MEETINGS/EVENTS

CPNO MEETING JULY 18 @ 7 PM
The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization is for all residents! We meet the third MONDAY of each month at Epworth United Methodist Church at 1561 McLendon Avenue. Please use the Mel Avenue entrance. Membership is FREE!

JULY MEETING AGENDA:
• Vote on Minutes/Meeting Record
• Mid Year Financial Update, including Revisions and Expenditures – Vote
• Officer Committee Chair and Rep Reports
• Fallfest 2005 Update
• Dekalb Corridor Update and Recommendations – Vote
• Zoning Variance Vote – See back page
• Old Business
• New Business

TO SUBMIT AN AGENDA ITEM for the August meeting, contact any CPNO officer (see list on page 2). Deadline is July 26, 2005.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Saturday, July 9 * 8 AM - 12 PM
CPNO/FOCP Candler Park Workday
Candler Park (meet at the playground)

Monday, July 11 * 7 PM
CPNO Executive Board Meeting
Epworth United Methodist Church
1561 McLendon – Open To All

Thursday, July 14 * 7 PM
CPNO Bylaws Revision Committee Meeting
1291 McLendon – Open To All

Monday, July 18 * 7 PM
CPNO General Meeting
Epworth United Methodist Church
1561 McLendon

Thursday, July 28 * 7 PM
NPU-N Meeting
NOTE: NEW LOCATION
L5P Community Center
Corner of Euclid & Austin Ave.

Focusing On FallFest 2005

As this issue of the Messenger goes to press, we are about three months from FallFest 2005. The Executive Board and I would like this FallFest to be the most successful ever, and we hope you share our desire. On Saturday October 15 we will have our 5K road race and open Fallfest in Candler Park. Sunday October 16 continues Fallfest and offers our Tour of Homes. Volunteers are needed for all of these events. We especially need help with ad and ticket selling for the Tour of Homes. If you wish to join this committee, please contact me.

This hype sounds like what someone in my position would say. True. However listen further. Bert Bellinson, Mark Clement, and many others have been using their experience to work both hard and smart for FallFest's success. Their efforts present a great opportunity to both show off our neighborhood and secure funds for its creative improvement.

Our neighborhood has many assets that others might envy. These include Candler Park, the Candler Park Pool, and a large section of Freedom Park. We are an in-town residential neighborhood situated near MARTA and some of the most creative shopping in Atlanta. If the Candler Park Foundation is granted 501(c)3 status by the IRS as requested, we will have a vehicle for gathering tax-exempt funds, along with those we raise, to support such desirable activities as tree planting, the pool, badly needed sidewalk improvements, and park improvements.

As a neighborhood we are beginning to prove that we can work proactively and creatively to get in front of proposed zoning changes and development through our work on the DeKalb Avenue Corridor, led by a number of highly motivated and qualified neighbors. If we can continue this fine start, we will be able to advance the position of Candler Park as a premier in-town neighborhood.

This has not been an easy year. We began on the heels of a conflict about the bulbouts on McLendon Avenue. We have had a unanimous zoning recommendation of ours ignored by NPU-N without, to this point, any explanation or any apparent desire to deal with our concerns. Yet CPNO had pulled together for the neighborhood beyond my wildest dreams in January. As we focus our energy on FallFest, let us remember that this is a wonderful opportunity to work together to make our neighborhood an even more desirable place to live. I hope each of you will be at FallFest 05 as a volunteer and especially to have a lot of fun.

-- Fred Rossini
What Is Neighborhood Watch?

Neighborhood Watch is a community based crime prevention program, which simply promotes neighbors watching out for neighbors. Neighborhood Watch is a partnership between the neighborhood and the Atlanta Police Department. The program works well in Atlanta, Candler Park, and other densely populated areas where houses are close together.

Candler Park has a Neighborhood Watch program organized on the street level. Each block may consist of approximately 20 or 30 homes. Examples of a "block" would be Oakdale Rd between Benning Pl and North Ave, or McLendon Ave between Clifton Rd and Mell Ave. The neighborhood watch program in Candler Park is loosely organized. Each block organizes their own functions without direction from a central committee or group. Each street block has it's own "Block Captain" who is a point of contact for his or her block.

It's easy to set up a Neighborhood Watch and there are many reasons why you might want to create or revive the program on your street. Candler Park enjoys some of the lowest crime rates in the city of Atlanta. Crime rates are going down in Candler Park, Atlanta, and in other U.S. cities.

