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— Laura Thompson • Candler Park
Now’s the Time To Raise Your Hand and Get a New Sidewalk

By Dana Fowle, president@candlerpark.org

For about two years now your neighborhood organization has been working up to a big reveal, and here it is: We are able now to offer sidewalk repair for the entire Candler Park community at a reduced price. What’s more, you will have to do little more than write a check.

The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization’s infrastructure committee volunteers have been tirelessly working with the city to make this happen. Think of them as your personal research team. (And thank them when you see them.)

If this sidewalk initiative is new to you, let me offer a quick review of how we got here. This is phase two of a two-part sidewalk repair project. The first came when CPNO, through the hard work of the Master Plan team and others, received $400,000 from the Renew Atlanta Infrastructure Bond to repair sidewalks where we see the most pedestrian traffic: Oakdale Road, Candler Park Drive, and McLendon and Euclid avenues.

It was remarkably successful, and the research team dove into phase two. Here’s what’s happened: They, with the help of Councilman Amir Farokhi, convinced the city to give us a single blanket permit; they are currently reviewing preliminary bids from contractors; and they have been assigned a senior-level projector manager, field engineer and inspector by the city. Whew! They’ve done a lot.

Here’s where you come in. Do you want to be in on this one-time offer by CPNO to make it as easy as possible to get your sidewalk repaired at a price lower than you’ll be able to do on your own? If so, it’s time to raise your hand.

To be clear, you will have to pay for it. But, if you get a number of people on your street to buy in, the cost goes down.

If you were lucky enough to get your sidewalk fixed for free by the city during phase one then this is a chance for you to donate to help your fellow neighbors so that they can also enjoy the benefits of a safe walk through their neighborhood.

A few things of note:

1. STREETSIDE TREES – If you have an old, large tree sitting streetside buckling the sidewalk, report it to 311.com so the city can give it special attention.

2. PRICES RISING – The cost of cement and labor, according to the city, is rising. Your best price will be now.

3. SIDEWALK RESPONSIBILITY – Per city code, it’s your job to keep your sidewalk repaired. The city is starting to see threats of lawsuits by pedestrians exercising their Americans with Disability Acts rights.

Be on the look out for an email from the infrastructure committee with a fact sheet. Be alert to your street advocate’s note in your mailbox asking for a show of hands. If you have questions now, you can write sidewalks@candlerpark.org.

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Thanks to Corner Tavern!

Thanks to Corner Tavern for sponsoring the May CPNO membership meeting! Located in the heart of Little Five Points, the Corner Tavern serves breakfast and brunch on the weekends and lunch and dinner throughout the week. Featuring a roof top deck and pool tables, the Corner Tavern offers an assortment of appetizers, sandwiches, salads, wings, burgers, and entrees such as the Tavern Steak.
**Dates To Remember**

**JUNE**

**6**  
CPNO Zoning Meeting, 7 pm, The Neighborhood Church

**11**  
CPNO Board Meeting, 7 pm, The Wondershop

**16**  
CPNO Porch Party, 6 – 8 pm  
1316 North Avenue, NE

**18**  
CPNO Members Meeting, 7 pm, 1st Existentialist Church

*In case of cancellations or changes, check CPNO’s online Events at candlerpark.org. For meetings at Epworth, knock on door at street level to get in. All CPNO meetings are open to the public.*

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**Finally! A Porch Party!**

*By Jennifer Wilds, membership@candlerpark.org*

Yes neighbors... it’s true, a porch party is planned. Spring flew by without a Porch Party. But don’t fret! We are back on track to have a party on June 16th.

Please join us at the home of Maria Crawford for snacks, drinks and getting to know your neighbors - catching up with friends old and new!

Remember - this is BYO-everything, so please bring drinks (alcoholic and non) and/or snacks to share. We will provide plates, napkins, cups, utensils.

We’ll be at Maria’s between 6pm-8pm

Saturday, June 16  
1316 North Avenue, NE

We will skip July - TOO HOT - and pick back up in later August, September, maybe even October if there is interest. So please let Amanda Bolster know if you’d like to host in late Summer and into Fall. amandafbolster@gmail.com

See you there!

