



# Cabbagetown

## NEIGHBOR

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"Some people wonder all their lives if they've made a difference. The Marines don't have that problem." ~ Ronald Reagan

### Neighborhood Meeting

The next neighborhood meeting will be held on Tuesday, Aug 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:45p at the Cabbagetown Community Center.

#### AGENDA

7p: Meeting begins

- I. Welcome and announcements
- II. Review and approval of July minutes
- III. Atlanta Police Department
- IV. City of Atlanta – Valencia Hudson
- V. Financial Report –

Sandra Reuppel, Treasurer

#### VI. Committee Reports

- NPU – John Dirga, Chair
- Historic Preservation and Land Use Committee – Nicole Seekely
- 220 Berean Ave – Solar Panel Installation
- Property Tax/Affordable Housing Committee – Kendall Rawls, Chair
- Cabbagetown Initiative – Kendall Rawls, CI President

#### VII. Old Business

- Hulsey Yard Update
- CNIA is recruiting!
- President

#### VIII. New Business

Introduction of Chicken Noodle Committee – Lisa Myers

#### 8:55 Adjourn

Hey Pals, keep Cabbagetown friendly: Be nice to your neighbors! Say hello to people on the street! Talk to a neighbor before you report them for something!

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

## PART TWO: A TALE OF TWO EIGHTIES

By Ronnie Edwards

*I want a new drug.* Back then who would have realized just how right Huey Lewis was?

80's. He went to school, went to concerts with friends, and was just your average teen.

We can now look back and see that the dawning of the new decade – with such promise – was also the dawn of the era of excess and casual drugs. Cabbagetown was not drug-free in the early 80's.

Like any teenager, he faced temptations and drugs. Alcohol were just as much a temptation to the teens of the 80's as they are today. The difference is it was more acceptable back then, just as smoking was in the 50's.



Ronnie Edwards with his brother, and friends.

According to my cousin Marion, the drugs were here even in the 70's. The closing of the mill in 1977 did lead to some former workers selling drugs. However many found work, or continued working.

My cousin was not immune to these temptations and pressure from friends. Drugs were much easier to find in the 80's.

With the benefit of time, and conversations with my cousin, I'm well aware that this Cabbagetown was not the Mayberry I described in my last article.

When I was a kid I remember seeing random guys standing around on corners of most streets. They never bother my friends and I, never offered us anything.

Talking to Marion, I learned that those guys weren't just hanging  
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My cousin had a normal teenage life in the

**Stacks  
Squares  
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# Cabbagetown (Vice) President's Letter



**CHELSEA  
ARKIN**

*Hello from your friendly CNIA Vice President.* No, this does not mean that our amazing CNIA President, Katie Butler, has found someone to replace her yet. She is super busy being an international environmental celebrity and has asked me to write this month's letter. Ask Katie for information on her celebrity status (she didn't want me to post the link).

Anyway, let me take this time to introduce myself since I am not an international

celebrity. My name is Chelsea Arkin and I've lived in my house on Carroll Street for four years. Like most Cabbagetowners, I've moved around a bit in this area. Before that, I lived on Reinhardt Street, and before that, I lived in Reynoldstown on Selman Street. In my professional life, I am an urban planner working to develop affordable housing. I'm also one of those rare Atlanta natives. If you want to talk about housing and/or Atlanta, I am almost always around.

*So, what's new in Cabbagetown?* August is kind of a sleepy (and unbelievable hot) month, but we do have some things going on:

Do you want to help us update our website and manage our social media presence? Do you want to give back to Cabbagetown? CNIA is seeking a social media/web presence manager. This will be a very NON-TIME CONSUMING JOB (we anticipate one hour per week at most). We are looking for someone to help us manage our various web and social media accounts, by making updates as needed. Let us know if you're interested: [cabbagechat@gmail.com](mailto:cabbagechat@gmail.com)

*The Patch Works Cabbagetown Art and History Center* earned 501(c)(3) status! They are now a true, tax-exempt charitable entity which will open up lots of sponsorship doors. Lots of Cabbagetowners came out to celebrate on July 24<sup>th</sup> at *Grindhouse* on Memorial, where they were generously donating 10% of their proceeds to The Patch Works. Consider donating to (and checking out) Patch Works. They are the coolest. Check out their facebook page and website for details and for upcoming events.

*Chomp and Stomp* Planning is well underway! Don't forget to mark your calendars for November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018.

Have any of you checked out the new Cabbagetown speakeasy? I don't want to give away the secret, but maybe I will let you in on the info if you ask me!

The Cabbagetown Concert Series is taking a break but will resume in September! Many thanks again to Slim Chance (James Kelly), Steve Seachist, and John Dirga for coordinating. We can't wait for its return (along with cooler weather). To stay updated on the Cabbagetown Concert Series, follow their Facebook page.

*We're still looking for a new CNIA President!* Obviously we love Katie, but she is looking for a replacement so she can have more time

to focus on her international celebrity status (see prior). If you're interested, or know someone who might be interested, please contact us at [cabbagechat@gmail.com](mailto:cabbagechat@gmail.com)

Our next official neighborhood meeting is Tuesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 7p at the Cabbagetown Community Center (177 Estoria St). We will have free (fancy) pizza, likely from *Camelis*, opportunities to meet (and complain/bond) with your neighbors, and lots of insider neighborhood info. Until then, feel free to email me or Katie at [cabbagechat@gmail.com](mailto:cabbagechat@gmail.com), or find me on *Facebook* or *NextDoor*, or on my porch on Carroll Street, or petting someone else's dog in front of *Little's*. See you then!



