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January 2008

News for Candler Park

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Meetings and Events

CPNO Meeting January 21st 7:00PM
Social Period @ 6:30PM

CPNO meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month at the First Existentialist Congregation located at 470 Candler Park Dr.

All are welcome.

January General Meeting Agenda:

- Welcoming Remarks, approval of agenda and December minutes
- Officer and Committee Reports
- Land Use Matters:
 - Variance for 428 Candler Street
 - Alcohol license for 1660 Dekalb
- New Business
- Voting items:
 - Application to hold 420 Festival on April 19 & 20
 - Donation to Fire Station #12 (\$5000)
 - Funding Fall Fest bank account (\$10,500)
 - Funding new CPNO Website (~\$120)
 - Funding 2008 meeting space rental at First E & Epworth Methodist (~\$2200)
 - Funding 2008 corp. registration (\$60)
- Announcements
- Open Forum

To submit agenda items, contact any CPNO officer. The February agenda deadline is January 26th, 2008

Events Calendar

All meetings listed below begin at 7PM and are open to all

Wednesday, January 9th @ 7pm

CPNO Zoning Committee Epworth United Methodist Church, 2nd Floor

Monday, January 14th @ 7pm

CPNO Board of Directors Epworth United Methodist Church, 2nd Floor

Thursday, January 17th @ 7pm

Friends of Candler Park, Java Vino 579 North Highland

Monday, January 21st @ 7pm

CPNO Regular Meeting First Existentialist Congregation

Wednesday, January 23rd @ 7pm

CPNO Historic District Committee Epworth United Methodist, 2nd Floor

Thursday, January 24th @ 7pm

NPU-N L5P Community Center

Wednesday, February 6th @ 7pm

CPNO Zoning Committee Epworth United Methodist Church, 2nd Floor

After Half a Century, Fire Station No. 12 Needs an Extreme Makeover

By Regina Brandt

It has recently come to my attention that our neighborhood firehouse, Fire Station No. 12, on Dekalb Ave is in need of some major attention. That place is such a mess it needs everything!

I have spoken at length with Lt. Hutchinson and he tells me the fire fighters even took up a collection among themselves to buy new window blinds – the first new blinds since the building was built *50 years ago!* The building needs some new windows as-well-as plumbing fixtures and ceiling tiles. The fire fighters are also doing the interior painting themselves. Can we organize a workday to help them paint?

Lt. Hutchinson says they are no longer able to accept cash gifts from the public. But the neighborhood may be able to donate to the general fund and designate that our funds are to be directed to Station 12. The alternative is to get a very specific "Wish List" from the firefighters and purchase the items for them. Apparently they can accept *things*, but not cash.

These are my goals:

1. to begin to get them some of the items they need for a healthy environment, and
2. to shame the city into doing what it needs to do.

If you'd like to help, please attend the January CPNO meeting (Monday the 21st) and join in the discussion.

[Editor's Note: See related article on page 14.]

Terry Williams' Murder Suspect Granted Bond

By Richard B. Shapiro, D.D.S.

On Monday December 17, 2007 Judge T. Jackson Bedford heard a request for bail for 19 year old Cori Williams, charged in the murder of Terry Williams (no relation to the defendant) in front of Terry's Inman Park home on May 22, 2007. This defendant has been indicted on 6 counts: 2 counts of aggravated assault with attempt to rob and 1 count each of felony murder, criminal attempt to commit armed robbery, murder, possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony. Terry was shot in the head during the course of an armed robbery and died of that wound. It was a sudden, random, stranger-on-stranger crime.

