be heartbroken I will serve my time

### This Month's Meetings

Your Neighborhood Meetings Calendar for October 2018

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 7p: Cabbagetown Initiative Meeting, at The Cabbagetown Community Center

October 9<sup>th</sup>, 7p: CNIA meeting, at The Cabbagetown Community Center

October 15<sup>th</sup>, 7p: Historic Preservation Committee Meeting, at The Cabbagetown Community Center

October 18, 6:30p: Transportation Committee Meeting, at 97 Estoria

October 18<sup>th</sup>, 7p: Joyce Brookshire Amphitheatre Concert Series, Cabbagetown Park

> October 25<sup>th</sup>, 7p: NPU-N Meeting, Little 5 Points Community Center

### Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association: General Meeting



Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 7p Cabbagetown Community Center. Meeting Conducted by Chelsea Arkin. Minutes recorded by Karyn Corell.

Called to order at 7:03p. Packed house. Motion to approve August minutes. Seconded. Unananimously approved.

APD - Night watch commander DJ Crowder: Neighbor asked about armed robbery on Carroll Street over Labor day

weekend. He had no info and said it's not a rare occurrence in the city so... Another neighbor asked about gunshots reported last Thursday night. No info on that incident either. Also, attempted robbery at 212 Berean. No info on that either. Neighbor asked what a person should do if they are being robbed (like the Carroll St incident) since the group robbed was doing all the things to help prevent being targeted...(*walking in group, lit area, not middle of night etc*). Lt. Crowder recommends cooperating fully and giving them what they want. Remember physical description of the perps to give to police.

Neighbor asked how to get increased patrol to our area. Lt. said it's based on 911 priority. Neighbor asked about increasing patrols given the projected increase in our area's population. Lt. Crowder said decisions aren't made based on density. Neighbor asked about non-emergency 911 for parking/traffic, (we do not have that in Atl), so call 911.

*Imagine Memorial Project - Greg Guiffrida:* Livable Centers Initiative is a three day pop-up design studio. It shows maps and ideas along Memorial Drive. Please drop in Alonzo Crim High School on 9/27-9/29 to share ideas and make your wishes/concerns known. Also shared that the Memorial resurfacing from Pearl to Candler is getting pushed back to March 2019.

*City of Atlanta - Valencia Hudson:* Meter covers for large, broken square reported recently by neighbor has been fixed. Neighbor asked about code enforcement failure to respond to calls made concerning abandoned lot at Kirkwood & Berean. Valencia said to email her about it. Neighbor asked about broken hydrant at Kirkwood & Powell.

Valencia Introduced group from Public Works to address our trash complaints. Commissioner Jackson brought eight members of the solid waste team. Claims to be underfunded and borrowing <sup>\$</sup>83M. Down to 50 trucks from 87. New trucks on order. Neighbor asked about can violation citations... City is looking into possibility of exceptions for certain properties that have no other off-street option. SEVERAL neighbors shared complaints/scenarios about missed pick up/half-assed pick up. Chief said to call email a variety of people. James Jackson, Deputy Commissioner *jamesjackson@ atlantaga.gov.* Rubbish pick-up time has changed to 9:30a -11a so that the trucks can maneuver in our neighborhood more easily. Busby & Kimon are our route managers. Call on Friday if your trash pick-up is missed: John Busby 404.290.6771. Email Sherra Durham, senior manager of solid waste *sldurham@atlantaga.gov* Motion to support neighbors en masse through CNIA. Second. Neighborhood coordinating a walk through to demonstrate our storage options. The court date for neighbor citations is 10/4/18. You must attend or be arrested.

*Treasurer - Saundra:* Budget copies available at CNIA meeting. <sup>\$</sup>4,800 balance. <sup>\$</sup>570 on newspaper. We need ad sales revenue!

*NPU - John Dirga*: 888.891.0938 Ga Power outage hotline or call 311. FYI: Code Enforcement inspections happen between 8a-4p. *Imagine Memorial* traffic changes starting soon with a projected completion date of July 2019. Piloting raised bike lanes on Moreland. Complete Streets project is under-funded. Festivals: Candler Fall Fest 9/29-30. Fried Chicken Fest in Candler 10/5. L5P Halloween Fest 10/20. Chomp 11/3. *Circle K* on Moreland got a waiver to sell liquor. Ryan Gravel of *Beltline* fame is opening a restaurant called *Aftercar* at *Telephone Factory Lofts*.