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# Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association: General Meeting

*Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 7p Cabbagetown Community Center.  
Meeting Conducted by Katie Butler. Minutes recorded by Karyn Corell.*

Called to order by Katie at 7:03p. Motion to approve June minutes. Seconded. Unanimously approved.

**APD Captn Neil Zone 6** - Biggest issue is bicycle & package thefts. Some car break-in's. Had some fireworks recommendations for next year... choose a private house driveway to avoid public park complaints. Neighbor asked for follow-up on Tye incident in June, but he had no info.

**City of Atl: Valencia Hudson** - New trash day for Cabbagetown is Friday. Also, don't leave your cans on the street all week.

**Treasurer: Sandra** - Had treasury report/budget for 2018. We need more ads for the Cabbagetown Neighbor newspaper revenue. Current bal is \$6,717.

**NPU: John Dirga** - Hands free law July 1! Tickets are \$50 & one point for first offense and increased by \$50 per incident. Census takers are coming door-to-door soon. **Little Five Arts Alive** will be every Saturday Aug 4<sup>th</sup>-Oct 28<sup>th</sup>. **Hulsey Yard** vision update meetings are ongoing with reps from surrounding neighborhoods. The NPU grant went to Cabbagetown and Reynoldstown. We used our money for **Forward Warrior!!**

**HPLU** - Letting 220 Berean solar application lie since applicant didn't appear. Automatic denial in that circumstance, but can be revisited later.

**Transportation: Shaun & Kristin** - 780 Memorial developer giving \$75k grant for traffic calming study of Pearl Street. Next meeting is July 17<sup>th</sup> at 630p at our Cabbagetown Community Center. Shaun had some info and flyers for **Beltline Rail Now** project. Cathy Woolard is heading it up and in support of the original vision for the Beltline. There's a petition going around to prioritize the rail project. Motion to support Transportation Committee letter of support via CNIA. Second. Unanimously in favor.

**CI - not present**, but Nathan Bolster here to talk **Chomp**. Nathan & Whitney chairing again this year. Kick-off meeting at their place on Pickett at 6p on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. They especially need a spirits coordinator & three other committee chair positions. Need social media person, beer assistant, and pre-sales coordinator. Email [info@chompandstomp.com](mailto:info@chompandstomp.com) or [nb@nathanbolster.com](mailto:nb@nathanbolster.com). Festival date is Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>!

**Old Business:** NONE

**New Business: Greater Herman Missionary Baptist Church** on Kirkwood (next to **Sweet Cheats**) Pastor Ken Beadles is having a BBQ & Fellowship in the park. All neighbors are welcome. July 29<sup>th</sup> 1p-5:30p. Motion to send letter of support to Parks Department for their application. Seconded. Unanimously in favor.

**CNIA: Katie** - Recruiting for President and social media help ASAP and March at the latest. Email [cabbagechat@gmail.com](mailto:cabbagechat@gmail.com).

Adjourned at 8:17p.

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## Commitment or Excuses?

*Delaine Ross, Senior SFG, TrainWithDelaine.com*

**In my twelve years of working in the fitness industry, I've found there are two types of people:** Those who are committed to their fitness routine twelve months out of the year. And those who use vacations, summer, holidays, etc... as an excuse to let go.

Don't get me wrong, even I love a break from training every now and again, but one thing I'm conscious of is not falling into the summer trap.

**Here's the thing.** Your body doesn't know it's a holiday or summer time or that you're visiting a resort somewhere. Your metabolism doesn't differentiate. So, if you're using this time of year to drop the

ball on your fitness, you're doing yourself a massive disservice.

Starting over is hard and discouraging, and I've never seen anyone start over and feel great about it.

So, do yourself a favor and keep yourself on track this summer! And if you're staying on track, AMAZING JOB! I applaud you! We would love for you to share this message with someone in your life who you know needs to hear it.

**Here's to staying fit and strong this summer!**

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## Amazon Schmamazon

*Kyle F. Bidlack*

**While we all await word on Amazon's HQ2**, United Parcel Service (UPS) is quietly expanding its Atlanta footprint. This month, they announced they are in the midst of hiring up to 3,000 people for its sprawling new Atlanta SMART hub next to Fulton County's Charlie Brown Field airport. Of those positions, the company said 700 will

be full-time jobs such as mechanics, plant engineers and drivers. According to **Atlanta Business Chronicle**, the facility measures 1.2 million square feet – the equivalent of more than 19 football fields – and has the ability to process 100,000 packages per hour. Operations at the building are expected to begin August 6<sup>th</sup>.

# Time for Stacey



**BRANDON  
SUTTON**

*We're coming up on another pivotal moment in politics – this time right here in Georgia. I'll get right to the point: we must elect Stacey Abrams as our next Governor. I usually don't go so full-throated, but simply put, the stakes are too high this time.*

This isn't about being conservative or liberal. This is about the fact that our state is on the cusp of making a dramatic swing toward a far-right ideology with Atlanta caught in the crossfire, and it's extremely troubling.

Atlanta attracts people from all over the world due to its status as a welcoming city; a melting pot of people, ideas and culture. We've managed to keep ourselves from getting sucked into the black hole of issues that have haunted other nearby states, namely discriminating legislation masquerading as 'religious liberty.'

