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Reflecting on Successful 2016

By Zaid Duwayri, president@candlerpark.org

It was hard for me to decide on the topic of this month's column. This time of year, you tend to reflect on what got accomplished and what remained on the to-do list for next year... and a thousand thoughts pop up in your head.

For me, 2016 went by really fast and seemed to only pick up the pace as the weeks and months progressed. As CPNO is concerned, there are areas that I feel we achieved –and in certain cases, exceeded- our goals:

1. Our financial position is much stronger than years past; we have trimmed down our operating expenses and diversified our sources of revenue. 2016 saw our membership donations rise to their highest levels and we have created several fundraising projects to supplement the contributions of Fall Fest. These dollars will make their way back into our community and will fund high-impact projects that are highlighted in the Master Plan and those that are critical for the wellbeing of our neighborhood.
2. The success of Fall Fest is much more than \$\$\$ in the bank. It is a testimony to what our neighborhood could offer this city in terms of an authentic experience that celebrates what Candler Park is all about, community. The work that went into that event was 100% volunteer driven, by Candler Park and for Candler Park. As a result, our neighborhood continues to grow as a destination for visitors and our festival is on the must-do list of events in the city.
3. Our marketing efforts are paying off with many of the residents and neighbors complimenting us on our new logo and the selection of merchandise that we have for sale. To this date, over 70 Candler Park signs have been ordered and I expect that number to double by mid-2017. More than a fund raiser, the spread of our logo is a testimony of neighborhood pride

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and a demonstration of a healthy and passionate community.

There are aspects that I would have hoped to have moved faster and further along.

1. I regularly receive e-mails from frustrated neighbors complaining about how our sidewalks are impeding their mobility. Recently, two of my Candler Park Drive neighbors fell and were seriously injured after tripping on sidewalks. The conversations with the city regarding our infrastructure projects –primarily sidewalks- have restarted recently, and I'm optimistic that we're finally starting to see a path towards a city-funded sidewalk repair project in 2017.
2. The involvement and participation of our neighbors in the CPNO committees are not where I would have liked for 2016. The strength of this organization stems from the membership, and a stronger CPNO is an asset to our neighborhood. I will renew my ask of you in 2017 to lend us a hand and help maintain our upward trajectory. Meanwhile, spread out the word that it is CPNO that puts together Fall Fest, funds Movie Night and advocates for sidewalk repair. We could do much more if you could lend us a hand.

I'll leave you with this final thought. In a recent conversation with a mayoral candidate who went down the list of issues that plague other neighborhoods in the city and asked if any of those are applicable to Candler Park, my answer to most of them was a simple "No". All in all, I'm thankful for being part of this awesome neighborhood and I am optimistic that 2017 will hold better and greater things for Candler Park.

Cheers!

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Committee meetings take place at Epworth United Methodist 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 1 and a complete list of CPNO meetings at www.candlerpark.org.

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By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

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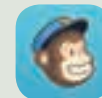
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DECEMBER

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- 12** CPNO Board Meeting, 7 pm, The New Church (formerly Epworth)
- 19** CPNO Members Meeting, 7 pm, 1st Existentialist Church
- 21** Candler Park Conservancy Meeting, 7pm, Rush Center

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



Official Candler Park Ornaments for Sale!

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The ornaments are made by Carolyn Murphy, a resident of Atlanta who spends her free time crafting.

Why is Iverson So Wide? Redux

By Roger Bakeman, membership@candlerpark.org

In the October Messenger Edith Kelman and I asked, Why is Iverson Street so wide, and said it was meant to be a grand street for the Town of Edgewood, chartered in 1898 and annexed by Atlanta in 1909. But, Kelly Jordan informed me, the story is both more complex and more interesting. As in many cities, streets in Atlanta are often named for the town they go to. Edgewood, which now deadends at the Inman Park MARTA station, was named Edgewood because it was intended to go to the Town of Edgewood, and in fact old maps show Iverson Street with Edgewood Ave. in parentheses. Iverson-Edgewood in Candler Park was meant to be a continuation of Edgewood and was made wide to

accommodate the street car. But the continuation was blocked by early property holders near Elmira Place and so the street car was diverted to McLendon instead. But, Edgewood-Iverson kept its streetcar-ready width.

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Two Mural Bike Racks Adorn Candler Park Village

By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

Candler Park Village is fortunate to have two mural bike racks, thanks to the Atlanta Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs Public Services, Chief Bicycle Officer Becky Katz and the Department of Public Works. These eye-catching bike racks are functional works of art that are located in front of Candler Park Market and Fellini's Pizza for cyclists, pedestrians and drive-by motorists to enjoy. Introduced in the late fall, the Mural Bike Rack project aims to promote biking transportation and biking infrastructure by installing 18 new, artist-painted bike racks across the city. A dedication ceremony for the Mural Bike Rack project was scheduled for Saturday, December 3 at 2:00 pm at Findley Plaza in Little Five Points. This celebration was intended to highlight the artists and connect cyclists and public art enthusiasts.