*Affordable Housing Committee - Kendall Rawls.* Kendall is stepping down, Rich is taking over. Going to more aggressive with elected officials to seek change. Two bills are going forward in November. Email *ctowntaxes@gmail.com* to get involved.

*CI - Kendall Rawls President:* Chomp needs volunteers and a Volunteer Chairperson. Neighbor asked about <sup>§</sup>7k owed by a realtor sponsor from last year. We are dropping the case as advised by our attorney, because of the cost of pursuing. (Shannon Mikayla). Neighbor will probably write letter to GA Realtors Association so the transgression is on record. We are selling spoons early this year for <sup>§</sup>5. They are <sup>§</sup>10 on festival day. Street closures will be in October newspaper. Neighbor concerned over investor buying up 5+ houses for specific purpose of *AirBnb*. Proposed that this committee take up the cause.

**Patchworks - Jake & Nina:** Dine out at **Mouth of the South** on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> from 6p-9p, Live music on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> at 2p. Participating in Museum Day on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, tours from 10a-2p (<sup>§</sup>16/<sup>§</sup>8). Lecture series will kick off Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> from 3:30p-5:30p with Bill Taft & Sarah Higginbotham. Others in Oct and Nov to follow.

New Neighbor Party Friday is Sept. 14th at Kevin & Janet's at 7p.

No old business or new business.

Adjourned 8:48p. Exhausted by Garbagegate 18.

Trash-free space relieves stress. (So does inhaling for three seconds and exhaling for four seconds.)

### Cabbagetown Initiative: Meeting Minutes



Minutes for Monday August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. I. In attendance: Heather Bradley, Kendall Rawls, Morgan Felts, Brad Cunard, Alexa Mosley, Andrew Byczko, Ashley McCartney and Jessica Stewart (CICDC Bookkeeper). Joe Farr joined the meeting via phone. Regrets from: Paul Freeman, Evan Willis and Katie Butler. Other attendees: Steve Seachrist (representing the summer

concert series) and Nathan Bolster

KENDALL RAWLS

II. Call to Order - the President called the meeting to order at 7:05p

(representing Chomp).

*III. Approval of the Agenda.* Alexa made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

*IV. Approval of the Minutes.* Morgan made a motion to approve July 2018 minutes. The motion was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

### V.Officer's Reports

*a. President's Report* – Kendall lead a discussion surrounding the efforts of CI to establish *Chomp* guiding principles. Next step is to utilize Google docs to continue brainstorming. *b. Treasurer's Report* – no report.

### VI. Committee Reports

*a. Governance* – Kendall reported that CI and CNIA continue to find ways for the two boards to work collaboratively. Morgan made a motion that CI minutes not be published in the newspaper until they're formally approved by the Board. The motion was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

*b. Chomp & Stomp* – Nathan provided an update on Chomp. Permit application is in to the City. Meeting agenda for the Committee: August 12<sup>th</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup>, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, and October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6p. at the Bolster residence unless otherwise noted. Nathan provided an overview of the current priorities and needs to the Board. Chair positions that have not been filled: volunteers, individual chili cookers, artist market, communication, pre-sales and staging/signage. Interested volunteers can contact Nathan (*nb@nathanbolster.com*).

*c. Parks* – CI discussed possible solutions to homeless persons living behind the Community Center. Given that the preschool will resume operation soon and the impact to neighbors in the area, the CI board feels strongly that this issue should be resolved with all due haste. CI further discussed plans to potentially replace the sofa in the community center. Andrew provided an update on the to-do list for the parks.

*d. Community Garden* – Kendall reported that there's a rodent situation. The Community Garden crew is implementing a trap and release option. Katherine Dirga will attend the September meeting to provide an update.

#### e. EPL Fund – no report.

*f. Finance* – Alexa and Jessica provided a final update on *Forward Warrior!!* numbers. They reported that the CI budget is thus far on track. Jessica will start providing Chomp specific reports.

#### g. CNIA – no report.

#### VII. Old Business

*a. Report on Concert Series* – Steve Seachrist provided an update on the concert series. The events are well attended. The equipment purchased for the event functioned appropriately and stayed within budget. The bands were happy and appreciative. Pursuing a grant to continue the concert series for the Fall and Spring seasons.

*b. Update on Brookshire Stage* – Tabled until September when Joe can attend in person.

