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11th Annual Wine Stroll – Now with Beer & Music

by Emily Wimbush

Join your neighbors for a night of friends, food, and wine on Friday, September 22, from 7:00 to 10:00 PM. Neighborhood volunteers will pour wine samples at 41 stations throughout downtown Kirkwood. This Kirkwood Business Owners' Association event showcases local merchants, bars, and restaurants, some new to the Wine Stroll this year.

Presenting sponsor Avila is developing "The Kirkwood," the new apartments on

Friday, September 22 • 7:00-10:00 PM

Tickets \$40 through Sept. 16, then \$50 online and at event.

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Howard and Bixby Streets, scheduled to be built by year's end.

Proceeds from the Kirkwood Wine Stroll benefit local non-profit community groups, which will be featured at the event.

With each ticket, you get a souvenir glass and a passport with wine tasting informa-

tion and neighborhood discounts. But you don't have to purchase a wine stroll ticket to enjoy all the event has to offer.

Like last year, strollers can enjoy tasty bites from local restaurants, including:

- Anna's BBQ
- Kirkyard Public House
- Poor Hendrix
- The Pullman
- Spotted Trotter
- Sun In My Belly
- Urban Pie

Menu items range from \$2-\$8 per bite. You can purchase \$2 tickets in advance on the website, at the check-in gates, or at the central ticket booth sponsored by Atomic Entertainment, the new developer of the Pullman Yard.

All Kirkwood restaurants will be open and serving food after the event as well.

Guitar Shed has scheduled a variety of musical acts throughout the night on the Electric Stage, sponsored by Stryant, and the Acoustic Stage, sponsored by Cornerstone Bank:

- Bonaventure Quartet

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Kirkwood

Kirkwood Neighbors' Organization (KNO) is a racially and economically diverse civic organization devoted to the revitalization of Atlanta's historic Kirkwood community.

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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- Cosmic Debris
 - Elegant Bachelors
 - Lilac Wine
 - Max and Maggie
- Kirkwood's Scratch Academy DJs will be bumping beat blasters between sets and throughout the night.

New this year, Second Self Beer Company beer will be poured by Kirkyard Public House and The Pullman. Beer tickets are \$5 at the check-in gates or the central

ticket booth.

Keep in mind that the downtown area will be closed to traffic. Since there is limited street parking, KBOA suggests you take MARTA, bike, walk, or use Lyft or Uber. Drop-off and pick-up for rideshare services will be at the Kirkwood Branch Post Office, 1926 Hosea Williams Dr. NE. If you choose to drive, remove any valuables from your car as a precaution.

Remember to bring your I.D., but please leave your dog and coolers at home.

Volunteers help make the Wine Stroll happen!

You'll receive free admission and a Kirkwood Wine Stroll T-shirt (a new perk this year) in exchange for your assistance. At press time, more volunteers are needed for the second shift.

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Cookout Block Party Celebrates Local "Legends"

by Brian Green

Carrie Cook and Thelma Favors, ages 89 and 96 respectively, have led remarkable lives. Two of the five children born to the Welch family in Paulding County in the 1920s, they recall sorting potatoes at a clearinghouse and picking a hundred pounds of cotton a day for a single dollar's wage. Their father, a sharecropper, farmed a field for half of the crop, a system known as "working the halves."

After they moved to Kirkwood in the middle of the century, the sisters walked up and down Sycamore Street for miles, cleaning houses along the way.

Now you're likely to see "the Welch Sisters" joyriding around their neighborhood, enjoying the fresh air and living out their mantra, "You are as young as you feel."

On Sunday, September 3, many will gather at the third annual Hometown Country Cookout block party on Wisteria Way to honor the Welch sisters (who were also honored in 2015) along with 10 others who have extraordinarily deep roots in our community, including:

- Henry Thomas Austin, 93
- Cassie Edwards, 92
- Willie Mae Hardy, 109
- Louise Lavonia Hall Robinson, 101

These individuals have lived in Kirkwood for more than 50 years and have extraordinary insight into the history of the neighborhood. The event seeks to honor their legacies and give others the opportunity to learn from their wisdom.

The Hometown Country Cookout is an event organized by Mother's Legacy Foundation, a local non-profit founded

by sisters Alleah and Ayana Salone in honor of their grandmother, Leila Johnson. In addition to its mission of honoring local "legends," the organization hopes to raise money for school supplies for local children and develop young entrepreneurs. Drew Charter School's InvenTeam will also attend.

The event, sponsored by the Coca-Cola Company and the Kirkwood Neighbors' Organization among others, will also feature a sweet potato pie competition, a mac & cheese competition, and barbeque by local grillmasters.