If you recall what happened in Indiana in 2015 when they passed their version of this legislation, it wasn't pretty. Major businesses and sporting events called for boycotts of the state. The same happened in North Carolina after they passed the 'bathroom bill' that discriminated against transgender people. There are consequences of intolerance when it becomes written into law.

In 2016, Georgia was on the cusp of passing the same kind of legislation, but thankfully Governor Deal stood up to his party and vetoed the 'religious liberty' bill before it became law. One man stood in the way of Georgia codifying discrimination. Stacey's opponent in the Governor's race has promised he would sign such a bill if it makes it to his desk. That scares the hell out of me.

Our state economy thrives in large part because we have such a welcoming environment and policies that make it easy for large companies to choose to locate here. And let's not forget about the TV and film industry that has thrived over the past decade and brings big money into the state (including right here in Cabbagetown).

There is big risk involved with electing a 'politically incorrect conservative' that airs ads in which he discusses rounding up undocumented immigrants in his truck and points shotguns at teenage boys. These stunts may play wonderfully in rural Georgia, but they do not sit well in the Board rooms of major employers or the executive offices of big movie studios that are crucial to our economy. If we go down this road, we WILL pay for it. It's time we take a stand and reject the politics of intolerance, right now.

Stacey Abrams has a strong record of leadership in the Georgia House, where she served as Minority Leader for six years. She's well respected and has a bold vision for our future. She embodies inclusivity and respect for those less fortunate. She's a symbol of what's possible through hard work and determination.

The whole country is watching this race, curious if Georgia can make history (again) by electing the first African American female Governor in the country's history. It's our time. If you agree, there isn't a moment to waste. We all need to rally the troops and show the world that we're not going to codify fear and hate. We're better than that. ***It's time to elect Stacey Abrams Governor of Georgia.***

# Roll Call Party!

*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 at the home of Kevin O'Gara and Janet Stephens on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7p.**

The CRC has had some incredible welcome parties so you don't want to miss this one!

**To keep the momentum going, we need your help!** 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!

We would like to extend a personal welcome to each and every new neighbor, provide you with a fact sheet about Cabbagetown and send you a personal invitation to this awesome welcome party.

Cabbagetown is more than just a neighborhood. It's a state of mind – a state of being. And making the scene at the Roll Call Party let's the world know that you are here.

The Roll Call Party is one of our best and most cherished traditions. It's guaranteed to give you memories you will never forget. We promise!

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, or Debbie at 404.272.1906 or email us at [debbieweeks64@gmail.com](mailto:debbieweeks64@gmail.com) (please type in the subject line: "New Neighbor" or "Roll Call").

# Petit Pop-Ups!

*By Ron Fisher*

**Is Cabbagetown becoming a culinary Mecca?** Petit Chou (at 662 Memorial Drive... just a cabbage throw away) has taken root, and grown into a neighborhood staple. As you probably know, their menu leans towards French cuisine, but this month, they'll stretch their expertise in tasty new ways. They have four "pop-ups" scheduled for Thursday nights in August. All Pop-ups are from 6p to 10p and no reservations are required.

**August 9<sup>th</sup> Brazilian**

**August 16<sup>th</sup> Vegan**

**August 23<sup>rd</sup> Caribbean Fusion**

**August 30<sup>th</sup> Petit Chou French Dinner Preview**

As you probably know Petit Chou also offers an amazing array of beers, wines, spirits, and coffees. This is an experience you won't soon forget, and will want to relive time and time again. For more info, see their website: [petitchouatl.com](http://petitchouatl.com)



# A Tale of *PART TWO* Two Eighties

*Continued from the front page*

out, they were selling drugs. It was a stark contrast to my teenage years in the 90's. If you wanted drugs then, you just went to one of the many drug houses. In the 80's it was right out on the street.

In my last article, I mentioned the two rules I had as kid. Be home before the street light came on and to stay away from Reynoldstown. A few folks have specifically asked about the Reynoldstown rule, as a kid I didn't get it either. I never recall anyone saying why, it was just one of those adult things often said to kids: "because, I said so".

I always just assumed it was too far away from the eyes of the other parents in the neighborhood. As with any child, especially boys, that reason only made me want to bend the rule even more. I did not break it until years later in the mid 90's – me and a friend, Larry Dean – used to love riding our bikes all over the neighborhood.

We eventually decided to venture into Reynoldstown. At first it was cool, just like Cabbagetown. A couple of streets into the neighborhood, we came upon a small group of kids on bikes. Back then, the two neighborhoods were extremely segregated. Cabbagetown predominantly white, Reynoldstown predominantly African-American.

The other kids told us to leave. After trying to explain we were just riding our bikes, we decided to leave. As we were leaving they started following us. Larry lead the way to his granny's house on Savannah street. The other group followed us right up to her yard.

It wasn't until she stepped out of her front door with her shotgun that they left. After talking with Marion, I began to understand that Reynoldstown in the 80's was a lot like Cabbagetown. They were having the same issue with drugs.

It was common in the 80's that if people from Cabbagetown went to Reynoldstown, or they to Cabbagetown, you could count on getting beat up. So no, Cabbagetown was not some idyllic innocent place in the 80's. Like I said though, it was not when the "artists" moved in and transformed it into the place it is now.

I will continue to explore the 90's next month, sharing the stories of the hero's from the 90's and the trials they faced. In closing I'm thinking a better title for these past two articles would have been *A Tale of Two Cabbagetown's*.

