

# Cabbagetown

## NEIGHBOR

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*"If you tried to give rock and roll another name, you might call it Chuck Berry". ~ John Lennon*

### Neighborhood Meeting

The next neighborhood meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:45p at *Brother Moto*. NOTE: More info found at: [cabbagetown.com/agenda](http://cabbagetown.com/agenda)

#### 7p Meeting begins

- Welcome and announcements
- New neighbor?  
[cabbagetown.com/membership](http://cabbagetown.com/membership)
- Review and approval of the September minutes
- Atlanta Police Department
- City of Atlanta - Valencia Hudson
- Financial Report -  
Saundra Reuppel, Treasurer
- Committee Reports
- NPU - John Dirga,  
Cabbagetown Representative

• **Historic Preservation and Land Use Committee - Nicole Seekely, Chair** (meetings are the third Monday of the month at the Patch Works)  
 1. 712 Kirkwood Avenue -  
Type III Certificate - Rear Addition  
 2. 254 Berean Avenue -  
Solar Panel Addition

• **Cabbagetown-Reynoldstown Transportation Committee - Shaun Houlihan, Chair** (meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 97 Estoria)

- Website & Social Media -  
Nathaniel Compton
- Cabbagetown Initiative -  
Kendall Rawls, CI President

#### VIII. Old Business

- Concert Series (October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - last of the season)
- Chomp & Stomp (November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019)

#### VIX. New Business 8:35p Adjourn

Final Sept. minutes will be adopted at the Oct. meeting. *Brother Moto* is located at 670 Memorial Drive SE.

## Sex, Drugs and Rock & Roll



Karen Tanner, Kim Cohran, and Sarah Knight, Photo by Shannon Waldrop Lee



**KYLE F. BIDLACK**

*Cabbagetown in the 1970s was raucous, scandalous, impetuous and colourful. It was also very sweet, tender, honest, revealing, and loveable.*

*"Cabbagetown: 3 Women, an Oral History Play with Music"* was written in 1978 by R. Cary Bynum (with original music by Joyce Brookshire).

The play tells the story of three, life-long Cabbagetown residents: Beatrice "Aunt Beadie" Dalton (played by Sarah Knight). Lila Brookshire (played by Karen Tanner), and Effie Dodd Gray (played by Kim Cohran). Amazing soundtrack played by Barbara Panter and Walter Harris.

*Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> was opening night.* The heat was oppressive.

Ninety-two degrees when the curtain went up. The heavens sent the gift of a cool breeze once the play hit it's stride.

*The blazing sun fell. The full moon rose.* The ladies shared their secrets. Springsteen, Dylan, and Guthrie would have been proud (and maybe a wee bit jealous) of the soundtrack provided by Panter & Harris. Distant thunderstorms played second fiddle.

The golden amber stage lights cast just the right patina on stories told by three grand dames. Seventeen year-old girls marrying thirty-five year-old men? Yup. Politics and voting shenanigans? Yup. Whiskey fueled moments? You betcha.

Attendees got the inside scoop on what it was like to work in the Mill. The dangers, the intrigue, the romance, and the affairs.

*This was historical. This was historic. This was history.  
And if you saw and heard it, you will never forget this performance.*

**Yea  
Chomp!  
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# Cabbagetown NEIGHBOR

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# CNIA Vice President's Letter



**ALICIA FORSEE**

*Howdy neighbors, It's your pesky VP of CNIA here to share a few things to look forward to in the coming months.*

The first is our *Cabbagetown Roll Call*, also known as the New Neighbor Party. The date is Friday, October 4 at 6:30p at Karen Russian's home, 145 Berean Avenue. Just follow the crowds.

*If you are an old neighbor, bring your beverage of choice and stories about the*

*hard streets of Cabbagetown.* If you are a newbie, just bring you.

Leave your shyness behind. I am officially declaring the definition of newbie as a person who moved here in the last year or two and has failed to make it to a Roll Call party. There will be drinks, snacks, opportunities to get involved, and you may meet your new best friend. Can't have too many friends.

The next get-together I want to share is a little event called *Chomp & Stomp*. You may have heard of it. If you have not here is the short story:

A few good souls built a beautiful park for our neighborhood. In honor of the Mill workers' rich culture, the artists' vision, musicians' talent, and to raise funds to maintain our park and community,

*Cabbagetown now throws a picnic every year.* We have a *Romp* (5k run), *Chomp* (Chili cook off), *Stomp* (best folk music that John Dirga can buy), and an ever expanding *Artist Market*.

For you folks that have been here a while, you know the drill...do your civic duty and volunteer for your Welcome Center stretch. If you are new to the streets of C'town this is your chance to start a tradition. Mark your calendars for the first Saturday in November for the rest of your lives.

*November 2<sup>nd</sup> is the date this year.* After updating Outlook, if you are a runner or a quick walker, run now and sign up for the *Romp* at [ChompandStomp.com](http://ChompandStomp.com). All participants receive a Romp and Stomp 5K running shirt and spoon for the Chili Tasting.

