

"Idealist: One who, on noticing that a rose smells better than a cabbage, concludes that it will also make better soup"- Henry Louis Mencken

### **CNIA** Meeting April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012



Lyn Deardorff and Pat Katz share info regarding the Esther Peachey Lefever Park. For more info see page 4.

### **Neighborhood Meeting**

The next neighborhood meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 7p at the Cabbagetown Community Center.

### Aaenda

6:30 to 7p: Networking & Snacks 7p: Meeting

- 1. Welcome & Announcements -Valencia Hudson, City of Atlanta -APD & Public Safety -Minutes of Last Meeting -Treasurer's Report
- 2. Committee Reports -Public Safety -NPU-N -Hospitality
- 3. Old Business Bar One
- 4. New Business
- 5. Public Input then Adjourn.

The Community Center is located at 177 Estoria Street. If you have an item to add to the agenda, please email cniaboard@gmail.com.

Want to book the Community Center? Cabbagetown residents receive a discounted rate (\$100 for up to four hours) Contact Dan at Community center@ Cabbagetown.com or call 404.317.2379



Cabbagetown residents, Casey and Ryan, ponder the future of Cabbagetown while at Carroll Street Cafe.

### agetown:Decision 2012 By Katherine Dirga

No need to raise a war chest or resort to smear tactics: if you want to be part of the Cabbagetown Initiative, all it takes is showing up at the May 8<sup>th</sup> neighborhood meeting and announcing you'd like to be a member. CI is holding its Board Member elections on Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, and we'd love to welcome you to our shadowy cabal!

You might be scratching your head thinking: CI, CNIA, what do all these letters mean and how are they different?

"CI" stands for Cabbagetown Initiative, which is Cabbagetown's own non-profit board. Originally, the purpose of the non-profit was to raise money to support Cl's founding mission:

maintaining and improving our cherished Cabbagetown Park and the Cabbagetown Community Center.

Over the years we've kept up our mandate, while giving ourselves additional projects: CI helped start the Community Garden; we've expanded our landscaping duties to the Krog Tunnel; and we also fund the Wallkeepers.

And, since we're a 501(c)3, we can apply for and accept grants. We were recently awarded a nice one from the City of Atlanta to redesign Esther Peachey Lefever Park, Notes and we have just applied See Pg. 5 Continued on page 6

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## SEABA Update

**Bv** Ashlev McCartnev

On March 22, 2012, Zoo Atlanta hosted our first Business Luncheon of 2012. One of our distinguished board members, Rick Hudson, gave his famous "Beltline 101" presentation as well as some pertinent information about the Transportation Tax vote that is coming up in July 2012. We had over twenty attendees!



Rick provided us with valuable information about the progress of the Atlanta Beltline and how it impacts our local businesses and neighborhoods. For those of us who have been around for a while, we often get disgruntled about what seems like slow progress for this project. However, there are many things happening with the project that should ignite excitement in us all (e.g. Historic Old Forth Ward Park, Art on the Beltline, Boulevard Heights Park, etc).

As Rick pointed out, if the Transportation Tax passes in July progress would speed up significantly. After the presentation, each guest was invited to introduce his or herself and tell us about their respective businesses. This was a successful event and we are already looking forward to the next Business Luncheon in July! SEABA thanks Zoo Atlanta for its continued support.

On April 19, from 5:30 until 7:15p, Gardenhood and Stone Soup Kitchen will host us for Networking in the Garden. Please bring cash for beverages. Complimentary snacks will be provided. This was one of the favorite events from last year and we thank Garden Hood for offering to host us again. Bring your business cards! This is where deals get started.

On May 17, H.H. Harper Station will host our soiree from 5:30 until 7:15p. We look forward to bringing H.H. Harper Station into the SEABA fold.