The Wheels are Melty Like Cheesy, Artist: BlackCatTips



Cycledellic, Artist: Hadley Breckenridge

Run the Inman Middle School Frosty 5K on December 10!

By Boyd Baker, Lake Claire resident and Inman Middle School parent volunteer

The 175th annual Inman Middle School Frosty 5K will take place on Saturday, Dec. 10th, at 9 am. This beautiful, darn-near-flat fun run is great for those wanting to stroll along the Beltline, race their favorite teacher, or just enjoy a jog in the perfect Atlanta weather. It starts at the school, runs the Beltline from Monroe to skatepark, and then returns to the school along Ponce de Leon Place at the Field of Dreams.

So maybe it's not 175 years old but it's been around for some time. My first recollection of the race was when Candler Park resident Eric Dusenbury was organizing it maybe 8 years ago or longer. It's become a great community event sponsored by the PTA where health and education collide in a good way.

Cost is still just \$25 per runner while students get a discount and teachers run for FREE. There are t-shirts and high fives all around at the finish line. Come out and support your local school and meet some new friends. Register at Active.com or go to www.InmanFrosty5K.com for more details.



Making DeKalb Avenue Safer for All

By Lauren Welsh, externalaffairs@candlerpark.org

On Thursday, November 17 more than 300 people showed up at a church in Sweet Auburn for a public meeting about fixing DeKalb Avenue. This major corridor between Decatur and downtown Atlanta is not only on the list for Renew Atlanta bond money, but it's also on the list for the recently passed T-SPLOST money. The city's takeaway from these two votes of support is that residents really want to fix up DeKalb Ave.

DeKalb Avenue connects 11 neighborhoods to many popular destinations. All of the people coming to and from those destinations are going to be fairly compelled to drive if walking and cycling aren't safe options.

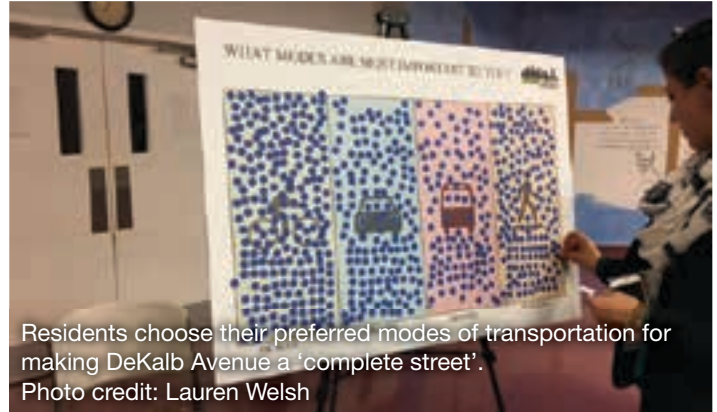
It also serves six MARTA rail stations and five bus routes. Walking to and from those transit stops along DeKalb is not as safe and inviting as it could be — which means transit ridership is not being enabled to the degree that it could be.

The street also intersects with major existing and planned bicycle trails (like the Beltline and the Stone Mountain trails). Those cycling-infrastructure investments won't offer the return they could without improved safety for bikes on DeKalb.

Combine the above issues with a very unsafe reversible lane (some call it the “suicide lane”) and a large amount of potholes and you've got a street that desperately needs a new approach. The focus at the Renew Atlanta meeting was to talk about the possibility of DeKalb Avenue becoming a “Complete Street.” A complete street doesn't prioritize one mode over another. It allows for multiple modes of use – driving, cycling, walking, etc.

While Thursday's meeting focused more on a presentation of data about how DeKalb Avenue works now, it also allowed for conversations between residents and with city officials about what challenges they see currently on the corridor. The meeting allowed residents to review maps of the corridor and highlight areas of concern. It was also an open opportunity to make suggestions of what people would like to see. Ideas ranged from roundabouts to turn lanes to basic maintenance of infrastructure. Other ideas included making sure the city consults with neighborhood master plans, communicating across all 11 neighborhoods, and trying to figure out how to redesign the interchange at Moreland and DeKalb Ave (not currently part of the Renew Atlanta money).

There were no actual proposals presented, so Renew Atlanta could instead make sure they were listening for ideas. Renew Atlanta staff pledged to keep working with the neighborhoods until consensus happens through additional opportunities for civic engagement. These aren't likely to occur until 2017, but CPNO will keep you posted.



Residents choose their preferred modes of transportation for making DeKalb Avenue a 'complete street'. Photo credit: Lauren Welsh



Renew Atlanta presents data on how DeKalb Avenue works now. Photo credit: Lauren Welsh

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Kate Cantrell provides folksy storytelling at Mulberry Fields S'mores For All event on October 30, 2016.

