Toomer Elementary Hosts African-American Read-In

As part of Black History Month, the Friends of Fred Armon Toomer Elementary invites parents and community members to read books by and about African-Americans to kindergarten through 5th grade students throughout the day.

High-quality #OwnVoices books will be available in the library media center to use when reading with classes. The hashtag indicates that a book was written by a member of the marginalized community that it depicts.

It's important to note the ties and tensions between diverse *representation* and diverse *creators*.

Only 28% of children's and young adult books published each year represent people of color. Fewer still portray marginalized experiences such as disability, sexual orientation, or religion. Black, Native American, or

Latinx authors wrote only 6% of this literature published in 2016, according to the latest data from the Cooperative Children's Book Center.

Wednesday, February 28 8:30 AM – 1:50 PM

Reading sessions are 20 minutes.

Please sign up for a time at
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February BATL Tour Features Kirkwood Neighborhood

Many people don't know that the 1864 Battle of Atlanta actually took place in the woods and farms on the eastern edge of Atlanta in what are now neighborhoods of the city. To help preserve the sites and stories of this important piece of American history, the BATL organization offers eight tours, which rotate monthly. Each covers different sections of the

battlefield. Two tours include Kirkwood.

If you're new to the neighborhood or have visitors staying with you, this is a good way to get to know the area. Tours are led by a volunteer guide who has studied and prepared material.

February's "The Battle Starts Here" is an easy walking tour that takes between 90 minutes and two hours. It slices through the middle of Kirkwood, featuring sites that were important to the battle as well as to neighborhood history. Tour participants will hear stories about the people who fought and died here as well as those who lived here over the years. This tour will be led by Will Bryant, a Kirkwood resident who grew up in East Atlanta.

Advance tickets are

required. Check the BATL website for updates as tours and dates are confirmed for future months.

Saturday, February 17 1:00 PM

\$15 at www.batlevent.org

For tours cancelled due to weather, make-good tours can be arranged for a later date or refunds issued.

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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 St. NE.

Everyone is welcome!

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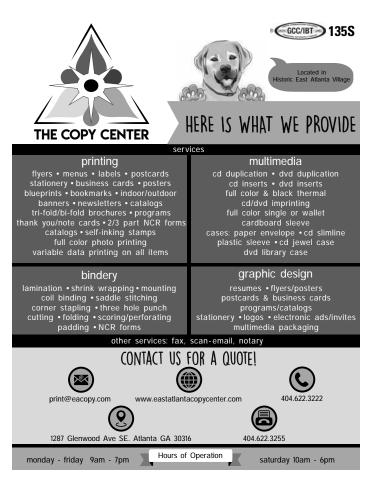
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New Apartments to Open in Late Spring



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The Kirkwood, a mid-rise wrap apartment complex with 232 units in the heart of the Kirkwood village, is slated to open May 2018. It will have 15 spacious one- and two-bedroom floorplans, averaging 1,042 square feet.

The Kirkwood believes their renters will appreciate the much-larger-than-average sizes, compared to most new developments.

The apartments will have granite countertops in the kitchens and

bathrooms, subway tile kitchen backsplashes, 9'-10' ceilings, 5" luxury plank hardwood-style flooring in all living areas, and more.

The complex will also offer a wide variety of community amenities and services including:

- A pet spa
- 24/7 access-controlled Luxer One package storage
- Elevator access on all floors
- Gated access-controlled covered parking
- One of Atlanta's largest private pools with an expansive courtyard and cabanas

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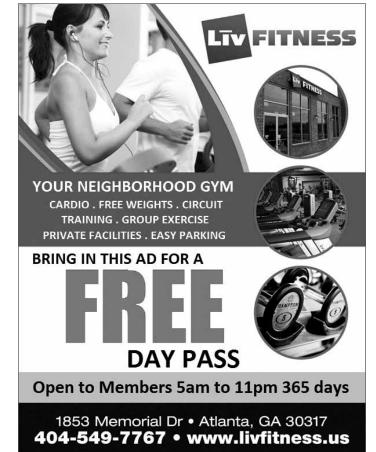
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