

# Cabbagetown

## NEIGHBOR

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*"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt." – Charles M. Schulz*

### Neighborhood Meeting

The next neighborhood meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 7p at the Cabbagetown Community Center.

#### Agenda

6:45 to 7p: Networking & Snacks

#### 7p: Meeting

1. Welcome & Announcements
  - Valencia Hudson,
  - City of Atlanta Liasion
  - Atlanta Police Department
2. *Minutes of Last Meeting*
3. *Treasurer's Report*
4. *Committee & Other Reports*
  - Hospitality
  - Historic Preservation & Land Use
  - NPU-N
  - Neighborhood Watch
5. *Old Business*
6. *New Business*
7. *CI Connect*

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



Jessica Ferguson, owner of Pour Séduire Lingerie Company at 692 Kirkwood Avenue in Cabbagetown.

## Valentine's triple play

By Kyle F. Bidlack

Valentine's Day is fast approaching and bringing with it a bit of trepidation for the men of Cabbagetown. What to do for our sweethearts? Fellas, our neighborhood businesses have all the answers you need.

We offer up this Cabbagetown "triple play" for consideration. Stop by **Pour Séduire** and let Jessica help you select a delicate something for your much better half. Pour Séduire is located behind **Sweet Cheats** on Kirkwood.

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**After dinner?**  
Well, that's up to you.

### Boulevard tunnel team begins to takes shape



CNIA President Lyn Deardorff with Ben and Nicky who are looking at ways to work with the city to improve the Boulevard Tunnel. Not pictured is Dan Laurie, who routinely litter picks the area around the tunnel.

**Peachy  
Park News  
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# SEABA Update

By Ashley McCartney

On January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 *Zoo Atlanta* hosted our first Business Luncheon of 2013. There were 19 people in attendance! Rick Hudson provided a great presentation on development in South East Atlanta, including the Beltline, the Memorial corridor and the proposed Glenwood development. It is important for us to stay abreast of development in the area and we thank Rick for his presentation. We also thank the Zoo for their gracious hospitality in hosting our luncheon.



On January 22<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the board of director had a meeting to discuss the progress of SEABA and our plans moving forward. We elected Michele Swing of *Swing Accounting* as a board member. We are so excited to have her and look forward to her contributions moving forward.

On February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013, *Ziba's Wine Bar* will host our networking soiree from 5:30p until 7:15p. If you want to stay a little longer, their monthly wine night begins at 7:30 that evening. Bring your business cards! This is where deals get started.

Good things are on the horizon for SEABA in 2013. Please check out our new SEABA website at [www.seabaga.org](http://www.seabaga.org). If you would like to be on our mailing list or know more about our organization just send an email to [ashmccartney@gmail.com](mailto:ashmccartney@gmail.com) and we'll get back to you. We are also on Facebook. Beginning this month, we will be featuring an article by one of our members that may of use to you. Here's the first from board member Chris Balch:

## **ISN'T THAT IN WRITING?**

You have been negotiating this deal for weeks. This is a great opportunity and you are anxious to get the purchase closed. You and the seller have haggled over every term, every issue, and every comma (or so it seems). You are finally ready to close the deal and suddenly you notice a term to the agreement that you hadn't paid attention to before. It is titled "*Merger Clause*" and says something to the effect that "*All terms of this agreement are present in this written document. No representation, warranty, promise or inducement not included in the contract shall be binding on any party hereto.*"

## **Wait. What?**

There are several promises and representations the seller has made that are not in the contract. You and she agreed they would be excluded because they were resolved late in the dialogue and there had been too much money spent on lawyer time drafting the agreement already. These representations cover the presence of certain long-term contracts and covenants not to compete signed with key employees. All of a sudden, leaving those terms outside the agreement does not seem like a good idea, lawyer fees or no.

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**Monday - Dart League**

**Tuesday - Trivia 8p**

**Wednesday - Adult Trivia 9p**

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# Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association: General Meeting

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 – Cabbagetown Hall (Community Center)

By Ashley McCartney

## Meeting was called to order at 7:02p

### 1. Welcome & Announcements

• Atlanta Police Department: Officer Schaefer & Lt. Klotzer both in attendance. They state that there has been a little uptick in crime since the beginning of the year; stay diligent. If you see something, say something. Most of the car break-ins are the result of people leaving valuables in their vehicles, thus, the Clean Car Campaign.

Officer Schaefer has been walking the neighborhood, looking in cars and has determined 1 in 3 cars have a purse, GPS or laptop in full view. He is giving "information tickets" to those cars. So is **Neighborhood Watch**.

If you call in as a witness to a crime, it helps if you are willing to continue communication with police. He cited an example of a crime called in by six different people. He found the perps and none of the witnesses wanted to participate so the perps had to be released. They have been doing safety checks (roadblocks) in the neighborhood. Ashley asked about the carjacking at Gaskill and Estoria. He will check status of investigation.

### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting – Ashley McCartney

• Motion made to approve minutes. Properly seconded and unanimously approved.

### 3. Treasurer's Report – Karin Kane

• We started with a balance of \$4,505.48 - expenses + Crawl proceeds. Current balance is \$5,413.91

### 4. Committee & Other Reports

• **Hospitality:** New roll call in April - Watch for new neighbors. Date & location to be determined.

• **CI Connect:** Treasurer presents CI Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet. CI had budget meeting Saturday. Still pulling together notes and will present in February meeting. There will be a lot of on-going expenses such as Cabbagetown Park & the Community Center. We will also be doing micro-grants for neighbors to start and facilitate projects around the neighborhood. Applications will be available on CI's website. They will be for \$500-1,000. Total amount allocated this year is \$3k. If you have an idea, fill out the app and present it to CI. You will spearhead the project.

• **Historic Preservation & Land Use:** No applications this month. 1<sup>st</sup> Monday in February at 7p, the Land Use Committee has arranged a presentation on Beltline and Cabbagetown's future in that regard.

• **Public Safety** - Robert Tubbs & Joe Ward give presentation introducing themselves as volunteers to be co-chairs of the public safety committee.

### • Neighborhood Watch

-NW is meeting at 7p on Friday to walk the streets of Cabbagetown and identify some safety concerns and become familiar with the streets. NW will have t-shirts and hats soon so neighbors can identify them.

### 5. Old Business

• Christmas Crawl – successful event. Ashley wrote an article last month in the *Cabbagetown Neighbor* with all the specifics.