Mulberry Fields Gone Wylde and Growing

By Mary Jane Leach, Mulberry Fields Site Coordinator, Wylde Center

Six months into the Wylde Center's presence at Mulberry Fields Garden, we're reflecting on our mission of educating, building community, and managing the greenspace at this wonderful urban gem.

Education

The education garden is ready to harvest with several varieties of lettuce, edible pod peas, kale, arugula, and radishes. Mulberry Fields (MF) Gardener Sara Lomond donated the plot this year. Edible gardens teach visitors about plant life cycles and give kids lots of tasting opportunities. The Wylde Center has field trips that follow Common Core standards for students of all ages. Though the MF garden has a 20-student limit for field trips, several Mary Lin Elementary classes enjoyed outings to the Oakhurst Garden this fall. We have hosted one preschool field trip and have enjoyed having Paideia middle schoolers come over for workdays at the garden. For field trip information for Mulberry Fields or any other Wylde Center garden, contact Education Director Allison Ericson at allison@wyldecenter.org.

Community Building

We've had some fun and well-attended events at Mulberry Fields this year! In July, Mulberry Fields Gone Wylde welcomed nearly 400 neighbors, plus lots of local food and drink establishments donating their delicious wares. The first annual Mulberry Fields S'mores For All event on October 30th hosted over 100 folks with a bonfire, free s'mores and kids piled on blankets listening to Kara Cantrell's folksy storytelling (pictured). In 2017 we will continue these traditions, hosting a summer and late fall/winter event, but also add art and nature-related events at each of our gardens this year. As usual, Mulberry Fields is open dawn to dusk and is available for rental -- recommended for gatherings of 10 or more (find information and an interest form at www.wyldecenter.org)

Greenspace

Mulberry Fields is lucky to have dedicated volunteers among their community gardeners who mow, weed, feed goats and chickens, and attend workdays in fall and spring. With the new addition of volunteers from Hands on Atlanta and local students from Paideia, we maintain collectively the ecosystem of this wonderful urban greenspace. Wylde Center Site Coordinator Mary Jane Leach organizes these efforts on a 5-hour-per week basis. Goals for 2017 include planning for future projects with help of neighbor and landscape architect Clara Kwon, who recently completed a plan for the Waldorf School of Atlanta. We will be paying special attention to stormwater flow and catchment, increasing native plants while decreasing invasive species, and making the space even more inviting and fun for children. In addition, we will be looking for ways to incorporate the historic significance of the site and providing new signage for plants and site identification. More to come!

Supporting Mulberry Fields

It is the Wylde Center's goal to create a community around each of our greenspaces that benefits and is supported by the community in which it sits. To volunteer, go to www.wyldecenter.org or contact the site coordinator at maryjane@wyldecenter.org. This is the time of year when Wylde Center members typically renew their commitments. Please help ensure Mulberry Fields forever by becoming a Wylde Center member through a monthly or annual donation. Contributions from new members in the Candler Park neighborhood are earmarked to support the Mulberry Fields greenspace and programs. You can find details and membership benefits at: Wyldecenter.org/membership.

Positive Changes for Candler Park Golf Course

By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

The City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation began overseeing operations of the 9-hole golf course and club house at Candler Park on November 1. For the past three decades, American Golf managed and operated the course along with four other city golf courses. American Golf chose not to submit a proposal to renew its contract after the city sold Bobby Jones golf course to the state.

John "J.W." Wood has been the business manager at Candler Park Golf Course for the past 18 months. He is very positive and excited about the future of (the unofficially named) "Candler Park Golf Club." J.W. said that the city "came in ready to get the operations up and running" on day one. Park officials asked J.W. what was needed and then quickly delivered necessary items such as office supplies, cleaning supplies, a new vacuum cleaner, a new printer/fax machine and new grill as well as repaired the hot water heater. A golf cart was recently delivered, and a new refrigerator/freezer is on its way.

All of these items will help Candler Park Golf Club realize three goals which J.W. discussed with Director of Parks Doug Voss and Director of Parks Design Alvin Dotson: 1) Renovate the Club House; 2) Enhance quality of play; and 3) Increase revenue.

Renovate the Club House

Built in 1928, the Candler Park Club House is an historic building in need of repair. Significant holes in the roof and interior ceiling allow beams of sunlight

to shine through onto the main floor of the building. An unfinished metal drop



New Candler Park Golf Club logo was designed by Bobsie Turner Design, LLC.

ceiling, opaque windows covered in metal, and unusable French doors to a rear second floor patio overlooking the golf course ruin the potential beauty and utility of the building.