#### VIII. New Business

*a. September CI meeting* – Due to the Labor Day holiday, the September CI meeting will be held September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

IX. Questions from the Community a. None.

X. Adjourn – The President adjourned the meeting at 8:58p.



### The Un-separation of Church and State



Cabbagetown has always had a deep faith, in the early days it took the form of cottage prayer meetings. Held at different houses throughout the neighborhood, folks would get together to sing hymns, pray and fellowship with each other.

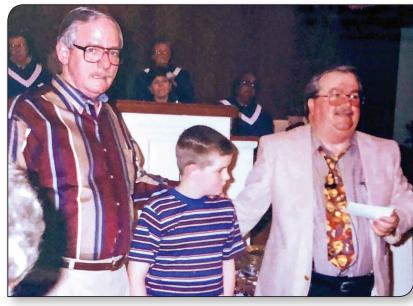
As surprising as it may sound, a couple of churches and religious organizations played a small roll in the early years of the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association (CNIA).

In the beginning CNIA met at the *Craft* office on Carroll street. As it became clear that CNIA needed to be its own organization, free from the umbrella of Craft, a new meeting place was needed. The first of the new homes was the *Boys and Girls Club* on Carroll Street, operated by *The Salvation Army*. a religious person could stand as an ambassador to God, while still being a servant to the community. Even in the early days as I'm sure is true now, the community was made up of gay and lesbians, Christians, atheists, wiccans, even "satanists", and everything in between.

The thing that I was surprised by, was how Friendship, through Larry's leadership actually didn't seem the mind that this melting pot of individuals met once a month in their fellowship hall. Throughout his time with CNIA, Larry began to realize just how he could best impact the future of the neighborhood. Looking back it seems so simple – it was the youth! Larry knew that we must involve the kids of the neighborhood to make any substantial improvement. The first thing he and his family did was to start a concerted effort to engage the youth. Starting with vacation bible school. No it wasn't the first time a church in the community had vacation bible school. It was however the first time someone (Larry and his wife Carol and their kids) reached

Larry Camp and his family had recently moved back to Cabbagetown. His family had deep roots in the neighborhood. Larry was the new pastor at *Friendship*, he quickly became a member of CNIA. With Larry's help, the church offered CNIA a more permanent home.

Now I can imagine a collective gasp – the church involved in a secular civic organization. It actually went very well for quite a while. The church figured that maybe some of the members of CNIA would



From left to right, Larry Camp, Daniel Edwards, and Tom Houston

end as church members. It actually did work out as several CNIA members (myself included) became active in the church.

One of the things I admired most about Larry, was that he believed in the separation of church and state. As he rose through the ranks of CNIA to President, he made sure that he did not let his religious beliefs influence the civic duties of his post in the group. Larry was instrumental in almost every facet of CNIA, from helping clean up the dilapidated houses to assisting with monthly cleanup days (*yep, there was a time when CNIA had to have monthly clean up days*). These included actually cleaning up trash, but also things like helping elderly folks take care of maintenance issues as well as planting flowers and trees.

Larry and Daniel Bogdan even formed one of the first partnerships with *Trees Atlanta*. Larry Camp was an amazing example of how

*Ministries*. They met every Friday night at Friendship. It was not your average church service. It included contemporary music (the lyrics changed to have a Christian message) muppet style puppets, and skits.

The most important thing to Tom was that the kids got a hot, home cooked meal every week. However, as most religious organizations involved in communities, Friendship began to try and impress their strict southern baptist beliefs on both Larry's youth ministry and CNIA.

Just as quickly as CNIA's partnership began, it ended. As crazy as it sounds, the breaking point for the church was not the involvement of homosexuals or atheists. It was that women wore pants on church property. This was a turning point for Larry and CNIA. Next month I'll continue the story of Larry and Tom.

out to all the youth of the neighborhood. New and old, good and bad.

Through their efforts, kids not only got involved in the secular side of community involvement, but also began to see that they had a purpose and a future void of drugs.

Larry eventually partnered with a new resident named Tom Houston. Houston brought a more contemporary style to church. He and Larry and a handful of people started *Village Kids* 

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# Do It Yourself... With Chip

Atlanta's own celebrity designer and expert craftsman, Chip Wade, will join local do-it-yourself home decorators to repurpose items from the Atlanta Habitat ReStore in the Reynoldstown neighborhood from 2p to 3p, Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

big fan of Habitat for Humanity.

The Chip Wade DIY workshop is free and open to the public at the Atlanta Habitat ReStore located at 271 Chester Ave. Guests can register at atlantahabitat.org/workshop.

Several local DIYer's have been invited to transform items from the ReStore into furniture and home décor that would complement America's ultimate family holiday - Thanksgiving.