Good things are on the horizon for SEABA. Please check out our new SEABA website at www.seabaga.org for information about our new membership guidelines, leaders, membership benefits, and tactical and strategic plans for 2011-2012. If you would like to be on our mailing list or know more about our organization just send an email to ashmccartney@gmail.com and we'll get back to you. We are also now on Facebook.

SEABA (South East Atlanta Business Association) was created through the merger of the Reynoldstown/Cabbagetown Business Association and the Grant Park Merchants Association in 2006. Our most important goals are to strengthen and grow the business community and enhance the quality of life for all residents. SEABA is a 501(c)(6) non-profit corporation operated by volunteers.



**YOU GOTTA CHECK OUT** OUR NEW JUKE BOX! It's a Full Bar Entertainment Center! Interact with it using your Android or IPhone App Program your favorite music or playlist!

April 6th - First Friday FREE Beer

Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> • 5-8p • Art Walk Join us for a walking tour of art in the hood! We'll Visit: Cabbagetown Clay and Glass Works Stone Soup Kitchen • Memorial Tattoo Sweet Cheats & Milltown Tavern



Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> • 7-9p **Major Art Opening!** Sarah Flinn sarahflinn.com

Saturday, April 28th • 6p • Lolovino Wine Series with Lauren Deluca • Refreshing Summer Wines 4 Tastings and a Full Pour • \$15 RSVP on Facebook

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## Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association: General Meeting

March 13, 2012 – Cabbagetown Hall (Community Center) *By John Dirga* 

**1.** Valencia Hudson announced no major crimes in the neighborhood. There were requests to clean the Boulevard tunnel and replace water meter covers.

**2.** Resident was complaining about abandoned properties. If house is secured with plywood, it is not considered hazardous. Police can access a database of gas bills, and power bills to find property owners.

**3.** Resident complained about noise at a local club, waking his 81yr mother. They can hear it on Gaskill Street. The owner turns down the noise when the police arrive. An off-duty police officer might be intercepting the calls. There is a log of the 911 calls. Valencia will look into the parking lot. It is a code violation and zoning issue if it is not permitted for that purpose.

4. Minutes approved.

**5. Treasurer's Report:** <sup>\$</sup>7451.66 in general fund. Income of <sup>\$</sup>885 (advertising in newsletter). <sup>\$</sup>55.66 contribution to an elderly neighbor. <sup>\$</sup>50 corporate registration. <sup>\$</sup>188 for pizza. Printing <sup>\$</sup>1033.56. Website <sup>\$</sup>500. Total expenses <sup>\$</sup>1825.30.

**6. Hospitality Committee:** Melody performed the meet & greet. Pastor from local Church introduced himself. New residents' party, Karen Russian and Debbie Weeks. Friday April 20<sup>th</sup>, is Role Call <sup>#</sup>4, at Dan & Alicia's house. Will work with neighborhood businesses to provide a better variety of food before the meetings (during social hour 6:30p).

**7. Jared of Historic Preservation:** Case from last meeting got their certificate of appropriateness, recommended against the driveway (wrote a letter supporting the application with the staff's recommendation against the driveway). There is a new case to re-do a front porch, and couple met with HP to learn the process.

**8. Cabbagetown Initiative:** Elections in May, with 4 or more openings. 2yr terms, with opportunity of a second term.

**9.** Wallkeepers Committee is being revived. Walls along Wylie with temporary art installations. Guidelines were set by new board.

**10.** A resident talked about SEA, which helped his mother receive central HVAC and insulation for retirees.

**11. Old Business:** Barb & Kyle. After 2008 Tornado, community really worked together. Global Initiative to help a community in Africa. Well-Being Foundation is working to build a well in Kenya. Introduced Sonkoi and Ann from Esupetai. Sonkoi spoke about his community meetings, and about walking 10km for water every day. Can carry 20L on your back. His wife, Ann, talked about living in the community. Wellbeing does not take any admin money, 100<sup>%</sup> of the donations go towards building the well. Auction of goods & services will raise funds. (*Editor's note: The fundraiser raised <sup>\$9</sup>,171.00*)

**12.** Pat Katz, update on Esther Peachey Park. Community Block grant of <sup>\$</sup>100,000. Leverage to raise money for playground and other features: Picnic Shelter. Playground pods. Last revisions from landscape architect, ECOS/POND, design committee would like to submit the plans, which will have to go before UDC. Motion to support plans. Need to show money was spent by November. Might take six months for permits and bids. CI will need more, as Park Pride requires matching funds. Phases will help with future water lines and lights. Electrical lines, but not new lighting. Existing lighting will remain until new lighting is installed.