The original plan for the Candler Park Club House called for a much larger building, as evident in this drawing from November of 1927. An undated article from 1928 written by L.L. Wallis, General Manager of Parks, and titled "New Club Houses for Atlanta Parks: Piedmont and Candler Parks to Have Modern Club Houses" states that the architects Edwards and Sayward estimated the building cost to be \$7,000. Wallis added, "The golf course at Candler Park was constructed last year. To develop the links it was necessary to do extensive grading and move thousands of cubic yards of dirt.

This will be one of the best short courses in the city."

According to J.W., "the city has renewed interest in the aesthetic of the Club House and its history."

First on the list for renovation is the roof which is to be repaired in a manner to honor its 1928 heritage and enhance the neighborhood. This means "no asphalt shingles!" Replacing the plexiglass windows and opening up the French doors to the patio are additional near-term priorities.

The greatest potential benefit to the neighborhood is a vision to open up a Club room on the ground floor of the building. Over twenty years ago, the downstairs former locker room area was closed off with sheetrock walls. J.W. aims to reopen the space, renovate it, and turn it into a members-only Club room during the day and a potential meeting space for community groups in the evening after the golf course closes. A designated neighbor would be in charge of the key for access to the club room and reservations could be made in advance to use the space when the golf course is closed.

Enhance the Quality of Play and Increase Revenue

Today Candler Park Golf Club has 73 members who pay an annual membership fee for unlimited play and who range in age from 12 – 84 years old. Golfers at Candler Park demonstrate a level of friendship and comradery that makes it a welcoming place for all ages and levels of play.



Candler Park Club House was established in 1928. Photo credit: Susan Rose



Architectural drawing of original plan for Candler Park Club House in 1927.

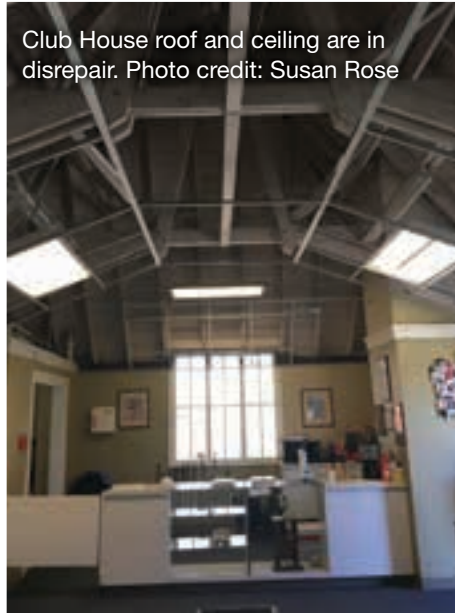
J.W. plans to enhance the experience further by offering food at a reasonable price in the Club house. Players will be able to relax and enjoy a grilled hot dog or hamburger, chips, and a drink before or after their matches. The city is helping to secure a food service permit.

A new logo was recently designed for the club by Bobsie Turner Design, LLC and appears on the Instagram feed and Facebook pages for Candler Park Golf Club. J.W. envisions selling merchandise – shirts and hats – with the new logo. J.W. says that the unofficial change in name from “Course” to “Club” is intended to promote a “change in attitude” since “membership and sense of ownership creates pride.” It is not meant to evoke exclusivity. The Candler Park Golf Club is city property and a city golf course run by the city.

Bottom line for J.W. and the city is that Candler Park Golf Club should be a community place. J.W. wants “neighbors to get excited about a really nice 9-hole golf course that is well-maintained and well-run.”



John “J.W.” Wood



Club House roof and ceiling are in disrepair. Photo credit: Susan Rose



Exterior renovations to Club House could enhance the neighborhood. Photo credit: Susan Rose



Rear of Club House has second floor patio with french doors currently closed off with metal grates. Photo credit: Susan Rose

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Organizing Tips for the Holidays!

By Gigi Miller, Candler Park resident and Owner of Vision Organizing

During the holiday season it is more important than ever to establish an organization system that helps you reduce stress, save money, and manage your time. Why not confront the holiday anxiety head on by creating a Holiday Organizing Center? All you need to start is a 3 ring binder, which can be found at any office supply store.

Organizing Binder

While each organizing center should be customized to fit your lifestyle, I suggest adding the following accessories to your binder:

- Vinyl pockets to store loose items such as coupons and receipts.
- Dividers for categories like gift list, menus, party ideas, organizing projects, decorating ideas, and guest activities.
- Calendar (create your own or download one on-line). Make a copy of the calendar and put it someplace where the entire family can see it.

Include events and arrival information for out of town guests.

Grab an empty basket or shoebox to create an outgoing mailbox for holiday cards, address list, stamps, and pens. Add some personal touches to your outgoing mailbox by decorating it with ribbons or family photos. Other items to keep in your center include magazines, cookbooks and catalogs. In other words, keep everything you will need to reference for the holidays together.