--- Gregg Reinhardt

Laughter in the Park by Deb Milbrath

--- Gregg Reinhardt

IT'S GETTING TO BE JUST TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING.

However, there are still plenty of auto thefts, larcenies, and burglaries, with occasional individual assaults. If you read the monthly crime statistics in the Messenger you already know about it, and some crimes are un-reported.

The neighborhood watch program is a way to become an informed citizen. You will have the opportunity to form alliances with your beat officer and understand how the APD operates in our area. Better yet, you will get to know your neighbors and they will get to know you. You will have a feeling of community and caring knowing that others are looking out for you and you are looking out for them.

My feeling is this, if we take the time to become informed and aware we can go about our business freely and happily. With knowledge comes confidence, and that is very good for the community. If you'd like to start your very own neighborhood watch program, use the following link.


Next month I'll talk about how to start a neighborhood watch program on your street and the responsibilities of the block captain.
Bulbouts Reborn

Last fall, when the bulb-outs were completed, June Deen called a meeting to get representatives from each street that had a bulb-out to come up with a plan to beautify each one. Trees, flowers, and ground covers were obvious solutions, but so were more individual or unique options.

Elmira Place decided to give every resident of the street the opportunity of designing and glazing one or more high-fired ceramic tiles and then we would install them as part of the bulb-out beautification program (perhaps another step in the beautification would be to come up with a less ugly name?). Over the last six months there have been numerous glazing sessions to work on our tiles, and at this point we have well over one hundred that are ready. While there are still more in the pipeline, the first ones have now been installed and are ready for viewing!

Aside from the relatively uniform size, every one was given the option of designing their tile to their own standards and ideas, and they certainly show that diversity. There are tiles with handprints of newborns, portraits of beloved pets, philosophical and political sentiments, and humorous asides. There are tiles in honor of past residents and friends who have died, tiles by children, very much alive and with imaginations active, tiles of scenes and activities involving the neighborhood, and even a tile letting us know how much LM loves ES. In other words, it is a bright, cheerful and colorful living testament to people, community and neighborhood.

There is still ample room on our modest structure for plenty of future tiles, and before the year is out, it should be even more delightful than it is now. Come by and visit!

-- Bob Souvorin

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Bylaws Revision Committee Meeting

The sixth meeting of the ad-hoc Bylaws Revision Committee is scheduled for Thursday, July 14, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. It will be held at my house, 1291 McLendon. We'll be discussing additions to the existing bylaws.

All residents of Candler Park are welcome to attend, but I would appreciate it if you would let me know by email that you intend to be there -- bryansells@mindspring.com. If more people want to participate than I can handle in my house, we'll seek a larger venue.

-- Brian Sells

FallFest Needs Your Help!

Candler Park FallFest 2005 is coming up fast, on October 15 and 16. This will be the fifth annual FallFest put on by the neighborhood, featuring more than 100 artists and business exhibits, a children's neighborhood, a music neighborhood, and of course the food and drink neighborhood. It is a true neighborhood festival that celebrates art, music, and friends.

You can add a lot to the "friends" category by donating 120 minutes of your time to FallFest weekend. We need people to help with festival setup on Friday, to work the various tables and information booths during the festival, and to help leave the park cleaner than we got it on Monday.

There are many benefits to volunteering. It's good for the soul to help -- but if more material benefits will persuade you, we've got them: a handsome FallFest Volunteer T-shirt, a 10% discount on FallFest merchandise, and entry into a drawing for an annual membership to the High Museum of Art.

If you are interested, please email us at iwannahelp@cpfallfest.com, or complete the card enclosed with your Messenger and drop it off either at 405 Oakdale Rd (corner of Oakdale/McLendon) or at the front counter at the Candler Park Pool.

-- Bert Bellinson
Food, Sale and Service At Epworth July 9th

Epworth United Methodist church is having a Flea Market and bake sale on July 9th. Part of the proceeds will go to the tsunami relief effort where the United Methodist Mission program is building new homes and providing clean water for survivors.

We will also be selling grilled chicken plates, grilled on our 24 foot gator grill. If you haven’t seen it, come stop by and see what a talented welder who gets inspired can create.

Chicken dinners will include two sides for the cost of $7.00. Hot Dog Snack Packs will be available for $2.00.

We are also arranging a blood drive for the same day. So come meet your neighbors, donate a pint, get a bargain and fill your belly. The flea market is open from 9-12 and the grill fires up from 11-1. The church is accepting donations of gently used items for the sale. For more information call the church at 404-525-4746. See you there!