### 6. New Business

• **Boulevard Tunnel** - Idea from neighbor to make cleaning up and maintaining this tunnel a community project. First hurdle is to identify who is responsible for the tunnel.

### • CNIA Elections

-We need people! Email [lyn@preservingnow.com](mailto:lyn@preservingnow.com) if interested.

### 7. Public Input

• **Atlanta Bicycle Coalition** may be moving into Cabbagetown.  
• Neighbor brings complaint about the junk mail ads being tossed into our streets. We can vote as a neighborhood to decline it. We will put it in the *Cabbagetown Neighbor* and vote next month.

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## Sen. Orrock Elected to 2013 Board of Directors with Women In Government

By Kate Greer

January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 - Senator Nan Orrock (D-Atlanta) has been sworn in as a member of the 2013 Board of Directors with **Women In Government**, a national organization of women state legislators, at the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual State Directors' and 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial First Term Legislators' Conference in St. Pete Beach, Florida.

*"The growing number of women in the ranks of policymakers holds great promise for positive change. I'm honored to continue to work with Women In Government as we connect elected women leaders from across the nation in policy discussions that address the needs of our respective states and communities,"* said Orrock.

*"Senator Orrock is a recognized leader in her state and nationally. She plays a valuable role in WIG as she shares her extensive legislative experience with women policymakers throughout the country."* Said Marjorie Maginn, President and Executive Director of Women In Government. For more information, visit [womeningovernment.org](http://womeningovernment.org).

Sen. Orrock serves as the Democratic Caucus Secretary. She represents the 36<sup>th</sup> Senate District, which includes Cabbagetown. She may be reached at 404.463.8054 or by email at [nan.orrock@senate.ga.gov](mailto:nan.orrock@senate.ga.gov).

## From the President

By Lyn Deardorff, CNIA President

Hi Everyone,  
 Two big things to talk about this month:

### • *CI Budget & Special Projects for 2013*

Recently the CI Board met to hammer out a Draft Budget for 2013 and a list of Proposed Projects to be taken on with surplus funds. These funds have become available as a result of successful **Chomp 'n Stomp** over the years and are in excess of the Operating Funds needed to perform the mandate of CI.

So what's the mandate? As a result of an agreement with the City of Atlanta, we get to have our own Park and Community Center as long as we raise the money to maintain them – a hefty bill each year! And we've since added additional properties to the list: The Community Garden, The 3 Points Triangle, and – as soon as renovated – some aspects of maintenance of the Esther Peachy LeFever Park.

The Board has entertained a long list of possible (and many needed) projects. And now is your chance to review them and add to them something you may have considered good or necessary for the neighborhood. Our February meeting will give a brief overview of the proposed budget and then focus on these proposed projects (more detail on the list can be found in the CI Minutes, printed elsewhere in this Newspaper). This is your chance - come discuss, provide your input, add suggestions, and finally – vote!

### • *CNIA Elections for the next year*

At the February meeting, we will call for nominations for CNIA elected positions, which include President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and NPU Representative.

Nominations will remain open during the month, be published in the March newspaper, and voted on at the March meeting. Nominations can also be made from the floor at that meeting.

We have some members who may be rotating off the Board. More importantly, we need to grow our next "generation" of active and support members of CNIA who will take over the leadership roles of our organization going forward. Some of our current officers have served for many years in this and other capacities. And you'll be involved in the future direction of our neighborhood. Think about nominating yourself – or look around and select someone who would make a good potential leader – we need you!

We're proud of our community – let's help it keep going in the best direction for all of us! See you at the meeting Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7p.

Lyn Deardorff, CNIA President

# Peachy Park construction update

By Ed Lindahl

Any Cabbagetown resident who's recently passed through the intersection of Wylie, Powell, Berean, and Tennelle has undoubtedly noticed all the construction going on in Esther Peachy Lefevre Park. The park renovation project is well underway!

**Premier Landscaping Services** is working on phase one of the project, which involves site prep and development, grading and landscaping, installation of a sidewalk that will meander along the perimeter of the park, installation of an 18" granite wall around the park perimeter, planting of new sod and trees, and installation of brand new playground equipment.

Premier is also putting in some infrastructure for future elements, such as a bike pad for a bike rack, timber walls and a curb for the swing set, and conduit for lighting.

By the time this newspaper is published, Premier should be done with the demolition and should be working on the granite wall around the perimeter of the park. That process will take ten work days, after which they'll start grading in the park.

Around mid-February, they'll start pouring the sidewalk that will pass through the park and will then work on the soil and tree installation. 5,280 square feet of Bermuda Turf and 24 trees of different varieties, including oaks, dogwoods, redbuds, maples, and magnolias, will be the final pieces put in by the landscapers.

After Premier is done, which should be around the end of February, the City of Atlanta will start the process of installing new playground equipment. That should take an additional few weeks.

The long-term master plan for Esther Peachy Lefevre Park calls for the addition of an iron picket fence to top the granite rubble wall, a picnic pavilion, and updated lighting.



Phase One of this project was made possible by a Community Block Development Grant and grants from **Park Pride** and **The Waterfall Foundation**.

Park Pride is an Atlanta 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose mission is to improve the city's parks and greenspaces through the provision of grant funding, programming, advocacy, and guidance to neighborhood groups such as CI and the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Improvement Association. More information about Park Pride can be found at [parkpride.org](http://parkpride.org).

The Waterfall Foundation is a charitable foundation based in Atlanta that "serves to act as a supporting organization for other charitable organizations."

Contact was made with the Waterfall Foundation through the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta, which serves as to increase philanthropy throughout the city by connecting donors and grant-seekers. More information about the Community Foundation can be found at [cfgreateratlanta.org](http://cfgreateratlanta.org).



# The things we do for love

By Bill Phillips, Cabbagehead from The Stacks

I was sitting there talking to my girlfriend the other day when the topic of *Krogers* came up. Murder Kroger. Disco Kroger. No doubt some clever marketing scheme by Kroger corporate to tie them into our illustrious neighborhood brands.

Anyway, she asked what our nearby Kroger's nickname is. I said "Edgewood Kroger? Right?" This did not sit well with her.

In any event, I have been made subject to a demand; to name Edgewood Kroger something besides Edgewood Kroger. Nevermind that I lack the authority, the folly, or the deep wisdom/wizardry to do such a thing.

I don't even understand why intown Atlantans feel the need to give their Krogers goofy nicknames anyway, or why they even have the nicknames they do.