**13.** Kristen Sullivan, School Committee is trying to zone Cabbagetown for Parkside. APS has Whiteford (Edgewood) as the new school, and then King & Jackson. Several parents visited Hope Hill. Whiteford has potential, but Parkside is "move-in ready". Superintendent is holding community meetings, and will present final on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Our meeting is at Jackson High, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30p. Open House at Whiteford, on Thursday 6p, trying to engage Cabbagetown & Reynoldstown.

**14.** Duke Homes has old Cabbagetown Photos on Facebook. Andy is going to write a book about Cabbagetown in the 60's and 70's.

15. George's update on Three Points Park. Meeting Sunday at 2p at the Triangle.

**16.** New Business: Brad of Little's announced he wants to stay open until 10p, and until 11p during the summer. Motion to support amendment as "grace period", and change of agent would revert to old hours.

**17.** APD Major announced the opening of a precinct in Old Forth Ward, dedicated 9 officers to patrol O4W. Probation office in that station which is located in The Atlanta Medical Center.

**18.** Robert Tubbs, lease of Sweet Cheats, outdoor seating. Chairs umbrellas and table, on the sidewalk. 62" away from the curb. Bolted down umbrella stands. They close at 8:30p. Owner agreed to respond to written complaints within two weeks.

**19.** Wonder Root. Kate, membership and education coordinator. 982 Memorial Drive. Family and non-profit and sponsor memberships. Wonderoot.org Art installation fundraiser on March 24<sup>th</sup>, W Midtown. Tickets are available soon. WonderGlow.

**20.** Public Input: Land Use and Transportation Planning Committee will be created to be proactive on Memorial Drive Corridor, Beltline, and possible future developments.

**21.** Empty lot between Tye Street and Estoria and Gaskill: trouble with dust and debris. EPA and code enforcement have been involved in the past.

**22.** There was a motion to write a letter to Bar One re: noise, hours, and parking. Unanimous.

23. Motion to Adjourn.

# **CI** Notes

By Mary Huysman

The Cabbagetown Initiative CDC met at 7p on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at The Cabbagetown Community Center. In attendance were: Katherine Dirga, Mary Huysman, Michael McPherson, Dana Habeeb, Nathan Barnett, Lyn Deardorff and Jason Snyder. Here are the minutes:

### I. Officer Reports

- a. Michael Finance (passed and discussed)
- b. Tova Parks (Tova absent, updated by Michael)
- c. Mary January Minutes (unanimously approved)

### II. New Business

a. Garden Water Bill—Water bill is always very low. Discussed other options for watering, like building a greenhouse or a shed to also serve as a collection surface (with gutters).

b. Tye Street House—Tova and Michael—Michael has done a bunch of research regarding house. Owner Mr. Wyatt is still alive. Michael spoke to the next-door neighbors today. Sent along his card with the wishes that the neighborhood wants to help them.

### III. Old Business

a. Jim Prible invoice—tabled

b. Discussed CSX wall. Request Nathan for the March meeting.

c. Chomp Planning kick off—Next Saturday, Pot luck. We are looking for new nibbles on the leadership line.

