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DATES TO KEEP IN MIND

April 14: CPNO Board of Directors, 7 pm, Epworth Church

April 19: CPNO Egg Hunt (noon-1 pm), ContactPoint Play Date (1 pm-6 pm), Earth Day celebration & Movie Night, featuring *Wall-E* (6 pm-10 pm), in the park

April 20: The Great Atlanta Pot Festival, noon-10 pm, in the park

April 21: CPNO Members Meeting, 7 pm, First Existentialist Church

April 26: Movie Night - *Frozen*, 7 pm, in the park

May 3: Movie Night - *Muppet Movie*, 7 pm, in the park

May 5: CPNO Master Plan Steering Committee, 7 pm, Epworth

May 7: CPNO Zoning Committee, 7 pm, Epworth

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THAT FEELS GOOD: Two volunteers massage a sapling's roots. More than 100 people helped Trees Atlanta and CPNO in a March 22 tree-planting rampage.

Time to weave together CP's Neighborhood Watch network

By Russell Miller/Safety Officer

Candler Park residents were crystal clear about one thing last year as they offered public input on our neighborhood's master plan: Improving public safety should be a high priority. As a result, the master plan includes a recommendation that CPNO "create a neighborhood watch program."

With that mandate in mind, I've been working with the CPNO board over the last couple of months on a "reboot" of our existing neighborhood watch efforts. Now, it's time to enlist the support of the many neighbors who want to improve our capacity to prevent crime, respond to emergencies

and watch out for vulnerable neighbors.

The concept isn't new to Candler Park. Earlier efforts to establish a neighborhood-wide watch — complete with block captains, communications trees, and improved coordination with the Atlanta Police Department — left us with pockets in the neighborhood that have maintained effective communication structures.

The Iverson Park area, Oakdale Road and some individual blocks have loosely formed systems for touching base when the power is out, a traffic issue is imminent, or a crime has occurred. Our 2014 goal is to link

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The purpose of the **Candler Park Neighborhood Organization** is to promote the common good and general welfare in the neighborhood known as Candler Park in the city of Atlanta.

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MEETINGS

CPNO general meetings are held every third Monday at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive. Board, at 7 pm, with social period starting at 6:30 pm. CPNO committee meetings are held at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Ave., 2nd Fl. (or as shown). All are welcome, but only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly meetings. Membership applications must be received by CPNO by the first day of the month of meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

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

Sign up at candlerpark.org or complete the membership form in this issue of the Messenger

April 21: A red-letter day

By Ken Edelstein/CPNO President

April 21 won't be a banner day in human history *just* because it's the date of our next Members Meeting. It's also your deadline for registering to vote in the May 20 Georgia Primary Election.

We learned a lot about the value of voting in big numbers during last fall's City Council and School Board elections. Despite a ballot snafu, Candler Parkers had a great turnout and influenced some close votes. Believe me: Elected officials notice that.

Several contested races are on May's primary ballot. The biggest for us will likely determine our next state senator. CP resident Jason Carter has decided to give up his state Senate seat to run for governor. Two strong candidates, Elena Parent of Druid Hills and Kyle Williams of Decatur, will face each other in the Democratic primary. Because the district's heavily Democratic, the nominee will be favored in next fall's General Election.

If you're already registered to vote under your Candler Park address, you

PRESIDENTIAL BRIEFING

shouldn't have to worry about the registration deadline (but you may want check whether you're registered at mvp.sos.ga.gov). If you moved recently, will turn 18 before any of the 2014 election dates or just never wanted to vote until now, go to that same site to register. And do it before April 21!

While we're talking politics, I'd like your feedback on a Members Meeting feature I've been tinkering with. To get us to know our elected officials and them to know us, I've invited candidates and officeholders over the last few of months to visit with us near the start of our Members Meetings.

Some of these 5-to-10 minute talks and Q&As are no brainers (e.g. Parent and Williams). Others are difficult calls. For example, our DeKalb County commissioners influence our property taxes, and we help to elect them. But DeKalb officials have less

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LAUGHTER in the PARK

by Deb Milbrath



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influence over our lives than do city, school or state officials.

I'm interested in local issues and like the idea of grassroots engagement. But not everyone shares my interests, and we want to keep our meetings from getting too long. You can bet that when you give a politician the podium, she or he will keep talking until you pull duct tape across their lips.