In a move that surprised many in the neighborhood, Judge Bedford granted the defendant Cori Williams bond set at \$92,500 with several conditions. These include no use of drugs or alcohol, being employed within 2 weeks, living at his parent's home, being home everyday between 6pm and 7am, no contact with any of the witnesses and staying out of the L5P area. However one condition that Judge Bedford set defies common sense and credulity, it's that although there are **4 GUNS** in the house, the accused can live there if bailed out since **his father is supposed to keep the guns under lock and key.**

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New Year's Resolutions

By Donna Palmer

Last week while I was De-Christmasing the house, I got to thinking about how my list of resolutions for the new year was getting shorter. I have—or should I say *had*—the usual run of the mill list:

stop smoking
get a better job

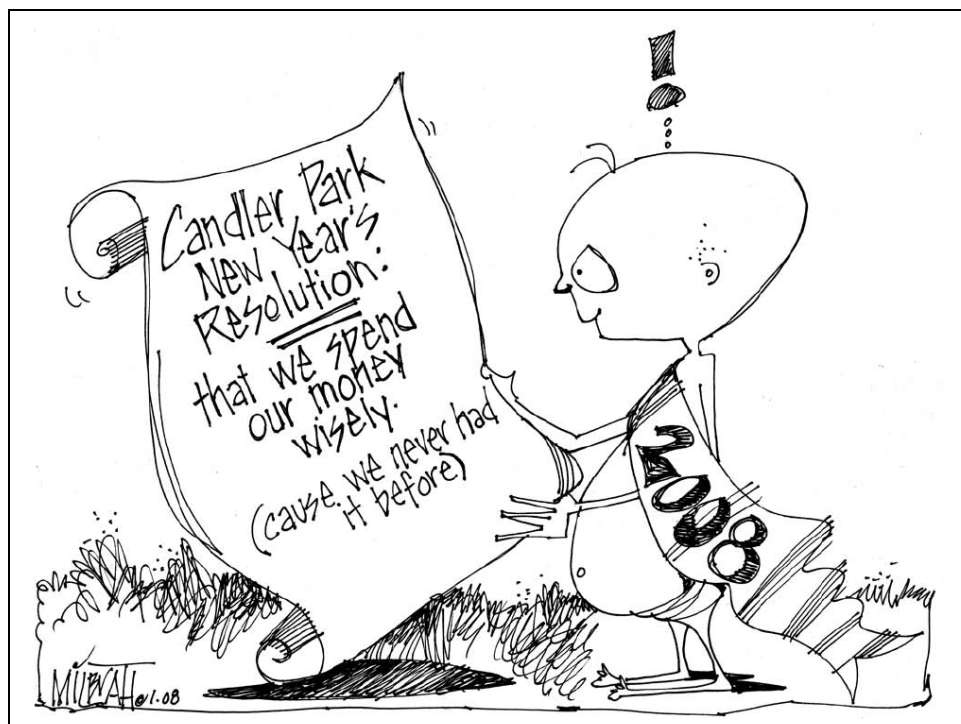
walk a mile every day
lose 20 pounds

Last year, I'm proud to say that after 33 years, I finally stopped smoking (applause please). It's not easy, but anything worth while rarely is. And, due to the insistence of my dog the Amazing Grace, I generally walk almost a mile almost every day. Currently, my job is to pretty much do as I please and while that may sound exceedingly conceited, I do earn my keep. Which brings us to the last one...those 20 pounds that sneaked up on me during my 30's and 40's.

Occasionally, I'll get a wild hair and decide to go on some fashionable diet and lose that excess load. (This usually occurs in the spring, when it's time to get a new swim suit.) I'll get a look at myself in those merciless department store mirrors and swear that I will not eat anything for a month and as god is my witness, I will lose this weight. *I will go hungry again!*

But lately, I've noticed that I don't care so much. Except for the stick figures on TV and the vacant looking souls in fashion magazines, everyone else looks pretty much like me. And then it hits me...what if I changed my way of looking at things and started accepting the fact that barring a major illness, I'll never be a size 4? What if I eat a healthy, tasty diet, get some exercise and just feel better? What if I don't beat myself up as I reach for that dish of chocolate mint chip ice cream and just enjoy it? What if my New Year's resolution was to just be the best I can be?

Nah. That would be too easy.



Laughter in the Park

by Deb Milbrath

L5P Murder Suspect Granted Bond

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Fulton County District Attorney Paul Howard gave this powerful written statement to Creative Loafing on bond being granted:

"The fact that a bond has been set in this case is a disgrace. My office strenuously opposed it; the people who live and work in the Little Five Points community were present in court, along with the victim's family, and they all opposed it. Why a judge would allow a defendant who murders a citizen by shooting him in the face while attempting to rob him, to be released from jail, defies reason and spits in the face of justice."