It strikes me however that there still are two Cabbagetown's. The Cabbagetown most folks see: an awesome, quirky, intown neighborhood where everyone is welcome. And the other Cabbagetown: a community with it's fair share of flawed people, working day-to-day to make it through the issues that face us throughout our lives, and trying their best to just live and get by.

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# The Power of the Paint Brush (and can)

By John Dirga

Heads up! New street art is a comin! Our revolving Stacks Squares street art project will return on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>. We will have ten entirely new murals going up and we are still taking donations ([gofundme.com/StacksSquares](https://www.gofundme.com/StacksSquares)) which go directly to our funding for the artists. We look forward to another round and hopefully y'all do as well, thanks!



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# Cabbagetown Initiative: Monthly Meeting



**JOE FARR**

*Cabbagetown Initiative Community Development Corporation. Minutes for Monday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Regular Meeting.*

*In attendance: Heather Bradley, Kendall Rawls, Morgan Felts, Katie Butler, Brad Cunard, Alexa Mosley, Andrew Byczko, John Dirga (guest on behalf of Forward Warrior!). Evan Willis joined the meeting in progress. Regrets from: Ashley McCartney, and Paul Freeman*

**I. Call to Order** - the President called the meeting to order at 7:11p.

**II. Approval of the Agenda.** Katie made a motion. Motion was properly seconded and unanimously approved.

**III. Approval of the Minutes.** Morgan made a motion to approve June 2018 minutes and table the April minutes until August 2018. The motion was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

#### **IV. Officer's Report**

**a. President's Report** – no report.

**b. Treasurer's Report** – Alexa provided an overview of the CI Budget, including expenditures to date (actuals) and projections for remainder of the year, including Chomp & Stomp. Morgan suggested that the budget be posted online and Andrew suggested a post in the newsletter each month to better inform the neighborhood of CI's financials.

#### **V. Committee Reports**

**a. Governance** – September meeting falls on Labor Day; Heather made a motion that the September meeting be held on September 10, 2018. The motion was properly seconded and approved unanimously. Joe indicated his wish to resign from the Secretary position. Heather moved that the Board accept Joe's resignation and appoint Morgan as secretary for the remainder of the year. The motion was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

**b. Chomp & Stomp** – Kendall provided an update on discussion regarding spoon pricing and providing incentives for restaurants to make greater volumes of chili. Upon discussion, the Board requested that Kendall, as President, have communication with the Chomp Chairs regarding a transition to an advisory capacity for 2018.

**c. Parks** – Andrew provided an update on a number of outstanding Parks items.

**d. Community Garden** – Kendall reported that there's a rodent situation. The Community Garden crew is in the process of evaluating response protocols, including a trap and release option.

**e. EPL Fund** – no report

**f. Finance** – no report

**g. CNIA** – Katie reiterated that the "Cabbagetown Fireworks" are not an official Cabbagetown event.

#### **VI. Old Business**

**a. Report on Forward Warrior!! Event** – John Dirga provided a report on the Forward Warrior!! event. Actual expenditures and revenue are still being reconciled and will be reported at the August 2018 meeting. John reported that sales were low but the sponsorship and **GoFundMe** totals were higher than expected. It's projected that CI will break even on the event which fulfilled the objective of providing the Forward Warrior product without substantial cost. Public and artists have been complimentary of the event.

**b. Status of Safety with regard Homeless Camping** – tabled until August

**c. Report on Concert Series** – tabled until August

#### **VII. New Business**

**a. Update on Brookshire Stage** – John Dirga provided an update on the quote received. Based on the projected expenses, CI will need to prioritize which portions of the project to pursue first.

**b. BoD Orientation** – tabled until August

#### **VIII. Questions from the Community**

a. None

**IX. Adjourn** – the President adjourned the meeting at 9:25p.

## 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.

1

BIG SEAN  
BEWARE (EXPLICIT)

2

RIHANNA  
SEX WITH ME

9

DRAKE  
NICE FOR WHAT

3

NIRVANA  
HEART SHAPED BOX

10

PAVEMENT  
CUT YOUR HAIR

4

NINE INCH NAILS  
CLOSER (EXPLICIT)

11

THE CHAINSMOKERS  
CLOSER

5

SMASH MOUTH  
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# This Space for Rent: *Slim's Pickin's*



**SLIM  
CHANCE**

So, I just noticed that a bunch of the local performance venues have new names, such as "State Bank Amphitheater at Chastain Park" and "The Cellairis Amphitheater at Lakewood", and "The New Coca Cola Roxy". Too many dang words for me to type each time I list a venue, so hopefully you can figure out where to go.

That being said, and in pursuit of a few spare bucks, this column is now available

for rebranding, for example "Value Village presents Slim's Pickin's", or "Slim's Pickin's sponsored by Green's Liquor Store". **Are you paying attention, Little's?**

**August 2 & 3 - Arrested Development @ City Winery** It's mainly Speech and maybe one or two of the old-timers, but if you were in Atlanta when these guys first hit the scene in the early 90's, you get it. Proving that rap and hip hop don't have to be fixated on the cultural lowest common denominators, their positive and historically relevant perspectives are just as fresh today.

**August 3, 4, & 5 - Phish @ Verizon Amphitheater** Three nights? Seriously? While I know a lot of folks miss the Deadhead experience, I just find these re-enactors a bit tedious, especially when the drugs wear off. But hey, whatever lights your sparkler, eh? I would much rather spend two of those nights at...