Over 250 people attended in 2015, and the organization hopes for even greater attendance this year.

Learn more about the event, its honorees, and how you can contribute at www.motherlegacy.org or hometowncookout@gmail.com

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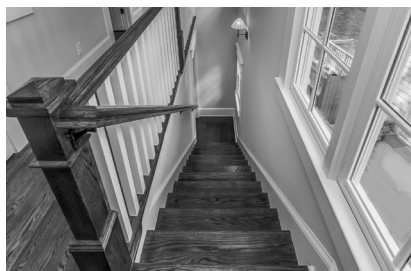


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Help Your Dog Beat the Back-to-School Blues

by Allison Hughes

When the fun days of summer have come to an end, perhaps Fido doesn't understand why everyone is gone. He's left alone barking, "I miss you," "I'm bored," and "What can I do now?" **Include them in the day**

Your pup craves your attention and wants to be a part of your everyday routine. So if you walk or drive the kids to school, take him along. The kids will love it and so will he.

A great way to shake off the long day at work or school is to take a walk together. Everyone wins: You and your family get steps,

and Fido gets to join you!

After dinner, a game of fetch will help use up that last bit of energy. Your pup will be content and fast asleep before you know it. **Exercise!**

Help break up the day by giving him a mid-day walk. If your schedule doesn't allow you to do it, a pet sitter can help.

A structured, high-energy walk or playtime will make a huge difference in your dog's demeanor and also give him a needed potty break. Walks give your pup company, burn built-up energy, and prevent destructive behavior.

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they get home and their dog has had a good walk.

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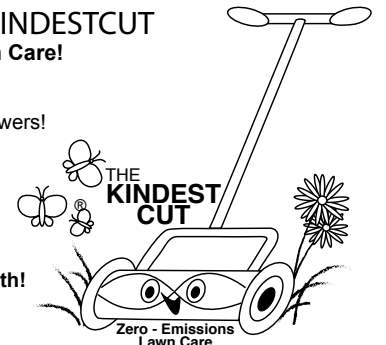
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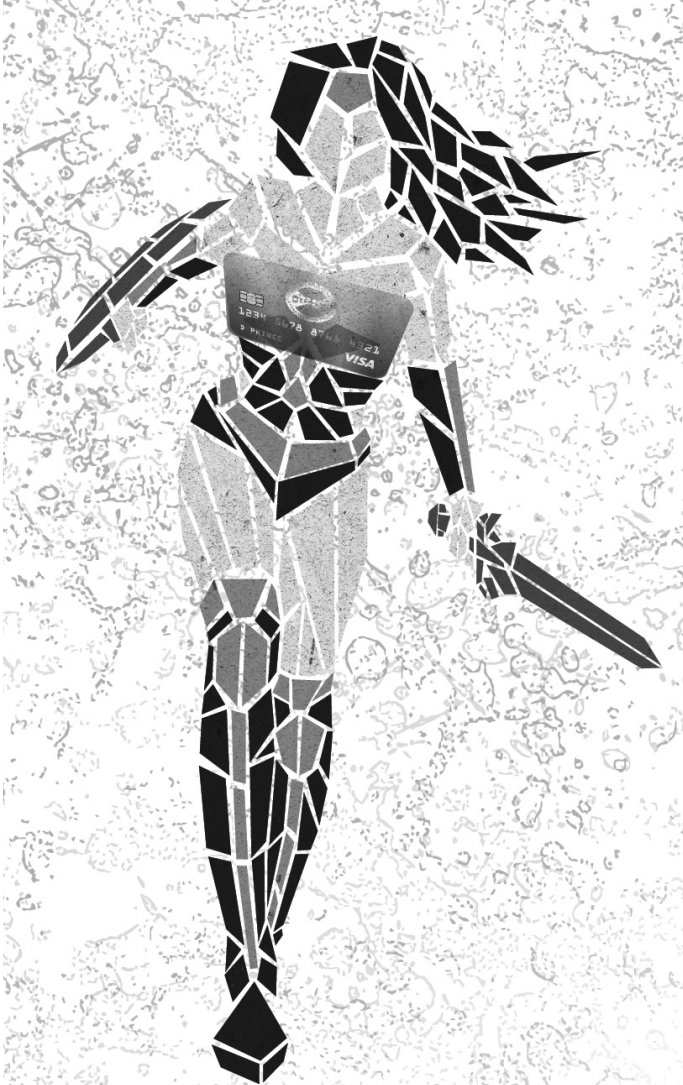
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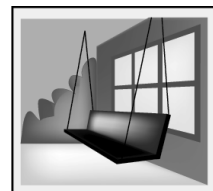
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Teaching Kids Home Security Starts with Practice

by Duncan Cottrell

In your home, real security begins with awareness.

