

FATE Welcomes New Teachers from CREATE Program

As summer ends, the staff at Fred Armon Toomer Elementary is planning exciting events for the upcoming school year. They're starting 2016-2017 with a new playground addition, a partnership program to increase physical activity, and a handful of incoming energetic staff members.



The inclusive playground made possible by a \$100,000 grant from Farmers Insurance that kindergarten teacher Emily Max received last year is already coming to life. The installation of low structures with ramps, low monkey bars, and balance building stations, which is being done by Landscape Structures, began on July 22 and is scheduled to be completed by the first week of school. Follow FATE on Facebook or Twitter (see end of article) to find out the date and time of the ribboncutting ceremony.

In addition to many new students, they're also happy to welcome Mrs. Williams and Ms. Martinez (co-teaching 5th grade) and Ms. Cooper (working with Ms. Morris's Pre-K class) to the FATE family. Ms. Craig and Ms. Tyler (co-teaching 2nd grade) are returning as new teachers, too. These recent graduates from Georgia State University are very excited to start their first year of teaching!

All of them are residents in the CREATE program and were student teachers at schools in the Jackson Cluster during the 2015-2016 school year. CREATE is a three-year program designed to increase student achievement by strengthening teacher effectiveness and retention. It provides a support

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KNO meets on the 10th of each month at 7 pm at the Turner Monumental A.M.E. Church, 66 Howard Street NE.

Everyone is welcome!

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New Apartment Construction Underway

Kirkwood Partners started community discussions for their residential addition to the downtown village area in 2014. After many productive meetings, they reached agreement with regard to the architecture, landscaping, unit mix, and more.

Now, the erosion control and grading construction phase for The Kirkwood Apartments has begun.

The 232 one- and two-bedroom units are scheduled to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2017.





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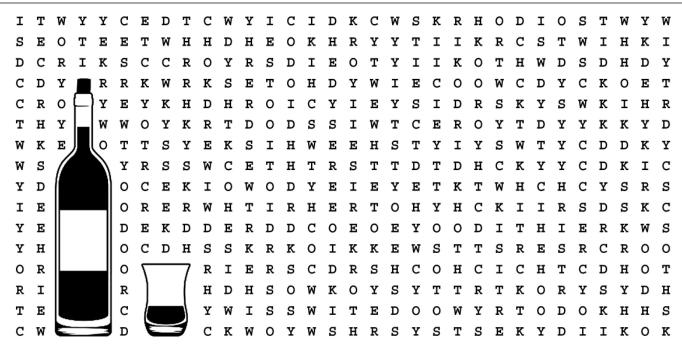
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What's "Neighborly" When It Comes to Noise?

In the summer, we tend to spend more time outside. We enjoy having friends and family over to hang out on our back decks for BBQ, beverages, conversation, and music. Because it gets cooler when the sun goes down, the fun often goes later into the evening.

But what happens when our desire to have a good time conflicts with our neighbors' desire for restful quiet time? The answer may lie in the City of Atlanta's Code of Ordinances, detailed in "Article IV – Noise Control." This isn't meant to deter anyone from lawfully exercising their right to freedom of speech or any other guaranteed freedoms, but rather to help us all share the air fairly.

Since it's written with government legalese that no one really wants to decipher, here are a few key terms from it that set the ground rules as we try to negotiate summer evenings together:

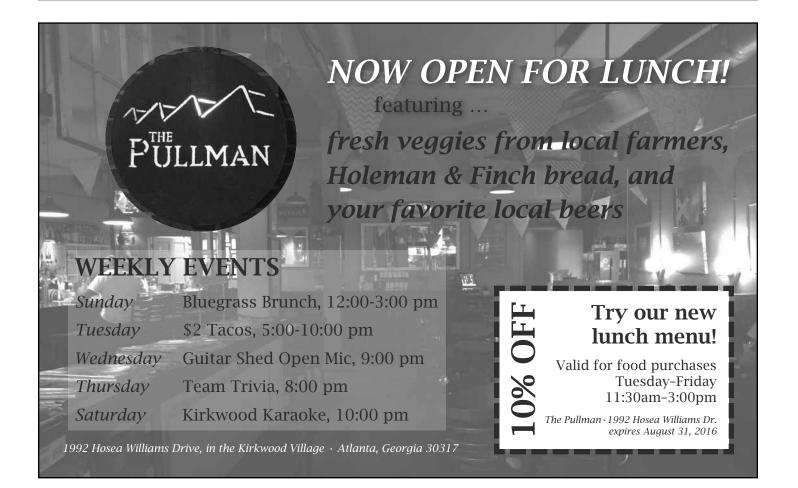
Nighttime hours means the hours between 9:01 p.m. of any given day, and 7:00 a.m. of the following day.

Noise means any sound of such level and duration as to be or tend to be injurious to human health or welfare, or which would unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of life or property throughout the city or in any portions thereof.