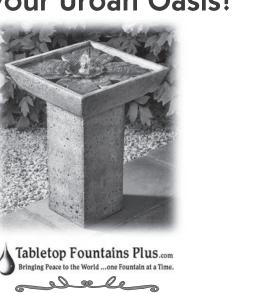
Wade, host, designer and executive producer on his Emmy Award Winning series, Elbow Room, will showcase the DIYer's design transformations. He will also offer advice and tips to shoppers on refreshing a space with items from the Atlanta Habitat ReStore any time of the year.

Chip Wade. Photo by Jessica McGowan/Getty Images "The Atlanta Habitat ReStore is a treasure chest of cool finds. I can't

seniors and military veterans, and neighborhood revitalization. Learn more at atlantahabitat.org/restore.







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Top of the Charts By Kyle F. Bidlack What music is Cabbagetown listening to? Good question. Here are

this month's hottest songs on the 97 Estoria juke box.

# Free Fallin': Slim's Pickin's



Fall is finally here and tolerable outdoor festivals are upon us. Some great freebies this month, including Oakhurst's Porchfest (Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>), with about 100 acts playing on various porches around the 'hood, the always crazy and entertaining Little Five Points Halloween Festival on Saturday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, and for foodies the Taste of Atlanta Festival on Oct 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> (not free though). Get outside and enjoy some fantastic Atlanta autumn weather,

and then in the evening go to any or all of these great shows!

*Tuesday Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> David Byrne @ Fox Theater* – The Talking Heads were one of the most intellectual and funky New Wave progenitors in the 70's and 80's, and even though Byrne disbanded the group at the top of their game, he has always added a few TH tunes to his own excellent repertoire. His solo output is also pretty incredible, so this will most likely be a (psycho) killer show.

*Friday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Cook @ Eddie's Attic* – Loretta Lynn and Jeannie C. Riley ("Harper Valley PTA") were at the forefront of the women's rights movement in country music, and the torch is more than adequately carried by Cook, whose pure honky tonk material delivers a message of feminine empowerment and independence. She had some personal obstacles in the past few years, but her newest album shows her personal strength and song-crafting skills.

*Wed. Oct.* 10<sup>th</sup> Alice Cooper @ Cobb Energy Centre – One of the highlights of being a teenager in the 70's in Nashville was the annual Alice Cooper concert, always a macabre and spooky rock & roll thriller – Love It To Death, Killer, and Billion Dollar Babies still stand out in my pickled memory banks. Now 70, sober, and still rocking with an incredible band, Coop knows his place and preserves his legacy with style and a bit of nostalgia.

Sat. Oct. 13th Seldom Scene @ Red Clay Music Foundry

(Duluth) – When Bluegrass went "progressive", one of the best bands in the genre was Seldom Scene. Their rich harmonies, master musicianship, and willingness to take chances by covering popular tunes in their own way were groundbreaking. Sadly, original vocalist John Duffey has left us, but the current lineup works hard to preserve the rich traditions of the band.

*Mon. Oct.* 15<sup>th</sup> Samantha Fish @ Terminal West – As a long-existing genre in American music, the Blues has its ups and downs, but every now and then a new artist comes around that makes it all fresh again. The initial shock of seeing a young, attractive female walk on stage and start belting it out is a common experience for newcomers to Samantha's gigs, but once they realize she is the real deal it's all good. Great material, fine guitar work, and

confident vocals make this a complete package. She is going to be on the scene for a long time, thankfully.

*Wed. Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> Michael Franti & Spearhead @ Variety Playhouse –* I saw Spearhead on my birthday at Smith's several years ago, and it was one of the most uplifting and enjoyable concerts I have ever attended. Franti is a staunch believer in the importance of music delivering humanistic messages, and his unique blend of folk, reggae and soul is intoxicating. Seems the best way to raise social consciousness is to hear the word while you shake your ass.

Sun. Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> Roger McGuinn, Chris Hillman, and Marty Stuart celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Byrds' "Sweetheart Of The Rodeo" album – "Sweetheart of the Rodeo" has been deemed one of the most important albums in contemporary music history. The Byrds, a very respected psychedelic rock band radically switched gears and put out a pure country album (heavily influenced by then member

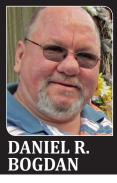


Samantha Fish: Monday, October 15th at Terminal West

Gram Parsons), only to be shunned by both the rock fans and the country music fans when it was originally released. Time makes us all wiser, and the power of this album has been recognized and honored. This is an event, people, seriously.