The Creative Loafing article and some responses to it can be found at: <http://blogs.creativeloafing.com/freshloaf/2007/12/19/accused-l5p-killer-granted-bail/>

As of this writing (12/26/07) Cori Williams is still listed as in jail. You can check on the status of whether he remains in jail by going to <http://www.fultonsheriff.org/>. Click on "Jail" scroll down, enter the booking number 0719194, and then click "Search". However, the site reports that the data is only updated once a day. The jail telephone number is listed as (404) 853-2001.

If Cori Williams is released from jail, use the photo shown below to be on the look out for him violating the terms of his bond by visiting Little 5 Points.



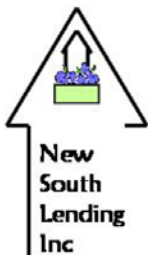
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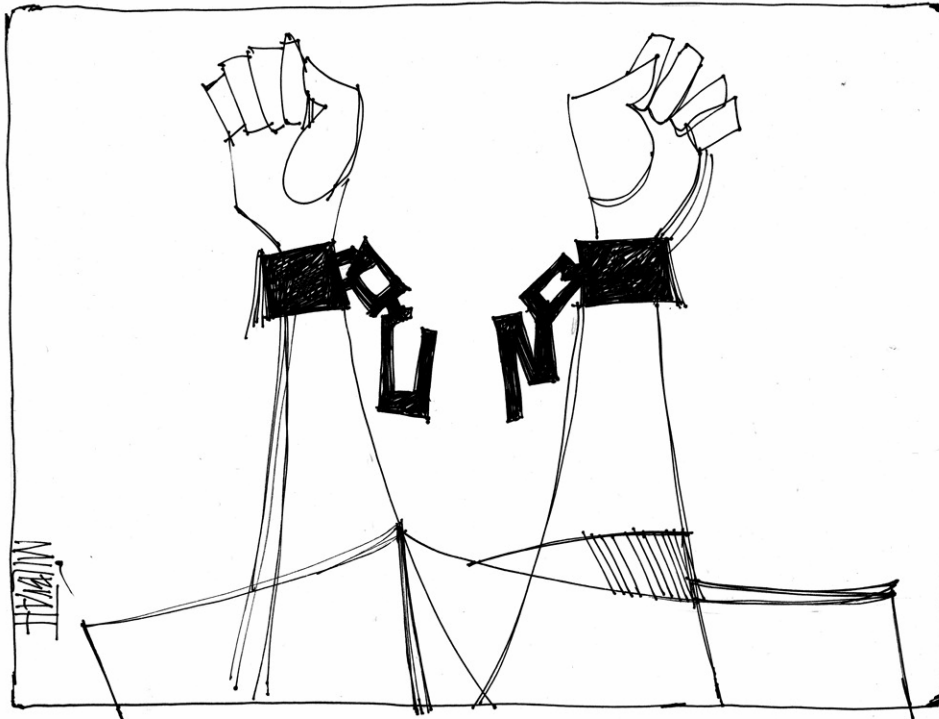
By Amy Stout

Our own Messenger Cartoonist extraordinaire, Deb Milbrath has a drawing in an exhibit at the United Nations building in New York. The exhibit, which opened on December 10th, commemorates the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

According to Milbrath, "They called me late...and I pulled something together real fast, but NEVER heard a peep. Then I got a call from the organizer – a founder of a cartoon syndicate linked with the New York Times – he said my piece was in, looked great, and that the exhibit was well received and was prominently situated. I'm really thrilled to be a part of it."

The traveling exhibit will make stops at UN sites across the globe and will be part of the 15th anniversary of the UN Conference on Human Rights in Vienna.

In addition to the UN exhibit, Deb also has 2 toons in this year's Pelican Book's *Best Editorial Cartoon of 2008*. Brava!