Epworth United Methodist Church — working in the community, for the community.

GREEN SPACE

Catching and saving rainwater is nothing new. Generations ago, families saved water in barrels, ponds or cisterns for use in watering plants, washing clothes and even drinking. Saving water for personal use is still common in many parts of the world. Here in the United States, rainwater harvesting is making a big comeback. It’s easy and economical to do by installing one or more rain barrels near your house.

What is a rain barrel?
A rain barrel collects and stores rainwater from your rooftop to use later for things like watering your lawn, garden and trees. Water collected in a rain barrel would normally flow through your downspout or off your roof, onto a paved surface, and eventually into a storm drain.

Why use rain barrels?
Rain barrels help lower water costs. Irrigation can account for up to 40% of your water bill. By reducing your demand for city water, a rain barrel can save you money.

Rain barrels reduce water pollution. They reduce stormwater runoff, which can contain pollutants like sediment, oil, grease, bacteria and fertilizers. This is a major issue in our neighborhood, where the storm sewers are already above capacity and new development threatens to further decrease the amount of pervious surface available to allow water to seep back into the ground.

How do I get a rain barrel?
There are manufactured rain barrels on the market, or you can construct your own with large plastic drums or even garbage cans. One of the simplest systems is made up of several barrels connected with pipe; a spigot is attached low on each barrel and an overflow drain on the last barrel in line directs any extra water to a safe location away from your house.

Where can I get more information about rain barrels?
For more information on harvesting rainwater with a rain barrel, check out these resources:

- http://rainbarrelguide.com

-- Bryan Sells

Bookclub Calendar

The Candler Park Book Club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30pm. Light dessert will be served. Please join us for a lively discussion of the following books.

- JULY 14th
  * The Kite Runner
  * By Khaled Hosseini
  * Hosted by Beth Buffalo

- AUGUST 11th
  * The Rule of Four
  * By Ian Caldwell
  * Hosted by Heather Church

- SEPTEMBER 8th
  * The Master
  * By Colm Toibin
  * Hosted by Nicole Forde

- OCTOBER 13th
  * Carter Beats the Devil
  * By Glen Gold
  * Hosted by Judy Stevens

Please contact Nicole Forde (luckysevens@comcast.net) for RSVP and meeting location.

Announcements

We would like to regularly include an announcements section in the Messenger to welcome new neighbors and help celebrate weddings, births, adoptions, new jobs, etc. If you have great news to share about your family or a neighbor, please pass the information on to Amy Alford (amy.alford@emory.edu 404-610-5220).
Narnia In The Park

"Narnia... a land frozen in eternal winter... a country waiting to be free."

Four Children enter a magic wardrobe and find themselves forever altered by the enchantment they find there.

They watch a frozen world transform into a mysterious land of seasons and hope. Aslan, the Great Lion, challenges the wicked White Witch Jadis.

We will enter the story of captivity turned to freedom. Your children will become the characters in this enchanted land, and find their way through the adventures of this unknown wardrobe filled with talking animals, hopefulness and magic.

This time for the children will be filled with acting, costuming, crafts and snacks. Parents are more than welcome to join in the fun.

If you have any questions, you can email at narniainthepark@yahoo.com or call Gisele at 678-576-1598 with any questions.

Sundays
July 10, 17, 24, 31
10am -- Noon
Candler Park

2005 Tour Of Homes

Would you like your home featured on this year's Tour of Homes? Is there a house in the neighborhood that you love driving by and are dying to see inside? We are looking for 10 houses of all different shapes, sizes, colors, and floor plans -- old and new. Please contact Amy Alford to volunteer your house (or your neighbors')!

amy.alford@emory.edu / 404-610-5220

Candler Park Workday

The next Candler Park Workday, sponsored by the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization and the Friends of Candler Park, is scheduled for Saturday, July 9, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Volunteers young and old are welcome to join us. Gloves are recommended. It's your park, so come out and support it!

-- Brian Sells

Beltline Gains Steam!

The Beltline is gaining steam and plans are already in the works to proceed on the residential development aspects while the transit aspect is put off for some future date. The developer, Wayne Mason, and his partners are planning several meetings to discuss the developments. From the Atlanta Constitution "Meetings are planned July 12 and July 19 at the Park Tavern at 10th and Monroe, and July 13 at the Inman Park Trolley Barn."