### IV. Recent Projects, Updates

a. Garden Work day—Compost bins finished! Work day was successful despite the weather. We chipped all the wood. Now we need to find out where to store the chipper.

b. Triangle Park—Lyn will speak with George regarding getting a real committee and making something happen.

c. New CNIA Board: Lyn-President, Ashley-Recording Sec, John Dirga-VP, Tracey-Corresponding Sec, Karin Kane-Treasurer

### V. Community Members/ Guests

a. Lyn—Savannah Street House. No progress has been made. The committee wants things to happen, but have no support or denial from their backing committee. Lyn feels we need the neighborhood's official clout. Michael will have the same man who researched the Tye Street house, look into the Savannah Street House.

VI. Adjourn—8:08



## From the President

By Lyn Deardorff, CNIA President

Hi Everyone, I'm looking forward to being of service to all the Cabbageheads and Lintheads (those of you that live in The Stacks!) this year. I will write one of these letters from time to time addressing items of need or of interest.

One of the things our Board recently discussed was increasing involvement in activities and events here in the neighborhood. We have so many things that could use a few more volunteers – and activities that are fun!

Here are three ways to get started – even if you don't know anyone, have never been involved, or think that you have no skills to offer, we welcome you!

First, the Hospitality Committee is responsible for the twiceannual *"Roll Call"* party that welcomes all newcomers to our community. Join them in helping with the fun by calling the chairperson, Karen Russian at 404.422.3515.

Then there's the *Chomp & Stomp* – surely you've participated in this event in years past? How about joining this very fun and very active committee? This is C'town's major fundraiser of the year and pays for the Park and the Community Center expenses – very worthwhile resources in our community. And it needs a lot of folks to make it all happen. Help with the planning, or during the event – it's up to you! They promise to put you where the fit is best. Contact the committee at *chompandstomp@gmail.com* or call the chair, Alicia Forsee, at 678.467.1378.

We are also starting a *Land Use and Transportation Planning Committee*. Most active neighborhood groups already have one of these in place. We don't and we need to! Since we are in an urban and highly-desirable area, we are vulnerable to all the forces of development that come with desirable and undesirable features – if we don't plan! This committee will focus on studying all the area plans that are already in place such as the Beltline, Connect Atlanta (transportation) and the Memorial Drive Corridor. Then it will plan for our future and take an active voice in these and other projects that may impact us.

If you have an interest in this subject as your work or background, we need you on the committee. If you have an interest in representing the community, then we need you too. It's a great chance to learn about what's going on now! Contact me at *lynpeachtree@hotmail.com* if this interests you.

We're proud of our community – let's help it keep going in the best direction for all of us!

And come join our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at the Community Center starting at 6:30p for the hospitality and networking period.

- Lyn Deardorff, CNIA President

# Cabbagetown: Decision 2012 By Katherine Dirga (continued from front page)

for an additional grant which could double that project's budget. Oh, wait; we also throw this party in November, which you may have been to once or twice.

Let's talk Frequently Asked Questions:

### What's the difference between CI and CNIA anyway?

CNIA (Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association) is Cabbagetown's governing body, and how we come together to make decisions as a neighborhood. CI is a committee of CNIA, and reports to its Board. CI raises money and implements projects, many times those that are presented and approved by the neighborhood in a CNIA meeting.

### So, where does the money come from to do all these cool projects?

You guessed it: primarily from the good ol' Chomp and Stomp, as well as various grants throughout the year.

### Who is eligible to be a Board Member?

All Cabbagetonians: renters, owners, loft dwellers, condo hirollers, in short: all y'all.

### How many Board Members are there?

Currently, there are 11. Some are cycling off the Board this year. Members serve a 2-year term and may serve up to 2 terms in a row.

### Be honest, what's the time commitment?

At minimum: one meeting a month from 7 pm to around 8-8:30 pm. But Board members also join sub-committees within Cl, including: Parks and Greenspace, Community Center Caretakers, and Fundraising and Community Service. Cl sponsors neighborhood work days, about 3 a year, that all the members try to attend for at least an hour or so. You'd also be expected to lend a hand at Chomp time.

### Are there dues?

Absolutely not. Sometimes there is beer.