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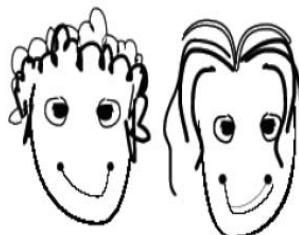
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NPU-N Report
by Amy Stout

The following items from the December 20, 2007 meeting of NPU-N are those most likely to be of interest to Candler Park residents.

The board considered an application for a special exception to reduce the amount of parking required (from 49 to 43 spaces) at 299 Moreland Avenue to allow applicant Ken Greene to open a restaurant (in the former laundromat building next to the Sherwin Williams store.) My motion NOT to support the application was approved 5-0-4. The Board of Zoning Adjustment will make the final decision on this application at their January 18th meeting (Friday, 1 p.m. in City Council Chambers). Anyone with concerns about this application should attend to provide public comment.

The board provided comment on a variance application for 1223 Druid Place (to increase the % of total floor area of a proposed accessory structure in relation to the total floor area of the main structure) to allow construction of a carriage house. The board voted unanimously to inform the Urban Design Commission there was no opposition to the variance.

Councilmember Natalyn Archibong was present and answered questions about legislation she had proposed that would remove the expiration date on \$800,000 in escrow designated for traffic calming measures at the Edgewood Retail District. Another provision of the legislation would allow an additional year of operation of the shuttle between Little Five Points and Edgewood with hopes that ridership will increase and make it sustainable. The NPU-N board voted unanimously to support this legislation.

The board deferred consideration of a variance application to reduce the side yard setback from 7' to 3' to allow for an addition to a single-family residence at 428 Candler Street and again deferred consideration of an application for a new alcohol license for applicant Janea Boyles of The Mercantile at 1660 Dekalb Avenue. Presumably both these items will be on the agenda again at the January 24th meeting.

We learned that the City of Atlanta now has all of its Dept of Planning applications available online and were informed that the ING Marathon will be back in our neighborhood the last Sunday of March.

We elected a slate of officers for 2008: Chair-Anna Copello; Vice-Chair-Jonathan Miller; Secretary-Amy Stout. However, the Chair indicated she will only be able to serve a partial term, and a mid-term replacement will be required. The nominating committee will continue to recruit an NPU-N resident to fill this non-voting leadership position. CPNO also needs to designate alternates to represent the organization on the 2008 NPU-N board if I am unable to attend. If you have an interest in land use matters and city policy, please contact me to volunteer. (akstout@emory.edu)



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The Infill/Historic District Committee Report

By Tom Painter

Our next committee meeting will be on Wednesday, 23 January 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room of Epworth United Methodist Church. We will try to get an agenda of some kind out before then. Please plan to attend and invite others!

We have a date, time and place for our presentation of the committee's work on infill development in Candler Park:

- **Date:** Wednesday, 27 February 2007. Please note that this is the usual meeting date/time of the Infill/Historic District Committee; the meetings are open to all CP neighbors.
- **Time:** 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- **Place:** Epworth United Methodist Church.

We are planning to use the fellowship hall (the former CPNO meeting room, downstairs), and will have signs posted with details if the room location changes.

Major topics:

- The nature and impact of infill development in Candler Park
- Options examined by the committee for addressing infill development
- The committee's recommendation that CP seek a Historic District designation
- Description of next steps in the process and how you and other CP neighbors can become (more) involved
- Obtain preliminary input from those who attend

Please plan to come and invite as many of your neighbors as you can to attend and share their views on these important changes and the committee's work.

We plan to post signs around the neighborhood, announcing the meeting, so look for them.

Please contact Co-chair Walt (Walt.T.Weimar@sprint.com), former Chairperson, Lauren (lwelsh@atlcf.org) or me (tcp2@cdc.gov and tompainter2007@yahoo.com) if you have comments or questions. Preferably, send your communications to all of us!