**August 4 & 5 - Janelle Monae @ Tabernacle** A tiny fireball of energy and creativity, Ms. Monae has captured the coolest vibe on the planet. Channeling Tina Turner, Aretha Franklin, James Brown (those dance moves... WOW!) and Grace Jones, there are few entertainers delivering the total soul/funk package quite like this lady.

**August 9 - LSD Tour @ Chastain Park** The holy trinity of Americana have joined forces, and an evening of music with Lucinda Williams, Steve Earle, and Dwight Yoakam may be just the perfect soul saver on a hot summer night. While Lucy may have seen darker and better days, her fans still adore her. Steve continues to reinvent himself with each new album, and Dwight keeps the honky tonk flame burning brightly.



Janelle Monae. August 4th and 5th at The Tabernacle.

**August 10 - Slayer, Lamb Of God, and Anthrax @ Lakewood** From a holy trinity to an unholy trinity, this is reportedly Slayer's swan song tour, so if your ears are not bleeding by the end of the night, you missed out. All three of these bands have been in action for a long time, and get props for weathering the changing tides of pop music with a snarl and a power chord. DEVIL HORNS UP!

**August 14 - Lyle Lovett @ Symphony Hall** There are few greater joys than a Lyle Lovett concert, a virtual smorgasbord of styles and incredible musicianship. From sad country laments to modern jazz, they do it all. Throw in Francine Reed on vocals for a couple of tunes, and you have a full blown blues revival. I have never seen a less than stellar show by Mr. Lovett and his Large Band. Ever.

**August 15 - Steel Panther @ Buckhead Theater** If ANY genre of pop music is ripe for parody, glam metal hair bands from the early 80's gets my vote. Lo and behold, Steel Panther comes along and skewers the style, but does it so dang well it is difficult

to keep laughing. But you will laugh. Probably the best takedown since *Spinal Tap*, and I LOVED *Spinal Tap*!

**August 25 - Barrence Whitfield & the Savages, The Woggles @ Star Bar** If you only go to one late night bar gig this month, make it *this* night. The Woggles are probably the best example of garage rock in existence, powerful performers who pull out the stops at every show. Add Whitfield to the mix, and the place may cave in. His energetic soul showcase is legendary,

and will transport you back to the chittlin' circuit in a flash. A must see performance.

**August 27 - Nikka Costa @ City Winery** Trust me on this one, just go. Funk!

**Sept 1 - Lynyrd Skynyrd & Hank Williams Jr @ Lakewood** Down to one original member (the ailing Gary Rossington), the quintessential southern rockers Lynyrd Skynyrd are, like Slayer, on their farewell tour. Their mark on music history is immeasurable. Even though recent records are full of right wing, flag waving, Hannity loving propaganda, if you go back and listen to the late Ronnie Van Zandt's lyrics, they were progressively revolutionary. Drink a toast to the departed members, and play "Free Bird" one more time.

# A Note of Thanks



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*Thank you to everyone who came out and supported the Mad Housers fundraisers that were held at Milltown Tavern on July 12<sup>th</sup> and July 19<sup>th</sup>. We raised \$931 over the two nights for our cause! Perhaps more importantly, we got the word out about what it is we do and met lots of great folks in the process.*

If you're unaware of what the Housers do, we're a nonprofit that finds folks who are living outside – typically in the woods in and around the Atlanta area – and – if they want – build a small, lockable, weather-resistant structure and give it to them for free. This allows them to stay safe when they're at home and keep their meager belongings secure when they're away, both critical elements of a foundation from which they may be able to get help with the issues that brought them to live on the streets. The \$931 raised at Milltown is almost enough to cover the cost of building two such structures.

Thank you to the amazing businesses that contributed to the fundraisers, including *OneHope Wine, Agave, Brother Moto, Little Tart Bakeshop, Brickstore Pub, Calle Latina, Sq/Ft, Tres Jolie, Sweet Melissa's, Revolution Gelato, and Square Pub.*

Extra special thanks, of course, to the Milltown crew: Barb, HJ, Kevin, AJ, and Jackie for supporting and contributing directly to this event and so many others like it at Milltown over the years.

For more information about the Mad Housers, please visit our website at [www.madhousers.org](http://www.madhousers.org) or look for us on *Facebook*.

# Addition and...

*...Subtraction.* The Cabbagetown Neighbor is your newspaper. You support it, read it (we hope), contribute to it, and recycle it... right?

With that in mind, we want to know what you want to see more of – and maybe less of. What can we do to make your newspaper even better? Please feel free to share your ideas. Please email us at: [newsletter@cabbagetown.com](mailto:newsletter@cabbagetown.com) and share your thoughts.

*Other thoughts.* Our Cabbagetown treasurer, Sandra Rueppel has let us know that we need to increase our revenue, so if you have a business and would like to advertise via our pages, let us know. All advertising info can be found on page two.

*Do you have a gift for the written word?* Do you like to tell stories? Maybe you like to report on events? Great. We'd love to see your well-written submissions. We'll take them under serious consideration and publish the best of the best. Note: Your subject matter should somehow relate to Cabbagetown and Cabbageheads. Pretty simple, right? As always, thanks for reading. Cheers!