What's your take? When should we invite elected officials? When should we politely say "come back when you have something important to tell us"? Let me know at president@candlerpark.org on this issue, or email me on anything else for that matter.

After a heated debate last month over AT&T's plans to put cell antennas in the Epworth Church steeple, members passed a relatively modest motion: It calls upon CPNO to invite church and AT&T leaders to a CPNO Special Meeting on the topic, to hold that meeting, and then to vote as an organization over the cell project.

Both AT&T and Epworth had previously declined our invitation to participate in a community forum on the project. And they declined the formal invitation I sent after the motion passed — although both did say they might be open to meeting with us once the process moves down the road.

We still plan to hold that Special Meeting, however. The members voted for it. Most likely, it will take place during the week before the April 21

Members Meeting. It will give those with strong feelings (on any side of the issue) a chance to make their arguments. Then, those points could be sent on to AT&T, Epworth, elected officials and other parties.

Finally, at the Members Meeting, we'll hold that vote on the cell antenna project that the motion approved by the members requires. All sides appear to agree that there's no need to hold another lengthy discussion on the cell project at the Members Meeting. My hope is that we limit the time of discussion, behave civilly to one another, and move on to the vote.

We have other interesting stuff cooking for April 21. To ensure that you get notice of the agenda (*and* that you're able to vote at future meetings), I'd like you to register for one more thing: Your CPNO membership!

Although it's free to CP residents and property owners, you must renew once a year. To vote at the upcoming meeting, you must renew by the end of the month *preceding* that meeting.

Thanks to former President Jay Sandhaus, our website backend expert, for adding notices and functions that now make it easy to understand your membership status. Meanwhile, Membership Officer Laura Hussey has been emailing members who haven't renewed to ensure that they're aware of their status.

Any questions about your status? Please go to candlerpark.org/renew.

Thank you, Fox Bros. Bar-B-Q!

A big thank you to our friends at Fox Brothers Bar-B-Q (1238 DeKalb Ave.) for serving as food sponsor at our March 17 Members Meeting. Mmm. Mmm. MMM!

CPNO Members Meetings feature free food from our finest area restaurants, as well as beer, wine, soft drinks and also childcare.

Are you interested in becoming a CPNO food sponsor? Email membership@candlerpark.org to find out more about this opportunity.



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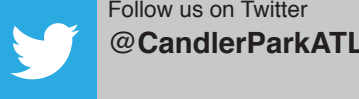
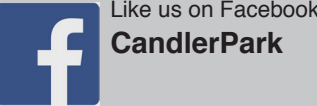
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To receive informative email blasts, sign up online to become a CPNO member.

If you have an announcement to make to the community or a conversation you want to start, feel free to post it on the Message Board at candlerpark.org and to join in the conversation there.





Kid & adult friendly Movie Nights kick off with Earth Day showing of Wall-E

2014 MOVIE NIGHT SERIES

April 19: Wall-E

April 26: Frozen

May 3: Muppet Movie

May 10: Remember the Titans

August 2: The Lego Movie

August 9: Karate Kid

August 16: My Big Fat Greek Wedding

August 23: Monsters I

With the help a CPNO survey that drew more than 120 responses, Friends of Candler Park has finalized a lineup of eight films to be shown this spring and summer at Candler Park Movie Night 2014.

The kid-friendly lineup for the first time also includes movies, like Remember the Titans and My Big Fat Greek Wedding, that are targeted toward adult audiences. Related festivities start an hour before sunset, although some dates — including Wall-E on April 19 — will follow an entire afternoon of activities.

CPNO is again the presenting sponsor. Friends' President Mark Clement decided to add an extra movie to the planned seven-night series, partly because of Friends' success at luring additional sponsors.

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3 groups join for April 19 family events in park

Kids expected to run amok for chocolate — again

By Kelly Jo Bluestone

More than 2,000 eggs filled with yummy treats ensure that no child's tummy will be left behind during CP's Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

The hunt begins at noon *sharp* near Park Pavilion Number 1 — just east of the parking lot. Past attendees know how hard it is to keep the little hunters behind the starting line, so arrive on time!

There will be three age categories: 0-3, 4-6, and 7 and up. Bring a basket or container to take home the treats. But please remember to have the children empty the eggs and return them so we can reuse them next year.