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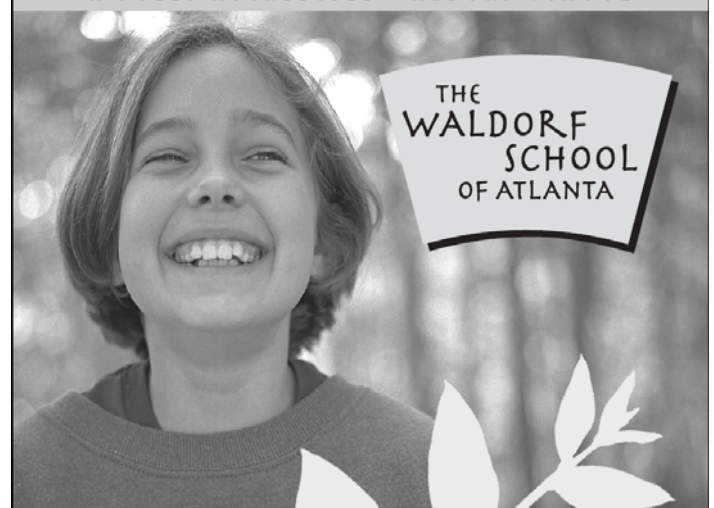
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Eat Locally and Stay Fit

By the Food Freak

For a number of years, trends in the foodie world have been moving toward eating locally grown, seasonal foods that are harvested at their peak. Many groceries and farmer's markets are now posting the origin of the foods they offer. And, when you buy these foods, not only do you usually get a better tasting meal, you're also helping sustain a lifestyle that enables individual farmers and small operations to compete in the ever expanding world dominated by Big Farm.

The principle of eating locally should also apply to restaurants. We are so fortunate to live in a neighborhood that offers an abundance of locally owned and operated eateries that are within walking distance of our homes. But without steady, repeat customers, these restaurants can not stay in business. Case in point...GrandMa Luke's in Little 5 Points. Back before Halloween last year, Chef Jenn and I wandered in for breakfast one morning and were blown away by the yumminess of the food. Then, a few weeks later, much to our dismay, we saw that Grandma was closed!

I was reminded of this during the recent holiday, when my baboo and I got up early one morning to beat the mad hang-over fueled rush and actually walked in and were seated at a breakfast table at Gato Bizco Cafe. While our smiling waitron was loading us up with hot coffee and ice water, we asked how business was going. "Well, weekends are great, we generally have a full house on Saturdays and Sundays, but man it's really slow during the week."

So here's the challenge. Instead of swinging by a fast-food conglomerate on your way home from work, get home, change into some happy pants and head out the door and walk to supper. Depending on how far you'll have to walk, and how many kids and partner/spousal-units you'll have to shepherd along the way, you could actually work up quite a healthy appetite. And, after you've eaten, the stroll back home will aid digestion. There are plenty of places that meet a variety of budgets and tastes. Find your favorite and spread the news.

p.s., for a quick hang-over fix, I recommend the Bizco's breakfast burrito with a side of bacon plus, a stack of sweet potato pancakes and some sausage. You may not be able to eat it all in one sitting, but when the munchies strike later in the day, you'll have killer left-overs.

Questions, concerns, ideas? Lemme know. foodfreak@visionforge.org.

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Celebrating 420 in Candler Park

By Mark Clement

The Sweetwater 420 Festival is an event to celebrate our natural resources and learn about environmental concerns while enjoying food, art, beer, and live music from local and regional bands. This year, we are planning to expand the event into a two day celebration because of the amazing success of last year's festival.

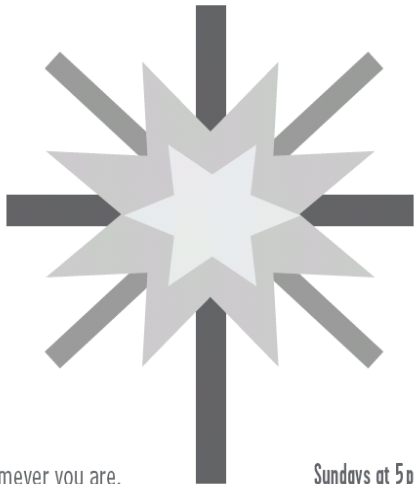
Our plan is to create a very green event by inviting both commercial and non-profit earth-friendly organizations to talk about ways to conserve and help the environment. We are going to do our part as well by using earth friendly and recyclable materials whenever possible. Also, we hope to be a part of a city wide Earth Day initiative and will have an announcement about that soon.