### Are there any other perks?

You like meetings, right? Just kidding, we have a lot of fun together while we scheme ways to improve Cabbagetown that will leave a legacy and hopefully be around for others to enjoy for a long time. Do you ever see things that could be improved around here? Well, we can make that happen. So come join Cl. We will make all your dreams come true.\*\*

\*\* If your dream involves implementing a park, greenspace, or service project. Limit 3, while supplies last.

# Living, breathing walls

Living Walls, the pro-public art foundation that brings international street artists to Atlanta (and was just awarded their official non-profit status), is sponsoring two larger-than-life murals on Wylie Street, created by artists Trek Mathews and La Pandilla.



A group of Cabbagetown residents, headed up by Landon Bixler, spoke with Trek Mathews. All parties agreed that the mural at the corner of Carroll and Tennelle, should be dedicated to Jeremy Smith.

The artwork is just the beginning of The Living Walls' 2012 program, which will kick start the installation of more than a dozen big, beautiful murals on Atlanta's streetscape. For more info on Living Walls, check out: livingwallsconference.com

Cabbagetown has always been a neighborhood that encourages Cabbageheads and visitors to slow down a wee bit and breathe in the life around us...Living Walls is just one more beautiful reason.



Hard at work...La Pandilla completes his work near Peachey Park.

# Jeremy Smith

By Kyle F. Bidlack

Our brother, who art in heaven...Many of you knew Jeremy, as a son, a brother, a neighbor, a friend, a smile. You have seen Jeremy, you have seen his smile and you have embraced his spirit...Perhaps without even knowing it. His smile had a way of warming your heart. His man-child innocence...His overwhelming goodness. Jeremy had a way of finding a place in your heart.



This past month, we lost a bright light in a world too full of darkness. Jeremy was in a horrific motorcycle accident on Monday, March 19. The dedicated staff at Grady did all they could for Jeremy, who was surrounded by the family and friends he loved so much.

Jeremy had been a resident at The Stacks for years, and his presence was everywhere. Cookouts under the stacks, pool parties, rooftop gatherings, at neighborhood gatherings, wherever there was a need for his being, he was there. Wherever the heavens decided his bright light needed to shine upon us all, he was there.

Jeremy was an Architectural Technician. And yet as technically gifted as he was, he was also artistically brilliant. When his firm deemed thousands of business cards, useless and destined for the landfill, Jeremy saw another life for them. He created origami-like, organic, free-form beacons of light from them. Turning them into points of light that lit the dark corners of our lives.

You may have toured Jeremy's loft which he shared with his good friend Michael. You know the loft. It was the one on the first floor of Mill Bldg. No.1...The one full of character and colour and games and adventure. He built dreams of architectural genius in every corner and when the corners were full, he looked upward and created a game of challenge...A rope ladder that dared all those who entered to climb...And achieve...And do things we didn't think we could do.

We are one. Jeremy is us and we are Jeremy. We may not be the same, but we are one. We ask you to carry Jeremy's spirit and overwhelming smile with you, wherever you go. Carry your brother with you. Love is the answer and love is the higher calling. Jeremy had the love. Honour him by carrying on his spirit.

Our love and hearts are with Jeremy's family and all those who loved Jeremy. We know he will rest in eternal peace, love and happiness. You will always be with us Jeremy. And we will always be with you.



## Crime Blotter

A tip o' the cap to the APD and Major Meadows (Our Zone 6 Commander). There was very little wrong-doing in the hood this month.

### March 15<sup>th</sup>, aprox.1p. Residential Burglary. 1000 block of Faith Avenue Victim advised that someone entered his home and

one entered his home and removed two laptops from the residence. He advised that there was no signs of forced entry and he believes that person entered and exited through the cut-out doggie door. There were other electronic items in the residence that were not disturbed.