“What I can I do to help?” you might ask. Well here’s a little secret: The bunnies don’t stuff the eggs with candy before they lay them. So how about joining us for an egg-stuffing



party on Wednesday, April 16th at 6:30 p.m.? If you’d like to attend, please email the host, Kate Sandhaus, for her address and directions at kate@katesandhaus.com. Kids are welcome. You could also help to prepare for the hunt by arriving up to two hours early to help hide the eggs. Please take advantage of these fun volunteer activities!

And plan to stick around for Field Day immediately following; it's a great way for kids to run off that sugar buzz!

APRIL 19 PARK SCHEDULE

1:00–2:00: Flag football, lacrosse, hockey, martial arts

2:00–3:00: Rugby, kickball, hockey, tennis, yoga, fitness with Playout

3:00–4:00: Golf, softball, roller derby, volleyball

4:00–5:00: Ultimate, soccer, basketball, dodgeball

5:00: "Earth Ball" and Captain Planet appearance

6:00–8:00: Special performances: dance, drumming, juggling, magic

8:30–10:00: Movie Night showing of *Wall-E*

Whether it's Play Day or Earth Day or both, it's still a day in the park

By Ken Edelstein/CPNO President

Atlanta ContactPoint founder David Epstein has organized eight Play Days for children and adults over the last two-and-half years. The first of them was in Candler Park. All, he says, have been inherently Earth-friendly affairs.

“We pride ourselves on providing a day with food from the Earth (fruit and veggy snacks) and our main drink is water,” Epstein wrote in an email. “This leads to an event with very little trash.”

In addition, he notes, the nonprofit’s mission is to “engage the community in wellness programs such as sports, fitness, nutrition education, and social/environmental responsibility.” When

kids learn to rely on their own bodies for entertainment and exercise outside, they’re bound to use less motorized or electronic equipment, and they’re



likely to appreciate the great outdoors.

So when Friends of Candler Park approached last fall to enhance its Earth Day Movie Night with afternoon activities, Epstein thought it a good fit.

The Earth Day Play Day will feature ContactPoint’s usual sports and activities, including supervised drills and games overseen by established

coaches. Both kids and adults are welcome to participate.

The event starts at 1 pm — right after the CPNO Egg Hunt. It should flow seamlessly into Movie Night related activities, with a closing event that literally takes the Earth Day ball and runs with it.

“We will have a special Earth Ball activity with our HUGE rolling Earth and special appearances by Captain Planet,” Epstein says. You'll find more information at atlcp.org.

For Pot Fest's Cornwell, show must go on 4-20

By Ken Edelstein/CPNO President

Marijuana legalization is making inroads across the U.S. Even Georgia lawmakers came close this year to allowing some patients to use pot. Still, these are trying times for Atlanta's best-known cannabis activist. Twelve times over 26 years, CP resident and Coalition for the Abolition of Marijuana Prohibition founder Paul Cornwell has organized the Great Atlanta Pot Festival. He's planning the 13th on April 20 in Candler Park. The road to this year's fest has been a saga. It started in October, when Sweetwater Brewing announced its 420 Fest would move to Centennial Park. It turns out that two promoters coveted that same mid-April weekend. "420" is a marijuana nickname, so Cornwell wanted to hold Pot Fest on April 19-20. Friends of Candler Park's Mark Clement had a different annual date in mind. Clement often schedules a green-

themed film around Earth Day to kick off his annual Movie Night series (*see story, page 4*). Earth Day falls on April 22, so he figured he'd include Saturday, April 19, in his permit application.



Pot Festival in Woodruff Park, 2005.

Both Clement and Cornwell applied on the same day. But city officials deemed Clement's application complete and granted him the permit. That's when the fireworks started. Cornwell protested that he has a constitutional right to advocate for pot legalization in public works. In the past, he's sued the city over that issue.

Cornwell and Clement nearly worked

out a deal under which Movie Night would have skipped a May weekend for Pot Fest. But officials said city law wouldn't allow that accommodation. They instead processed his permit as a one-day event, which is what he's now planning.

The "13th Great Atlanta Pot Festival" is, he says, "the Real 420." Jamaican reggae band, Culture, will headline. Four other bands, including an Allman Brothers tribute act, are scheduled.

"Guest speakers will discuss the failed drug war on the cannabis user and the cost of human destruction that it has caused over the last 81 years," Cornwell wrote in an email. Food and beer also will be available. At the same time, he's careful to note that one thing can't be had at the Pot Festival: Marijuana.