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**Thank You Contributors!**

**CPNO welcomes new members**

- Beth Anne Macaluso  
- Josh and Ashley Tarica  
- Andrew Lemmon  
- Lauren and Wesley Webster  
- Taylor Tyger and Travis Platek  
- Lane Coursey  
- Zack Ray  
- Doug Borse  
- Mimi Tsegay  
- Sam and Christi Hays  
- Haley and Natha Honnold  
- Brad Goodwin  
- Sarah Goodfellow, Charlie Yood, and family

**CPNO thanks members for their contributions:**

- Frances Forte  
- Charlotte Starfire  
- The Granger family  
- Bartow and Trixie Cowden  
- The Parker family  
- Kathleen Pringle  
- Jesse and Richard Bathrick  
- Ron and Rebecca Jackson  
- Christopher Spruell  
- Mary Schauer  
- Dan May  
- Amy Erwin  
- Danielle and Jon Lober  
- Alicia Ryan  
- …and others who wished to remain anonymous
Yard Sale Benefits CPNO and the Neighborhood Church

By Chris Fitzgerald, fundraising@candlerpark.org

CPNO held another successful yard sale at the Neighborhood Church on Saturday April 21st. Thanks to generous donations from neighbors and the church, who was happy to sell many items as they prepare for their upcoming renovation, we raised $775. Like last year, Genora Crooke of Hands On Atlanta came by again at the end of the sale and loaded up two cars with many leftover items. She dispersed the items to HOPE which works for women of domestic violence, Kidney Foundation and My Sisters House, a shelter for women and children. She was extremely grateful for our continued support.

This sale could not have happened without the volunteers who helped on Friday and Saturday. Thank you to Reba Pelot, Sara Clark, Dana Fowle, Jennifer Wilds, Roger Bakeman, Will Shevlin and two Candler Park Mary Lin 5th graders -- Farris Duwayri and Henry Carter -- without whom the sale would not have been a success.

As a token of our appreciation for the continued support and partnership with the Neighborhood Church, CPNO will use the proceeds in a way that will benefit the church and its surrounding Candler Park neighbors. One idea is to help pay for the repair/replacement of the sidewalks along Mell Ave. The details are being worked out and will be voted on at a future CPNO membership meeting.
Mulberry Fields Gone Wylde Party

By Stephanie Van Parys, Executive Director, Wylde Center

Wylde Center and the Friends of Mulberry Fields are hosting their annual party at your neighborhood garden, Mulberry Fields on July 14, 2018 from 6 – 11 pm and everyone is invited! Mulberry Fields is located at 1301 Iverson Street and down the alley.

Bring your blankets and chairs to relax and listen to live music from Webster Band. Or hang out with your friends while the kids run back and forth across the garden hula hooping, having their faces painted, or eating a popsicle faster than it melts. Summer in Atlanta has to include attending this party, one of our area’s best kept secrets.

In addition to live music, food will be available for purchase from the Greater Good Barbecue and additional food vendors. Of course, the goats will be onsite as well as chickens that always provide fun viewing for both children and adults.

The event is free for Wylde Center members and children 12 and under. Tickets for the general public are $15 for attendees 13 and older. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door as well as online at https://tinyurl.com/ybt5ap3c. The party is a fundraiser with the proceeds directly supporting Mulberry Fields Garden.

We are grateful to our sponsors: Honey Next Door (Presenting), The Greater Good Barbecue, and CompostNow.
Neighborhood Church Renovates for Greater Community Use

By Susan Finch, The Neighborhood Church

New things are coming to Neighborhood Church on McLendon Ave! You may have heard about changes going on at Neighborhood Church and the Candler Park Day School. We wanted to share more about our plans and let you know what to expect over the next several months.

After a lot of planning and preparation and community conversation, Neighborhood Church will be kicking off renovations of the vintage facility at 1561 McLendon Ave (just across from Candler Park) starting in early June. But the project is not just about the renovation of an old church building or how this will impact our growing congregation. The renovation itself was designed with the needs and hopes of our greater community and neighborhood in mind. We hope to make the entire building a more accessible, functional, and safe resource for community partners to use.

First, let’s share what is not happening. Please know that if and when our contractor, Hodges & Hicks General Contractors, puts up a construction fence to begin the renovation process, there is no cause for alarm. We are not tearing down the building to put up new construction. We aren’t putting up new condos. Most of the renovation work will be on the interior of the building, and any exterior work is designed to add greater accessibility or seal the building from water.