*And last but not least, do what I told the folks that have been here for a while and volunteer for a shift at Chomp.* You get another t-shirt and drink tokens for your time. Once again you will probably make new friends. I have heard tales of folks who met while in the trenches at Chomp and now they meet up for the same shift every year. *This could happen to you!*

## Forward Warrior!! Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>

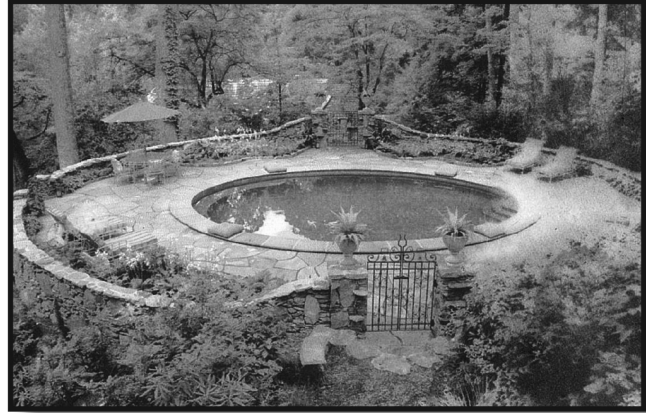
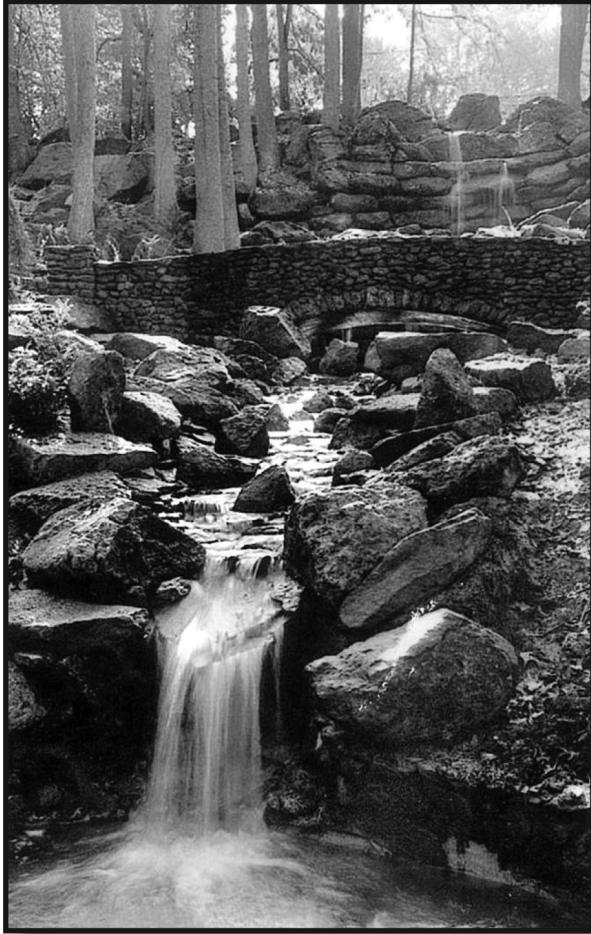


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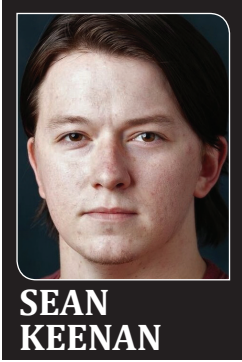


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# Relay Bikes Are Here to Stay



**SEAN  
KEENAN**

*When Jump officials announced earlier this month they'd be pulling their bright red, pedal-assisted e-bikes out of Atlanta, some vocal mobility advocates suspected the saturated e-scooter market was driving bike-share programs out of the city.*

**Another worry:** Would the City of Atlanta's Relay bike program wither away once its contract expires next year, overtaken by the e-scooter craze?

A spokeswoman for *CycleHop*, the company that operates *Relay Bikes*, tells *Curbed Atlanta* the system is here to stay, and that it's due for a major upgrade.

*"Relay Bike Share has no plans to discontinue the program,"* says Chelsea Davidoff. *"On the contrary, we're working on upgrading the system and adding e-bikes next year."*

Could the gap left by Jump bikes' departure be filled by a city-supported program? That remains to be seen. CycleHop's five-year contract with the City of Atlanta expires next year, but the company has renewal options, Davidoff says. *"We are in it for the long term,"* she adds.

So when a new and improved Relay bike-share model is unveiled next year, it likely wouldn't fall under the purview of the City's new – and still very much up-for-debate – dockless vehicle regulations.

That means that when other dockless e-devices become inaccessible at 9p each night, Relay bikes could remain online.

Davidoff says it's crucial for a city to have a diverse mix of mobility

options, and that bicycles shouldn't be forgotten amid the frenzy over new technology.

*"The reason bike-share contracts are important [is] it allows vendors to make longterm investments and cities to attract grants and allocate transit funds towards transportation projects, and offer an affordable service to the public,"* she says. *"Most bike share programs require public support, as ridership alone doesn't cover the operating and capital costs."*



Over the next few months, Atlanta's entire Relay bike fleet – it's unclear how many bikes are still operational, due to dated and struggling technology – will be overhauled with CycleHop's HOPR system, which uses electronic assistance.

## Petit Chou: Magnifique!

by Beth McKibben, *Eater Atlanta*

**Cabbagetown Brunch Bistro Petit Chou Now Offers Dinner and Wine Specials.** The quaint blue bistro on Memorial Drive offers dinner Wednesday through Saturday filled with French classics like duck à l'orange

Popular Cabbagetown breakfast and lunch restaurant **Petit Chou** now serves dinner Wednesday through Saturday, starting at 6p.