The event is planned for April 19th and 20th in Candler Park. We will begin discussion of this event at the next CPNO general meeting (January 21, 7pm, First Existential). At that meeting, I plan to call for 3 votes:

- A vote to approve \$10,500 to fund the 2008 Fall Fest.
- A vote to approve \$1,525 for meeting space at Epworth for the year of 08 for our CPNO Executive Board, Zoning, Historical, Safety, and Fall Fest. (5 meetings per month @ \$25 with an extra \$25 for the Fellowship Hall for the February Historical meeting.)
- A vote to support the 420 Fest.

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Showing Our Spirit for the Hood!

By Mary Alice Bray

The organizers of **2008 ING Georgia Marathon/Half Marathon** are urging Candler Park and other neighborhoods along the race route to form official Cheering Zones to compete for up to \$10,000 in grants for neighborhood fitness initiatives.

The race is scheduled for Sunday, March 30 with a 6:55AM starting gun for wheelchair athletes and a 7AM start for runners. Organizers expect to sell out again with up to 15,000 participants. The 26.2 mile Marathon begins and ends outside Centennial Park following a lovely course designed to "showcase historic Atlanta, beautiful Decatur and all of the neighborhoods in between."

According to the website, during the race, the Cheering Zones will be judged on the following areas:

1. **"Orangeness"** : Orange is one of ING's corporate colors and the color theme for the ING Georgia Marathon & Half Marathon.
2. **Open, Opportunity and Optimism:** These are the three main attributes of the new Atlanta brand.
3. **Enthusiasm:** Participants in the Cheering Zone should show that they are excited and proud to be there.
4. **Volume:** There's "safety in numbers" and also FUN in numbers! A big crowd of people at the Cheering Zone makes visual impact and audible impact.
5. **Innovation/Creativity:** The judges will look for unique themes relating to the Cheering Zone's neighborhood or organization.

There are a few other guidelines such as staying out of the way of the runners, not stomping on people's grass and other good neighbor policies.

The deadline for entry is March 9th, so we'd better get started if we want to get our squad together.

Peggy Rogers Community Outreach Director ING Georgia Marathon & Half Marathon is coordinating this event. Go to www.INGGeorgiaMarathon.com for details.

Or, contact me Mary Alice Bray 404.522.5455 if you'd like to join or even spearhead this effort.

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By Amy Stout

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I Hope You Got a Bike For Christmas

By Jennifer Boxer

I hope you got a shiny bicycle, that's exactly the color you want. I hope it has the perfect sized seat, the perfect number of gears and those perfect little pedal thingies that keep your feet from slipping off. I hope it has all the bells and whistles you could wish for, but mostly...I hope it has the bells. You remember those sweet little *brrring-brrring* bells that used to sit on the handlebars?

Twice now while my dog and I were strolling around the park, I've experienced the exhilarating thrill of a sudden bodily "near-miss" with a speeding bicyclist. What if I'd taken that one small step into his path at the exact moment he whizzed up behind me at what felt like a gazillion miles an hour? Ouch!

Now don't get me wrong. I consider people who bike to work and school to be brilliant. Not only are they making a smaller carbon footprint, they're probably making a smaller *real* footprint since they stay thinner than the rest of us by pedaling around so much. But, a few rules of the road/path may help avoid a catastrophe. I "Googled" Bicycle Road Rules and found plenty of safety information. So, if you got that new bike, please drive responsibly.

And if you can't get a sweet little *brrring-brrring* bell, then hey pal, a simple "On your left" will suffice!

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The photographs in this exhibit have been selected from Robert Glenn Ketchum's comprehensive 2-book Aperture release, *Rivers of Life: Southwest Alaska, The Last Great Salmon Fishery* and *Wood-Tikchik: Alaska's Largest State Park* the most complete photographic archive ever created of this area. Some images in this exhibit are larger than life, and their startling clarity gives the boreal landscape a surreal quality.