Candler Park Day School, a longstanding preschool program, is of course a big focus for our community. We know many neighborhood families with rising preschoolers are curious what to expect and if the building will be ready for the new school year. Although there will be no summer camps as we work on renovations, Candler Park Day School will resume a typical schedule on August 22, 2018 for the 2018-19 school year. In the first phase of renovation over the summer, the Candler Park Day School classrooms and overall space will get a refresh with additional safety exits, a designated outdoor entrance for the school will be created, and the playground and courtyard in the rear of the building will be reconfigured and redone to make room for accessible pathways. The kids will have plenty of space to play and grow as they have every year at the Day School.

Once the work at Candler Park Day School is complete, work will focus on the rest of the sanctuary and community building. There’s going to be a lot going on over the fall and winter months to enhance the use of the building. We’re adding an elevator for multi-floor access, working on more accessible entrances, and updating our systems like central heating, air conditioning, electrical and plumbing. We hope that you won’t be too disappointed – the renovations should stop water from entering the basement floor, and the building should smell better! Although these aren’t flashy or eye-catching things, they will lay a foundation for everyone in the community to feel more comfortable in the space. And if you’ve ever been in the building during the summer, you’ll know that updated air conditioning is a must. But that doesn’t mean you won’t notice any bigger, visual changes you might expect during a refresh. We’ll all see an impact in the refresh and restoration of our sanctuary and downstairs large gathering spaces, including the fellowship hall where many residents vote.

While the Neighborhood Church building is undergoing renovations, the congregation will continue to come together for weekly worship. We are grateful that Mary Lin Elementary School and the Atlanta Public Schools have agreed to lease use of their auditorium for our Sunday morning worship services. We want to be completely transparent in that we are paying to rent the space, for additional security and cleaning costs, and will not interfere with the operation of the school in any way. We are grateful for the opportunity to meet at the auditorium and stay in the community we love.

It’s interesting to note that Mary Lin herself, a respected teacher from decades ago for who the school was named, has a connection with the church. It wasn’t that long ago when Epworth and Druid Hills United Methodist Church merged, the renewed congregation repeatedly said they longed to see the church take a bigger role in the community. We wanted to become not just people standing on the church steps every Sunday, but who are helping to serve and support our community through collaborative and restorative relationships. Our mission statement perhaps says it best, “Neighborhood Church works for restoration through relationship with God and community.” We are here for everyone and hope the very walls of our building can further help build relationships in our community.

We are excited to move forward with the renovations at Neighborhood Church, and not simply because those updates are sorely needed. When Epworth and Druid Hills United Methodist Church merged, the renewed congregation repeatedly said they longed to see the church take a bigger role in the community. We wanted to become not just people standing on the church steps every Sunday, but who are helping to serve and support our community through collaborative and restorative relationships. Our mission statement perhaps says it best, “Neighborhood Church works for restoration through relationship with God and community.” We are here for everyone and hope the very walls of our building can further help build relationships in our community.
Freedom Park Conservancy Names Inaugural Executive Director

Source: Freedom Park Conservancy press release

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As Director of Development for Historic Oakland Foundation, Hennighausen helped the organization successfully fund the creation of a master plan, as well as develop alternative funding streams through membership and corporate sponsorship. She has a Master’s Degree in Arts Administration from the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD), and Bachelor’s Degrees in Art History and Japanese Language and Literature from the University of Georgia.

About the organization:

Freedom Park Conservancy is a 501(c)3 non-profit which promotes the improvement and preservation of Freedom Park for the benefit of a diverse public. Freedom Park was designated as Atlanta’s Public Art Park by the Atlanta City Council in 2007.
Do You Know Your History? Let’s Capture It for 30307

By Boyd Baker, Owner of the Wondershop and Lake Claire resident

What was Miss Mary Lin really like? Where was the “lake” in Lake Claire? How did the Inman Park Festival begin and whose idea was it?

These are all questions that fascinate me and I want to hear for EVERYONE who knows ANYTHING about our glorious 30307 neighborhoods. From Edgewood to Inman Park to Lake Claire to Emory, there are a million stories of what life was like and how we got to where we are today - and I want to capture them from folks who “lived it”. Think of it as a Story Corps audio history of our neighborhoods. Get it?

Did you know the trolley tracks ran right down McLendon? Or that there were once 2 or 3 movie theatres in Little Five Points? And what about the Austin Avenue Buffet in Inman Park that served the factory workers? There’s a treasure trove of stories about our area that I’d love to capture before all of those with the memories move on to Florida or the Great Beyond.