Tips for Preparing for Guests

- Take inventory of dishes, tablecloths, chairs (borrow from neighbors if you don't have enough), linens, and towels.
- Keep tables and ottomans clear of clutter by using baskets to contain toys, magazines and everything in between.
- Make sure there is enough room to hang extra coats. Over the door hooks are an inexpensive quick fix.
- Place decorative inexpensive trays in the entryway for catching extra shoes.

- Keep DVDs and board games on hand for at home entertainment.
- Have a list of "things to see and do in Atlanta" on hand.

Tips for Meal Planning

- Consider ready-made meals available at most grocery stores and restaurants.
- Delegate by asking family members to prepare their favorite side dish.
- Host a buffet style dinner, which equals less formal and less clean-up.

If you still feel a bit overwhelmed, consider hiring help. A Professional Organizer can provide a helping hand, guidance, support, and creative ideas for your holiday organization projects.

Gigi K. Miller is the owner of Vision Organizing based in Candler Park. To learn more, please visit: www.visionorganizing.com or contact Gigi via email: gigi@VisionOrganizing.com or phone: 404.274.1930.



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What a year it has been! As the election shock wears off, I find myself wondering about how to take care of my home and family as the holidays approach. I have so much to be thankful for: my family, my friends, my community, my interior design business and my health are on the top of my list. So, as I was considering how to make the holidays special, I decided that I wanted to go back to the simple beauty of nature. Here are some beautiful and natural ideas that I hope can inspire the joy of the season in an authentic way. Hope that you have a wonderful holiday season!

(All photos courtesy of Midwest Living)

Based in Candler Park village, Balance Design is a full service interior design firm specializing in renovating kitchens, baths and older homes.



Sprigs of branches in clear vessels. Like a pretty science experiment!



A beautiful way to decorate the banister, pine boughs, berries and ribbon tied to each newel with floral wire.



I love watching the development of forced bulbs, from amaryllis, to paper whites, to tulips.



Don't forget your fireplace! If your coal fireplace is shallow like mine, try a red berry and ornament display inside and make the black box disappear.



Love this-fruit, pine boughs, pine cones and candles. I liked the non-traditional orange!



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Holiday Season Crime Safety Tips

By Major T.D. Peek, Zone 6 Commander, Atlanta Police Department

Editor's Note: This letter to Zone 6 residents originally appeared on NextDoor on November 29, 2016.

I hope and pray that everyone had a great Thanksgiving Holiday. We are truly thankful for the opportunity to serve our citizens with commitment, courage, integrity and professionalism. Thus far, we have experienced another year of overall crime reductions. Currently, we are at an 8% decrease but we do recognize that we have experienced a recent increase in car break-ins over the last couple of weeks. To address the issue, we have increased patrols throughout the affected areas. We have also launched our 2016 APD Holiday Plan which includes moving our administrative officers into the field so that everyone has a part in patrolling and keeping our streets safe. As we enter into this holiday season at full stride, it is important for you to know what is happening in our community and how we can work together to help make our communities safer for us all. Our goal is to ensure that we have a safe holiday season. So, of course we are asking for each and every citizen to participate by partnering with us. We ask that you always keep your eyes and ears open for suspicious activity and call 911 immediately if you notice what is believed to be criminal activity. Do not engage with criminals! Please call police and allow the officers to engage the suspected persons.

Please see the following tips:

- When shopping online, if you're not generally home to receive your packages, please consider having them shipped to a location where someone will be able to receive your packages. Perhaps your work office or a friend/neighbor that may be home. We usually see an increase of thefts where packages are taken from porches after being delivered.
- When shopping at the malls, please keep your cars clear of any bags or packages. Place packages inside your trunks and if you need to go back into the mall for more shopping, it is a good idea to take enter your

vehicle and exit the location and reenter the parking lot and park somewhere else. Criminals will often see victims placing items in their vehicles and when they go back into the mall, they know that they can break into your cars and take the items.

- When pumping gas, lock your cars have your keys in your pockets. Do not leave your cars with purses and other items on your seats in plain view. Criminals are opening car doors and taking purses while ladies are not paying attention and watching the gas pumps. Always be aware of your surroundings.
- For our bar and club people, please guard your drinks so that no one can place any intoxicants in your drinks. Also, please do not assume that the person that you have been communicating with through social media only is safe. If possible, take a companion with you and gather as much information as you can on the person. Make the first 2 or 3 dates into double dates. Social media is convenient for good people as well as those who prey on good and innocent people.
- Do not take strangers home with you. If intoxicated, do not accept rides from people that you have just met. They are considered as strangers until you really get to know them over time.

I know that these steps seem to be obvious but we are sharing the tips because we are seeing similar incidents too frequently. Because of the diversity of our community, we can't assume that everyone is aware of the trends. In closing, we want everyone to have a wonderful closeout to 2016. By doing so will put you in place to have a great start to 2017.