"We will be security minded, respectful and courteous to the neighborhood," he promises. "Let me say this, we come in peace to 'celebrate the Earth and all living things'."

Volunteers spring forth with the new season



Photo by Ken Edelstein

Marathoners notice loud, happy folks in CP

CPNO Vice President Lexa King scrambled to organize a cheering section for the March 23 Publix Marathon. Most importantly, she bribed us with coffee and donuts.

More than a dozen folks signed up, some with horns, clappers and crazy outfits. Considering the time of day, we were quite ... uh ... peppy.

The cheering section gives Candler Park a shot at \$1,500 in marathon cheering prize money. Judging by many runners' right-back-at-you cheers, we stand a pretty good chance.



Photo by Mark Clement

Mulch Madness creates massive park coverup

On March 29, Friends of Candler Park roped volunteers into spreading woodchips around the park.

To be specific: 26 adults and 21 children drank two cases of water while using 20 shovels, 20 rakes, four pitchforks, four wheelbarrows and four tarps to spread 45 cubic yards of mulch around 38 trees before gobbling six large pizzas and downing 24 soft drinks along with four pitchers of Sweetwater 420 beer.



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We helped Trees Atlanta plant more than 200 trees

By Amy Stout/NPU Representative

There are more trees to hug in Candler Park, thanks to Trees Atlanta, CPNO and a fine group of volunteers.

On March 22, we planted, mulched and watered 91 new trees in CP front yards and rights of way. For logistical reasons, the planting area was limited to areas east of Oakdale Road and north of McLendon Avenue.

Around 125 volunteers signed in, a fifth of whom listed Candler Park as their home. I'm proud to say my own Terrace Avenue was well-represented, with members from at least six households lending a hand, including a new neighbor, Scott (who'll be moving in this May and who came out with his 4-year-old and 8-year-old sons!)

On the same day, our friends across Clifton Road put another 64 trees in the ground in Lake Claire. Two days earlier, a group of corporate volunteers planted 47 trees inside Candler Park proper (thanks Sparks Grove!).

After the planting, volunteers enjoyed pizza






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these existing efforts together, to set up similar watches on new streets, and to coordinate them all so that they're more effective.

Before going further, let's define a neighborhood watch. A neighborhood watch is a collective network in which volunteers help each other to prevent and report crime, and to prepare for other emergencies by stressing observation, common sense, and a willingness to "say something" when we see something.

Contrary to popular belief, the goal isn't to catch criminals; it's to make the neighborhood a place where criminals won't want to prey in the first place. Our aim is to enhance the community's quality of life by increasing preparedness, reducing crime and looking out for our youngest, oldest and disabled residents.

So how do we effectively "reboot" the Candler Park Neighborhood Watch? After consulting with neighbors, leaders in other neighborhoods and Atlanta police, I presented a four-stage plan at the March Members Meeting.

Let's call the first stage *agitation*. To sustain an effective Neighborhood Watch, we need to assemble a critical mass of potential participants, as well as folks willing to take on such leadership roles as organizing blocks, communicating with law enforcement, and ensuring that information is properly disseminated.

To assemble volunteers, we need to arouse public interest and spread the word. In other words, by reading this article, you should be getting fired up to join the cause! So consider this article a call to action for those who want to play an active role in helping to redefine what it means to be safe and prepared in Candler Park. Sound like you? Then send your home address, phone number, and best email address to safety@candlerpark.org.

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Our second stage will be *coordination*, which is a major challenge for any neighborhood watch. Many people want to be involved, but how do we link our efforts all together? Once we've identified enough people to cover a significant portion of Candler Park geographically and once we've assembled a cadre of volunteers who want help with communication and the other organizational tasks necessary to get us off the ground, we'll begin meeting to identify resources, establish

priorities, delegate responsibilities and bring residents together with Atlanta police and other local agencies

Next, it will be time for *activation*. Regular meetings and communications channels will need to be established. More residents will be recruited to play support roles. Watch leaders and other volunteers will have the opportunity to attend APD's Citywide Neighborhood Watch Training."

Just as an effective neighborhood watch network won't pop up overnight, it isn't likely to sustain itself if it's simply tied to a rush of enthusiasm or, say, a single crime or crisis. That's why we need to think of our fourth stage as *dedication*.