July Porch Party!

The monthly neighborhood get-togethers are finally here! One Friday night each month, the Hospitality Committee will help host a porch party at a different neighbor's house. All Candler Park residents are invited to attend. Please bring a snack to share and your beverage of choice. We are still looking for volunteer porches for the upcoming months. If you are willing to host a porch party at your house, please contact Amy Alford at amy.alford@emory.edu / 404-610-5220.

Elizabeth Sullivan has volunteered to host the inaugural event!
Friday, July 29 @ 353 Oakdale Road (between McLendon and Iverson)
7:00pm -- 11:00pm
BYOF and BYOB
LAND USE ISSUES

The following land use issues are scheduled to be heard and voted on at the July CPNO meeting. Land use issues to be voted on at the August meeting must be submitted prior to July 26.

377 Moreland Avenue - (V-05-176) - Jimmy Livaditis, agent for Zesto Enterprises, Inc., operator of property located at 377 Moreland Avenue (southeast corner of Moreland and McLendon Avenues) in Little 5 Points (currently zoned NC-1 Neighborhood Commercial) seeks approval of (1) a variance to reduce the rear transitional yard from 20 feet (required) to 9 feet for a cooler/freezer addition to the existing Zesto’s restaurant; and (2) a special exception to reduce parking from 13 spaces (required) to 10 spaces. Applicant has advised that there will be no impact from the proposed project to the existing mature tree in the rear of the property.

NPU-N ISSUES

NPU-N meetings are held at 7PM, on the 4th Thursday of every month at LSPs Community Center (Cm Euclid and Austin Ave.) Candler Park residents are welcome to attend. Contact Amy Stout at 404-371-0505 regarding any regularly scheduled voting or agenda matters.

John Burger has resigned as chair of NPU-N. He will work with the Vice Chair and Secretary to suggest a succession plan to be voted on by the NPU-N at a later time.

CLASSIFIED ADS


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From a neighborhood near and with neighborhood references.


CRIME REPORT


200 block Elmira Pl, 5/21, Sat., overnight, removed gas cap from car and drained gas.

1600 block Dekalb Ave, 5/22, Sat., overnight, car broken into and ransacked, 2 suspects arrested.

400 block Candler Park Dr, 5/27, Fri., daytime, entry made through unlocked window, very little missing.

1900 block McLendon Ave, 5/27, Sat., overnight, auto entered, no forced entry, items stolen.

500 block Oakdale Rd, 5/27, Sun., auto stolen, items stolen from porch in broad daylight.

300 block Elmira Pl, 5/28, Sat., auto broken into, items stolen.

1500 block Dekalb Ave, 5/30, 10pm, Mon., auto broken into.

1500 block McLendon Ave, 5/31, Tue., overnight, auto stolen, 1998 Jeep Cherokee, later recovered and arrest was made.

1200 block Dekalb Ave, 6/2, 2am, Thur., 1996 Ford Econoline, recovered, one suspect arrested.

600 block Terrace Ave, 6/2, Sun., overnight, trailer stolen.

400 block Oakdale Rd, 6/5, 11am, Sun., clothing stolen from apartment laundry room.

300 block Candler Park Dr, 6/8, Wed evening, briefcase stolen from trunk.

1500 block McLendon Ave, 6/10, 8pm Fri., auto was unlocked, items stolen.

500 block Page Ave, 6/12, Sun., evening, auto broken into, items stolen.

1300 block Dekalb Ave, 6/16, Thu., overnight, auto stolen, 1996 Toyota Corolla.

1300 block Dekalb Ave, 6/17, Fri., overnight, items stolen from patio.

300 block Candler St, reported 6/18, shed broken into, items stolen.

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**WHAT 120-MINUTE SHIFT(S) DO YOU PREFER? (FEEL FREE TO CHOOSE MORE THAN ONE!)**

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RETURN TO: 405 OAKDALE ROAD (OAKDALE @ MCLENDON) OR THE FRONT COUNTER AT CANDLER PARK POOL – OR, EMAIL YOUR RESPONSE TO: iwannahelp@cpfallfest.com

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- July 9......Tiki Night
- July 16......Dive-In Movie
- July 23......Pulled-Pork-Palooza
- July 30......Margaritaville Party
- August 6......Brats & Beer Night
- August 13......Back to School Party
- August 21......Mimosa Brunch
- August 27......Burgers & Dogs
- September 3......End-of-Season Bash
- September 5......Dog Swim!!!!!