"The mission of the Atlanta Police Department is to create a safer Atlanta by

reducing crime, ensuring the safety of our citizens and building trust in partnership with our community."

Sincerely,

Major T. D. Peek

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- ☒ Do not leave money, bills, or coins out in the open.
- ☒ Do not leave a firearm in your vehicle.

If you are a victim of a crime, call 911 immediately!



CPNO Officer and Committee Reports for October

These reports were submitted by officer and committee chairs prior to the November Members Meeting

President-Zaid Duwayri

Our notable accomplishments this year were a very successful Fall Fest, brand growth and a strong financial position. We balanced the goals of keeping a lean expense budget while investing our time and dollars into high impact activities such as our logo merchandise and CP Movie Night. With a strong financial position, we will announce our target projects for 2017 funding and continue to allocate priority in funding for the recommendations listed in our neighborhood Master Plan. We have seen traction in our communications with the city regarding the RenewATL infrastructure bond and the allocated dollars for Candler Park. We are hopeful that we will see the money put to work in 2017. Thank you for your support.

External Affairs Officer – Lauren Welsh

- NPU-N has a new City of Atlanta planner attending our meetings named Julia Billings. I have spoken with her directly about providing expertise to help guide resident conversations around development in our area.

- Renew Atlanta held a public meeting on Thursday, November 17 regarding potential changes to Dekalb Avenue. The goal is to create a “complete street” that includes a design that can work for vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists and transit. The conversation focused on making Dekalb Ave a safer street and removing the reversible lane. More public meetings to present specific design proposals will happen in early 2017.

- The Atlanta City Design Project has several upcoming public discussion meetings. The goal of the project is to create a long-term vision for the successful growth of the city by getting significant input from residents. Conversations focus on the unique characteristics of our city and how to retain those while also embracing a growing population.

Quadrant Meetings

Monday, Nov. 28th, 2016 at 7:00pm
The Cathedral of St. Philip
2744 Peachtree Road NW
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Wednesday, Nov. 30th, 2016 at 7:00pm
The Agape Community Center
2353 Bolton Road NW
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Thursday, Dec. 1st, 2016 at 7:00pm
Georgia Hill Neighborhood Center
250 Georgia Avenue SE
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Thursday, Dec. 8th, 2016 at 7:00pm
Adamsville Recreation Center
3201 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW
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Topic Meetings

8:00am-9:30am
Atlanta City Studio, Ponce City Market,
2nd Floor, Suite N212

Friday, Nov. 18th
Nature - parks, ecology, urban agriculture,
green building

Tuesday, Nov. 29th
Access - mobility, bike/ped, growth
patterns, wayfinding

Wednesday, Nov. 30th
Ambition - business, development, arts,
public life, education

Friday, Dec. 2nd
Progress - housing affordability,
preservation, social engagement
Thursday, Dec. 8th
Equity - investment priority, civic
participation, welcome

Citywide Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 6th, 2016 at 6:00pm
Atlanta Central Library
One Margaret Mitchell Square NW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Freedom Park Conservancy- Carol Gregory

Freedom Park Conservancy board did not meet on Nov. 8, election eve. Next meeting is Dec. 13, 7 PM at the Carter Center. Did you notice that the Tree of Life has been repainted?. Thank you parks department and cultural arts. Carol Gregory, carolagreg@gmail.com

Candler Park Conservancy-Ken Edelstein

Pro bono landscape architects at Perkins + Will continue to work on the draft vision document for park's long term projects. This plan will include the projects that have been identified by both CPNO and Conservancy members as priorities. Among them: amphitheater, field rehabilitation and better walkways, as well as pool, pool house and playground improvements. We anticipate a draft of the vision plan to be ready for comment in January. Once the document is completed we'll be able (to) build support and raise money for individual projects. In other action: • Work has begun on a pro bono professionally designed landscaping at the park entrance. To volunteer for a fun planting work day on either Dec. 3 or 4, go to candlerparkconservancy.org. • About 20 CP and LC residents joined an interpretive tour of the beaver ponds during last week's "Beaver Moon." • Join the Conservancy at <https://candlerparkconservancy.org/join-and-donate/> and receive our newsletter! • Other projects in the pipeline: erosion fix/ plantings between Callan Circle and tennis courts, erosion fix/plantings between the parking drive and the field; and "Save Our Streams" drainage fixes.

Communications-Russell Miller

2016 did not involve significant changes for how communications to the neighborhood organization were conducted. I did begin the practice of including links to the digital version of the Messenger not only at candlerpark.org, but also on our Facebook page as well as NextDoor. This increase in locations to access the Messenger means we are reaching more neighbors than ever. Speaking of the Messenger, 2016 did bring significant and unexpected changes in leadership. In the spring, our very professional and excellent editor David Terraso had to step down due to a work change. We were fortunate to quickly fill the position with Kayla Rumpfeldt, who stepped in, and stepped up when we were in need. Unfortunately, Kayla also was unable to continue so after *See Committee Reports, p. 19*

From Committee Reports, p. 18

2 months we were again in search of a new editor. Enter Susan Rose, long time resident and CPNO member! As our new editor Susan brings a long history and a keen eye for newsworthy items in Candler Park. We are lucky and excited to have her on board.