We'll need to establish systems that allow neighbors to meet, communicate and recognize each other on a consistent basis. As the watch matures, the momentum of its mission will build each year. Don't believe it? Look no further than to Avondale Estates, Virginia Highlands, Inman Park and East Atlanta.

Even if you're not ready to volunteer, you can support our drive toward a more effective network by looping yourself into our existing communication network — get the most current safety-related news, by going to Yahoo Groups, searching for "candlerparksafety" and click "join group." If you are ready to help in the reboot effort, however, please send your home address, phone number, and best email to safety@candlerpark.org.

Zone 6 crime report: Feb. 16 through March 13

Compiled from Atlanta Police Department reports by David Bruce

351 Moreland Ave., larceny from auto: 2/16, day. Parking lot. Door handle damaged. iPad, HP laptop, tax documents with SSN, checkbook with 20 checks and laptop bag taken.

400 block Moreland Ave., larceny: 2/18, evening. Shoplifting. Arrestees seen taking boots and getting into white Hyundai Elantra with GA tag. Traffic stop conducted and perpetrators arrested. Arrestee #1: B/F 24YO. Arrestee #2: B/F 14YO.

400 block Moreland Ave., larceny: 2/19, evening. Shoplifting. Video footage shows suspects placing 2 pairs of sweatpants, t-shirt and jacket into bag and walking out of store. Arrestee #1 was same arrestee #1 in crime posted crime, different store. B/F 24YO. Arrestee #2: B/F 19YO. Arrestee #3 same as arrestee #2 above. B/F 14YO.

1300 block McLendon Ave.,

robbery: 2/24, evening. Suspect came into the store, said he was in security business and asked if they needed a camera system. He placed order, got order and left; returned, placed second order and began singing, at which point he pulled out a gun and told everyone to get down on floor by register. He made one victim give him \$250 from register. He took 2 iPhone 5s and an iPhone 5S, and made them give him codes to unlock cellphones. Then forced them into bathroom and closed door. Suspect was B/M wearing leather pants with gold zippers, long tan jacket and gray hoodie underneath. Looked like he was in early twenties, about 5-feet-8 with no facial hair.

300 block Moreland Ave., aggravated assault: 3/1, morning. Bartender hit with empty beer can. No injuries. Arrestee: W/M 41YO.

1300 block Iverson St., arceny: 3/8, day. Victims said iPhone came up missing from their house. Suspect is

a H/M day laborer from contracting company they hired for repairs.


200 block Oakdale Road, aggravated assault: 3/14 Fri Eve. Domestic. Suspect asked victim to give her some money. Victim said no. Suspect became angry and cut victim in back of head with what appeared to be knife. Suspect: W/F, heavy set, wearing all black with a Confederate tattoo on her chest.

200 Josephine St., larceny from auto: 3/11, day. Parked on street. Vent window busted out. \$4 cash and Emory parking pass taken.

1300 block Euclid Ave, larceny from auto: 3/12, mornk g. Parking lot. Car doors unlocked. GPS, CDs and GA Tech ID taken.

1600 block DeKalb Ave, larceny: 3/13, evening. Commercial property. 2 purses containing credit cards, \$180 cash and keys were taken. Purses were sitting next tto back door, which is usually locked. No forced entry.

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March 17 Members Meeting — draft minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Ken Edelstein, President. Welcome and introduction of new neighbors. Thank you to Fox Brothers for the refreshments.

Announcements

- Trees Atlanta tree planting March 22 9-noon. Volunteers will meet at Candler Park Pool House. Volunteers get “vintage” CP t-shirts and pizza. [Amy Stout]
- Ga. Marathon Cheering section March 23rd 7:30-9:45am. Volunteers will meet at the corner of Candler Park Drive and McLendon Avenue. [Lexa King]
- Melvin Mitchell announced his candidacy for Dekalb County Sheriff.
- Dave Aynes announced opportunities for volunteers at the 420Festival 5K-Centennial Park. Volunteers will

receive a free T-shirt, a beer, and free admission to the Festival.

