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**MEETINGS**

CPNO Members Meetings are held every third Monday at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive.

Committee meetings take place at The Neighborhood Church, 1561 McLendon Ave., unless otherwise announced (enter from the street level door and ring the bell if you're late).

All are welcome. Only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly meetings.

Membership applications must be received by Membership Officer by the first day of the month of meeting.

Find specific meeting information on page 6 and a complete list of CPNO meetings at www.candlerpark.org.

**MEMBERSHIP**

CPNO membership is free to Candler Park residents, property owners and businesses. Membership must be renewed annually.

Sign up at www.candlerpark.org or mail name, address, and email to CPNO Membership PO Box 5418, Atlanta, GA 31107
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Although usual meeting places are listed, COVID-19 pandemic may require meetings to be held by video to abide by social distancing protocols. In case of cancellations or changes, check CPNO’s Upcoming Events list at candlerpark.org and watch for membership email notices. All CPNO meetings are open to the public.

Biking and Walking Helps Kids with Virtual School

By Christina Hodgen, Mary Lin Safe Route to School Committee

Last year, Mary Lin formed a committee dedicated to encouraging students to use active transportation options as well as keeping kids safe while walking and rolling to school. This year, back to school is looking very different due to COVID-19. The good news is that walking and biking while practicing social distancing are safe and healthy activities we can practice now in preparation for an eventual return to in-person learning. Here are some ideas on how to get your kids moving before they begin virtual schooling for the day.

1. Encourage morning walk and roll before starting virtual school at 8am. Any amount will help to get energy out before sitting at a computer!
2. Practice walking and biking to and from Mary Lin as part of your family’s outdoor exercise habit. When school resumes in person, you will be ready to walk and roll to school.
3. Map Making Activity

Plan your walking/rolling route! Go on a walk with members of your household. Draw a map of your favorite route around your neighborhood on paper or even using chalk on the pavement outside. Include trails, parks, and secret cut-throughs! (And remember to follow Social Distancing guidelines.)
4. Measure out 6ft. with chalk on the sidewalk to show your child the distance visually.
5. Create a social distancing obstacle course on your street.

Take advantage of less traffic and use your street for some before school active fun. Mark out the course with chalk or traffic cones and have kids run and bike through the course.

The Safe Routes to School committee has plenty of opportunities for parents to volunteer their time and expertise. We have a parent-led safety patrol dedicated to making the final stretch to school safe on foot and bike. Monthly walk and roll events are also a great way to have fun and be involved. We are also looking for ways to improve the carpool lane and park and drop experience for parents and kids. If you have any input or want to help out, please email Christina Hodgen at chodgenphoto@gmail.com or Laura Brinceno at laura.briceno08@gmail.com
Welcome and Thanks!

By Roger Bakeman, membership@candlerpark.org

CPNO thanks all members who have renewed for 2020!

CPNO welcomes new members
Christopher and Kathleen Gaffney
Kinsey Augustine and Ethan Mann
and others who wished to remain anonymous

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The Lahiri family
...and others who wished to remain anonymous

A New Candler Park History Webpage

The history page on our web site has been updated—https://candlerpark.org/history/. Check it out. If you see any errors or have other suggestions, please let me know by emailing roger.bakeman.CPNO@gmail.com.
At the side of my front porch I have a lovely Magnolia. And there are two more in my backyard. I didn’t plant any of them. They are what might be called volunteers. They appeared as if by magic. Probably the result of Magnolia seeds traveling through some bird’s intestinal track. I thank them for dropping those seeds in places that are pretty close to ideal. When I contemplate the source of these gorgeous trees, one thing I know. They did not come from either the millions of acorns or gazillion Sweet Gum balls that show up in the yard every year. I don’t know what Magnolia seeds look like, but whatever they look like, they are what landed in my gardens and caused those trees to sprout and grow.

Gardening can be either rewarding or a source of frustration. Usually I find it to be a mix of these extremes. Even though my yard is almost entirely shade, I foolishly bought yet another tomato plant this year hoping, again, that the few minutes of sunshine the plant gets will cause a yield of at least a few tomatoes over the summer. I’m currently watching the second one grow. All 3 bites of the first one were delicious.