This is a chance for you, a neighbor, or you and a neighbor to set up a time and come talk about a slice of life that our kids and grandkids can listen to and, hopefully, pass on the history of our area and events. Willing to do my best and meet with anyone who has a story to share. No topic is too mundane - want to talk about the shops in Candler Park or the businesses in Inman Park or the community picnics in Edgewood? Just give a shout. We can record here at Wondershop in our podcast room at the corner of Oakdale & McLendon! Or, if the storyteller needs me to come to them, I’ll do my best to come to you.

I produce a GOOD GRACIOUS weekly podcast on Southern musicians, artists, and changemakers already and I’d love to use Wondershop as a home for storytelling of history and other kinds as well. More podcasts means more stories that people can share and learn from. Think about a friend/neighbor who may know something about something. You can interview them or I can. This is all about capturing history for a moment. My stepfather went to Mary Lin so he has stories galore about growing up in the neighborhood. I’m planning on recording them but would love counterpoints of folks who taught, went to school, or just remember living in 30307.

Too often I find, folks really have little connection to what life was like or what events and businesses used to be popular. Can you imagine Candler Park before the Candler Park Market, Flying Biscuit, or Fellini’s? How about life when the Bass Lofts was Bass High School or the L5P Community Center was a school? What about Edgewood and its neighborhood lore? Please reach out to those who may have stories to share and connect them with me.

I’ll do my best to meet with folks and record their stories, and then post them online so that we can all have access to a history of our beloved 30307. Feel free to email me about boyd@wondershopatl.com and I’ll set up a time to capture your story. Just want to “leave a message” for your kid to hear years from now? That’s fine too.

Don’t think any story is too small, because they all are part of the fabric of 30307. Lake Claire Land Trust, Emory Campus, Deacon Burton’s - what other stories are there to share? Please connect, or invite someone to share their tale, so we can keep the stories for posterity.

You’re welcome to reach out to me with any questions, or ideas, at boyd@wondershopatl.com. Looking forward to connecting all the dots of our community in the upcoming year at www.30307.org.
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May 21 CPNO Members Meeting – draft minutes

These draft minutes are presented for review. They may be amended before being considered for official adoption at the June CPNO Members meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Dana Fowle, President. Welcome to all returning and new residents. Motion to adopt the agenda passed. Motion to approve the previous month’s minutes passed.

Guest Speakers:
- Lt. Ryan, Night Watch Commander for Zone 6, stated that our neighborhood had a 7% decrease in crime compared to the rest of the City.
- Ben Foster, Atlanta Bicycle Coalition, requesting the CPNO write a letter of support for the DeKalb Avenue Complete Streets Project. Motion to adopt the letter of support drafted by the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition passed.
- Kathie Gannon, DeKalb County Commissioner for Super District 6, described her responsibilities, coverage area, property taxes, and issues with 911.

Announcements:
- Thank you to Corner Tavern for providing dinner.
- Twitter account: CandlerParkATL
- Candler Park Conservancy endorses the Moreland Avenue LCI 10 year update which impacts the projects inside Candler Park, the park.
- The CPNO Board appointed Zaid Duwayri, Chair of the Bridge Committee. Four members of the Committee are Meta Larson, Kurt Marchison, Christine Moore, and Jay Sandhaus.
- Freedom Park Conservancy has hired Laura Hennighausen as Executive Director.
- Yard Sale- Chris Fitzgerald reported an income of $775. The money may be used for sidewalk repair around the Neighborhood Church.
- Fall Fest is September 29 and 30. The Tour of Homes still looking for homes. The Tour is Sunday, September 30, 10 am-6 pm.
- Roger Bakeman thanked Rival Entertainment for the complimentary tickets to The Candler Park Music and Food Festival, June 1 and 2.
- Porch Parties- Jennifer Wilds announced the next Porch Party is June 16th from 6-8 pm at the home of Marie Crawford, 1316 North Avenue.

Treasurer’s Report:
Rohini Kukrega, Treasurer, displayed the income and expense spreadsheet for April.

Discussion:
- 311 Magnifier- Dana Fowle suggested that everyone use the 311 application (ClickFix) to report sidewalks that are impeded by tree roots.
- Tumor Foundation apologized for the spray paint used to mark the race route. They will notify the Company used to run the 5k race.
- Phase Two-Sidewalk Repair The following has been completed by the Committee- (a) Blanket Permit; (b) Preliminary Competitive bids from City approved contractors; (c) City has assigned a senior level Project Manager, Field Engineer, and Inspector.