- Mulch Madness is March 29th 9-noon Candler Park. Volunteers get “vintage” CP t-shirts [Friends of Candler Park]
- Marcus Kennedy, SparkMarket, provides matching of projects/business with investors.
- Stanley Vergilis has a housecleaning service matching independent cleaners with customers. [Vergilis.co/clean]
- Suicide Prevention Day, March 20th, Capitol steps, 9:00-2:45 [Jennifer Wildes]

Visitors

- Lt. Floyd, APD Night Watch Commander, Zone 6, commented on low crime rate in our neighborhood except car break-ins
- Kyle Williams, candidate for State Senate Jason Carter’s seat, requested

our support, answered questions about his platform. [kylewilliams2014.com]

Motion to approve February minutes as presented passed.

Officer and Committee Reports: (See attachment A)

There was question about the FallFest revenue. Peter Bluestone, Treasurer, explained that the

report was only a ‘snapshot’ of the revenue and some revenue had not been realized for the reporting period.

Motion to accept the Written Officer and Committee reports passed. Motions/items requiring a vote BiRacial History Project-Edi Kelman requesting support for the restoration of the damaged historical markers. She has applied to “Love Your Block” and Park Pride for grants for repair, restoration and re-installation of the markers. Motion endorsing Park

- Pride application and mandating letter of support from CPNO president. passed
- Candler Park Banners-Peter Bluestone, Treasurer, announced the cost of producing the banners \$15/per banner. Minimum order needs to be 50. Motion to allocate \$1200 for the Candler Park Banners passed.
- Clifton Men’s Sanctuary Grant-Motion to grant \$1,000 to the Clifton Men’s Sanctuary passed.
- Motion to allocate up to \$100 for pizzas for Tree Atlanta volunteers passed.
- Motion to allocate up to \$100 for coffee, donuts, and signs for the cheering section volunteers at the Ga. Marathon passed.
- Motion to allocate \$499 for Easter Egg Hunt supplies passed.

Discussion Items

Russell Miller, Public Safety Officer, presented ‘Neighborhood Watch Reboot’. The neighborhood has had many false starts at this project, but Russell spoke to the need of a robust Watch program which would include the elderly. He wants to use the social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc) for real time reporting and communication with the APD and the neighborhood.

Randy Pimsler, Master Plan Coordinating Committee Chair, announced the meeting schedule as the first Monday of every month, 7:00 PM, Epworth Church.

Motion to extend the meeting for 30 minutes passed.

Seth Eisenberg, Zoning Officer, led the discussion on the AT&T cell antenna. The terms of a Special Administrative Permit application gives CPNO very little opportunity for input. The following motion passed:

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Whereby, upon information and belief, Epworth UMC has signed a lease with AT&T for the construction of a cell tower in its steeple without making its neighbors aware of its intentions to do so, and,

Whereby, many residents of Candler Park and neighbors of Epworth UMC have expressed concerns over the impact that such a cell tower may have on the neighborhood, including, without limitation, impacts on health, aesthetics, land use, property value, and general well-being of the Candler Park neighborhood, and

Whereby, despite repeated requests to provide information regarding the details of the lease, neither Epworth UMC nor AT&T has provided sufficient particulars regarding such lease, and

Whereby, many members of Candler Park Neighborhood Organization believe the community and neighborhood should be given an opportunity to make their concerns in this regard heard, I move as follows:

a. That Special Meeting be called by Candler Park Neighborhood for residents and neighbors to voice their concerns to Epworth UMC and AT&T (not to receive a talk or address from either entity), and be widely publicized beforehand;

b. that the President of Candler Park Neighborhood requesting in writing that representatives of both Epworth UMC and AT&T attend such meeting for the purpose of hearing the concerns of Candler Park residents; and,

c. that, following such meeting, the issue of whether the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization supports or opposes the installation of such cell tower be put to a vote so that members may voice their support or opposition of the installation of a cell site at Epworth UMC.

Amy Stout announced that she plans to propose an amendment to the CPNO Bylaws eliminating the requirement to renew memberships annually. The proposed Bylaw amendment is that we strike all language from Article III Section 2 (a) and Section 4 regarding the requirement to renew membership annually. The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Recording Secretary, March 17, 2014

Officer and committee reports

These reports were submitted by CPNO officers, representatives and committee chairs, and adopted by the members at the March 17 Members Meeting.