Dishes on the dinner menu, created by chef Garrett Wheeler (Full Commission, The Federal), include several French classics like boeuf Bourguignon and duck à l'orange as well as seasonal fish and vegetables, steak, and cheese and charcuterie boards.

*"The goal of dinner service is to be like breakfast and lunch with healthier food options focusing on high quality items at a price point*

*that customers join us weekly,"* owner Ron Fisher says.

The Cabbagetown bistro also offers vegan options on its menu and specials such as half-off bottles of wine on Wednesday evenings throughout the week.

Petit Chou – "small cabbage" in French – opened in 2017 along Memorial Drive on the edge of Cabbagetown. It quickly became a neighborhood and weekend breakfast favorite offering light and French-inspired bistro fare with a Southern accent.

**Petit Chou is open daily, 8a to 3p.**

**For dinner, Wednesday - Saturday, 6p to 10p**

# Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association: General Meeting



**ALICIA FORSEE**

*Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 7p at Brother Moto. Meeting Conducted by Chelsea Arkin. Minutes recorded by Alicia Forsee.*

**I. August minutes approved**  
**II. Neighborhood maintenance notes for City of Atlanta:** Valencia Hudson, Councilwoman Archibong's representative

- A. Need street sign on Memorial for Berean
- B. Hole patrol - broken water meter lid on Boulevard by Agave
- C. Hedges on Gaskill between Tye and

Estoria are getting out of control

- D. Too much trash in Krog Tunnel - need more trash cans
- E. Trash on Estoria by construction site needs to be picked up
- F. Large number of car accidents at Estoria and Krog

**III. Financial report - Sandra Reuppel**

- A. Made \$4,700 on *Tour of Homes*
- B. Received grant for Cabbagetown Concert Series

**IV. NPU-N Report - John Dirga**

- A. Tree protection ordinance is going to draft in November
- B. Moreland redevelopment to have higher density but not yet rezoned. May obstruct existing single family houses

**V. Transportation Committee - Shaun Houlihan**

- A. *Airbnb* rentals reduces parking in neighborhood
- B. Iswald Street spray painted parking lines on their street and they can share supplies with you on your street.

**VI. CI Update:** Mold in community center is remediated. Open soon!

**VII. Chomp and Stomp - Nathaniel Compton**

- A. Registration is now open - sign-ups are higher than last year
- B. Need day of event volunteers!

**VIII. Old Business**

- A. Sept 14<sup>th</sup> - *Forward Warrior!!* and *Tour of Homes*
- B. Concert Series on Sept 19<sup>th</sup>
- C. Roll Call on Oct 4 - Karen Russian's house - 145 Berean Avenue
- D. Next CNIA meeting is Oct 8<sup>th</sup>

**E. Cabbagetown: 3 Women**

- 1. Fri 13, Sat 14 at 8p
- 2. Sun 15 at 2p
- 3. Fri 20, Sat 21 at 8p
- 4. Sun 22 at 2p

**F. Paws for The Patch Works:** October 12<sup>th</sup>, 10a registration, 11-2p. Cabbagetown Park. Dog show.

**G. Haunted house in *The Patch Works* for *The Halloween Crawl***  
**H. How to get more volunteers involved in neighborhood events?**

- 1. Could do this through block captains
- 2. Cabbagetown - Reynoldstown liaison
- 3. Stacks Board member-at-large
- 4. Email [president@cabbagetown.com](mailto:president@cabbagetown.com) if you have ideas for community engagement or want to get involved

**I. Would like to organize a committee to fight against *Airbnb* rentals**

- 1. 10% of houses in Cabbagetown are owned by investors for Airbnb
- 2. Against historic preservation guidelines

**Adjourned.**



## *A Cabbagetown backyard in 1981:*

*Photo by Oraien Catledge.*

*According to census data, there were 372 mill families in Cabbagetown in 1936. By 2009, an estimated 13 "stubbornly close-knit" original families remained. Today, one can still find Cabbagetown residents associated with the mill, but only a few.*

# Cabbagetown Welcomes Our Newest Neighbors

*Wayne, Delaram, and Ava Shannon, welcome (back) to Cabbagetown. We're glad you're here.*

# Commit to King

By Rebecca Wallace

Jackson Cluster community welcomes all to Third Annual "Commit to King" Fall Festival.

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 Third Annual "Commit to King" Fall Festival is October 26<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, student performances, and face painting while paying a nominal fee (\$1-\$2) for pony rides, a dunk booth and a video game bus. Also, every feeder school student will receive a free Jaguar Meal at the festival, while additional food will be available for purchase.

"We are happy to host this event every year," 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 them to get to interact with the King Middle School community."

The elementary schools that feed into King are Barack and Michelle Obama Academy (Summerhill), Benteen (Boulevard Heights), Burgess Peterson (East Atlanta), Dunbar (Mechanicsville), Parkside (Grant Park), and Toomer (Kirkwood).

Children of all ages are welcome at the festival.

The event is rain or shine. For more information and the latest updates, please follow the Facebook event: [tinyurl.com/2019CTKFallFestival](https://www.facebook.com/2019CTKFallFestival).