Gardens are terrific life lessons. They teach planning, planting, nurturing, caretaking, patience, reward and, sometimes, disappointment. Some things show up in life with little or no effort except for us to be available and be receptive. Other things we plan for, wish for, educate ourselves for, interview for, dress for. It could be the ideal job or the elusive perfect mate. Sometimes even when we seem close to grabbing that particular brass ring, we drop it or it starts to tarnish. In my history of gardening, there have been wonderful surprise volunteers, like the Magnolias, and an endless list of plants I purchased, planted and fussed over only to lose them to drought, squirrels, incorrect light condition or some other undiagnosed cause.

In the game of life, I tend to think that those of us fortunate enough to land in Candler Park are way ahead of the game. We chose a neighborhood with an abundance of amenities, not the least of which are pretty Craftsman bungalows with welcoming front porches and an eclectic collection of residents. Normally, there are an abundance of ways to meet our neighbors: CPNO meetings, volunteering for neighborhood activities like Fall Fest, including the 5K race or Tour of Homes, hanging out at one of our many restaurants or coffee shops, through our kids or the schools, parties and other neighbors.

None of those methods is currently available to us right now. And because they aren’t available, some people are feeling alone, lonely, isolated and even depressed — especially Seniors who are perceived as at risk for the Corona Virus. About a year ago, Candler Park Forever was founded with the express purpose of aiding our Senior residents age in place. We are available to help with small tasks, chores and errands and, during the pandemic, to provide some stimulation and companionship. One way we are doing that is to hold weekly Zoom gatherings to exchange ideas, get to know each other and have something to look forward to. Given the competition for bandwidth during the day, we are experimenting with happy hour gatherings the next few weeks, so we are currently meeting at 7:00 PM on Thursdays. Don’t worry if you don’t have a Zoom account because there are also phone numbers that allow participation.

This is our effort to plant the seeds of friendship and community. Some of the participants have lived here for 40 years and more. Others just moved here about a year ago. We usually have from 4 to 8 people participating on the calls. The conversations end up being lively and fun. We are open to suggestions for topics. According to the over 60 voter registration list, we have about 350 residents in this category. I’m sure there are some of you who would love to join us. Send me an email at safety@candlerpark.org and I will send you the Zoom link or phone number to join us. If we end up with an abundance of people we can create multiple calls per week. Let’s plant the seeds of friendship, water and feed them and see how the gardens of our lives grow.
Shine Your Light with the Atlanta BeltLine Lantern Parade-in-Place

Source: Art on the BeltLine press release

One of Atlanta’s most beloved, illuminated annual traditions is reimagined this September! For the first time, the Atlanta BeltLine Lantern Parade will take place throughout a multitude of Atlanta BeltLine neighborhoods. Everyone is invited to participate by parading-in-place at your own home and enjoy the spirit of the lantern parade online (or from the front of your home, if you’re lucky)! Created and hosted by Chantelle Rytter and the Krewe of the Grateful Gluttons, the lantern parade will expand from a one-night in-person procession to a week-long virtual celebration. Everyone is invited to bring your homemade lanterns out to your porch, balcony, yard, and windows to shine your lights!

The Lantern Parade-in-Place will take place September 21 through 26, 2020. While we will not get together in person this year and we discourage lantern parade parties or gatherings, your participation from your home will provide a unique way to spread joy across the city, celebrate creativity, and build community on a granular level while keeping Atlanta safe.

Everyone is invited to show off their festive lantern displays on social media by posting a photo of your decorated home or yard with #BeltLineLanternParadeInPlace plus your residential block. The residences and neighborhoods that are the most lit might receive a surprise visit from the Krewe on Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night, September 24-26! The Krewe of the Grateful Gluttons’s giant lantern puppets and parade bands will make unannounced pop-up appearances in BeltLine neighborhoods between 8 and 10 p.m. The parade bands include some of Atlanta’s favorite musicians, such as Kebbi Williams and the Wolfpack, Black Sheep Ensemble, and Wasted Potential Brass Band.

While the surprise events will drive anticipation and excitement, followers will be advised to stay tuned into the Art on the Atlanta BeltLine social channels to catch live-streamed snippets. If you hear or see the Krewe of the Grateful Gluttons on a sidewalk on your street, come out and enjoy from your porch, your window, your yard, or from a safe and respectful distance of others. Please do not join the pop-up parade and avoid congregating outside in groups that do not respect CDC guidelines for social distancing. The Krewe will have marshals on hand to enforce social distancing and will halt the Krewe’s pop-up events if people gather.