As adults, we are all too aware of safety in our homes, but when did we gain that awareness? In my house, we started working on security when the kids started school.

Encourage your child to lock the door each time they enter or leave the house. That way, it will become routine.

Make it a ritual for you and your child to lock up the house each night. Teach them to check whether windows are closed and locked as well.

Model smart home security yourself. Demonstrate the safest way to respond to unexpected situations. Don't open the door without checking to see who it is first. Speak *through* the door to an unexpected visitor. Check the credentials of service providers.

You know your kids are watching because you've got the (usually embarrassing) stories to prove it! When you show them safe and sensible routines, they'll mimic those, too.

Beyond your immediate security, keep an eye on the street and the neighborhood,

and talk about your concerns if you see suspicious behavior. Show your kids what you see. Teach them to notice what you notice. They'll learn to be good citizens

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FitWit: Making Fitness Fun for Kids

by Josh Guerrieri

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The primary goal at FitWit Kids, however, is to make fitness fun – whether that's a partner workout station, a ring-toss team game, or the new ninja-style obstacle course.



Mark, the parent of a FitWit kid, said, "I can honestly say that FitWit Kids is the only thing that D. has wanted to continually attend. We've done sports and other extra-curriculars, but he's really found a place at FitWit and he's learning so much. Thanks!"

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Wendlo Release Party for Engagement Party EP at Taproom Coffee



The band Wendlo, featuring Jacob and Chelsea Hamilton, will perform a blend of acoustic-electronic sounds and expressive melodies at their EP release party.

Jacob Hamilton, 27, has been playing music for more than half his life, while his wife Chelsea, 22, started performing about 5 years ago after Jacob convinced her to sing with him at a wedding.

Wendlo – “old new” spelled backward – is “a bit of a word-play that reflects our personality,” Jacob explains. “Chelsea and I have a wide range of musical influences, so we aren’t married to one particular style or another. Our biggest hope is that we can use music as a vehicle to connect with people.”

Chelsea, a barista at Taproom, says she and her husband aim to “always write from the heart.” This mantra yields the honest sound in Wendlo’s first EP, *Engagement Party*. Fans of Grouplove and Oh Wonder will hear influences of both bands in Wendlo’s music, while others may catch impressions of The Weepies or Bob Dylan.

Wendlo will be supported at the show by two other local acts: Freddy Castro and Isaiah Ram.

“We’re so excited to get to play for people right here in our community,” Chelsea says. “So come out, grab a drink, and enjoy a night of music with us in the heart of Kirkwood. We can’t wait!”

Saturday, September 9, 6:00 PM

1963 Hosea Williams Drive #R106

Listen to Wendlo’s music on iTunes or Spotify.
Find more information about upcoming shows at

www.wendlomusic.com

Local Educator’s Art Shown in EAV

by Henry Bryant

The Friends of East Atlanta Library and the Atlanta Fulton Library System will feature artwork by longtime Drew Elementary School principal James Doanes at the East Atlanta Village library in September. Retired from the school system, James recently returned to Atlanta Public Schools to assist Peterson, Toomer, and Burgess Elementary schools meet student achievement goals.

Although James has always had a great interest in all forms of art, he could be classified as “self-taught” or a folk artist. His formal art training

includes a few classes in high school in East Point and during college. However, he has always created, enjoyed, and appreciated art.

He expresses himself through different media and forms. He sees something he likes, examines it, and uses it as inspiration for an original work. The pieces on display on the East Atlanta Library Gallery Wall include paintings, collages, mixed media, and photography from his time in Peace Corps service in Ethiopia.

During regular library hours, access the show by asking at the circulation desk.

SoulShine Hosts Permaculture Conference

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Community Recycling Moves Closer

Keep Atlanta Beautiful, Inc., is moving its community recycling from Old 4th Ward at the former Walden School to the Kirkwood/Edgewood area beginning Saturday, September 9. The previous location is being repurposed into an athletic field for the schools within the Grady High School cluster.

The hours are 10:00 AM until 3:00 PM on the second Saturday of every month. Check the website for details about what is accepted and any fees that may apply.

All east side metro residents are welcome. There are no proof of residency requirements.

The new location is the back parking lot of the former Coan Middle School at 1550 Hosea Williams Drive.

www.KeepAtlantaBeautiful.org/recycle/