"While Alaska may seem far away to Georgians, the climate change crisis is reinforcing how differing landscapes across the globe are interconnected and how people must work together to save our natural world," said Shelly Lakly, director of The Nature Conservancy in Georgia, a sponsor of the exhibition.

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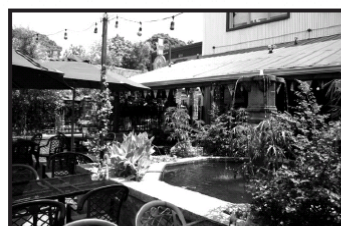
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Consigning Children

By Kathryn Brannon

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The sale was organized by two stay-at-home-moms, Tama McGee and Kathryn Brannon. Tama and Kathryn met while pregnant with their two-year-old sons and found that they had shopping for bargains in common. "I enjoy buying things for the kids", Tama says, "but it can get very expensive. I've found that I can buy really great name-brands and good quality clothing at consignment sales for a quarter of what I'd pay for them new." Kathryn loves the idea of recycling and says she's happy to buy and sell her sons clothing and toys at consignment sales.

Anyone wishing to participate as a seller may register at www.fiveanddimekids.com. Sellers will receive 2/3 of their selling price and they will be given passes to attend a special seller-only preview sale, which allows them to shop before the sale opens to the public. Better yet, become a volunteer and receive passes to attend the volunteer-only sale, which allows volunteers to shop first. Volunteers who work more than one shift also receive 3/4 of their selling price.

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I ♥ Candler Park

By JoJo Ross

I love Candler Park and I feel most people living here and reading this feel the same way. I think of Candler Park as a haven between "big city" livin' and the small town you watched on *Leave it to Beaver*. Downtown Little Five Points keeps us funky and fresh (and from saying things like "Golly!") but just a few blocks off the busy square are the patterned sidewalks, stoic trees, and old homes that are signatures of our neighborhood. Even more of a trademark is our beautiful Candler Park on McClendon Avenue.

I am fortunate enough to make it to the park about 5 days a week and while spending time there I started wondering what ways I could get involved in keeping it in its best condition and ensuring it remains a safe place for our community. I contacted Tom Painter, CPNO Environment Officer, and he patiently listened to my long list of ideas for the park. He offered his ideas and then came his question "Well, what do our neighbors think is important for our park?" Tom, you are so good. I proposed we reinvigorate the Friends of Candler Park.

The Friends of Candler Park is an organization aimed at caring for and promoting the use of Candler Park. In recent history, there have been clean ups organized with little attendance and I wonder if it's because people don't think our park needs any cleaning up. We are lucky enough to be living in a time when Candler Park is safe, not heavily inhabited at night, and not used as a general dumping ground. That being said, it is not without needing care. There is a need for not only garbage clean up, but also for landscaping. We need to ensure our park remains one that discourages illegal behavior and remains as safe as possible. I invite all of you to take ownership of our park, make it your backyard and become involved in its care and advocacy. Join us in deciding what the top priorities for the Friends of Candler Park should be Thursday, January 17th 7pm at Java Vino (579 North Highland – across from Manual's Tavern).

If you want more information, contact me. I'm JoJo Ross, Director of Business Development Operation Boot Camp (404-547-8542 Fax: 208-330-6026 JoJo@OperationBootCamp.com)

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Firestation Has Burning Need for Repairs

By Amy Stout

Have you seen the video documenting the depressing living conditions at our local Fire Station, (#12 on Dekalb Avenue)? An Atlanta fireman filmed multiple examples of old and damaged items that need replacing in the building that was erected in 1958. There are problems with windows, doors, blinds, ceiling tiles, plumbing, and light fixtures, plus the telltale signs of rodent infestation above the ceiling tiles.

Some neighbors saw clips of this film on the local TV news and/or received the memo about an "adopt a ceiling tile" program to allow citizens and businesses to donate to the station. They've expressed a desire for the neighborhood organization to support the firemen. At our January CPNO meeting, we will discuss and vote on a possible donation to the station of up to \$5,000.