Noise disturbance means any sound that due to such sound exceeding the limits set forth in this article, endangers the health, safety or welfare of any person, and therefore is detrimental to the peaceful enjoyment of private property and the use and enjoyment of public spaces including public rights-of-way.

The ordinance goes on to say, "During nighttime hours, sound emanating from any noise source shall be limited in volume, tone and intensity so that the sound shall not be plainly audible to any person at a distance of 50 or more feet from the real property line of any





located, or from any noise source located on any public property or public right-ofway." The daytime distance is 200 feet.

Domestic power tools, lawn mowers, and agricultural equipment are OK between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM on weekdays and between 9:00 AM and 8:00 PM on weekends and legal holidays. Construction, drilling, earthmoving, excavating, and demolition work can start at 7:00 AM on a weekday and 9:00 AM on a weekend or holiday, and it should wrap up by 7:00 PM – except, of course, in an emergency.

Getting to know the people who live around you can often solve problems before they happen. It's easier to be reasonable and reach a compromise when you feel like you can talk to someone instead of thinking of them as the enemy who's deliberately acting like a jerk. No one wants to be "that guy."

Having a party? Give your neighbors a heads-up. Bring the volume down before it becomes an issue. Don't take it personally or react defensively when someone lets you know you're being loud.

Hearing a ruckus? Wait a little while to see if they settle down, especially if it's not a regular thing. To cover up more of a background rumble, try turning up your TV a bit or use a white noise machine.

Or maybe your neighbor doesn't realize the sound is carrying, and a quick conversation will take care of it. Approach them in the spirit of, "I'm cool with what you're doing, just not right now." See if you can find a solution that works for both of you.

Being a good neighbor means considering the other person's point of view, no matter which side of the fence you're on.

To read the actual ordinance, visit: www.municode.com/library/ga/atlanta/codes/ code_of_ordinances? nodeld=COORATGEVOII_CH74EN_ARTIVNOCO_S74-131DE

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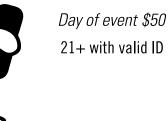
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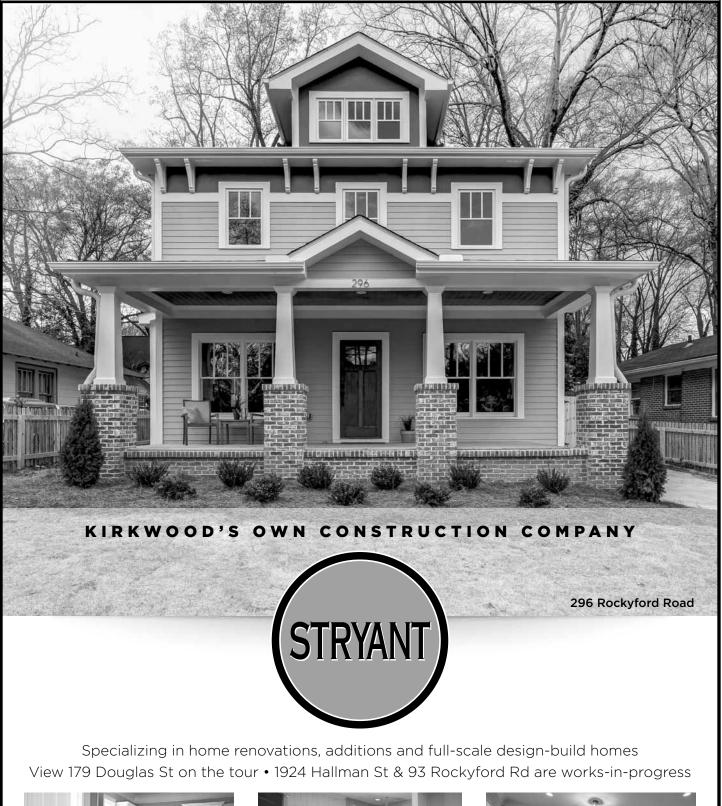
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"If you want to know a black woman, you touch her hair," says Novelette, as she delves into the tresses and stresses of her clients to reveal their hidden stories.

'da Kink in My Hair tells of love, hope, survival, and redemption through eight women's trials and celebrations. From a series of long-running international sellouts to a TV show, the musical sensa-

'da Kink Reveals Beauty, Truth

tion opened at the Horizon Theatre in July. It's the winner of four NAACP Theatre Awards and was named Critics Choice by the *London Evening Standard*.

Hurried women converge in the salon of their West Indian stylist to have their hair done for dates, jobs, and upkeep. They come away with not just a new

hairdo, but also a lifted soul and a lightened heart. This amazing musical tells their incredible, uncensored, unforgettable tales through songs and dance with a vibrant drum beat.