FallFest-Ken Edelstein

This year's Fall Fest is pleased to report a net income of approximately \$60,000 — more than double the net of any previous Fall Fest. We believe that our expansion on to McLendon Avenue was a great success, because it both allowed us to bring the festival deeper into the neighborhood and because it placed less pressure on the park field. This year's committee members expect to perform a post mortem meeting in November to ensure that next year's Fall Fest is even better. In addition to this year's dramatic increase in income: • Through Fall Fest, CPNO provided opportunities for other community nonprofits to benefit. Among them Mary Lin PTA (approx

\$4,000), Candler Park Conservancy (more than \$1000), voter registration (154 voters), Linapalooza, and CP/LC Safety Patrol. • As best we can tell, sponsorships, the Artist Market, the Tour of Homes, Kidlandia, merchandise, and entertainment tickets all broke sales and participation records, while beverage sales and the road runs did better than in recent years. • Some 100 volunteers participated. • The event featured around 200 artist, Kidlandia and sponsors' booths • Our music mix (tribute bands on Saturday, local bands on Sunday) attracted significant crowds on each day. • An innovative musical lineup featuring tribute bands on Saturday and local bands on Sunday.

Treasurer Report-Chris Fitzgerald

I am pleased to report that CPNO enjoyed a strong financial year thanks to a very successful Fall Festival (thank you Ken and team!) and a greater effort to control expenses. At this point, we are projected to end with approximately \$58k additional assets in our bank accounts.

The new Board will thoughtfully propose how to spend our money in 2017 (and beyond) so that we best serve the needs of our neighborhood with the Master Plan as our guide. As always, we welcome input and engagement from all neighbors ~ thank you for your support and here's to a fantastic 2017!

Secretary-Bonnie Palter

In our efforts to contain costs, we are no longer printing the monthly reports. The reports are projected on a screen for members to review and vote. Otherwise the Secretarial duties are unchanged. Member Minutes are published in the Messenger for the Members to review before voting to accept/approve. Board Minutes are online on the website (candlerpark.org) for any member to review.



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Candler Park Crime Reports

Crime reports are provided by Atlanta Police Department Zone 6 and compiled by CPNO member David Bruce

1300 block DeKalb Ave

Larceny from auto – 10/8 Sat Day. Street. Victim did not lock her vehicle. Video footage shows a B/M, slim, 5'9" to 5' 11", walking and pulling on door handles to the vehicles parked in the rear of his building. Hand held stun gun taken.

300 block Elmira Pl

Larceny – 10/8 Sun Morn. Bike trailer taken from front porch.

1300 block Benning Pl

Larceny – 10/8 Sat Day. Kent Terra 2.6 mountain bike and chain taken from where it was chained to the stairs.

1300 block Euclid Ave

10/8 Sat Morn. Parking lot. Hybrid type bike 58" frame taken from neighborhood bike rack.

1600 block McLendon Ave

Robbery – 10/11 Tues Morn. The manager said while he was counting money at the table, a male dressed in all black with a mask on, came into the restaurant and grabbed an employee from behind by the neck and yelled, "Where is it." The robber then punched the manager and ran out after grabbing \$180 cash from the table. Video shows 3 suspects come near the rear of the restaurant. They parked on Page Ave. After checking the restaurant, 2 returned to the vehicle and the 3rd entered the restaurant. They left in the "get away car."

300 block Moreland Ave

Larceny from auto – 10/9 Sun Eve. Parking

lot. Window broken. Alto PA mixer, 5 XLR cables, backpack and practice guitar taken.

1200 block Euclid Ave

Larceny from auto – 10/11 Tues Eve. Street. Window broken. MacBook Pro, book bag with laptop and external hard drive taken.

300 block Elmira Pl

Larceny – 10/12 Wed Day. Someone cut the bike lock with bolt cutters and stole the Schwinn single gear bike.

1400 block DeKalb Ave

Larceny from auto (Attempted only) – 10/18 Tues Morn. Vehicle was left unlocked. Witness saw arrestee inside his neighbor's vehicle while he was out smoking a cigarette. Arrestee poked his head out of the vehicle after the name had been called and realized he had not been seen and quickly walked away. (That is how it was in report) Officers apprehended the arrestee when he called for an ambulance at the MARTA station. It was discovered he fit the description of the suspect seen inside the victim's car. A show up was done and he was positively identified. B/M 20 YO.