# This Month's Events

Your Meetings & Events Calendar for October

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30p: Cabbagetown Roll Call  
Karen Russian's house at 145 Berean Avenue

October 7<sup>th</sup>, 7p: Cabbagetown Initiative Meeting  
contact Kendall Rawls for more info: [kendallrawls@gmail.com](mailto:kendallrawls@gmail.com)

October 8<sup>th</sup>, 7p: CNIA Meeting  
Brother Moto

October 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30p: Transportation Committee Meeting  
97 Estoria

October 17<sup>th</sup>, 7p: Cabbagetown Concert Series  
Joyce Brookshire Amphitheatre

October 21<sup>st</sup>, 7p: Historic Preservation Committee Meeting  
The Patch Works

November 2<sup>nd</sup>: CHOMP AND STOMP

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:30p  
Cabbagetown Crawl



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# Did The City Bait & Switch Us?

Article suggested by Brad Camrud

## Make your voice heard to save a transformative project!

This year marks twenty years since the BeltLine transit corridor proposals first emerged – yet we’re still twenty years away from seeing the first stretch of track.

## It's time to take the fight for BeltLine rail to the BeltLine itself.

**Come join BeltLine Rail Now and our supporters:**

**Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Starts: 2:00p at Old Fourth Ward Skate Park**

**Ends: 3:30p at Irwin Street**

“Twenty years after we witnessed its founding as an idea, we still don’t have a commitment to build the most transformative transportation project in Atlanta in our lifetimes,” BeltLine Rail Now co-chair Matthew Rao said. “We believe that what our leaders decide in the coming few months is still malleable, and we’re fighting to see the

priorities include a full build of rail on the BeltLine by 2030. Waiting till 2050 for a partial build is simply unacceptable.”

BeltLine rail was the top selling point for Atlanta voters, who supported the 2016 transit tax by an overwhelming margin. But the project is getting shoved aside for a grab-bag of special-

interest projects, while most neighborhoods on the corridor won’t see a foot of track for another two decades. That’s too long to wait for a city that’s adding thousands of new people a year, many whom want to live near the BeltLine.

“Atlanta has received a lot of acclaim for the BeltLine as transit project that will transform the city,” says Patty Durand, BeltLine Rail Now’s co-chair. “Now three years later, we see that city leaders are short-changing the transit portion of the BeltLine in favor of other projects that aren’t widely embraced and certainly aren’t transformative or ambitious. Is that the best Atlanta can do? We don’t think so.”



An illustration of the Beltline Rail. After twenty years, illustrations are all we have.

Because of bureaucratic deadlines that will determine who gets federal funding for transit, we need to make our voices heard right away. We urge Atlantans to join us on Oct. 6<sup>th</sup> to show their support for this badly needed transit solution.

We welcome all transit supporters who want to come out and make their voices heard. If you want to take **MARTA** to get to the event, check out [itsmarta.com](http://itsmarta.com) or use the MARTA app to find the best way for you.

## NPU Needs U!

By Sir John Dirga

**NPU-N needs a new APAB representative, and/or someone willing to participate as an alternate.** This person would be required to attend 3 or 4 meetings at City Hall on a Saturday morning at 10a.

It is now a requirement that we have good attendance (8 out of 12 meetings, but that’s what the alternate is for) in order to participate in the NPU Grant program.

For those who aren’t aware, that’s \$4000 per year, and Cabbagetown used most of it the last two cycles: in 2019 for **Hulsey Visioning Committee** (with Inman Park and Reynoldstown), and in 2018 for **Forward Warrior!!** and Wylie Street improvements. Interested parties should contact me for more information.



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# Bahama <3



**ANNA  
PFEFFER**

As we continue to see all of the horrible aftermath of Hurricane Dorian on the beautiful, beloved Bahamas, we also see how humans come together for each other. Just like we see it in our Cabbagetown with the **Chicken Noodle Network**. We were in the airport a few days after Dorian devastated the Bahamas and saw groups of hurricane relief responders heading out to help the victims.

The Bahamas are a magical set of islands, one for each day of the year. The Bahamas is a tourism-driven nation, and while the Abaco Islands and Grand Bahama Island faced the brunt of the storm, the island group has many popular destinations that were not impacted, including Nassau, Paradise Island, and Exuma. The southern areas of the Bahamas only sustained localized flooding, with no adverse effects on travelers.

Since tourism is one of the main industries in the Bahamas, travelers are encouraged to continue visiting the unaffected islands. Wanna support the Bahamas? There are direct flights on **Delta** from ATL to NAS. Either stay on Nassau or Paradise Island or take a quick flight over on [bahamasair.com](http://bahamasair.com) from Nassau to the Exuma National Airport (Georgetown, airport code: GGT).

**Now, what to do in Exuma...Swim with pigs?** Yes. Take a day trip to "pig island," where you will also stop to feed iguanas, snorkel, and visit the disappearing Sand Bar. You can find several options for this must-do excursion on [tripadvisor.com](http://tripadvisor.com). Another must-do is to visit **Chat 'N' Chill** for lunch, drinks, and feeding stingrays. You have to take a 15 minute water taxi to get there (so cool!). I think that any place that requires a boat to get to is pretty darn cool. Make sure to sign the visitor's book when you're there! You can also bring a license plate or a T-shirt of your favorite team to add to the festive décor in the bar. Represent!