A digital map will contain live updates on where to see the best lantern light displays, so socially distanced neighbors can walk, bike, or drive around town to get your lantern love fix over the weekend.

For up-to-the-minute information on the Lantern Parade
Visit art.beltline.org/lantern-parade
Stay abreast of Art on the Atlanta BeltLine announcements and events at art.beltline.org
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Instagram: @AtlantaBeltLine and @AtlantaBeltLineArt

The map will be published on Monday, September 21, as a kick-off to the week. The Krewe of the Grateful Gluttons will monitor social media for the #BeltLineParadeInPlace hashtag and continually populate the map.

In lieu of lantern workshops this year, lantern kits will be available for purchase from select retail shops starting in mid-August. Free, DIY lantern tutorials will provide fresh, fun ideas to explore your creative side.

Krewe-designed yard signs will also be available for purchase to show off your lantern parade spirit.

The Atlanta BeltLine Lantern Parade debuted on the Atlanta art scene in 2010 with a few hundred people and continues to grow to include tens of thousands of lantern enthusiasts. While this year will be different, everyone is always invited to join in the fun and lights of one of the most magical events of the season – with plenty of space!

The Atlanta BeltLine Lantern Parade is presented by platinum sponsors Cox Enterprises and Ponce City Market.

The 2020-2021 Art on the Atlanta BeltLine exhibition is presented by The 2020-2021 Art on the Atlanta BeltLine exhibition is presented by Georgia Natural Gas, Northside Hospital, and Ponce City Market. Additional sponsors include Kroger at the Silver level; WarnerMedia at the Bronze level; and Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta and Flashpoint Artists Initiative at the Patron level.

Major support for this project is provided by the City of Atlanta Mayor’s Office of Cultural Affairs. Major funding for this organization is provided by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners. This project is also supported in part by an award from the National Endowment for the Arts. To find out more about how National Endowment for the Arts grants impact individuals and communities, visit www.arts.gov. This program is supported in part by Georgia Council for the Arts through the appropriations of the Georgia General Assembly. Georgia Council for the Arts also receives support from its partner agency – the National Endowment for the Arts.
Fall in the Garden

By Emily Taff, Zoning@candlerpark.org

Fall in the garden can feel like the beginning of the end, but there is still plenty of color and blooms while garden maintenance and planting keeps a hopeful eye on future production! The following tips were partially taken from WalterReeves.com with additions from the League of Urban Gardeners here in Candler Park. Tasks are organized into September and October just as a suggestion based on temperatures. Many of these garden tasks can be accomplished well into late fall or even winter.

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Flowers and Maintenance

- Encourage those blooms! Fertilize salvia and chrysanthemums with liquid plant food for lots of blooms later this fall. Alaska Morbloom (0-10-10) is an organic fish fertilizer usually available at Lowes.
- Deadheading: You can cut off dead flowers, brown foliage, and dried brown flower stalks to neaten the plants for fall, but leave some for the birds to eat! They seem to especially like zinnia, purple cone flowers and black-eyed susan. The local goldfinches seem to enjoy these plant seeds. The fall is also a great time to plant the seeds from all that deadheading.
- Divide daylily, iris and monkey grass while you still have several weeks of warm weather to encourage root growth. Pass extra off to neighbors and friends!
- Spring-flowering bulbs are on sale now. You can buy them but don’t plant until it’s much cooler.
- Propagate limber-limbed hydrangea, viburnum and forsythia plants by placing a thin branch on the ground and partially covering it with soil and a brick.
- Replace all of the mulch under roses and crabapples to prevent diseases on next year’s leaves. You can reuse this mulch under non-rose shrubs like azaleas, hydrangeas and trees that are not susceptible to black spot disease.

Vegetables and Herbs

- September is time to plant cool season vegetable seedlings! Broccoli, collards and other hardy greens as well as lettuces, arugula and cilantro. You may have luck with seeds too, especially planted early in the month although they may not be harvestable until next spring.
- Excess basil leaves you don’t want to waste? You can make a big batch of pesto or puree with a little water. Freeze in an ice tray for fresh basil in dishes all winter. Once it hits 32°F that basil will be gone!