It may be different for you, but I have never personally murdered anyone at Murder Kroger. I remember when Innovox was over there, though. But Atlanta is just not sentimental enough for "Don't We All Remember Innovox Kroger".

That lack of sentimentality is why I had to reject "Don't We All Remember The AGL Parking Lot Kroger", by the way. It's crossed out on a sheet of paper in my office. Next to the rejected suggestion, a justification written in the margins: "Insufficient love for the industrial wasteland we have so arrogantly destroyed."

Not that the area around that Kroger has all magically turned back the clock to 1955, of course. We might just as well call it "Festering Agent Of Demographic Change Kroger," or "That Kroger Over By Where That Weird Drug Thing Went Down That One Time, Remember That?" or just, "The Safer Part Of Edgewood Kroger".

Anyway, my actual vote is "Chaos Kroger." I don't expect it to catch on (apparently it's actually *Hipster Kroger?*), but I feel it's a legit appellation.

I have various reasons, but here's the best one: I'm pretty sure that if they chained up the Hardee street gate on the Saturday before Christmas, *Bed Bath and Beyond* would be on fire within three hours.

## February 28<sup>th</sup> • Cabbagetown Walkers 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

Have you walked with us once, alot, sometimes OR want to try it? Join us at *Milltown Tavern* at 7p for a fun walking pub crawl in celebration of our 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We will stop at three bars and then return to Milltown for goodies.



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# Cabbagetown author, Blake Butler

By Andrew Alexander, [accessatlanta.com](http://accessatlanta.com)

Blake Butler seems like a nice enough guy. In a track jacket and battered Adidas sneakers, he's brightly energetic, smiling, chatty, easy going. If you were ever tasked with casting the walk-on role of "college buddy" in a movie, you'd be glad to have his number handy.

But unlike any college buddy in any movie ever, Butler is the author of some extraordinarily disturbing books, remarkable for their number (he's published five and co-authored two since 2009) but even more striking for their gorgeously stark prose, their bleak, nightmarish imagery, their kaleidoscopic array of mysterious and frightening incidents and their inexorable, dreamlike pull.

*The New York Times* called his 2011 novel "There is No Year" a "thing of strange beauty," and *Time* magazine lauded the "klieg-light intensity" of his writing. *Publisher's Weekly* hailed him as "the 21st century answer to William Burroughs."

"Every day I have to run, and every day I have to write," said Butler, taking a sip from a cartoonishly large mug of black coffee at the

*Carroll Street Cafe* near his apartment in Cabbagetown. "When I get into something, I get kind of obsessed with it, and it's the only thing I want to do."

That obsessive quality has made him a reasonably fast runner and an unreasonably fast writer. He finished "There is No Year" in 10 days. His latest, "Sky Saw" (Tyrant Books), which was published last month, took a little longer: 30 days. In it, individuals try to make their way in a surreal, disintegrating world. The novel opens with a horrendous tone that the whole world hears and which recurs throughout the story. "I was sitting in my room and the school across the street was having tornado drills," said Butler, 33. "Every couple hours you would hear this horrible, deafening noise. It made me so angry and uncomfortable, I think that's what started that one. It tends to be simple things like that that get me going."

Butler grew up in Marietta where he attended Wheeler High School. *Continued on page 15*



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# Ladies and gentlemen, this is a music column

By Justin Marlett, Esq.

*I'm just gonna be up front about this: This is a music column.* Not necessarily a review column per se, but more of a self-indulgent exploration of music-related topics. You're probably asking yourself "Why would I read this?" or "Why should I care about this person's musical proclivities?" or even "Where are my car keys?" These are all great questions. The point is, you are probably a music lover of SOME kind, and so am I. And one of the best parts about being a music lover is discovery, which is what our theme is today.



Take the artist **Melody's Echo Chamber**, and her eponymous new album. She is a recent find via satellite radio, an invaluable expense here in the Metro Atlanta area (unless you like Top 40, and there's absolutely nothing wrong with that. **The Beatles** were once Top 40, although I'm not sure if **Lennon** would have liked **Katy Perry**. I'm getting off topic.)

The album is a gorgeous mix of ethereal psych/pop with some gritty undertones - the fuzz guitar freak-out at the end of the first track "I Follow You" is a great example. The rest of the album unfolds in the same way - beautiful vocals (some in French) drenched in reverb, evoking the **Dum Dum Girls** or even some 60's flavored sounds. It's highly recommended - pair with open, sunny windows and some headphones and enjoy responsibly.

**But back to the theme:** *What was your first musical discovery? Or better, when did you become aware of music as an art form?* My story begins in 1992, with the addition of a large, 5-disc Sony CD player that my brother bought. After years of collecting cassettes from **Bobby Brown** and **Poison** to **Rick Astley** and **The Escape Club** (remember them? You liar.), I was introduced to the three CDs my brother brought home that day: **Nirvana's Nevermind**, **Pearl Jam's Ten**, and an equally impressive but somewhat overlooked classic, **Live's Mental Jewelry**.

As it's been written a million times, these albums (really the first two) basically smothered hair bands in their cribs and began a new era of rock and/or roll. Being enraptured with these albums made me want to explore their influences, which begat discovering punk (**Black Flag**, **Fugazi** and **The Replacements**, specifically) and even some of their contemporaries (**Soundgarden**, **Mudhoney** and **Sonic Youth**). This variety is the spice of life and music. As is cumin.

So get discovering, dear readers, and share with your friends (legally, of course. Is **Limewire** still a thing? Share a playlist via Spotify, for the love of **Metallica**). And don't forget to tune in next month, when the theme will be "Writing a Music Column that Doesn't Meander!"

# Wintertime fun

By Jenny Schulz

Grant Park Cooperative Preschool's highly anticipated annual auction will be held February 23<sup>rd</sup> at Grant Park's stylish redevelopment, **The Jane**. Open to the public, GPCP welcomes parents & singles alike to join us for a rockin' night of great food, yummy adult beverages, auction fun, and live music!

This year's live music again features Atlanta's own **Yacht Rock Schooner!** Singer Kevin Spencer describes his group's sound as "a mixture of **Kenny Loggins**, **the Gibb brothers** and **Michael McDonald**, with just a hint of **Christopher Cross** thrown in." (Get a preview at [www.pleaserock.com/tributes/yacht-rock-schooner](http://www.pleaserock.com/tributes/yacht-rock-schooner))

Save the date and join us for a memorable evening of fun and philanthropy, Auction items typically include shopping, dining and entertaining experiences at intown favorites, artwork from local artists, and highly coveted class projects! 100% of the proceeds support the school. Please be aware that GPCP's Rockin' Winter Soiree is an adult only event.