**All roads lead to Nassau...** As you'll learn when visiting the Bahamas. Every flight goes through Nassau. So, when you book your flights to surrounding Bahamian islands, you can factor in some time to run around the island of Nassau between flights! One suggestion is to take a 10 minute cab ride from the airport to **Compass Point** for an oceanfront **Kalik** (local beer) and conch fritters. This will help you get into the island spirit (if the welcoming, live music at the airport didn't do that for you already!).

**Let's support the Bahamas!** After all, it's better in the Bahamas... especially when you're helping rebuild a nation! Visit [bahamas.com](http://bahamas.com) to see which island strikes your fancy for relaxation, romance, family fun, adventure, local culture, and more!



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## Top of the Charts

By Kyle F. Bidlack

**What music is Cabbagetown listening to?** Good question. Here's September's hottest songs on the **97 Esstoria** juke box.

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| <b>1</b> THE USED<br>THE TASTE OF INK                | <b>9</b> THE FLYS<br>GOT YOU                    |
| <b>2</b> JIMMY EAT WORLD<br>SWEETNESS                | <b>10</b> FACE-TO-FACE<br>I WON'T LIE DOWN      |
| <b>3</b> TEARS FOR FEARS<br>EVERYBODY WANTS...       | <b>11</b> BLONDIE<br>HEART OF GLASS             |
| <b>4</b> A DAY TO REMEMBER<br>THE DOWNFALL OF US ALL | <b>12</b> FLEETWOOD MAC<br>DREAMS               |
| <b>5</b> RED JUMPSUIT APPARATUS<br>FACE DOWN         | <b>13</b> ELLIE GOULDING<br>HATE ME             |
| <b>6</b> BRAND NEW<br>MIX TAPE                       | <b>14</b> THE ROLLING STONES<br>BEAST OF BURDEN |
| <b>7</b> EDDIE MONEY<br>TAKE ME HOME TONIGHT         | <b>15</b> JAMIROQUAI<br>VIRTUAL INSANITY        |
| <b>8</b> RADIOHEAD<br>CREEP                          |   |

# Slim's Pickin's: Festival Season!



**SLIM  
CHANCE**

*If Fall weather ever arrives, I will be happy.* October is shaping up to be as big a blast as always with a slew of annual events all over town.

Just about every OTP community and small Georgia town has a Fall Festival (Google it). On Saturday Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 7p, head east to **The Oakhurst Porchfest**, with over 1,000,000 acts performing all around the hood. The final **Cabbagetown Concert Series** event of

the season will take place on Thursday Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7p, featuring the jangly sounds of **The Skylarks**, and the rockabilly boogie of **Caroline & the Ramblers**. On Saturday Oct. 21<sup>th</sup>, **The Little 5 Points Halloween Festival** happens, from noon to whenever. Great bands,

a killer parade, and way too many people! All of these great events are free, and guaranteed to load you down with music. **Then on Saturday Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> – CHOMP & STOMP!!!**

**Sun. Oct. 6 MAVIS STAPLES @ CITY WINERY** – The Staples Singers were one of the finest Gospel turned R&B turned political spokespeople on the planet. Pops, who played a very unique guitar style has gone on, but lead singer Mavis has continued to wow us with her incredible voice and precise song selection. She is 80-years-old and still belts them out like nobody's business.

**Tues Oct. 8 JUSTIN TOWNES EARLE @ VARIETY PLAYHOUSE**

– Escaping the shadow of someone as big as his **Dad Steve** has been a challenge, but Justin Townes Earle has managed to create a buzz on his own merits. While not as politically outspoken as his old man, he nevertheless has a way with words and keeps the audience's attention. Good to see him back on track after what must have been a rough ride for a few years – acorn, tree?

**Wed. Oct. 9 TOASTERS, SCOTCH BONNETS, SOUTHERN SKA SYNDICATE @ Star Bar** – Frank Zappa once said *"There has never been a style of music you can't dress to"*, and while Ska certainly has its own uniform, the energy and joy in the music is contagious. **The Toasters** have been around for years keeping the genre alive,

and local opener Southern Ska Syndicate has recently captured the ears of the fans.

**Sat. Oct. 12 OHIO PLAYERS, LAKESIDE, BRICK @ MABLE HOUSE** – There was a time in the early 80's when funk, soul, and R&B all blended together into a convoluted mishmash, and for the most part the product was pretty cool. The opportunity to see these three legendary bands in one night is gold, and bootys will be shaking. Hearing the original *"Fantastic Voyage"* by **Lakeside** will be worth the ticket price alone.

**Sun. Oct. 13 ZZ TOP & CHEAP TRICK @ Ameris Amphitheater in Alpharetta** – If you were asked to name bands that ruled the radio waves in "our" golden years, **ZZ Top** and **Cheap Trick** would be high on the list. ZZ Top was a deep blues trio from Texas that really hit it big when they added some pop new wavish accoutrements to

their oeuvre (thanks, **MTV**), and while I was never a Cheap Trick fan (yeah, I'm a snob), I appreciate their pop song crafting and energy. You can bet there will be a bunch of boomers at this one reliving their glory days.

**Thur. Oct. 17 SAM BUSH @ CITY WINERY** – The go-to guy on mandolin for tons of artists (**Emmylou Harris**, **Elvis Costello**, etc.), Bush was part of the seminal band New Grass Revival that triggered a new direction in bluegrass. Maintaining the instrumental acumen of the traditionalists, Bush and Co. took it to a 'ho'notha level with some rock & roll licks and vocal tricks thrown in. Now more of an elder statesman in the newgrass world, he continues to amaze and entertain.



*Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, MAVIS STAPLES @ CITY WINERY*

**Thur. Oct 24 ROBBIE FULKS & LINDA GAIL LEWIS @ EDDIE'S ATTIC** – When Robbie Fulks hit the scene in the mid-90's, it was hard to tell if he was poking fun at country music, or expanding it into a more contemporary world view. Subsequent work indicated the latter, as his lyrical gymnastics painted a more modern oriented picture of real life, albeit with tongue firmly in cheek. Joining forces on this tour and his recent album with **Jerry Lee's** sister **Linda Gail Lewis**, they take on the iconic duet act thing, channeling George and Tammy, Conway and Loretta, and others. Fun stuff, and sure to hit the right honky tonk spots.

# The Worst Year in Cabbagetown History



**DANIEL R. BOGDAN**

*Throughout its history, Cabbagetown has seen its share of good times and bad times.* Today's residents enjoy a convenient, intown location (at a price), and the area is largely gentrified. Believe me, it didn't come without its struggles!

An uncertain future of the now apparently abandoned *Hulsey Rail Yard* looms on the horizon. Still, the future looks promising. There was a time, though, when residents looked to the future with only fear and

distrust. Mama Patterson wound up moving back into her home in 1983, ending the *"We Shall Not Be Moved"* saga, but *"the worst year ever"* for Cabbagetown was about to present itself in 1984.

The world came crashing down upon the neighborhood that year with two separate events that seemed to signal its demise: The murder of 16-year-old David Samples by an Atlanta Police Officer and the city's approval of the Piggyback Facility. Both happened pretty much at the same time. Either of these events alone would have been rough, but together, they seemed to ring an end to the community's viability – perhaps forever.

A year or so earlier, three Cabbagetown youths had been convicted of the September 1981 kidnapping, robbing, beating and murder of a middle-aged lawyer in a homosexual sex-for-hire tryst that spiraled out of control. The only one over the age of 16, Ronnie Samples, was convicted of murder with a long sentence. His younger brother, David, seemed destined to be caught up in the seamy underworld of child prostitution and drug abuse that was endemic to the area.

*The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* ran a series of articles on the neighborhood's battle with poverty, despair, addiction and crime – much to the community's chagrin. The crime rate in Cabbagetown was reportedly double the city's average, the community squabbled over the collapsing building stock, bristled at the growing number of newcomers, and everything seemed to be devolving into chaos. Then, in the early morning hours of the first of August, an event unfolded at the corner of Memorial and Boulevard that thrust the community into the spotlight once again.

As an APD car rolled by, an intoxicated 16-year-old David lobbed an empty bottle at the patrol car. Of course the officer pulled over. David apparently lunged at the officer and was shot six times, expiring on the spot. The community was outraged, and the tragedy turned the focus on the city's policing policies. Though the officer was cleared of any wrongdoing, David's mother sued the city for wrongful death. The citywide focus on Cabbagetown over the next several years painted an incredibly negative view of the neighborhood and divided neighbors against one another depending upon their view of what had happened.

Then, as if to rub salt in their wounds, Mayor Andrew Young and the City Council approved the railroad's request to establish the "Piggyback" facility adjacent the site of the old Mill. Once again, the neighborhood was split over a controversial issue. It seemed to be devolving into anarchy – becoming an inner city ghetto with a bleak future.

The only "good thing" to come out of the David Samples tragedy was the establishment of the Citizens' Police Review Board, which is still in existence. Their mandate continues to be oversight and review of controversial citizen-police incidents. And the Piggyback facility, while intrusive and detrimental to the area's redevelopment, didn't decimate the area as its opponents had feared. It did generate a significant amount of "payoff" money in the form of the infamous "Piggyback fund," for better or worse. And the community successfully weathered both storms, prevailing in the long run.

*"It's not how many time you get knocked down that counts - it's how many times you get back up..."*

## We Need Some Chompers!

*Chomp and Stomp is still looking for a large number of volunteers to fill 3 or 4 hour timeslots on the day of the event.* We have a number of open positions, including: selling and pouring alcohol, judging chili, operating the Welcome Tent, coordinating the Food Vendors, coordinating *Romp and Stomp 5K*, setting up booths and tables before and after the event, etc.

*chompandstomp.com/signup* contains individual links for all of the different signups: Event Volunteers, Restaurant Chili, Individual Team Chili, Bands, Artist Market, Food Vendors, Romp and Stomp 5K.

## Most Wonderful Time of the Year!

*The Cabbagetown Crawl is coming up on December 14<sup>th</sup>!* This is our neighborhood's kooky holiday progressive dinner where four neighbors open up their houses to host appetizers, soups/salads, entrees and desserts and the rest of us bring the food and booze!