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Flowers and Maintenance

- Some fall blooming plants like pansies and snapdragons can be planted now. Drench with a water-soluble houseplant fertilizer at the rate shown on the label. This will push them off to a fast start. Snapdragons will still be nice in the spring too.
- Indoor/Outdoor plants? Move plants into shade for two weeks before bringing them inside. This will help prevent leaf drop.
- Plant spring flowering bulbs October – December (tulips, daffodils, hyacinth…). Old clumps of bulbs can be loosened, divided, and replanted too. Again, share with your neighbors!

Vegetables and Herbs

- Your tomato plants may still be producing wildly as our long growing season tends to give us tomatoes well into October, as temperature cool, however, they will ripen more slowly. To ripen off the vine, place green or partially ripe fruits in a brown paper bag at room temp and be patient! Adding a ripe tomato will increase the ethylene gas and speed ripening. Alternately, have you ever tried a green tomato pie?

Trees

- Fruit trees: Clean fallen fruit from the ground under pear and apple trees and remove from the tree any fruit that you don’t intend to harvest.
- Cooler weather means it’s also time to plant shrubs and trees! It’s usually warm enough to plant into December here. Winter gives woody plants time to establish their roots. Thorough, simple, tree-planting tips can be found at: www.arborday.org/trees/planting
Mary Lin Garden Feeds Community Families

*Source: Mary Lin Rocket Blast email*

The Mary Lin Learning Garden is thriving this summer! Thanks to Martin Brown, a Mary Lin class of 2006 grad, who has been an excellent steward of our garden since April. He has filled many of the beds with tomatoes, tomatillos, squash, radishes, peppers, beans, basil, melons, and other veggies. He built a new compost box that has begun to create the future of our soil and trellises out of bamboo for the tomatoes and beans, using materials harvested from the property. Martin also planted donated milkweed in the pollinator garden. Thanks to ML parent, Jaap de Roode.

The veggies are being donated to Food4Life, an organization helping feed families in the community. Isn’t that amazing? The Mary Lin PTA generously donated some funds to Martin to get started, but he needs more support to continue into the Fall.

If you would like to help support this effort, there are several opportunities to do so.

**Seed (Level 1):**
- $50 – all-purpose donation. Martin will allocate funds as needed to improve the space and make necessary repairs to the greenhouse, control erosion, create pathways, devise more permanent solutions for water/irrigation, and take care of any other landscaping needs.

**Sprout (Level 2):**
- $100 donation to adopt an existing bed for repairs/replacement + soil amendment + seeds=starts for late summer planting.

**Seedling (Level 3):**
- $150 donation for the construction of a new bed + seeds=starts for late summer planting + soil amendment.

All contributions are welcome. Please keep in mind that because Martin is doing the majority of this work himself, we ask that folks factor in labor cost to support him. Thank you!

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Email: martinob123@gmail.com
Venmo: @wonderboy1

Please contact Martin directly to get involved. We hope to have a safe social distance garden day event at some point too!
David T. Howard School Reopens as Grady Cluster Middle School

By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

Although all Atlanta Public Schools began classes virtually on August 24 due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Grady Cluster sixth through eighth graders are students at the newly reopened David T. Howard Middle School in the Old Fourth Ward neighborhood. The building underwent a $52 million renovation and expansion over the past two years as part of a plan to solve overcrowding issues in the Grady Cluster school buildings.

“Although we are all eager for the day when we are learning together in our beautiful and historic new building, our school community is so much more than a building,” said Dr. Kevin Maxwell, principal of David T. Howard, in his video morning announcements on the first day of school. “Our school community is wherever we find ourselves doing our best work, pursuing passions and helping each other grow in strength and knowledge. And we remain connected when we share our time, talent, and kindness with each other.”

“ My three rules of business are one, be square to all and take advantage of none, second, always keep your promise, and third, never tell a lie.” David T. Howard.