# MOTS Rocks!

*Word on the street is the long wait was well worth it!* This past month saw the soft opening of Mouth of the South on Carroll Street. The mouth quietly announced to family and friends and Cabbageheads that they were welcomed to try the fare. According



*Part of the team at Mouth of the South on Carroll Street.*

to Joey LaCasia via Facebook "*Cabbagetowns' gonna love this place!*" Foodie extraordinaire Brad Cunard said "*Great people, food and location! Keep your mouth close to the MOTS Facebook page for more info: [facebook.com/motsatl](https://facebook.com/motsatl) or their website: [motsatl.com](http://motsatl.com)*"

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# Atlanta Wants Your Thoughts on Marta

Sandra L. McGill, Communications Specialist, Office of Communications, City of Atlanta

Atlanta City Councilmembers are hosting a series of community forums in August to educate residents and city stakeholders about the More MARTA Atlanta program and receive feedback on the proposed project list. The first community forum will take place on Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6 to 8p at Fort McPherson, 178 Hardee Avenue S.W.

"We want to hear from our residents," said Councilmember Sheperd. "These forums will give the community an opportunity to join more in-depth discussions and get updates as we prepare to roll out Marta transit projects across the city. We're asking everyone to attend."

City of Atlanta residents passed the More MARTA Atlanta half-penny sales tax in 2016. The funds will generate nearly \$2.5 billion for transit expansion and enhancement projects over the next 40 years.

More MARTA Atlanta's original project list was developed with public input and included more than 70 projects with an estimated price tag of \$11.5 billion. Public feedback – along with evaluations conducted by program partners' City of Atlanta and MARTA – played a significant role in right-sizing the program to the current proposed project list.

"We want to hear from our residents," said Councilmember Sheperd. "These forums will give the community an opportunity to join more in-depth discussions... as we prepare to roll out Marta transit projects across the city."

More MARTA Atlanta will serve 126 neighborhoods. The program's goal is to connect Atlanta communities, expand access to jobs, healthcare, educational opportunities, enhance independence for seniors and individuals living with disabilities, and improve the overall quality of life for Atlanta residents.

Atlanta residents unable to attend the scheduled community forums are encouraged to learn more about the program, and provide feedback online at [itsmarta.com/moremarta](http://itsmarta.com/moremarta).

**Upcoming More MARTA Atlanta community forums:**

**August 2<sup>nd</sup>:** 6 to 8p at Fort McPherson, 1794 Walker Ave., S.W.

**August 9<sup>th</sup>:** 6 to 8p at MARTA Headquarters, 2424 Piedmont Rd.

**August 15<sup>th</sup>:** 6 to 8p, at a location to be determined.

**August 23<sup>rd</sup>:** 6 to 8p at C.T. Martin Recreation Center, 3201 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive S.W.

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# The rear view mirror



*Crack houses, Krog Tunnel arrests, turtle rescues and Ben Stiller.* This was all a part of our Cabbagetown history in the the month of August in years gone by. Here's a look back.

**1925:** A fire at *The Fulton Bag & Cotton Mill* cost the lives of six firemen. After the fire was put out, the building collapsed while the inspection and investigation was underway.

**1993:** Cabbagetown worked with our APD to shut down a "crack house" that was operating within our friendly confines. Neighbors gathered and cheered as APD entered and removed all occupants, piled them into the paddywagon and carted them off to be booked. CNIA had a total of \$65 to it's name. Kids were climbing atop the old *Boys & Girls Club* (now *The Carroll Street Lofts*) and throwing rocks down upon passers-by and cars.

**1994:** Ronnie Edwards, Sr. and Tom Houston were planning a youth festival, street party and tree planting event to be held in October of that year.

**1996:** Rumours were flying fast and free that *CSX* would abandon the *Husley Yard* and move operations to Fairburn. CNIA distributed free electric fans to neighbors in need of relief from the heat. They also helped some neighbors get low-flow toilets.

**1997:** During our Cabbagetown Reunion Festival, John Johnson demonstrated how an antique cotton gin worked and his daughter Rosemary, sheered a sheep. On a Carroll St. porch, a weaver showed how cotton was woven, and Appalachian cloggers taught us all how to clog dance. The day also witnessed a dog parade, a folklore tent, a children's activities tent and an elder's tent. To beat the heat, Cabbageheads were encouraged to put icy cans of soda in their armpits, freeze grapes and oranges for a tasty, cold snack, rub tiger balm on their temples, and eat spicy foods to generate cooling sweat.

**2000:** 249 Pearl Street sold for \$135,000 (*Zillow* lists it's current value at \$471,127). Six large bags of cocaine were found at the 600 block of Memorial. APD arrested a car thief who was found sleeping in the car he had stolen just a few hours prior.

**2002:** APD made arrests at the Krog Tunnel. The crime was graffiti. 597 Gaskill St. sold for \$158,900 (valued at \$416,719 today). *Agave* was voted as having the best margarita is town by *Creative Loafing* and *Atlanta Magazine*.

**2003:** *97 Estoria* was hosting a neighborhood party with all proceeds going towards Cabbagetown Park. Two males were arrested on Pearl Street for sexual misconduct and suspicious activity. A hand gun was taken from one of the suspects.

**2004:** 230 Carroll Street sold for \$303,000 (valued at \$444,048 today). Cabbagetown mourned the passing of Naomi Brown, a

long-time resident on Savannah Street. Naomi loved Gypsy music, international travel, writing, teaching, philosophy, and friendship. She passed in her home, surrounded by family and friends.