*It's the best night in Cabbagetown:* many friends are made, many drinks are had, Santa sometimes stops by, and all through the neighborhood you can hear the sound of grocery carts rattling with alcohol as we tromp from house to house! If you would like to host a stop at your house, email [president@cabbagetown.com](mailto:president@cabbagetown.com) or sign-up here to bring food: <https://tinyurl.com/yxtkbnuK>

## Mmm Chicken Noodle GOOD

*The Cabbagetown Chicken Noodle Network* provides lifts, food, and help to neighbors who are sick or are in need! If you'd like to lend a hand, please email: [lisa\\_myers@comcast.net](mailto:lisa_myers@comcast.net)

# Cabbagetown Initiative: Meeting Minutes



**MORGAN FELTS**

*Minutes for Monday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Regular Meeting I. In attendance: Chelsea Arkin, Kendall Rawls, Morgan Felts, Alexa Mosley, Nathaniel Compton, Ashley McCartney, and Brad Cunard. Regrets from: Evan Willis, Fred Perry, Andrew Byczko*

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

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

**IV. Approval of the Minutes.** Minutes were previously approved by email vote on August 26, 2019.

**V. Officer's Reports**

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

**b. Treasurer's Report –** Alexa reminded the board that CI voted to implement a discretionary spending freeze for one month due issues with the community center. Alexa moved that discretionary spending freeze be extended for an additional month pending further information and development of the community center situation. The motion was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

**VI. Committee Reports a. Chomp & Stomp –**

- i. Sponsorship – Reminder to the board to pursue local sponsorships.
- ii. Chomp planning – It's happening! The CI board is working closely with the Oakland Foundation to ensure that festival logistics are accounted for. Neighborhood volunteers are meeting regularly. Morgan and Nathaniel will be setting up the online store for Chomp in the coming weeks.

- b. Governance –** CI is recruiting for one open position. If you're interested please contact Kendall (kendallrawls@gmail.com).
- c. Parks –**
  - i. Mollie Street –CI is finalizing a letter of support for moving boulders in accordance with the second plan presented by Ryan Swinson upon approval by the City.
  - ii. Park Pride Grant – resubmitting before the February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.
  - iii. Wylie Street landscaping – Pruning of holly bushes was completed in prep for Forward Warrior!! the weekend of 9/14.
  - iv. Paul Meyer Memorial – project completed!
  - v. Leak in the Park – Andrew will follow up with the City regarding the ongoing leak.
  - vi. Amphitheater bridge – in need of repair. Andrew will alert the city and make the request.

**d. Community Center –** Information regarding discussion and updates on the Community Center has been redacted on the advice of counsel.

**e. Community Garden –** monies are being transferred to CI.

**f. Finance –** no report

**g. CNIA –** Meeting 9/10 at Brother Moto. Tour of Homes this weekend 9/14.

**h. Patch Works –** CI discussed Patchworks's request that CI dissolve the EPL fund to donate monies to Patch Works for general operating expenses. Upon CI's request, Patch Works has provided the professional opinion of its attorney as to the legality of this action. CI will vet this accordingly before taking next steps.

**VII. Old Business**

**a. Patchworks MOU –** Board is reviewing for further negotiation and action.

**VIII. New Business**

**IX. Adjourn –** The President adjourned the meeting at 9:06p.

## New to the Neighborhood?

**We want to meet you!** Join us on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7p at Karen Russian's house, 145 Berean Avenue SE for our BIG bi-annual Roll Call party! If you'd like to volunteer or get more info, email: [president@cabbagetown.com](mailto:president@cabbagetown.com).

## Cabbagetown Creates Parking Spots

**1. How did we do this? 2. When did we do this? 3. How much did it cost? Good questions. The answers are even better.**

**1.** It's insta-magical. Just follow the golden rule. **2.** We're doing this right now (as you are reading this newspaper).

**3.** Cost? It's free. Here's the golden rule:

**Generally speaking – when parallel parking – leave no more than four feet between you and the next parked car.**

**When we all do that, we create a whole lot more parking spots by not wasting space.**

# We Can Do It!

By Kendall Rawls and Fred Perry

**Chomping at the bit for some Chomp.** One of the most exciting days for Cabbagetown is just around the corner – CHOMP & STOMP! And we need you! Chomp & Stomp is a great way to meet and get to know new neighbors. If you are sitting around and wondering how to meet new people, join the Chomp planning committee. We are still looking for a few key positions:

- Cabbage Games Coordinator**
- Band Videographer**
- Financial Assistant**
- Backstage Assistant**
- Volunteer Coordinator**

Whatever your interest level or availability is, we got something for you. Reach out to Fred Perry [fredcperry@gmail.com](mailto:fredcperry@gmail.com) or come to our next planning meeting on Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7p at 261 Iswald Street.

**With Chomp, comes road closures.** Below is the list of road closures and times associated. We hope this doesn't put you out, but we promise to make it a super fun day!

**Wylie Street from Estoria Street to Tennelle Street** (No parking Friday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a - Saturday Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 10:00p)

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

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

**Short Street** (No parking Friday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 8a - Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 10p)

**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)

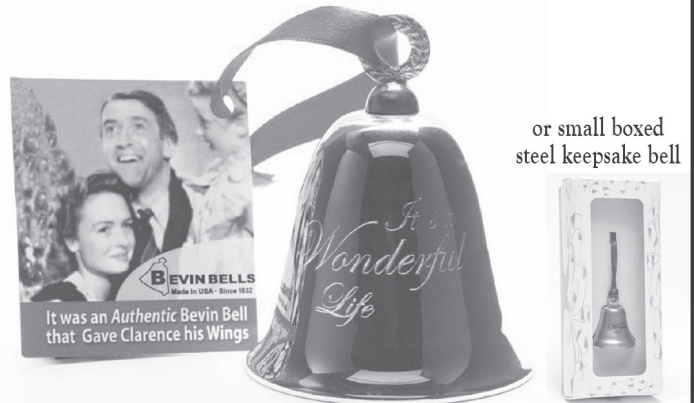
**Mollie Street** (No parking Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> until 10p)

**Carroll Street** will be Southbound only for November 4<sup>th</sup> (No parking Saturday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> until 10p)



Gearing up for Chomp & Stomp 2019!