The school has a very interesting and relevant history. David T. Howard was born into slavery in Crawford County, Georgia in 1849. He grew up to become a successful Atlanta business owner, the founder of the city’s first African American owned bank, and a noted philanthropist and supporter of education. One of his many donations was the 7.5 acre campus that became the location for an elementary school that was named after him. In the Atlanta Daily World’s obituary of him in 1935, he was called “Atlanta’s most beloved citizen and the city’s pioneer businessman.”

Martin Luther King Jr., attended the David T. Howard elementary school from 1936 until 1940. Howard became a high school in 1948 and closed in 1976. Other notable students who have attended the school are Maynard Jackson, Vernon Jordan, Herman J. Russell, Eldrin Bell, and Walt Frazier. For over 40 years, the building sat predominantly empty except for APS’ occasional use for office space and records storage.

At the end of 2016, APS announced that the abandoned school would be revived and renovated as the future location of Inman Middle School, meeting the demand of our cluster’s growing population. For the past two years, the building and grounds were extensively renovated and expanded. In early 2020, the school and community voted to honor the school’s historical name, and the David T. Howard Middle School replaced Samuel M. Inman Middle School in the Grady Cluster.

On day one of David T. Howard’s reopening, Dr. Maxwell concluded his morning announcements to students and faculty by saying, “Still this is a different day. In fact this is a day of firsts for all of us. First time to start virtually. First time we come together as Howard Rams. And we all know that the first time we do something, it is often both exciting and challenging. We can draw strength from the Howard alumni who came before us. They turned adversity into opportunity. I am confident we will too rise to this new challenge. Rams rise up! Every student. Every classroom. Every day.”

Undated photo of the Howard School from many years ago.

Born into slavery, David T. Howard rose up to become a prominent business leader in Atlanta and philanthropist who provided the land for an elementary school which was named for him.
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Now that most Americans are months into the idea of “social distancing,” a lot of us are asking the same questions:

- How many groceries is the right amount of groceries for a few weeks?
- What are most people doing all day?
- Is everyone else snacking all day or is that just me?

A global pandemic is an unprecedented situation, and everyone will react to it differently. Some people want to read the news ten times a day and some people want to tune it out completely. Some will work through their stress with twice-a-day at home CrossFit sessions and some will just...sleep a lot. As long as you’re staying home and taking care of the people in your life, there’s not really a wrong way to do social distancing.

But there are definitely ways that are healthier than others.

Since it looks like we could be homebound for another few weeks at least, here’s a few healthy habits to start practicing now. After all, when a lack of healthcare resources is at the top of every headline, it’s a good time to take care of yourself as much as you can!

1. **Find a bedtime routine that’s right for you.**
   If you’re not getting enough quality rest these days, consider revamping the way you go to bed. Rethink your sleep hygiene habits and make sure you’re taking the simple steps necessary to remedy poor sleep patterns.

2. **Spend less time with screens**
   When home becomes work, school, and more, screen time can be a natural way to spend the time. However, we know from research and experience that the more time we spend in front of blue-light screens, the more our brains suffer. Pivot to spending more time outside if you can, or participating in screen-free activities like board games, books, or puzzles.

3. **Keep your house clean, in a clean way**
   Thanks to the ever-present reminders of germs all around us and the extra time on our hands, now’s a good time to keep your home clean. When you’re in cleaning-mode though, make sure your cleaning products themselves aren’t harming you. Practice a clean cleaning routine with the right products and guidelines.

4. **Get a little more into self-care**
   Whether it’s giving yourself a face massage, practicing a musical instrument, or just painting your own nails, now’s a great time to spend a few hours on yourself. Practice intentional self-care so you can stay in tune with your body, and start feeling better than ever before.

Gail Turner-Cooper is a certified health coach and the founder of Align Health Coaching based in Atlanta. You can learn more about her and Align Health at www.alignhealthcoaching.com.
THANK YOU.

To all of our dedicated neighbors working in hospitals, grocery stores, home services, restaurants, our teachers, and other essential workers keeping us going through this uncertain time,

we thank you.
A Memory of the Shady Rest Hotel

By Jennifer J. Richardson, Candler Park Resident

This is an article about the Shady Rest Hotel on North Highland Avenue, which is now the Highland Inn -- renovated, restored, and a quaint part of Poncey Highland history. This is about the Shady Rest of the mid 1980s, and a group of us that had an adventure there.