**2005:** 251 Berean St. sold for \$166,668 (valued today at \$434,114).

**2006:** The good Reverend David DeChant and his wife Ann-Marie announced the arrival of Calliope Lysistrata DeChant. Tim Sullivan wrote a profile on "Bug" who used to work at *Village Pizza*. Bug was thrilled to be so popular but complained that kids now threw things at him and dogs chased him. Bug also noted that the folks on Tye Street were the best tipplers.

**2007:** The city implemented it's automatic water meter reading program. *The Home Depot Foundation* donated \$10,000 towards the maintenance and up-keep of The Cabbagetown Community Center. A Berean Street homeowner was cutting down trees on his property. When he put the chainsaw down, a white male stole it and fled in a green Mazda. David Thayer was rightly bemoaning the replacement of gorgeous and historic granite curbstones and old brick sidewalks throughout Cabbagetown.

**2008:** *Milltown Tavern* raised over \$1000 in an effort to help those severely affected by the tornado in March. 228 Powell Street sold for \$519,000 (valued today at \$695,775).

**2009:** Rodney Bowman rescued a box turtle on Powell Street. Turns out, the turtle had strayed from David Thayer's pond. The turtle was returned to his tranquil home. CNIA had \$2,595 in it's bank account. Angie and Steve Ferrin announced the birth of their beautiful daughter Flora Guess Ferrin.

**2012:** Eagle-eyed Cabbageheads spotted Ben Stiller playing ping-pong at *Sister Louisa's Church of the Living Room and Ping-Pong Emporium*. Stiller was in town shooting his then new movie "*Neighborhood Watch*" and he spoke about "*Church*" on "*Jimmy Kimmel Live*".

**2015:** Our fair city embarked on another sidewalk repair project. We reported on the infamous fireworks fiasco of 2015 at Ester Peachy Park. Lisa Myers was getting ready to host a Roll Call party at her lovely house on Powell Street. Cabbageheads banded together to voice their concerns over *Krog Masquerade*.

**2016:** The average price of a home in Cabbagetown was \$351,145. Karen Anderson and her *Tiny Doors* movement was highlighted in *Money Magazine!* *Fuqua Development* announced "*Madison Yards*", a major residential-commercial makeover of the *Leggett & Platt* industrial site.

**2017:** Cabbagetown mourned the passing of Joyce Brookshire. "Smooth" versus "textured" Hardie Plank was quite the issue. Our community garden had a bumper crop of HUGE cucumbers. Sir John Dirga was organising us for the upcoming "*Stacks Squares*" public street art effort. Crime was down 10% city-wide. The Atlanta Urban Design Commission approved a resolution nominating the century-old *Pratt-Pullman Yard* as a landmark district.

# Mission Accomplished

By Kyle F. Bidlack

*Most of us first met Richard "Sarge" Thiede a handful of years ago. He made quite the first impression, right? When I met him, I thought to myself, "this guy has got some good life secrets... and I wanted to steal them."*

Little did I know at the time, that I was both right and wrong. Sarge *did* have wonderful secrets. But grand theft was not necessary. Sarge was willing to give away his secrets whether we were willing to listen or not. I chose to listened.

Sarge and his beautiful wife Lasca lived in many wonderful places... California and Texas, among them. But they were searching. Sarge was searching. He was looking for a true home for Lasca, his daughter Tylar, his grandson Ryder, and his son-in-law Michael. A place that would cradle them when THIS time came.

Sarge saw in Cabbagetown what David Crowder once called "*a magical little village*". Sarge saw the beautiful imperfections in all of us. He knew that YOU would give to his family what they needed. You had the heart he was looking for. And only you could give and take the love they wanted to give and take. Sarge, Mission Accomplished. Well done Marine.

*We spent many nights with Sarge on the roof of The Stacks.* Glorious nights. Good conversations. Good times. And maybe too many libations. One of the cool things that I noticed about Sarge is that when he arrived on the roof, he'd acknowledge the beauty of the Atlanta skyline, but would *always* position himself looking eastward. Looking towards Cabbagetown. Looking over the home he had chosen for his pride and joy.

*On the last night of Sarge's life,* Lasca and I stood on opposite sides of his bed. Sarge was well sedated. Eyes closed. Lasca and I talked about how much he *loved* visiting Clay & Joy Caissie in Monroe, Louisiana and how much they wanted to return again.

I said to Sarge, perhaps in too loud a voice, "*Well Sarge, we gotta get you outta this bed and go see Clay and Joy in Monroe! You wanna get in the truck and go see 'em?*"

And I kid you not, Sarge's eyebrows raised, his eyes opened, he focused... and he smiled.

I think Clay Caissie, and Jay Desai and David Crowder were very very special to Sarge. Forgive me for being somewhat sacreligious, but I think those three lads were kinda like his holy trinity. The father, the son, and the holy ghost.

*Watching Sarge and Jay together was a thing of beauty.* No words I can conjure really do justice to witnessing the specialness these two beautiful souls shared. Brutal honesty. Blatant love. Jay being Jay. And Sarge being Sarge.

That same last night, Lasca told me that of all the places they called home, nothing compared to Cabbagetown. With all due respect to Prince, nothing compares to you. It was one of Sarge's not so secret secrets. Did I say mission accomplished?

*Why is Cabbagetown so special?* Good question. There are many many reasons. I'll give you two. When Wes Kelley would visit Sarge and Lasca, he would kiss Sarge on the forehead when he said goodbye. Erich Welch would do the same. Some might think that this is not normal. But Cabbagetown is far from normal.