# Cabbagetown Craftsmanship

By Dagmar Kosche and Kyle F. Bidlack

Some folks are just blessed with incredible talent. And occasionally, those blessed, talented people happen to be dog-gone good people.



Case in point: Marshall and Ronnie Edwards who live at 604 Gaskill. Take a look at the doggie day bed recently created by master craftsmen Marshall. Marshall has been creating furniture for over 30 years. Ronnie is more a master supervisor.

Stop by their workshop located behind their house and see their creations. Rumour has it that commissions are available. Gifted? In more ways than one...Marshall and Ronnie can tell you some amazing stories. Just ask Marshall about working at the Fulton Cotton Mills during the mill's hey days.

How did Cabbagetown get it's name? Ask Ronnie and he'll tell you the infamous cabbage truck story *"never happened."* 





## Inclusive-ness

By Kyle F. Bidlack

During a recent homeowners meeting at The Stacks, a group of loft owners, headed by Vic Uzumeri, expressed the desire to make Cabbagetown a little more inclusive and cohesive. The idea was to create better controlled access and exit to The Stacks and allow all Cabbagetown friends to come and go in easier fashion.



There is now a call box at the Carroll Street pedestrian gate. Simply call your friends and they will buzz you in. There is also an exit button to allow guests to exit without being escorted.

## Announcements

World Class Gardens by *wonderfallsofatlanta.com* We have created on over 30 properties in Cabbagetown Who wants to be next? Friendly neighborhood prices. *Call us @* 404.444.7118

## Events Calendar

By Skyler Waldrop Minter

### 6th Annual Atlanta Italian Film Festival

Thursday through Saturday, April 7-10, The Rialto Center for the Arts, Atlanta. The Rialto Center brings Atlanta the best of new Italian Films (with English subtitles). *www.rialtocenter.org* 

### Spring Festival on Ponce

April 14-15, 10a-7p, Olmsted Linear Park - 1451 Ponce de Leon Ave. 150 (mostly) local artists and crafters in a two day outdoor art and crafts festival to be held in the chain of parks along Ponce de Leon Ave. Times: Sat., April 14, 2012 from 10a - 7p. *festivalonponce.com* 

### Atlanta Steeplechase

Saturday, April 14, 9a-6p - Kingston Downs, GA. Often called *"The Best Lawn Party in Atlanta,"* The Atlanta Steeplechase offers an unforget-table day of horse racing, fashion, food, fun, family and friends. *atlantasteeplechase.org* 

### 2012 Druid Hills Artist Market

April 20-22, 10a-5p, St. John's Lutheran Church - 1410 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Atlanta. Featuring a juried group of more than 45 artists from across Georgia and neighboring states. This event is free and open to the public. *druidhills.org/general-tour-information* 

### Atlanta Dogwood Festival

April 20 -22nd, 12-9p – Piedmont Park 10th Street Meadow, Atlanta. An Atlanta staple for more than 75 years, there is something for everyone at the Atlanta Dogwood Festival. *www.dogwood.org* 

### Atlanta Humane Society Pet Parade

Saturday, April 21, Atlantic Station, Atlanta, GA Pet Parade is Atlanta Humane Society's largest fundraising event and all proceeds directly benefit the shelter's homeless animals. *www. firstgiving.com/atlantahumane/2012-pet-parade* 

### Zoo Plant Sale

Saturday, April 28, 10a-5p – Zoo Atlanta. Glorify your grounds with lush native plants selected by Zoo horticulturists. Horticulture experts will be on hand for questions, advice and tips on planting for your lifestyle. *zooatlanta.org/home/article\_content/annual\_plant\_sale* 

### Inman Park Spring Festival

Saturday, Apr 28 10a - Inman Park, Atlanta, GA. Come tour Atlanta's most prestigious collection of Victorian and Craftsman homes. Enjoy our famous artists market and street fair, nonstop entertainment, and Atlanta's wackiest parade. *inmanparkfestival.org* 

### Atlanta BeltLine Northside 5K

Saturday, April 30, 8a – Tanyard Creek Park, Atlanta. Part of the Belt-Line Running Series, this race will feature a friendly face-off between the Atlanta Police Departments and Fire Departments. A great time! *www.beltline.org* 



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## **Global Cabbagetown**

### By Kyle F. Bidlack

The Wellbeing Foundation reports to Cabbagetown that the "Cabbagetown Goes Global" was a huge success. Here is the baseline financial report.