Sat. Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> Jim Lauderdale @ Eddie's Attic – Lauderdale may be the single hardest working and prolific artist in the big Americana umbrella, and his work is top shelf all the time. A witty and deeply observant songwriter, Lauderdale has put out a ton of great albums, including several collaborations with folks like the late Ralph Stanley and Grateful Dead lyricist Robert Hunter. In addition to his incredible talent, he may be the nicest human being on the planet. One of my all time favorites!

## Transforming Cabbagetown: Back in the Day



As a resident of "the old Cabbagetown" between 1984 and 1995, I was witness to the remarkable challenges the community faced, as well as the amazing, creative, often quixotic efforts that we undertook to preserve and transform the neighborhood into the vibrant community that we enjoy today.

Because of the nature of its inception in 1888 – as a classic "Mill Village" – older

residents were presented with a difficult set of circumstances with which to work when faced with the changes brought about by the post-industrial age.

I arrived some eight years after the fallout from The Mill's final closure in 1976, so I cannot say precisely how events transpired, and who was specifically involved as people struggled to pick up the pieces of what I found upon my arrival in 1984 – a shattered and struggling community. Some saw a fractured populace, seemingly unable or unwilling to make the hard choices necessary to ensure their future viability. Others remarked upon the strong sense of place that often bordered in tribalism, or clannish solidarity. During my sojourn in the neighborhood, I bore witness to a set of individuals and events that marked the transition from the historic "Mill Village" to the renaissance of the Cabbagetown that we recognize today.

The catastrophic challenges of The Mill's closure were initially matched only by a glaring lack of the skills necessary to navigate the treacherous waters ahead. The old order had crumbled, and this previously insulated enclave was being bombarded by a wave of change.

This caused anxiety, distrust and fear among the older residents, uncertain as how best to proceed. A few individuals and institutions offered significant amounts of time and effort towards helping the people in singularly admirable ways. Still, at times it seemed that some members of the community would rather see the neighborhood vanish rather than give in to the immense forces for change that were surrounding them.

Limited by their upbringing from The Mill, many of those that remained behind after its closure, though simple and hardworking, were intractably distrustful of anyone offering assistance. As I found out, many of their suspicions were wellfounded – though not in the way it first appeared.

A few individuals, sensing what was at stake, were willing to extend a hand of friendship and cooperation to the small group of outsiders who came to live among them. They made tremendous sacrifices to ensure the survival – and transformation – of Cabbagetown through these difficult times. Precious little is known about the period between 1976, when the Mill ceased operations, and 1996, when Winter Construction Group, along with John Aderhold, a well-known real estate developer in Atlanta, took title to the site of the old Fulton Bag and Cotton Mill.

With it, they held the key to the renaissance of Cabbagetown. I hope that by sharing these "forgotten years," I can help to provide some insight into that transitional period in a compelling, personal, and historical context.

NOTE: Daniel was a resident from August 1984 through December, 1994 at 615-B Gaskill Street. He helped form the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association, advocated for the preservation and adaptive reuse of the Fulton Bag and Cotton Mill site, and served as Corresponding Secretary on the first Executive Board of CNIA.

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## "It's fourth and fifteen and you're looking at a full-court press."

### By John Dirga

We need a couple of brave stoics who aren't afraid to call a foul when things heat up.

If you are interested in helping with Cabbage Games during this year's Chomp & Stomp, please email *Music@ChompandStomp.com*!

Looking for referees, time keepers, recruiters, a cheering section, help with set-up, and people to give out prizes. It's an easy fun job, and doesn't take all day. You can volunteer for as little as one hour (there are three different game times). Perfect for busy folks who can only help for a quick minute. Bring it on!

*In other news,* Music Committee is still looking for a few more locations for the Porch Jam portion of the Festival. If you've got a friendly, photogenic porch and would like to host an acoustic act, please let us know. We'll set it up and clean-up, no mess, no fuss, and you get to host a half-hour or so of fun music. Party like it's 1899! For more information, email *Music@ChompandStomp.com* 



### It's time to refresh your home for the holidays.





Free D.I.Y. Workshop led by HGTV's Chip Wade Thursday, Nov. 1 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.



Join celebrity designer and expert craftsman, Chip Wade, as he leads a workshop on repurposing unwanted building materials into works of art. Local DIYer's will showcase how unique doors and windows can become dining tables, benches, accent furniture, home décor and more. Bring your questions and ideas to the Atlanta Habitat ReStore for a D.I.Y. workshop you don't want to miss. This event is FREE and open to the public!