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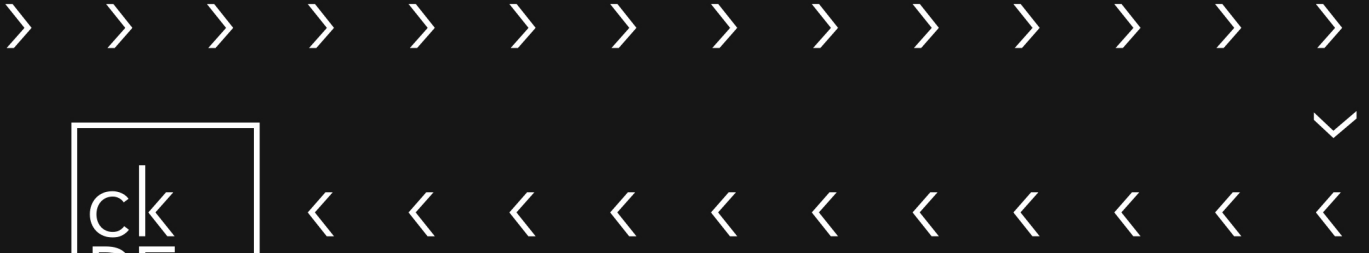
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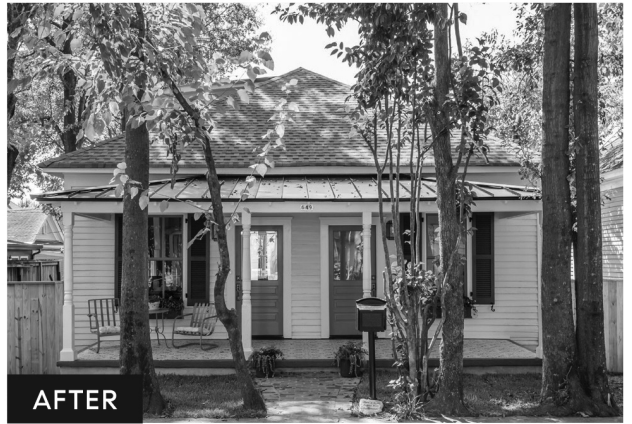
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A Cabbagetown moment in time: Photo of Cabbagetown resident Claude Everette, 1982. Photo by Oraien Catledge.

# 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
768 Kirkwood 4 BD/4.5 BA	\$765,000
174 Estoria St. 3 BD/3.5 BA	\$589,900
157 Powell St. 2 BD/2 BA	\$509,000
751 Wylie St. 2 BD/1 BA	\$484,900
111 Short St. 2 BD/1.5 BA	\$439,900
258 Berean Ave. 2 BD/2 BA	\$439,000
105 Chester Alley 2 BD/1 BA	\$434,900
154 Savannah St. 2 BD/2 BA	\$425,000
176 Berean Ave. 1 BD/1 BA	\$279,900
620 Memorial Dr. 2 BD/1 BA	\$239,000

## MULTI-FAMILY

For Sale	Price
None this month.	

## HOUSES

Pending	Price
125 Estoria St. 3 BD/2 BA	\$619,900
180 Pearl St. 3 BD/3 BA	\$528,500
189 Savannah St. 3 BD/2 BA	\$449,000
834 Harold St. 2 BD/1 BA	\$250,000
Conditional	Price
171 Powell St. 3 BD/2 BA	\$562,000
809 Harold St. 2 BD/2 BA	\$525,000
185 Savannah St. 3 BD/2 BA	\$499,995

## CONDOS & LOFTS

For Sale	Price
<b>The Stacks</b> Loft E219 2 BD/2 BA	170 Blvd \$515,000
Loft E316 2 BD/2 BA	\$514,900
Loft E421 2 BD/2 BA	\$500,000
Loft E104 2 BD/2 BA	\$434,900
Loft H229 1 BD/1 BA	\$350,000
Loft H118 1 BD/1 BA	\$319,900
Loft D203 1 BD/1 BA	\$315,000
Loft F101 1 BD/1 BA	\$289,900
Loft H303 1 BD/1 BA	\$275,000

## LOTS

For Sale	Price
225 Pearl St. .06 Acres	\$260,000

## PENDING

## CONDOS & LOFTS

Pending	Price
<b>The Stacks</b> Loft H202 2 BD/2 BA	170 Blvd \$429,900
Loft E326 1 BD/1 BA	\$339,900
Conditional	Price
<b>The Stacks</b> Loft H528 2 BD/2 BA	170 Blvd \$525,000
Loft H427 1 BD/1 BA	\$335,000
Loft E101 1 BD/1 BA	\$302,000
Loft H424 1 BD/1 BA	\$295,000
Loft H213 1 BD/1 BA	\$285,500
Loft F109 1 BD/1 BA	\$277,500
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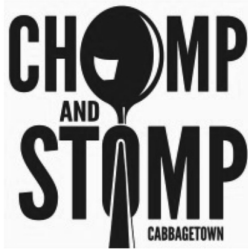
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