Online auction:  ${}^{5}4,654$  + Live auction:  ${}^{5}2,017$  + Cash donations:  ${}^{5}2,500$  = Total:  ${}^{5}9,171.00$ 

Wellbeing will also donate <sup>\$900</sup> to The Clearwater Initiative, which was founded by Ben Sklaver. Ben gave his life while serving his country in Afghanistan. But before we lost our brother Ben, he created The Clearwater Initiative (*clearwaterinitiative.org*).

Thank you Cabbagetown...you have truly gone global!

## Clean and green

Celebrating a decade of existence, Atlanta's largest and most popular single-day recycling event is scheduled for Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 at Turner Field.

This year, the City of Atlanta's Electronic Waste Collection Day, will take place from 9a until 1p in the Gold Lot at Turner Field.

Atlanta City Councilmember Carla Smith has again partnered with the City of Atlanta's Department of Public Works, LivingGreenPages, Keep Atlanta Beautiful, Atlanta Recycling Solutions and Turner Field, in this admirable effort.

Electronic items can have a harmful effect on the eco-system, emitting various chemicals into the soil and watershed, if not property recycled.

The massive collection event is part of a wide-range of activities planned all week in celebration of Earth Day in Atlanta.

This is the day to rid your home and garage of all of your outdated and unwanted electronic items without harming the environment.

For more information on Atlanta's Largest Single-Day Electronic Waste Collection visit *www.District1Atlanta.com* 

# Empty Bowls: It's a fundraiser

*Empty Bowls,* a fundraiser for the formerly homeless women and children housed in Trinity Hall, will be held on Saturday, April 21, 6 to10p at Stone Soup Kitchen, 584 Woodward Ave.

Stone Soup is contributing their famous soup and drink. Two doors down, the potters' wheels and clay slab rollers have been working overtime to create and donate all the ceramic bowls created by the artists of Cabbagetown Clay and Glass Works (CCGW) which is a local cooperative studio and gallery.

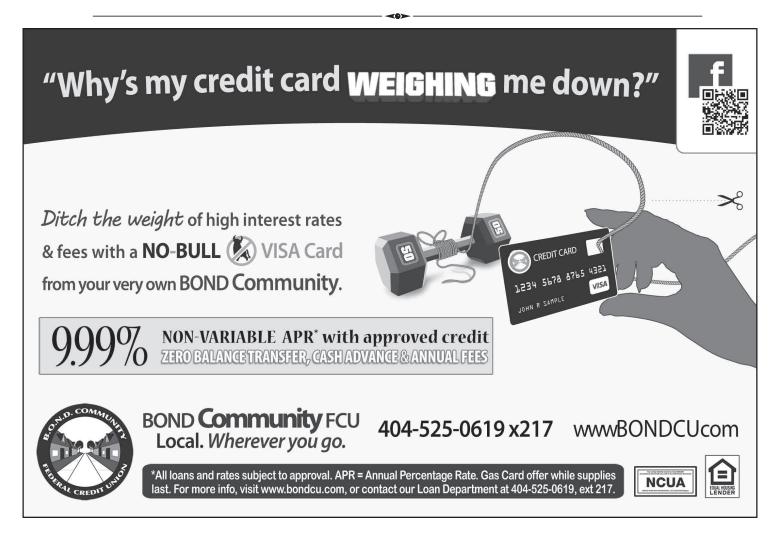
Friends and neighbors are adding to the fun of the evening by contributing items for a raffle: a painting by Margaret Dyer, passes to Zoo Atlanta, a planter from Gardenhood, items from Intown Healthy Hound, and some wine packages.