Details and Registration: www.atlantahabitat.org/workshop





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### The Great Cabbagetown Trash War of 2018

### Late July 2018:

Trash collection day changed from Tuesday to Friday, Cabbagetown began experiencing missed trash collections, shoddy trash collections, trash left out in the street for multiple weeks.

### September 2018:

Neighbors begin receiving arrest citations for having (unemptied) bins on the sidewalk after collection day. Approximately 50 neighbors have received arrest citations.

Trash collection issues continue. Some neighbors have had their trash skipped for up to nine weeks in a row.

CNIA hosted Department of Public Works at our monthly meeting and later gave them a tour of the neighborhood to 1: identify areas where bins cannot be removed from sidewalk, and 2: showcase missed trash collection.

*September 28, 2018:* All neighbors with citations were dismissed!

### What can you do?

If your trash isn't being collected: Call 311 to request a pick-up. Take photos of trash not being picked up and email them to *cabbagechat@gmail.com.* 

### If you received a citation:

Get your cans off the street by 10/1. Make sure you received a dismissal notice.

### If you did not receive a dismissal, please let cabbagechat@gmail.com know.

CNIA is continuing to work with DPW on solutions, but please remember: the city will issue new citations if they find our bins on the sidewalk after trash collection day. CNIA will keep working on the list on a case by case basis.

### If you just want to help:

Tweet to the Mayor @*KeishaBottoms* about our problem Post on City DPW Facebook page *facebook.com/ AtlantaPublicWorks/* and Cabbagetown (ATL) Facebook *pagefacebook.com/groups/6236388284/* and/or post on *Nextdoor*.

### Cornhole Y'all!

*Craft Beer and Cornhole Tailgate to Support CRSP - Oct 20th, 2018, 2p-6p.* What started as a Chomp and Stomp party has evolved into the Cabbagetown Craft Beer Tailgate and Ninth Annual Cornhole Tournament to support the Cabbagetown-Reynoldstown Security Patrol (CRSP). *Creature Comfort* and *Monday Night* will be on tap. College football will be on outside. And new names will be added to the extremely low-budget trophy. If you want to partake in the tournament, get there by



September 2018: A Department of Public Works garbage truck opts not to give the proper right-of-way to an Atlanta Fire Department fire truck.





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2:30 to put your name in the drawing (teams are random and coed). If you just want to hang out, come anytime: 171 Tye Street. <sup>\$</sup>20 at event. Proceeds benefit CRSP.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Commit to King" Fall Festival

### By Rebecca Wallace

Parent and staff volunteers from the six Jackson Cluster elementary schools that feed into King Middle School will once again put on a joint fall festival on the King campus, free and open to the public.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Commit to King" Fall Festival is Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> from 10a to 2p. With no entrance fee, kids of all ages can enjoy plenty of free activities such as a live DJ, petting zoo, jumpy houses and face painting while paying a nominal fee (<sup>\$</sup>1-<sup>\$</sup>2) for pony rides, a (principal) dunking booth and video game buses. Also, every feeder school student will also receive a free Jaguar meal at the festival.

"Even with the rain, last year's event had a great turn out, and we really enjoyed having so many area families visit our campus," said King Middle School Principal Paul Brown. "The joint festival is a great way for the feeder school families to get to know one another before their students enter middle school, and it's also a great chance for us to show off our recently renovated facilities." The elementary schools that feed into King are Barack and Michelle Obama Academy (Summerhill), Benteen (Woodland Hills), Burgess Peterson (East Atlanta), Dunbar (Mechanicsville), Parkside (Grant Park), and Toomer (Kirkwood). Children of all ages are welcome at the festival.

Sponsored by area organizations and businesses that give to the feeder school PTAs, this year's event will also be supported by a few Atlanta School Board members that represent the Jackson Cluster, including District 1 Representative Leslie Grant. Their generous donations help to cover the costs of the activities and food and ensure the event is accessible and enjoyable for all. "The Commit to King Fall Festival is such a great example of bringing our schools together and making the Jackson Cluster stronger," said Grant.

The event is rain or shine. For more information and the latest updates, please follow the Facebook event found on the Commit to King Parent Group: *tinyurl.com/FacebookCTKgroup*.

## The Long and Winding Road (with a long red light)

### By Kyle F. Bidlack

Cabbageheads at The Fulton Cotton Mill Lofts and The Stacks have been petitioning the City for a flashing yellow light at their Boulevard entrance since November 2016.