200 block Josephine St

Larceny from auto – 10/18 Tues Eve. Street. Window broken. iPad, Kindle, Bose headphones, Bose Soundlink 2 speaker, Lenovo laptop, iPod, external hard drive, work and house keys, backpack, wallet with credit cards, \$500 cash, gas card, audio cables, charging cords, watch, umbrella, jockery battery, wireless hotspot

and prescription glasses were taken.

1300 block McLendon Ave

Robbery – 10/24 Mon Morn. Apartment. Victim was delivering pizza and waited in front of the supposed apartment for 3 mins and returned to his vehicle to find someone, a B/M, trying to drive his stick shift. Suspect exited with a silver revolver and demanded his wallet, with \$60 debit and credit cards, SS card and DL. Suspect left in a 1999 red Jeep. Victim pursued the Jeep in his vehicle. Suspect headed east on I-20 and tossed victim's cell phone out of the window. Victim stopped to get his phone and lost sight of the suspect but not before getting the tag # of the Jeep.

351 Moreland Ave

Robbery – 11/3 Thurs Eve. Parking lot. 2 victims said were leaving the restaurant and 2 B/Ms walked out from behind the dumpsters and brandished weapons demanding their belongings. 2 cellphones, 2 IDs, 2 credit cards, prepaid card, \$40 cash, purse and wallet taken. One suspect was heavy set. The other one had several tattoos on his face.

400 block Moreland Ave

Larceny – 11/3 Thurs Day. Specialty store. Victim said she placed her wallet, with DL, debit card and credit card, at the front register and walked to the back of the building. When she came back it was missing. Video shows a B/M 5' 10" to 6' tall, bald head and beard, walk up and look over the desk and grab the light pink wallet, stick it down his pants and leave the salon.

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November 21 CPNO Members Meeting — draft minutes

These draft minutes are presented for review. They may be amended before being considered for official adoption at the December 19 CPNO Members Meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Zaid Duwayri, President. Motion to adopt the agenda as printed and displayed passed.

Guest Speaker: Lt. Floyd reported an overall decrease in crime compared to the same 28 days last year.

Announcements:

Thanks to Maria of Palacintas for her contribution to the Pot Luck.
Thanks to all who contributed.

Flo Henry of Paedaia School announced the Field Day as March 27 and seeking support for the use of the soccer field at Candler Park. Motion to support Paedaia's Field Day passed.

Mary Jane Lynch, representing the Wylde Center/Mulberry Fields, updated the Members on progress and activities at Mulberry Fields. Oakhurst will have a decorating wreath day(s) November 30-Dec4.

Carolyn Murphy is requesting permission to create tree ornaments with the new Candler Park logo. Samples were shown.

Ken Edelstein, reporting for Kate Sanhaus, Education Chairperson, stated the rehabilitation of the old Howard School as a new middle school for the Grady cluster will be ready by 2020.

Jay Sanhaus announced that Freedom Park Conservancy has plans for adding picnic tables in at least three locations.

Amy Stout, representing the Candler Park Conservancy, announced new plantings will be done Dec 3-4 at the entrance of the Park. Volunteers welcome.

Lauren Welsh announced her candidacy for City Council District 2.

Election of the 2017 Board of Directors was presided over by Susan Rose, Chair of the Nominating Committee. After thanking the Committee of Don Bender, Roger Bakeman, Jennifer Wildes, and Lisa Morris, the voting took place as follows:

Motion to elect Zaid Duwayri President by acclamation passed.

Motion to elect Bonnie Palter Secretary by acclamation passed.

Motion to elect Roger Bakeman Membership Officer passed.

Motion to elect Bill Morris Zoning Officer by acclamation passed.

Motion to elect Chris Fitzgerald Fundraising Officer passed.

Motion to elect Russell Miller Communications Officer passed.

Motion to elect Lindy Kerr External Affairs Officer passed.

(Mark Clement withdrew his nomination for External Affairs Officer.)

Treasurer will be appointed by the Board of Directors in January of 2017.

Treasurer Report- Chris Fitzgerald showed a comparative graph of Membership Contributions, Merchandise Sales, FallFest Income, and CPNO operating expenses. Operating Expenses

have been cut while FallFest exhibited the largest income in 3 years. Cash on hand is \$98,000.

General Discussion:

Infrastructure Committee met with the City again regarding RenewATL bond. The estimate for sidewalks has quadrupled and the city will not be able to repair the sidewalks. Original amount was allotted at \$400,000 and the amount now is 1.9 billion. The Committee requested a third estimate be made.

Parking Permit Trial-The residents of Elmira Place met; and the process is moving forward. CPNO has not been a part of the process even though the project will impact several other streets in the area. The main purpose of the permits is to limit the effect of patrons' parking for Fox Bros. restaurant.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Secretary

November 21, 2016

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