Many of you know this already, so please forgive me. During the last month or so, Jay guided a wonderful bunch of Cabbageheads towards being a loving extended family for Lasca and Sarge. Whatever void needed filling, they filled it.

A wonderfully human thing you all did. Simple. Heartful. Fourteen souls came together to love their friends. This is what we are supposed to do. This is the most glorious part of being human. Society has kinda' forgotten how to do this. But Jay reminded us. He brought out the best in

us for Sarge and his family. So of the many many things we need to remember, let us not forget what Jay marshaled us all to do.

And we *must* do it again. For those we love. Wherever we may go. Let's take this love with us. Let us love one another. Let us not only be the mouth and word of God – let us be the arm and muscle and love of God. Let us not only talk in the glory of God, but let us act in the glory of God too. Cabbagetown is not normal. But we can re-teach others how abnormal is perfectly human and wonderful.

We all battle with the emotions of Sarge's passing. Mostly because we want Sarge to be here and give Tylar's hand in marriage to Michael. We are mad that he can not be here in body on that wonderful day. And yet, the other side of our minds tells us that Sarge, will be there. With us and sitting beside God, watching over Tylar and Michael and Ryder... he will shield them, guide them, love them, and he will be with them in a way that we can't yet fully understand.

Lasca, thank you for sharing your most beautiful love story with us. We know that Sarge will forever be by your side.



Lasca and Richard. We all love you both.



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# Fall in Love in Oakland Cemetery

By Marcy Breffle, Education Manager, Historic Oakland Foundation

Rising temperatures might be driving you indoors in search of air conditioning, but Oakland Cemetery's lineup of summer programs gives you an excuse to embrace the summer heat. Read on for a look at upcoming programming in Cabbagetown's backyard.

Get to Oakland Cemetery for a unique date night that is sure to shake up your romance routine. **Love Stories of Oakland:** Summer Date Night returns by popular demand on Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. You'll fall in love listening to stories of romance and eternal devotion on an hour-long tour. Finish up your night with a post-tour dinner date at **Agave**. All Love Stories ticket holders receive \$10 off their total bill. Tickets are available in advance only and go on sale August 2<sup>nd</sup> at [oaklandcemetery.com](http://oaklandcemetery.com).

Improve your camera skills and enjoy Oakland at the golden hour during our summer photography workshop on Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. Led by experienced tour guides and photographers, this two-hour program blends a historical tour with hands-on photography instruction. Whether you are a seasoned pro or still learning the

basics of your camera, you will discover tips and techniques to improve your skills. The workshop will take you to different sections of the cemetery to explore various landscapes and architecture. See Oakland's famous markers in a new light or get off the beaten path to find hidden spots and vantage points. Tickets go on sale August 2nd at [oaklandcemetery.com](http://oaklandcemetery.com). Spaces are limited.

**Tours are offered every weekend.** Discover Atlanta history and culture on the **Sights, Symbols, and Stories of Oakland** walking tour, held at 10a, 2p, & 4p. A rotating line-up of special topic tours are held at 6:30p. through mid-October. Listen to the stories of Oakland's eternal residents as a tour guide walks you through this city of the dead.

History buffs, nature lovers, and art enthusiasts will fall in love with this unusual green space and the stunning funerary architecture that covers the landscape. Tickets can be purchased at the Oakland Cemetery Visitors Center and Museum Shop. Tours do not require reservations. Visit [oaklandcemetery.com](http://oaklandcemetery.com) for more info.

## 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!*

### HOUSES

For Sale	Price
254 Berean Ave. 2 BD/2 BA	\$499,000
730 Gaskill St. 2 BD/2 BA	\$450,000
624 Memorial Dr. 3 BD/2 BA	\$430,000
266 Iswald St. 2 BD/1 BA	\$397,000
224 Carroll St. 2 BD/1 BA	\$379,900
180 Berean Ave. 1 BD/1 BA	\$299,000
620 Memorial Dr. 2 BD/1 BA	\$280,000
<b>Conditional</b>	<b>Price</b>
136 Estoria St. 2 BD/2 BA	\$579,000
716 Gaskill St. 3 BD/1 BA	\$435,000
<b>Sold</b>	<b>Price</b>
256 Powell St. SE 3 BD/2 BA	\$675,000

### PENDING

### CONDOS & LOFTS

Conditional	Price
Unit H410 1 BD/1 BA	\$315,000
Unit H327 1 BD/1 BA	\$315,000
181 Powell St Unit #1 2 BD/1 BA	\$239,000
<b>Pending</b>	
<b>The Stacks</b>	<b>170 Blvd</b>
Unit E320 2 BD/2 BA	\$514,900
Unit E201 2 BD/2 BA	\$415,000
Unit F102 1 BD/1 BA	\$300,000
Unit H301 1 BD/1 BA	\$250,000
Unit D205 1 BD/1 BA	\$290,000
200 Reinhardt St Unit #B 2 BD/1 BA	\$300,000

### PENDING

### CONDOS & LOFTS

Pending	
<b>The Stacks</b>	<b>170 Blvd</b>
Unit H301 1 BD/1 BA	\$250,000
212 Berean Ave. Unit #4 2 BD/1 BA	\$279,000
181 Powell St. Unit #4 2 BD/1 BA	\$215,000

### CONDOS & LOFTS

For Sale	Asking
<b>The Stacks</b>	<b>170 Blvd</b>
Unit E315 2 BD/2 BA	\$519,900
Unit H501 1 BD/1 BA	\$375,000



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