Education Committee

Kate Sandhaus: The Mary Lin renovation is ongoing, and the new classroom wing is scheduled to be ready for use as of October 2014; renovations to the existing structure will continue beyond that. Adjacent neighbors are in discussions with APS about the drainage pond off of Oakdale, construction truck traffic on Oakdale and mosquito remediation in the area of the Habitat that borders residences. The Inman Middle renovation is in the planning stages. The first meeting was held in January, during which representatives from the architecture firm BRPH shared conceptual designs. The proposed addition will include nine new classrooms, a renovation and addition to the main lobby area, renovations to some shares spaces, and enhanced entry security at the front entrance. A project overview can be found on the APS Facilities Department web page. The project’s tentative start date is December 2014.

APS recently announced leadership changes at a number of schools including Grady High School. Principal Vincent Murray has been at Grady’s

helm for 23 years, and he will serve as principal through the remainder of the current school year.

Environment

John Skach: One more quick reminder for our March 22 neighborhood tree planting. If you are interested in volunteering for this fun event, contact Alex Beasley at alex@treesatlanta.org or Amy Stout at akstout@emory.edu.

Freedom Park Conservancy

Carol Gregory: The FPC board is preparing for strategic planning which will begin in April. This will be the board’s plan of action in the coming 3-5 years. The strategic plan is not the master plan for the park which will come later and be much more extensive. An outside consultant will lead the strategic planning with the board and the planning process will offer neighborhood involvement at one point. The planning schedule should be available for publication in next month’s report. The conservancy’s commitment to continued maintenance and oversight of Freedom Park takes resources so the board is once again requesting that each represented neighborhood make a yearly donation to its work. A motion to that effect will be made.

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MP Coordinating Committee

Joseph Hacker: In attendance: Randy Pimsler (chair), Eric Dusenberry (transportation), Joseph Hacker (second banana, recording), Clifton Mack (sidewalks), Dawn McDaniel, Lauren Welsh, Ed Hyken. The monthly Master Plan Coordinating Committee meeting exchanges information relevant to prioritization of master plan projects, and discusses updates in adjoining neighborhoods potentially affecting our neighborhood.

Bicycles (4.37, 4.38, 4.39): Sharrows, are on-street markings alerting automobile drivers that they are sharing the road with bicycles. Euclid, Oakdale, Clifton and McClendon were identified for this type of treatment. Dawn was helping come up with a corridor cost estimate.

Road diet on DeKalb Ave. corridor (4.4, 4.19): This requires conducting a feasibility study first to examine the appropriateness of retaining one-lane in each direction with designated left turn lanes at the Oakdale Road and Clifton

Road intersections.

Sidewalks (4.20 - 4.29): Cliff Mack noted about 25% (3.7 miles) of the 14.5 miles of sidewalk in CP need repair. The priority corridors include: McClendon, Oakdale, Candler Park Dr., school and MARTA station access. Careful sidewalk selection may permit bundling into City sponsored corridor upgrades.

Edgewood-Candler Park MARTA Station Request for Proposals (RFP): MARTA released an RFP for transit oriented development on the Edgewood side of the Edgewood-Candler Park train station, however, until MARTA plans are clearer, there are no actionable steps.

Moreland Corridor Study: The L5P Business District and City of Atlanta Schools have discussed converting the Bass Fields (behind Rag-a-Rama) to a parking deck with the fields on top. Eric/Lauren agreed to set up meetings to get more information.

Candler Park Conservancy: There was an overview of John Skach's Candler Park Conservancy work.

Membership Secretary

Laura Hussey: See March Messenger for information on membership renewals and social activities.

NPU-N

Amy Stout: See the Messenger

Sidewalk Committee

Cliff Mack: Last week, I previewed the Georgia Tech sidewalk assessment data collected last summer. The Georgia Tech group reported that Candler Park and Atlantic Station were the first two areas of the city to be processed off all the data collected. The reporting system is in debug mode and should be available within the next four weeks. Please refer to the sidewalk article in the current (March issue) for additional update information.

Special Projects

Mark Clement: Fall Fest chairs are meeting and working away. Focusing on sponsorships. Recently overcame a new permitting misunderstanding. All good now. We will publish the Movie Night schedule in the

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next Messenger.

Treasurer

Peter Bluestone: P&L and balance sheets are available with other meeting materials. Nothing else to report.

Vice President

Lexa King: We are looking for people to step forward to identify and claim revised, revisited or reinvented ideas for fundraising. Please see or message Lexa King with any and all ideas. This will be an integral part of moving forward on our Master Plan implementation. On a related note, we are seeking anyone with experience in grant writing to join us.