But first, let me explain that in the “old days” there were five communities in what was called the BOND Neighborhood. BOND stood for Bass Organization for Neighborhood Development and was an organization formed to help revitalize what was rapidly becoming a blighted area due to the proposed expressway that was planned to cut through the in town neighborhoods, and redlining by banks. The BOND communities were Inman Park, Little Five Points, Poncey-Highland, Candler Park and Lake Claire. The Shady Rest was located in one of the BOND neighborhoods: Poncey-Highland. In a future article, I’ll give the history of the old BOND Corporation.

It was a few weeks before Christmas. A group of us, who worked on the old BOND Community Star newspaper, had gone out Christmas Caroling on Page, Clifton and Hardendorf. It was great fun, and sometimes we were rewarded with cookies, spiced cider or hot chocolate. I think the suggestion came from Susan Hamilton, who was the gifted editor of the Star.

“The first thing one notices about the Shady Rest is that the entire place is filled with cigarette smoke and smells of stale beer and possibly day old vomit. The second thing you notice is the desk clerk (who booked rooms and took payment) was encased on the immediate right in a metal cage that looked like a miniature jail cell. His wallet was chained to his belt. I can’t swear to it, but I’ll bet he had several guns under the counter. We told him what we wanted to do and he shrugged his shoulders and gestured toward the lobby with a look that said, “If you’re stupid enough to go into the lion’s den, go ahead.”

The lobby had brown and tan checker board asphalt tiles. Pushed up against every wall were old sofas with plastic upholstery-- some with tears and some mended by duct tape, and some covered in cigarette burns. Ashtrays on pedestals surrounded each sofa. There was a coffee table covered in cigarette burns, and an ashtray that was empty, and a few single chairs. In one corner of the room, a TV loudly droned on and on. One of us explained what we wanted to do, and we lined up right at the entrance to the lobby and began singing. A man in faded jeans and cowboy boots with spurs stood up in the middle of the song, and I thought we’d lost part of our audience. Instead, he walked over to the TV and turned it down and returned to his seat.

Another said, “No swearing, spitting or fighting or you will be removed.” Removed? From where? The lobby? The hotel? Atlanta? Life itself? The men sat quietly on the decrepit furniture, smoking and staring at us like we were from Mars. We sang our next piece of music. Again, I looked around and spotted a sign that said, “No drinking alcohol [sic] beverages in lobby or halls; no card playing or sleeping in lobby; Shirt and shoes must be worn in lobby and halls. Please do your drinking in your room.”

We finished our last number and thanked our audience for listening. They sat as if glued to their seats, staring at us. The only movement was one or two men lighting new cigarettes. Then, one man began to applaud, and soon everyone else joined him. As performers, we took a bow, and made our way past the metal cage and back onto the sidewalk.

It was either a performance for the most poignant and down-and-out people I’d seen up to that point in life, or the craziest and possibly life threatening thing I think I’d ever done. From a perspective of 40 years slathered with lots of nostalgia, it was probably one of the kindest things I’d ever done.
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August 17 CPNO Members Meeting – draft minutes

These minutes are presented for review. They may be amended before being considered for official adoption at the September members meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Matt Kirk, President. The motion to adopt the agenda passed. The motion to approve the July minutes passed.

Guest Speaker(s):
- Elena Parent – Senator Parent spoke on the results of the Georgia Legislators: Budget; School Opening; Mask Legislation.
- Atlanta Police Department was represented by Sgt. Michael Bernieri (mabernieri@atlga.gov) who stated that the department is operating as usual despite what we hear on the news. Call 911. The precinct phone number is 404 546 5700. Overall crime is down.

Treasurer’s Report:
Karin Mack, Treasurer, reported that expenses were low except for the payment of taxes.

New Business:
Matt Hanson, Fundraising Officer, presented the budget for Candler Park merchandise which will be used to fundraise due to the cancellation of FallFest. Motion “to approve the allocation of $5,500 to go towards fundraising expenses in lieu of Fall Fest 2020” passed. This budget will cover the cost of merchandise to be sold ($5,250 for Tee Shirts, Hoodies, Yard Signs, Tote Bags, and Baseball Caps), as well as ancillary costs such as supplies, and the ecommerce storefront.