Anyone who has attempted to turn left into The Fulton Cotton Mill Lofts and The Stacks from Boulevard knows that if your timing is wrong, you can sit for a very long red light cycle (sometimes upwards of two minutes) with no oncoming traffic.

At a November 2016 meeting with a City representative, we were told there was a very good chance that a flashing yellow light for the southbound left turn would be implemented within six months to one year. Residents waited. And waited. Nothing happened.

Long-time resident Rick Blackburn even got one of the local tv news traffic dudes to do a story on the situation. Not even the traffic dude could get the City to act.

*The Cabbagetown Neighbor* has repeated reached out to the City for an update. Finally, on September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Tom Weyandt, Interim Renew Atlanta/TSPLOST General Manager gave us an one.

According to Mr. Weyandt, "The flashing yellow arrow upgrade at The Stacks entrance intersection is part of Monroe Drive Traffic Communication Corridor (TCC) plan set. It is not part of the Complete Streets plan set. We are planning to advertise the bid documents before the end of 2018."

"There are some issues related to **Georgia Power** which are being resolved and with an Invest Atlanta grant which is also in process. We expect these to be settled shortly and have an estimated construction start date in Jan. 2019 and end date in Dec. 2020. This project is grouped with other projects for construction which is why the construction duration is so long - reflecting the whole package of projects. Once the package has been let we will be able to give you a better feel for when this particular installation can occur." Said Mr. Weyandt.

Mr. Weyandt went on to say that project manager, Sowmya Maya, will keep us all informed about the schedule when the project actually begins.

The Cabbagetown Neighbor will keep you posted.

### Cabbagetown Crawl-O-Ween is On!

Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Starts at Agave at 6:30p. Continues up and down Carroll Street, culminating at Milltown with a costume contest at 9:30p. Free event, but bring cash for drink specials.

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# MOTS Rocks!

On September 19<sup>th</sup>, Mouth of the South hosted a dine-out fundraiser for Patch Works Art & History Center.

Even before they opened their doors, the entire Mouth of the South team has worn their Cabbagetown heart (and lips) on their sleeves (and shirts). MOTS donated a portion of the night's proceeds to Patch Works. Several weeks prior, they hosted a spirited dine-out to benefit canines in need.

Oh, and by the way... their food is top+notch! Walk on over to Mouth of the South today, and do yourself a favour, try the street corn! Trust me on this one. And just in case you need another reason, their prices are straight outta' 1985. Seriously affordable (which is just a fancy way of saying "cheap as hell").

## The People Spoke (and listened too)

By Kyle F. Bidlack

*Leadership within the City of Atlanta and MARTA adjusted course and did the right thing.* Roughly <sup>\$</sup>150 million from a 2016 sales tax vote will be redirected towards Beltline light rail and away from light rail along the Clifton corridor.

The Cabbagetown Neighbor tips it's cap to citizen leaders like Cathy Woolard, Ryan Gravel, Angel Luis Poventud, and Brandon Sutton. *The More MARTA plan* – which calls for funding fifteen miles of light rail along the Beltline – is much more in line with what these fine folks have been advocating for, for months.

We also recognize Emory President Claire Sterk for agreeing with the right vision. According to the AJC, President Sterk said the More MARTA plan would be *"a historic commitment to public transportation and to the future of our community."* 

"We have proven once again that citizen engagement can have a real impact on how our city is shaped..." Brandon Sutton, Cabbagetown Citizen e half-penny sales tax for transit on the BeltLine, including the southside trail. This is an important step toward realizing the promises that have been made to underserved communities citywide and a critical component of future mobility in our fast-growing region."

The Clifton corridor will now depend on a massive infusion of dollars from private funding (Emory and others) to become a reality. Campbellton Road will receive <sup>\$</sup>400 million for light rail.

The new plan also calls for much needed attention to old infrastructure, including <sup>\$</sup>200 million to upgrade existing rail stations, with priority given to Five Points, Bankhead, CNN & Georgia World Congress Center, Oakland City, Ashby, West End, Inman Park and Vine City stations.

There's also <sup>\$</sup>238 million to improve the current bus system, including new buses and shelters.

Mayor Bottoms is reviewing the recommended project list but seems to support the More MARTA Plan. She said to the AJC,

"We have proven once again that citizen engagement can have a real impact on how our city is shaped, but we must remain vigilant to ensure that decisions made today are carried out in the years ahead." Said Sutton.