Zoning:
- 425 Oakdale Road- Motion to support the variance (V 18-067) for the exception to allow a 6ft privacy fence provided that at least 50% of the top 2 ft. are open passed.
- 317 Ferguson Street- Motion to support V-18-109 with provisions that the project is built in accordance to the site plan filed with City and the applicant appears before the May NPU N meeting passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Secretary
May 21, 2018

CPNO Membership Application

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CPNO Officer and Committee Reports for May

These reports were submitted by officer and committee chairs prior to the May Members meeting.

Freedom Park Conservancy - Carol Gregory

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“I am incredibly honored to be selected as FPC’s first staff member,” said Hennighausen. “Coming from Oakland Cemetery, Atlanta’s oldest public green space, I appreciate the rich history of Freedom Park and the work of the hundreds of Atlantans that came before me to steward the site. This is an incredible opportunity to help Atlanta envision the future of one of the city’s largest public assets. I can’t wait to get started!”

External Affairs Officer - Lindy Kerr

Notable Zoning votes:

- There were no variance requests brought before the NPU for Candler Park this month.
- NPU-N voted in support of legislation to amend zoning ordinance Z-18-28 to change the definition of a shelter so as to allow expansion of existing shelters that do not meet certain distance requirements on the expansion that be approved by Special Use Permit.

Reports from City Departments:

- Parks Department: The Parks Department recently kicked off a 13-month planning process, called Envision, that will create a comprehensive plan for all city parks, including Freedom Park and Candler Park. They would like community engagement during the planning process. A community engagement schedule will be released soon. For more information email EnvisionParksandRec@atlantaga.gov or check out @ATLParksandRec on Instagram or Twitter, or @AtlantaDPRCA on FaceBook. Information may also be found at Park Pride.

- Fire Department: Our local fire station No. 12 would like to remind residents that they offer free blood pressure monitoring and free car seat inspections. Also, between 5/22 and 6/26, the fire department will be offering free emergency preparedness training. If you are interested in attending, call 404-210-3577 or email tshicks@atlantaga.gov.

Other:

Reminder on Zoning Phase II Update: Phase II of the Zoning changes focuses on improving, simplifying and streamlining the City zoning ordinances, as well as updating best practices. Zoning updates will affect the following: accessory dwellings, definitions, historic lot patterns, industrial districts uses, I-Mix district, loading requirements, MRC (mixed-residential commercial), residential density increase, missing middle zoning district, parking (on-street, shared, old buildings), neighborhood design standards, telecommunications updates, transitional height plane updates, quality of life districts. Review and comments will occur in May. Voting at the NPU level will take place in June or July with the Zoning Review Board (ZRB) hearing occurring in August.

Zoning – Bill Morris

The CPNO Zoning Committee met on April 4, 2018 with a quorum of four members in attendance. The meeting agenda included a variance V-18-109. Application V-18-130, received on 4/25/18 - too late to be included on the agenda, was incomplete and was deferred for consideration until the June meeting. However, the status of the application is uncertain as the applicant indicated their intention to appear at the May NPU meeting without first attending and receiving input/support from the CPNO.

V-18-109 (317 Ferguson St.) is a variance to reduce the front yard setback from 30 ft. to 27.2 ft. and the south side yard from 7 ft. to 1.5 ft. for the construction of a second story addition to a single family home. (Note: Second floor finished floor space is 4.6 ft from the property line. The lot size of the property is 5 ft. narrower and 2870 sq. ft. smaller than a conforming lot which limits the buildable area and the ability of the homeowner to expand in manner consistent with the neighborhood. The proposed second floor addition will be constructed within a modified roofline to create a 1½ story house which will be in scale with surrounding development. The applicant provided complete checklist materials and obtained support of surrounding neighbors. The committee voted in support of the application 4-0 with condition that the applicant appear at the May CPNO meeting, the project is built in accordance with the site plan submitted to the city and provide proof of notification for the neighbor at 1348 Iverson St. (which has been provided).

Membership - Roger Bakeman

Due to a variety of factors, May saw a surge in old members renewing for 2018 and new members joining CPNO. We now have 506 members, compared to 536 members at the end of last December. Already more members have renewed for 2018 (422) than renewed in all of 2017 (412). We are especially grateful to Rival Entertainment, which again offered CPNO members (as of May 14) comp. passes to their Candler Park Music and Food Festival June 1 and 2.
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