'*da Kink* has been re-imagined for Horizon audiences by Trey Anthony, known as "the Oprah Winfrey of the Canadian theatre scene," who is currently National

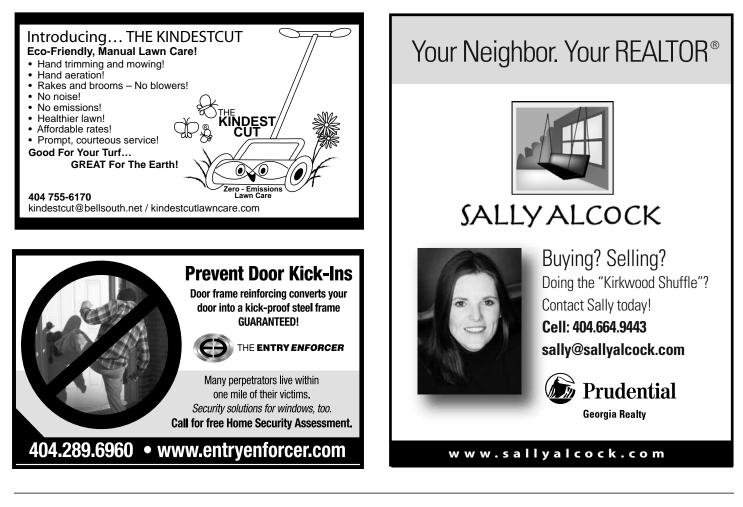
New Play Network playwright-in-residence at Horizon Theatre. Broadway veteran Terry Burrell, last seen as the star of the Alliance Theatre's acclaimed show *Ethel*, leads the cast of talented women. Director Thomas W. Jones II, Horizon Associate Artist, and revered musical director S. Reneé Clark have teamed up again after past Horizon hits like *Three Sistahs, Right On*, and *Uprising*.

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Back-to-School Block Party!

When:	Saturday, August 6, starting 5:00 PM
Where:	Downtown Kirkwood
Info:	Look for flyers at participating businesses, call Happy Mango at 404-600-8387

This is a wonderful opportunity for parents and kids to have a little fun before the craziness of school begins. Even if you don't have school age kids – or kids at all – come join the celebration.

Kirkwood **police officers and firefighters will meet and greet** the community and kids at the party.

Happy Mango will have **kids' crafting** and in-store specials.

The Pullman is offering a **special menu** for the event.

Kirkwood Feed & Seed will do **biscuits and brew** that night.

Dulce Vegan also has something special in the works.



Let's Talk Trash – and Glass Recycling

by Jeffrey Childers

or

You may have noticed a drop-off in service delivery for our weekly trash, recycling, and yard clippings pickup. The Public Works Department says this is due to staffing challenges. City Council has requested that the commissioners of public works and the city's human resources team develop a strategy to get the vacancies addressed.

In the meantime, please continue to **call in missed pickups to 311** or report them **online at www.atl311.com** so that we can accurately track this.

There's also been an update regarding the glass recycling process. The City of Atlanta contracts with WastePro to process our recycling, and they continue to collect glass and recycle it to the fullest extent.

However, glass is a commodity, and like any other commodity, markets fluctuate up and down. Right now, market rates for glass have dropped so low that



it is unfortunately more cost-efficient for WastePro to crush and landfill much of the glass they collect. As market rates improve and prices go up, they will again recycle more of it.

Because it's difficult to predict when exactly when that will happen, the city encourages residents to continue placing glass in their blue recycling carts.

Passionate and thoughtful residents who want to make sure that their used glass will always be recycled can drop their glass recycling off at the Center for Hard to Recycle Materials (CHaRM). The city-supported recycling facility has a contract with College Park-based Strategic Materials, which processes 250-300 tons of mixed glass and garbage daily. CHaRM also accepts a wide variety of other hard-to-recycle items including paint, electronics, styrofoam, and mattresses.

> CHaRM is located at 1110 Hill St. SE south of the zoo in in the Summerhill neighborhood www.livethrive.org/charm/

New school year at FATE

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system for new teachers (the program residents) and the experienced educators who surround them.

Last year, Ms. Tyler and Ms. Craig worked in 1st, 2nd, and 4th grade at FATE. Ms. Martinez and Mrs. Williams worked in 2nd and 4th grade at Burgess-Peterson. Ms. Cooper worked with kindergarten and 5th grade at Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School.

FATE will also participate in the Playworks program this year. The organization's mission is to improve the health and well-being of children by increasing opportunities for physical activity and safe, meaningful play. They are the leading national nonprofit leveraging the power of play to transform children's social and emotional health. Playworks currently serves more than 1,200 schools across the United States and reaches more than 700,000 students directly as well as through professional training services.

FATE is partnering with Playworks because they believe that playing gives kids opportunities to improve social skills, learn problem-solving, and develop better health. The school will have a full-time Playworks coach, and students will have before-school recess, 20 minutes of daily recess, and class game time twice a month.

Everyone at FATE says a big "Thanks!" to the Kirkwood and East Lake neighborhoods for their continued support of the school.

"From little seeds grow mighty trees."

To learn more about the FATE family:

schedule a tour (404) 802-3450

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