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# Cabbagetown Initiative CDC

Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013 • Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Alicia Thompson, Katherine Dirga, Julie Stephens, Barbara Keeney, Lynne Splinter, Lyn Deardorff, Tova Baruch, Ashley McCartney, and Dana Habeeb. Delona Wardlaw explained and went over the bookkeeping process for CI. We discussed the total budget for 2012, and estimated expenses for 2013. From the remaining budget, the board suggested potential budgets for 2013.

Below lists the total CI funds and potential projects for 2013.

<b>Cash on Hand (1/1/2013)</b>	<b>\$175,138</b>
Estimated Yearly Expenses*	\$62,450
Earmarked Funds**	\$29,050
Chomp Savings Account	\$35,000
<b>Budget for Potential Projects</b>	<b>\$48,638</b>

<b>Estimated Yearly Expenses</b>	
Contract services	\$9,550
Facilities & Equip.	\$44,250
Operations	\$8,650
<b>Total Yearly Expenses</b>	<b>\$62,450</b>

<b>Earmarked Funds</b>	
EPL Park Reserve	\$25,000
Security Patrol	\$2050
Garden App. Fees	\$2000
<b>Total Earmarked</b>	<b>\$29,050</b>

Potential Projects	Price	Project Leads
1. CC Media Wall	\$500	Lyn
2. Ctown Park Picnic Tables	\$3,000	Barbara, Ashley, Alicia
3. Micro Grants	\$3,000	Alicia, Barbara
4. EPL Park Pavilion	\$15,000	PC, Alicia
5. Park Planting Beds	\$5,000	PC
6. Landscape CC Side Yard	\$3,000	PC, Ashley
7. CSX Shrub Clean-Up	\$1,700	PC
8. Beltline project	\$5,000	Julie
9. Air Quality Study	\$3,000	Dana, Katherine, Alicia
10. CC Grading/Water Amel.	\$10,000	Alicia, PC
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$49,200</b>	
<b>Remaining Funds</b>	<b>-\$562</b>	

Deferred Proposed Projects	Price	Leads
1. Executive Director	\$10,000	PC
2. Six planters in park	\$4,500	PC
3. Augment sidewalks	Deferred to Land Use Comm.	
4. Wylie/Tennelle Sidewalk	\$10,000	Dana

Parks Committee (PC)  
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\*Minutes will be voted on at the next CI meeting.  
 Minutes recorded by: Dana Habeeb

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# SEABA Update

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Your intuition is accurate and your desire to understand the agreement significant. Parties often seek to wrap their discussions and negotiations into one final document to remove loose ends and related problems.

To accomplish that, the agreement will include a "merger clause" which provides that all terms of the deal are in the written document and nothing outside the document can be used to alter or amend it.

Last March the Georgia Court of Appeals decided *Peck v. Lanier Golf Club, Inc.*, Case No. A11A2100 (March 8, 2012).

In that case, Mr. Peck had purchased a lot adjacent to the Lanier Golf Club. When the Golf Course closed in 2007, he sued claiming he was entitled to have the course open in perpetuity because of representations made which induced him to make his purchase. The contract for the purchase of his home provided that no statements or representations not contained in the agreement were part of the contract.

In dismissing his claims, the Court held, "The entire agreement clause [another name for the merger clause described above] operates as a disclaimer, establishing that the written agreement completely and comprehensively represents all the parties' agreement."

***Are all of the terms of your agreement written down? Shouldn't they be?***

Chris Balch is a lawyer and a member of the Board of Directors for SEABA. He can be reached at [chris@balchlawgroup.com](mailto:chris@balchlawgroup.com). This article is for informational purposes only. No legal advice is intended. Every situation is different and general rules may not apply to yours.

*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.*

# Crime blotter

*Submitted by Joe Ward. As recorded by Atlanta Police Department*

## **ROBBERY/FIREARM/HIGHWAY: 200 Block of ESTORIA ST SE**

On 01-06-13 I was dispatched to the 200 block of Estoria St. in reference to a pedestrian robbery. Upon arrival I made contact with the victim who reported that she works for *Safe Ride* and was traveling east on Gaskill St. following a co-worker and clients when she saw a vehicle traveling in the wrong direction on Gaskill. Victim reported that the vehicle blocked her vehicle and two black males got out with handguns. Victim advised that one of the black males approached her and said "give me your money". Victim reported that she took her key out of the ignition and gave it and the key chain to the black male. Victim advised that there were a total of 5 keys on the key chain along with her ID and two debit cards. Victim stated that the black male did not take anything else and did not harm her. Victim further reported that the two black males fled west on Gaskill St. in a maroon in color 4 door sedan possibly a Dodge Intrepid. A witness reported that he saw a 90's model Honda Accord stop the victim and two black males got out of it and robbed her. Victim could not provide further description. I checked the area and a lookout was put out over Zone 6 radio. General Investigator Denkins arrived on scene and interviewed the victim. Sgt. Claxton was also on scene for this incident. There is a camera on the east wall of a business at 235 Estoria but the business does not have a name or sign out front and it was closed.

## **Residential Burglary: 100 Block of TYE ST SE**

On 1/05/2013, I, Ofc. Shaver was dispatched to a residential burglary that had occurred at the 100 block of Tye Street. I arrived and met with the victim who stated that she left her house at 6:15p and received a call about her alarm going off about 19:30p. Another officer responded around 7:30p to the alarm and that officer noted the open door. That officer cleared the house but was unable to check for stolen property as the resident was not on site at the time. He also noted the cut screen door and that the rear door inside the house was unlocked. At roughly 8:44p the victim had returned home and called police. Once there, she told me that her Dell Laptop and Laptop bag that had been sitting on the table had been taken. She does not have a serial number or tracking information for the computer. I noted that the rear screen door had been cut enough to lift the small latch lock that had secured it. The victim reported that her neighbor had originally responded with police and the neighbor saw the rear door open with the deadbolt extended. There were no signs on the door indicating forced entry. The next door neighbor stated that they did not witness anything out of the ordinary. I attempted to lift fingerprints but was unable to. I notified Sgt. Tippens of the incident.

