

4th WARD NEIGHBORS

Fourth Ward Neighbors is an organization of residents and business owners dedicated to strengthening our community, improving quality of life and building civic involvement in the Old Fourth Ward.

February 2021 Newsletter

DT Howard Middle School Begins In-Person Classes



FWN welcomed DT Howard Middle School Principal Dr. Kevin Maxwell as guest speaker at the January 19, 2021 monthly meeting. Dr. Maxwell offered a brief overview of DT Howard's rich history and its recent expansion and reopening. He was pleased to announce that teachers and students are returning to the school for in-person learning in February.

Dr. Maxwell was enthusiastic about forging a strong relationship with the Old Fourth Ward Community. He termed DT Howard Middle School "a microcosm of Atlanta" with a mix of White, Black, Asian and Hispanic students. Students and teachers, Dr. Maxwell believes, will patronize area businesses and restaurants and participate in other O4W projects like the Community Garden. He committed to work with O4W neighbors and the City of Atlanta to address any concerns about traffic devices and traffic surrounding the school.

For more information about DT Howard Middle School and how you can support the DT Howard Foundation, go to [DT Howard Middle School](#).

O4W Needs Your Help

Community Garden Planting (corner of Alaska and Kendall Streets) on February 20 at 10:30 am (Thank you to **Highland Bakery** and **Revelator Coffee** for providing coffee and treats at our January 18 cleanup.) Sign up: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1k93YkjlOqqdDlteAMXnfcDHSSVHtCm-OckB2DG6T-el/viewform?edit_requested=true

Cleanup at Historic 4th Ward Park on March 7 at 9:00 am. Volunteers receive voucher for free sandwich from a mano Restaurant.

Help us thank our Hope Hill teachers! We will be cheering them on as they drive in on Feb 23 at 7:25 am (rain date March 4). Meet at the corner of Irwin and Boulevard with a sign and noise makers. This will be a socially distanced activity. Please sign up at: <https://forms.gle/oJhVgnD6mXNwPjR>

Coming to a Neighborhood Near You

The past months have been a challenging time for restaurant owners and workers. We have been sad to see some popular establishments close their doors. But there is good news on the horizon! In 2021, O4W is poised to welcome new establishments, just in time for our post-pandemic lives. Three are:

- Highland Bistro plans to open in early 2021 at 701-5 Highland Avenue (formerly Chef'd Up), offering a vegan-friendly menu.
- Painted Park (developed by Painted Hospitality, owners of several other Painted-themed restaurants in the Atlanta area) will open in the space recently vacated by Parish: the Neighborhood Brasserie and Cafe on Highland Avenue
- Dana Armour of Bohica LLC has secured investment to develop two restaurants at 337 Edgewood Avenue (site of the former Rolling Bones.)

Know of any new business coming soon? Let us know and we will help spread the word.

Join Your Neighbors on our February 16th Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm

Guest speakers will be Fulton County Vice Chair Natalie Hall and Dr. David Holland with an Atlanta COVID update

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/274571227?pwd=R0VyOTdZVDF1MmNFQ1BNb1R0VEt1dz09>

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