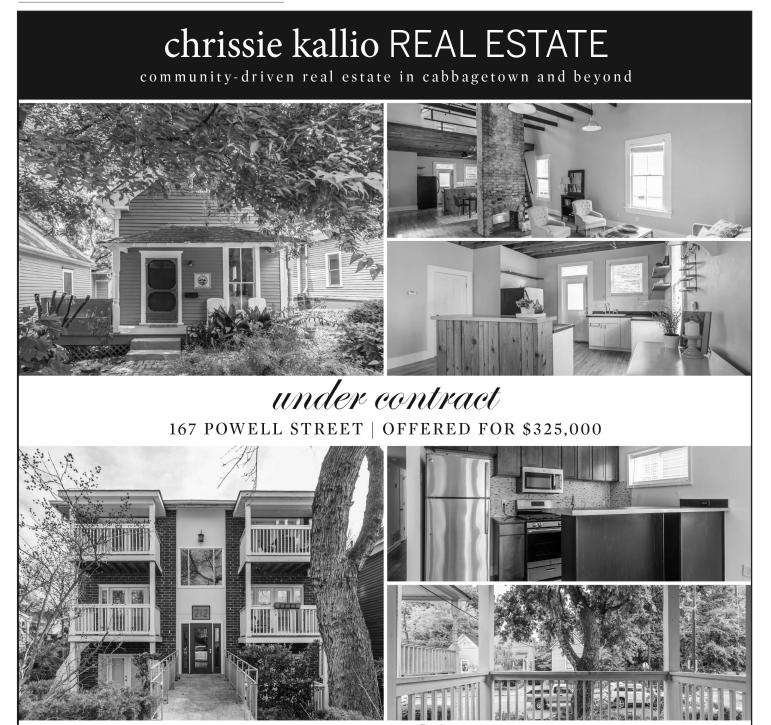
If the *More MARTA plan* is approved, the City will start building twenty-nine miles of light rail across Atlanta, counting the partially funded lines. It also includes thirteen miles of bus rapid transit lines, three arterial rapid transit routes, the renovation of existing rail stations and other improvements.

*Looking ahead:* After roughly five months of public discussion, MARTA now has <sup>\$</sup>11.5 billion worth of projects to choose from, while the sales tax is expected to generate just <sup>\$</sup>2.5 billion over the next 40 years. That means we'll need more folks like Brandon, Angel, Ryan, and Cathy, to make sure our fair City stays the course.

"The More MARTA plan would enhance our public transportation system in an exceptional way – providing better, more efficient service that will have a positive impact on both economic development and quality of life throughout our city."

MARTA's board of directors are expected to vote October 4<sup>th</sup> on the *"More MARTA plan"*, which will fund transit improvements for the next forty years. The funds are being generated by the previously mentioned half-penny sales tax voters approved in 2016.

Said Brandon Sutton "I applaud the decision of the MARTA board to allocate more money from the half-penny sales tax for transit on



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# Chomp & Stomp Street Closures

By Nathan Bolster, Chomp Co-Chairperson

Hosting one of Atlanta's best (we're being humble) neighborhood parties and inviting 25,000 of our closest friends to roam our streets, enjoy some music, chili, a road race, and refreshments, means we all gotta' sacrifice our normal parking routines for a couple days.

Street Closures and Parking Restrictions LOOK FOR SIGNS STARTING OCTOBER 28<sup>™</sup>

*Wylie Street from Estoria Street to Tennelle Street* (No parking Friday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a -Saturday, Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 10p)

*Powell Street from Tennelle Street to Gaskill Street* (No parking Friday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a - Saturday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 10p)

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*Tye Street from Wylie Street to Gaskill Street* (No parking Friday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a - Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 10p)

*Kirkwood Avenue from Pearl Street to Powell Street* (No parking Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a - Saturday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> until 10p)

*Mollie Street* (No parking Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> until 10p)

*Carroll Street will be Southbound only for November 3<sup>rd</sup>* (No parking Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> until 10p)

Please be sure to pass the word to your neighbors and especially your visiting friends. Thank you all very much!

## The Real Estate Report

This information is provided by Chrissie Kallio using the First Multiple Listing records and data from Housing and Urban Development postings. The information is not guaranteed or warranted. Any questions regarding real estate in the

Cabbagetown area can be directed to the following resident agents: Chrissie Kallio at 404.295.2068 • Lynne Splinter at 404.582.0006 • Debbie Weeks at 404.272.1906. *We wish you happy house hunting!* 

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