## **Stolen Property: 200 Block of Carroll St. SE**

On 01/01/2013, I was dispatched to the 200 block of Carroll St SE in reference to a larceny from vehicle. Upon arriving on scene, I spoke with the victim who stated someone broke into her vehicle. In addition, she stated she parked her vehicle between the hours of 10a on 01/01/2013 and 4p on 01/01/2013 at the above location. In addition, victim stated she came out to her vehicle and noticed her rear passenger side window smashed and broken glass on the sidewalk. Victim also stated that a back pack with a camera charger inside was taken from the vehicle. Victim stated that the vehicle belonged to her mother. There were no injuries reported. There were no cameras on scene. Furthermore, victim was given a case number in reference to the incident and phone number to the Zone 6 precinct for questions and comments.

# Cabbagetown Neighborhood Watch

By Matt Wise

## **What You Need to Know**

Over the last six months a small group of Cabbagetown residents have been hard at work laying the foundation for an official CNIA-sponsored Neighborhood Watch program.

During this time, a plan for the *Cabbagetown Neighborhood Watch* was drafted, over twenty residents were enlisted to serve as Block Captains, we had an official logo designed and funding was secured through a Neighborhood Fund grant from the *Community Foundation of Greater Atlanta* as well as donations coming directly from Cabbagetown residents.



Now that the program has grown and is looking forward to some important milestones, here's what you need to know about our new Neighborhood Watch program.

## **What is Neighborhood Watch?**

Neighborhood Watch is a nationally-recognized crime prevention program that provides residents with the opportunity to make their neighborhood safer and improve quality of life through education, outreach, and communication.

Neighborhood Watch programs encourage getting to know your neighbors and better awareness to identify and report suspicious activity to the police. Neighborhood Watch does not require residents to go on patrol, physically intervene in crimes, or put themselves in any danger. At its most basic level, a Neighborhood Watch program is a way to formalize and strengthen what already happens in Cabbagetown: neighbors looking after neighbors.

## **Is the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Watch the same thing as the Cabbagetown Security Patrol?**

Many people may have heard that a *Cabbagetown Security Patrol* was recently formed by a group of residents concerned about

public safety in our area. The Cabbagetown Neighborhood Watch and the Cabbagetown Security Patrol are operated separately, but both endeavors share the same goal of making Cabbagetown a safer place and will work to ensure that the activities of both groups are complementary.

## **Why is someone from the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Watch showing up at my door?**

Over the next couple months Block Captains will be going door-to-door in Cabbagetown. These visits have three objectives. The first is to provide everyone some basic information about Neighborhood Watch and public safety.

The second is to get residents "officially" signed up as Neighborhood Watch members. This involves providing your contact information, answering a few additional questions about public safety in Cabbagetown, and signing the Atlanta Police Department's registration form (which is used to certify our Neighborhood Watch program with the city).

The third is to encourage residents to sign up for *Nextdoor - Cabbagetown*, a private social network website that lets our community do a whole bunch of great things including sending out emergency text message alerts, posting information and events, and sharing documents and other electronic materials.

## **I already think Neighborhood Watch is a great idea, what can I do today?**

There are three things you can do today to start supporting our new Neighborhood Watch program.

1. Visit the Cabbagetown Neighborhood Watch sign-up webpage ([www.surveymonkey.com/s/ctownneighbor](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ctownneighbor)) to start the process of becoming an official Neighborhood Watch member. The online sign-up sheet is identical to the paper forms that Block Captains will have residents complete during their door-to-door visits, but completing this form online will save both you and your Block Captain some time.
2. Sign up for *Nextdoor - Cabbagetown* ([cabbagetown.nextdoor.com/choose\\_address](http://cabbagetown.nextdoor.com/choose_address)) and help grow our own online community. Nextdoor is a great way to connect with neighbors, while also strengthening our ability to communicate public safety information quickly. Over 150 households have signed up to use Nextdoor - Cabbagetown already!
3. Register for Smart911 ([www.smart911.com](http://www.smart911.com)), a program recommended by the Atlanta Police Department that allows you to attach additional information to your phone number that can be accessed by 911 dispatchers including medical conditions, whether you have children or pets, and other information to assist police officers in responding to your residence quickly.

# A Cabbagetown Mardi Gras

By Shawn Rossi

It is time to get the beads out and decorate our little village in the spirit of New Orleans. Carnival season began January 6<sup>th</sup> and Mardi Gras is around the corner, February 12<sup>th</sup>.

The handfuls of Louisianans that reside in Cabbagetown have not forgotten their roots. We go to *Milltown Tavern* and watch the Saints games. We call out "Who Dat?" and "Yes Indeed!":

We second line. We decorate our houses with throws (beads, cups and doubloons) from past Mardi Gras parades.

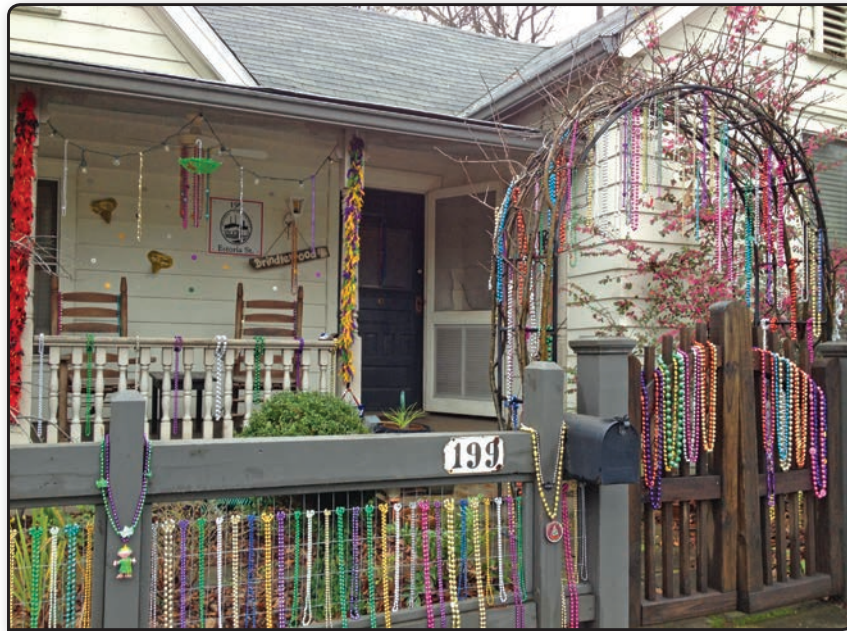
Ashley McCartney and I spent a Sunday afternoon,

back in January, decorating for a Cabbagetown Mardi Gras. While the beads took their place on the fence, the likes of Irma Thomas,

Rebirth Brass Band and good ole' beats from down in the Bayou played along on the stereo.