"It's very much like the old, old story of Stone Soup where the villagers all contribute just a bit of something to the pot of boiling water – a morsel of meat, a leftover carrot, an overlooked potato – and the result is a wonderful, filling soup. If we all do a little part the results are amazing – the circle of support just widens and widens," Devanie Schilpp, CCGW member, said. Last year's Empty Bowls raised enough money for Trinity Hall to purchase a much-needed clothes washer and dryer. Trinity Hall is a 25-bed transitional shelter for women, 18 years of age or older, and their children. Trinity is dedicated to transitioning people from homelessness, substance abuse, and poverty to housing, stability, and jobs.

Operated by Mary Hall Freedom House, Inc., Trinity Hall provides safe housing, food, clothing, substance abuse and mental health treatment, employment training, and most importantly, strength and support to overcome great adversity to women from all walks of life. It is located inside Trinity United Methodist Church at 265 Washington Street, SW.

"We know that none of us can get through this life alone; we all need a shoulder to lean on. We want to carry on this tradition of support," Sarah Rick, Stone Soup co-owner, said.

Empty Bowls can be purchased for <sup>\$</sup>30 on the night of the event, refills for <sup>\$</sup>5. Raffle tickets are available at Stone Soup Kitchen for <sup>\$</sup>5 before the event and the night of the event which takes place on April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012.





## Cabbagetown Roll Call, calls again

By Debbie Weeks

The Cabbagetown Welcome Roll Call Committee (CRC) is ready to "Roll Call" again! For those of you new to the neighborhood, we hold a welcome party twice a year to welcome our new neighbors to the neighborhood.

It's a blast so don't miss out! Our next welcome party will be held on a Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at Dan and Alicia's home located at 208 Berean Street at 7p.

The CRC has had three incredible First Welcome Parties!

- October, 2010 at Debbie Weeks' home on Tye Street
- April, 2011 at Barb Keeney's home on Savannah Street
- October, 2011 at Bill and Adam's on Short Street

Thanks to all who have attended and helped to make these great events! Cabbagetown, to keep the momentum going, we need your help! What does that mean? We would like all existing neighbors to come to the party to welcome our new neighbors. Having said that, this is gonna be a PARTY! See other ways to help out below.

*Hey! Welcome New Neighbors!* We would like to extend a personal welcome to each and everyone one of you, provide you with a fact sheet about Cabbagetown and send you a personal

invitation to the welcome party in April. So, if you have been here less than a year and we have not done this yet, please get in touch with the CRC by calling Karen at 404-422-3515, Debbie at 404-272-1906 or email us at debiweeks@hotmail.com (please type in the subject line "new neighbor or roll call").

*Volunteers.* We can use volunteers to do a variety of small tasks, but mostly right now, we need "neighborhood watchers". We identify many new neighbors by researching home sales though the First Multiple Listing Service, but so many of our new neighbors are renters and a lot of our homes for sale are by owner which don't show up in the FMLS.

We don't want to miss anyone! It seems most people know who is coming and going in their own little piece of C-town. We are looking for people who can give us the heads up when someone new moves in near them. If you are interested in being a "watcher" or know someone who is new to the neighborhood since last fall, please give us a call at 404.422.3515 (Karen) or 404.272.1906 (Debbie) or email *debiweeks@hotmail. com* (please type in the subject line "new neighbor or roll call").

We also need volunteer welcomers, party hosts, etc. If you are interested in getting involved, please let us know!



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### www.autismspeaks.org

Make your reservation now and help us make this a successful night for this great organization. Continuing to help our great community...

**Dinner For A Cause** 

Haygood Pre-School Dine Out Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Simply make reservations and dine with us on this night and a portion of sales will go directly to the school.

### Thanks Cabbagetown...

We always look forward to seeing and serving our neighbors and friends.

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