Zoning: Emily Taff, Zoning Officer
- 1660 DeKalb Avenue (Candler Rail Brewery, LLC)
  Motion to support the application for Candler Rail Brewery passed.
- Primavera LLC
  Motion “to support the Special Use Permit application with the condition for 3 years only and to be amended to correct the occupancy numbers” passed.

Announcement(s):
- The trial period for the Golf Course to be closed to golfers on Mondays has ended. The decision was made by the Parks Department.
- The 4-way stop sign for Iverson and Ferguson intersection has passed the City Council.
- Candler Park Forever will meet weekly at 7pm every Thursday.
- Special Election to fill the term of the late John Lewis will be September 29th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Secretary
August 17, 2020

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The CPNO Conservancy Representative and Counsel Member Amir Farokhi have finally been successful in having a sidewalk installed on North Ave at the North Ave Moreland intersection. This sidewalk has been lacking since the end of the Road Fight. We are excited to finally have it complete. Thank you Amir!

Community Engagement for the Freedom Park Conservancy will launch in mid-September with a focus on broad-reaching participation. We are excited to listen to what our neighbors have to say and the input will be foundational to how the master plan evolves. Please stay tuned for updates and we will ask you at that time to help us spread the word.

External Affairs -- Amy Stout

There were no applications for Candler Park properties on the July agenda.

We were informed that BZA (Board of Zoning Adjustment), ZRB (Zoning Review Board), Tree Conservation Commission (TCC), and Urban Design Commission (UDC) meetings will be resuming in August.

I told the board that the group needs to appoint new representation to the Atlanta Planning Advisory Board because our primary representative has moved out of state and because I will no longer be able to serve as the alternate.

Zoning-Emily Taff

The Zoning Committee met for a regularly scheduled meeting Wednesday, August 8, 2020 via Zoom Video Conference.

Zoning Committee members in attendance: Emily Taff, Bill Morris, DJ Roedger, Jason Key, Randy Pimsler, and Anne Weinberg. Others in attendance included applicants and a few neighbors.

1660 DeKalb Ave NE - Candler Rail Brewery LLC - application to sell alcoholic beverages - Lisa Mchorower, represented the applicant and presented the application to sell alcohol for on-premises consumption. Chris McDonald, an owner of the business and the building was also present to answer questions. General manager Barry Lennon has had previous experience with alcohol sales as part owner of J. Christopher's for a number of years. Candler Park Rail is a brewpub and full-service restaurant. There will be no live entertainment, a small patio is available at the rear of the building. Hours may be as late as 12am on weekends and 11pm on weekdays. The zoning committee heard opposition from nearby neighbors due to the small parking lot and concerns about overflow employee/customer parking on neighboring streets. Applicant reported that they have contracts in place with nearby businesses on DeKalb for overflow, after hours parking, should this become an issue for residents. The Zoning Committee discussed training of employees and managers, and waste water disposal regulations for breweries as well. The committee voted to support the application with the condition that additional managers receive training in alcohol sales.

New Special Use Permit - Primavera LLC at 1561 McLendon (2nd location) - Primavera which has been at 470 Candler Park Drive since 2014 is applying for a new SUP to open a 2nd location at the Neighborhood Church. A day school previously was in operation at this location with contracts in place with nearby businesses on DeKalb Park for overflow, after hours parking, should this become an issue for residents. The Zoning Committee discussed training of employees and managers, and waste water disposal regulations for breweries as well. The committee voted to support the application with the condition that additional managers receive training in alcohol sales.

Stop sign at Ferguson/Iverson – no new updates at this time. We will reach out to Josh Rowan, ATL DOT commissioner, about discussing this at this time. We will reach out to Josh Rowan, ATL DOT commissioner, about discussing this future bike routes on DeKalb/neighborhood streets.

Education -- Dana Fowle

APS begins virtual classes Monday, Aug. 24. Any student who needs it will be issued a Chromebook and a hotspot for internet access.

School lunch deliveries began on Aug. 10th for children who might be food insecure.

Metro schools that started virtually had first-day hiccups, but things seemed to work out eventually. Some outlying schools that started face-to-face classes very quickly had to modify their approach after COVID-19 outbreaks the first week.

Many families have formed learning pods to help each other with childcare while parents of school-aged children work.

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