The throws have all accumulated from past Mardi Gras'; from uptown parades on St. Charles Avenue to the streets of the French Quarter.

When you're taking your next stroll through the neighborhood, come on by the curve on Estoria Street and enjoy the thriving Cabbagetown spirit of New Orleans.



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# Condos are a no-go at Ponce City Market

By Josh Green and Tyler Estep, *curbed.com*

There's a lot on the ledger for **Ponce City Market**, Jamestown Properties's mixed-use vision for the brick behemoth previously known as **City Hall East**. It now appears, though, that previously anticipated condos ain't on that list.

The real estate investment firm bought the 2.1 million square-foot facility — originally a **Sears & Roebuck** building — from the city in July 2011 for a ripe \$27 million. Original plans released by the firm called for retail, restaurant and office space to be built alongside "loft-style condominiums and several hundred family residences for sale and rent." Plans have changed.



difficulty obtaining financing to purchase condo units, nationwide, for the foreseeable future," the statement said. "We are currently building extraordinarily high-quality rental units, which we will consider converting to condominiums down the line."

Despite the readjustment of priorities, a spokeswoman for Jamestown said the project remains on schedule for completion in the spring of 2014. She told *Curbed Atlanta* it's a bit too early to divulge possible retail and restaurant tenants, noting that the site's residential leasing and marketing center should open this spring with tours and information on units.

The latter is no longer a consideration, according to a statement Jamestown provided to Curbed Atlanta. "Careful consideration of the market indicates that consumers are likely to continue facing

Jamestown is working with subsidiary Green Street Properties — "one of the nation's leading firms dedicated to building authentic urban places founded on an environmentally progressive principles" — on the renovation, which is slated to cost roughly \$180 million.

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# Cabbagetown perfects the fine art of canning

By Dana Habeeb

The Cabbagetown Community Garden was awarded a \$500 grant from **Park Pride** to host a garden class for 2012. Fourteen gardeners attended a canning class taught by Lyn Deardorff of **Preserving Now** (our esteemed CNIA president).

Lyn offered the class to the garden at a discounted rate enabling us to stay within our budget while including as many gardeners as possible.

The canning class was a four and a half hour complete immersion class in which we learned everything from what supplies to buy to important health concerns to consider when canning.

We even learned several great recipes. Over the 4.5 hours, the Cabbagetown gardeners worked together to produce three different products: canned tomatoes, pickles, and apple butter. We all took turns chopping, boiling, and seasoning. We were very proud of

ourselves at the end of the day when we took home our beautiful bounty.

The garden would like to thank both **Park Pride** for providing us with the funds to arrange this class, and Lyn Deardorff for working so closely with the garden to make our class a complete success.

The garden is now armed with the knowledge and experience to start canning all of our many tomatoes, cucumbers, hot peppers



and other veggies we harvest this upcoming growing season! We can't wait to practice what we learned!

# Developers take a swing at Turner Field

By Douglas Sams, *Atlanta Business Chronicle*

Forest City Enterprises Inc., The company that's developing Brooklyn's massive **Atlantic Yards** project, and another that operates **Midtown's Atlantic Station**, are among those vying to transform more than 50 acres of urban blight and parking lots around Turner Field into a sports and entertainment district.

Mayor Kasim Reed and the city's economic development officials are the catalysts for a public-private partnership that would redevelop the area around Turner Field. Atlanta's development authority, **Invest Atlanta**, issued requests-for-ideas in September to test developers' appetite for the project.

Developers were given a 55-acre canvas around Turner Field, primarily made up of vacant parking lots, on which to paint their ideas.

So far those ideas have included new public spaces and plazas linked to a new Atlanta Streetcar line, according to people familiar with them. The Streetcar would connect to **MARTA** at either the nearby Georgia State University or Garnett Street stations and eventually even the **Atlanta Beltline**, a 22-mile loop of historic railroad encircling the city that would be converted to paths and parks.

The Braves have said transit is an essential component of the project. That requirement stems from the traffic jams fans battle getting to the ballpark, and the delays they suffer on the **MARTA** shuttle from **Underground Atlanta**.

Other features of the new district could include affordable housing projects, more than 1,000 residential units, more than 150,000 square feet of stores and restaurants, more than 350,000 square feet of office space, and at least one hotel, according to people familiar with the proposals.

The proposals come as the Atlanta Braves face the expiration of their lease at Turner Field in four years. No one has suggested the Braves are considering a relocation to the suburbs. But, the organization has invested a lot of money into Turner Field and wants to see more investment around it.

The organization praises its relationship with the city of Atlanta and the **Fulton County Recreation Authority**, the owner of the parking lots that make up much of the land surrounding the ballpark. It also sees city officials fighting for a new \$1 billion Atlanta Falcons stadium. The Braves want similar support.

## **Attendance is part of the discussion.**

The Braves drew a little more than 2.4 million in 2012, up from 2.37 million in 2011. The organization believes redeveloping the under-utilized land around Turner Field might not only bring more economic development to the area — it could bring more Braves fans to the ballpark.

# Blake Butler

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Initially he was drawn to music, playing bass guitar and forming a band with friends. "We weren't good or anything," he said, "We just tried really hard."

He first developed an interest in writing when an 11<sup>th</sup> grade English teacher played a recording in class of Allen Ginsberg reading his famous poem "America." "I was mostly excited because we had to get a permission slip just to hear it," Butler said. "Just to hear someone talk! I was like, 'What could he possibly be saying?'" After hearing the work, he made a few scattershot attempts at poetry. "It was really bad," he said.

Butler's earliest published work combined two of his early loves: music and the internet. The 17-year-old noticed that the website **All Music Guide**, claiming to be a comprehensive encyclopedia of recorded music, was missing most of the DIY, punk and hardcore bands he loved. He wrote to AMG with a list of the missing musicians, and they hired him on the spot to create the entries.

But as in his later writing, Butler tended toward breaking with convention. Once he'd finished writing about all the bands he knew, he began creating fictional profiles, invented histories and fake discographies for imaginary bands.

His first book from a major publisher, and probably the one that has earned him the most attention, is "There is No Year" from **HarperPerennial**. It had its genesis in 2008 after a tornado hit Cabbagetown. With his apartment inaccessible, he temporarily moved back in with his parents in Marietta. "I felt totally insane," he said. "All my stuff was in boxes. My dad was in the early stages of dementia."