Zoning

Seth Eisenberg: The March Zoning meeting was held on Tuesday, March 4, 2014. The Committee considered the variance Application no. V-13-193 for 374 Clifton Rd. The request was for a reduction in transitional side yard setbacks from 20ft to 2ft on the south side property line and 5ft. to 3ft. on the north side property line.

After discussion with the property owner and the owner's representatives, the Zoning Committee voted unanimously to approve a variance for Application number V-13-193 if the Applicant satisfies the following four conditions:

1. That the Applicant agree the lower level plan will be amended to reflect that the basement will be uninhabitable space; or in the alternative, execute an affidavit averring to same;
2. All signatures of adjacent neighbors will be obtained for completion of the Affidavit verifying neighbor approval for the variance request;
3. The transitional side yard setbacks on the southern and northern property line will be amended to 3 ft.; and
4. The Applicant will gain approval of his application from Lake Claire Zoning Committee.

The Applicant agreed to the conditions set forth by the Zoning Committee and will present the Application again at the April Zoning meeting. The April Zoning meeting will be held on the 1st Wednesday of April - April 2, 2014.

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By Richard B. Shapiro, L5P Bus. Assoc.

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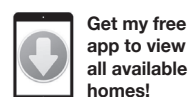
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March NPU report

By Amy Stout

I attended the monthly meeting of NPU-N on Thursday, March 27th as the CPNO representative.

Special Use Permits: We unanimously supported a SUP for Druid Hills Baptist Church to operate an existing church at 1085 Ponce de Leon Avenue (which will be needed once the property is rezoned MRC-2) and unanimously supported a SUP for Montessori In Town Associates to operate a school in a converted apartment building at 678 Moreland Avenue (as this organization will be displaced from Druid Hills Baptist's education building when it is demolished for redevelopment.)

Variances: We deferred consideration of a variance for **374 Clifton Rd** for the sixth month in a row. No applicant was present, and the application still requires evaluation by the CPNO. This application should receive a vote at next month's meeting though, along with two other Candler Park variances (**519 Candler St** and **535 Oakdale Rd**).

Ordinances: The board voted again to defer consideration of Ordinance 14-O-1019, legislation submitted at the request of the Little Five Points Business Association intended to reiterate, clarify and strengthen regulations in the L5P business district regarding gas stations, drive-throughs and notification of the NPU of applications for Special Administrative Permits. The special NPU-N committee (composed of two representatives each from CPNO, IPNA, and L5PBA) that the board voted to create in December (for the purposes of making recommendations on this and another proposed ordinance) will meet again before the April NPU-N meeting.

We deferred consideration on multiple additional proposed city ordinances and will vote on these at our April meeting. One of these (14-O-1092) relates to **urban agriculture** and defines and regulates both urban gardens (those intended for education, demonstration, and beautification purposes) and market gardens (those intended for production of food that would be sold). Currently, community gardens are technically not legal in the city of Atlanta. Another ordinance (14-O-1022) would regulate "works of **art on private property**." This appears to be in response to a few controversial murals painted last year as part of the Living Walls program. A third (14-O-1017) would define and regulate "**window signs**," while yet another (14-O-1133) is intended to "clarify the manner in which the definition of **accessory structures and uses** should be applied to **public schools**." This "accessory uses" legislation is partly in response to lawsuits of T-Mobile v. DeKalb County and would clarify that telecommunications towers "must meet the requirements of the district where the structure is located." I will post the text of these on the CPNO website, or it is available from the Atlanta City Council's web pages.

I welcome your input on these and related issues. Please contact me at NPURep@candlerpark.org.

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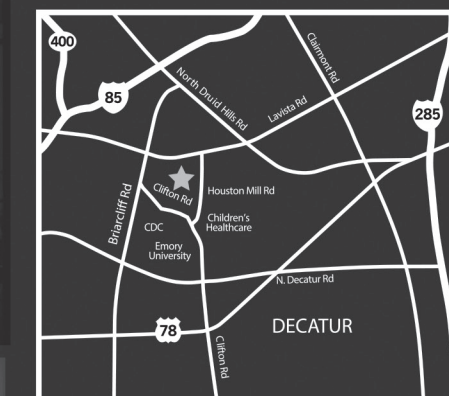
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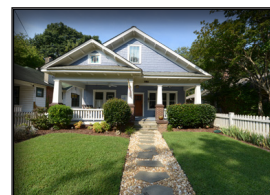
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