Butler locked himself in his room and wrote the first draft about a surreal family. Pleased with it, he sat down and wrote the draft of his next novel "Sky Saw" when he moved back to his apartment. "It was still manic," he said. "Yeah, I guess that's kind of manic to be at the computer all day drinking coffee and not eating food."

His writing has brought him modest financial success, enough to achieve what he's always wanted: freedom, freedom from a day job, freedom from working for others, freedom to spend his days writing. And he occasionally supplements his earnings with poker. When the mood hits, he drives to casinos in Tunica, Miss., and he's good enough to come back from most trips a winner.

"A lot of it is reading people," he said. "You also have to provide a profile of yourself by creating actions that make it hard for them to read what you're holding. You have to be erratic, but you also have to be controlled. If you can do that, you'll play solid poker."

It's true that a writer is not his work, but it's still hard to reconcile the dark books with this chipper "college buddy" talking poker strategy in a sunlit cafe. I mention to Butler that his writing had led me to expect a subversive, dangerous lunatic in the mold of William S. Burroughs.

Butler, ever the college buddy, so dedicated and obliging in all things, said he'd work on it.

# Cabbagetown's Newest Listings!

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## Your bucket list

By Skyler Waldrop Minter

### Atlanta Jewish Film Festival

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### Cupid's Undie Run Atlanta

Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 12p – RiRa Irish Pub  
Cupid's Undie Run takes runners on a mile-ish run in the Midtown Bar District. Pre- and post-run festivities are held at Ri Ra Irish Pub. Proceeds benefit Children's Tumor Foundation. [cupidsundierun.com](http://cupidsundierun.com)

### Atlanta Chinese New Year Celebration

Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 10a-4p - Cultural Center of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office. The Festival is open to the public and will feature the traditional dragon and lion dancers, authentic Chinese food, Chinese calligraphy and other arts and crafts, as well as traditional Chinese music and dance performances. [activerain.com/blog/view/3586641/atlanta-chinese-new-year-celebration-february-9-10-2013](http://activerain.com/blog/view/3586641/atlanta-chinese-new-year-celebration-february-9-10-2013)

### Atlanta BeltLine 101 – Southeast

Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, 6p-7p – Historical Concepts, Glenwood Park  
The Atlanta BeltLine Partnership is offering monthly 101 sessions to help residents learn the basics about the BeltLine. Atlanta BeltLine 101 sessions are being offered each month at different locations around Atlanta. [beltline.org/events/atlanta-beltline-101-southeast-2](http://beltline.org/events/atlanta-beltline-101-southeast-2)

### Atlanta Chef's Expo

Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 1:30p – GA World Congress Center  
Open to the general public, highlighting local chefs that may be part of a restaurant, catering group or similar. The expo will serve as a taste-test for the city of Atlanta as each chef will prepare a few of their specialties for the food lovers of Atlanta to try. [atlantachefsexpo.com](http://atlantachefsexpo.com)

### Intown Ten (10K)

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8a - Virginia Highlands  
Don't miss this exciting new 10K race in the popular Virginia Highland and Morningside neighborhoods. Race proceeds benefit improvements to John Howell Park. USATF certified course is relatively fast with rolling hills and is a Peachtree Road Race qualifier. [rungeorgia.com/intownten.html](http://rungeorgia.com/intownten.html)

# The Clermont has been sold

By J. Scott Trubey, Atlanta Journal Constitution

The Clermont Motor Hotel, home to the seedy namesake lounge that attracts celebs and locals alike to gawk at its gallery of aging strippers, has been sold.

A team of Nashville and New York developers bought the vacant hotel, which houses the unique strip joint in its basement, "to redevelop as a boutique hotel," according to a news release.

Ethan Orley, who along with Philip Welker controls Clermont Hotel Partners LLC, said the partners would further detail their plans in coming weeks. A sale price was not disclosed.

The hotel, built in the 1920s, fell on hard times despite the Clermont Lounge's singular appeal. The lodger was foreclosed upon and later ordered closed by health inspectors in late 2009. Fulton County health officials complained of dirty linen, old bedding and stains from bedbugs, as well as mold and unsanitary plumbing issues.

There have been plans over the years to renovate the aging building. A prior owner, Inman Park Properties, tried to sell the Ponce De Leon Avenue hotel a few years ago for \$6.5 million but lost control of the property.



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# Advertising or trash?

By Kyle F. Bidlack

You've probably seen them. Little green bags stuffed with advertising, tossed onto your sidewalk, street, or gutter. This often occurs Monday mornings before dawn. And often by Monday noon, those little green bags stuffed with advertising, have become little more than litter.

According to long-time Cabbagehead Lynne Splinter, the bags are distributed by private contractors hired by the *Atlanta Journal Constitution*.

Lynne has done a little research into this issue and it seems that other neighborhoods have reached out to the AJC and asked that the "bags and rags" not be distributed in their neighborhood. Those

neighborhoods objected primarily to the manner of distribution, though many also found the product of little value, a waste of resources, and legalized litter on a mass scale.

Lynne is trying to rally Cabbagetown to ask the AJC to stop distribution in our neighborhood too. Do you feel strongly one way or another? Maybe you love this product and look forward to it. Or maybe you despise it more than Monday mornings without coffee.

If you wish to express your feelings on this topic, please attend the next CNIA meeting, Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 7p at the Cabbagetown Community Center.



# UPDATE: Peachy Park progress

By Kyle F. Bidlack

Right on time! Just as Ed Lindahl reported on page six, the artistic construction of the 18" stone wall around Peachy Park is well underway, though rain and inclement weather might delay completion of the wall by a day or two.

about the added benefits of improved sightlines for traffic and overall aesthetics. She mentioned the triangular area outside the wall and adjacent to the sidewalk would be a community greenspace, perfect for grass or community planting projects.

The *Cabbagetown Neighbor* was present when Pat Katz, landscape architect with the city of Atlanta, made a visit to check-up on progress.

Pat says she is very pleased with the professionalism of *Premier Landscaping Services*, who is performing the work.

Pat commented on the northwest corner of the wall and spoke



We encourage you to check out progress for yourself. But remember, the park is now an active construction site so keep a safe distance from equipment and work areas. Do not enter the park itself.

Several neighbors stopped by and had lots of positive comments regarding the new park layout and improvements. For more information, see Ed's article on page six.

# “New” Tennelle Street murals?

By Kyle F. Bidlack

If you often drive or walk along Tennelle Street, you may have noticed some “new” murals on the CSX wall.

In actuality, the murals are not new. They were designed by Steve Seaberg and executed by Esther Peachy Lefever way back in 1986 and 1987. And now, we can relive their glory.



CNIA President Lyn Deardorff reports that “the upkeep of the CSX property along the wall has been an ongoing mission of Cabbagetown Initiative. It started with the Krog Tunnel, *Wallkeepers* (Living Wall murals), beautification at the base of the walls at the Krog tunnel entrance. Actually, it really started before this, but this is the latest initiative.”



“This particular effort is the removal of junk trees and the overgrown evergreens along the wall to expose the wall tiles. More maintenance is due further west (towards the Stacks). CSX has made dollar contributions towards this effort over the last several years. We (CI) will be working with them to solicit more funds dedicated to this effort.” says Lyn. CSX owns the property.

Says Lyn, “I’m particularly happy to see the evergreens gone that harbored filth, homeless, possibly criminal activity. I’d can’t wait for the rest of it!”

Lyn also reports that some good citizen removed all the junk (bunches of bottles, cans, paper and cushions/pillows that had been hidden from site. This saved all of us a volunteer workday. “It was a humane effort and we’d love to thank them!” says Lyn.

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## Love is in the air

By Kyle F. Bidlack

The Cabbagetown Neighbor is delighted to announce the engagement of Cabbagetown and *Stacks* residents, Jon and Steph.

They recently took a romantic trip to Paris and Jon lugged her “gigantic” ring with him and proposed to her under the Eiffel Tower. Judging by the photo below, we are pretty sure her answer was “yes!”



Jon and Steph met in Chicago in 2008. Jon moved to Cabbagetown in 2010 and is a pilot by trade. Steph is from Orlando, and is a pediatric ER doctor at Grady and Emory, but starts a new job at *Scottish Rite* later this August. She went to med school at *The University of Florida* and did her residency in Chicago. She was a superstar gymnast in high school and college.

Jon and Steph have two dogs, Ruby and Briscoe. We wish them all a long, loving, wonderful life together and we are thrilled that they are making their home right here in little ol’ Cabbagetown.

# Krog Street Market to open this year

By Josh Green, *curbed.com*

Come November, Cabbageheads will have yet another local entertainment mecca to frequent. A new Inman Park venture called “Krog Street Market” should be fully operational in Tyler Perry’s former soundstages at the corner of Lake Avenue and Krog Street, *Atlanta INtown* reports.

The market is one facet of a \$70 million project that abuts the *Atlanta Beltline*; two unnamed restaurants have reportedly signed letters of intent, with more interested. Project leader *Paces Properties*’ Vice President George Banks told the newspaper:

*“There will be no national brands or chains ... We’re actively seeking local restaurateurs and local farmers to make this space truly a neighborhood market.”*

While the project is welcome news, we couldn’t help but wonder if the market for, well, markets will be crowded when gargantuan Ponce City Market launches next year. *Paces* leaders are confident it won’t be.

In October, *Paces* closed on several adjacent parcels that, along with Perry’s former 66,000 square-foot studio, included *Stove Works*, the sleek dining and office complex that houses *Rathbun’s Restaurant*, and several smaller adjacent parcels. *Creative Loafing* reported the price tag was \$13.4 million for the combined nine acres.



In addition to the market, plans call for some residential near the market and facing Edgewood Avenue. Banks told *INtown Atlanta* no changes are planned for *Stove Works* or its tenants; even the post-industrial, iconic bridge over Krog will be

renovated and put to use for pedestrians crossing between the buildings, the paper reports. As for the local-food-driven *Ponce City Market*, Banks is confident the two projects can not only coexist but compliment each other, in the manner of two Seattle landmarks: “We’re the *Melrose Market* to their *Pike Place Market*,” he told the newspaper.

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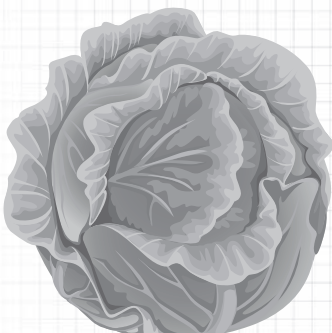
Sold	Price
<b>The Stacks</b> Unit E420 2 BD/2 BA	<b>170 Blvd</b> \$226,900
Unit E311 2 BD/2 BA	\$213,900
Unit E224 2 BD/2 BA	\$209,900
Unit E426 1 BD/1 BA	\$152,000
<b>Milltown Lofts</b> Unit 405 1 BD/1 BA	<b>791 Wylie</b> \$64,900
Under Contract	Price
<b>The Stacks</b> Unit E313 2 BD/2 BA	<b>170 Blvd</b> \$224,900
Unit E219 2 BD/2 BA	\$217,900
Unit E007 2 BD/2 BA	\$196,900
Unit H517 2 BD/2 BA	\$190,000
Unit H227 1 BD/1 BA	\$170,000
Unit E427 1 BD/1 BA	\$159,900
Unit E408 1 BD/1 BA	\$155,900
<b>Milltown Lofts</b> Unit 1006 3 BD/2 BA	<b>791 Wylie</b> \$219,900
Pending	Price
<b>181 Powell St SE</b> Unit 8 2 BD/1 BA	<b>791 Wylie</b> \$79,000
<b>Milltown Lofts</b> Unit 903 2 BD/1 BA	<b>791 Wylie</b> \$78,900

## CONDOS & LOFTS

For Sale	Asking
172 Carroll St SE #107 2 BD/2 BA	\$197,000
172 Carroll St SE #102 1 BD/1 BA	\$175,000
<b>The Stacks</b> Unit E417 2 BD/2 BA	<b>170 Blvd</b> \$290,000
Unit E309 2 BD/2 BA	\$239,900
Unit E412 2 BD/2 BA	\$234,900
Unit E320 2 BD/2 BA	\$227,900
Unit E010 1 BD/1 BA	\$164,900
<b>Milltown Lofts</b> Unit 1001 1 BD/1 BA	\$115,000
Unit 710 2 BD/2 BA	\$185,000

## HOUSES

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174 Estoria St. 3 BD/3.5 BA	\$345,000
169 Powell St. SE 1 BD/1 BA	\$179,000
Pending	Price
252 Iswald St. SE 1 BD/1 BA	\$99,000
Sold	Price
265 Tye St. SE 2 BD/1 BA	\$60,010
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