However, the City of Atlanta Fire Rescue Dept employees that were present at the December NPU-N meeting said they cannot accept donations from the public even if we'd like to make a contribution. Fortunately, an Atlanta Fire Foundation is being set up to accept such donations according to Lt. Jim Daws. The plan is for donors to be able to earmark their gifts for particular stations.

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Georgia's 2007-2011 State Historic Preservation Plan is now online

From a Press Release

Under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, each State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is charged with developing, and revising as needed, a statewide historic preservation plan. Georgia's State Historic Preservation Plan 2007-2011: Building a Preservation Ethic was completed in 2007 and is now available on our website at <http://hpd.dnr.state.ga.us/content/displaycontent.asp?txtDocument=408>. This plan will guide our work through 2011, and provides common direction for all organizations and individuals who support the preservation of Georgia's historic places.

The Plan includes information about trends in Georgia and how they may affect historic properties; mission, vision and goals for historic preservation; information about Georgia's historic and archaeological resources, information about how preservation works in Georgia, and about the statewide preservation planning process. We encourage you to take a look at the Plan and assist us in the mission of promoting the preservation and use of historic places for a better Georgia.

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Update on Environmental Issues

By Tom Painter

A while back I started the CPNO Environment e-mail distribution list, based on contact information from persons who expressed an interest in environmental issues when they joined or renewed their CPNO membership. This is an e-mail list, not a listserv, which I use periodically to post items pertaining to environmental issues – locally and globally. If you wish to be added to the list, please send your name and e-mail address to me (tompainter2007@yahoo.com and tcp2@cdc.gov).

More recently, CP neighbor Joye "JoJo" Ross (Director of Business Development, Operation Boot Camp) expressed a keen interest in energizing efforts to do more for, in, and in relation to Candler Park, an area of our neighborhood that can always use more creative attention. So look for periodic updates and ideas from JoJo (see article page 13) and others about good things that can be done to benefit Candler Park and other green spaces in and near our neighborhood.

Open House at Montessori In Town

From a Press Release

On Sunday, January 13 from 2 to 4 PM, Montessori In Town will host an Open House for prospective parents of children ages three to six. Montessori In Town is a fully accredited Association Montessori Internationale (A.M.I.) school in its third year. We're located at 1085 Ponce de Leon Avenue in the Education Building of Druid Hills Baptist Church, at the intersection of North Highland and Ponce de Leon Avenues.

A hallmark of Montessori education is mixed age groups with carefully chosen and beautiful teaching materials to meet the developmental needs of the children. The classroom environments are maintained in an aesthetically pleasing and ordered manner so that children can practice making choices and develop independence. Developing strong community bonds is made possible by daily interaction and problem solving in a respectful manner as modeled by the adults in their basic respect shown to each child.

Montessori In Town was established in the Fall of 2005 by Maureen Walter, long time Montessori educator and Inman Park resident. Please join us at our upcoming Open House. RSVPs are invited so that we can plan accordingly. For more information see our web site: www.montessorintown.com. We may be reached by phone: 404 784 1038 or by e-mail: montintown@mindspring.com

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Minutes from the CPNO Meeting 17 December 2007

Compiled by Tom Painter

Amy Stout called the meeting to order. Those in attendance approved the agenda for the meeting and the minutes from the last meeting.

Police report: Sergeant Darin Schierbaum from the Atlanta PD noted that crime trends have increased as the holidays approach, and encouraged residents to be particularly watchful of their backyard areas. He noted that many recently arrested offenders have been quite young. Johnny Outlaw, who has been approaching CP residents with scam requests for money, has been arrested.

Officers' reports: There were no officers' reports, although Amy noted that the NPU-N needs a chair and invited folks to step up.

Special events: Mark Clement requested approval for a rerun of the Pet Parade in April 2008, and approval was granted. He noted how pleased the organizers are to do this activity in CP and emphasized how successful the event has been as a fund raiser for the Atlanta Humane Society.

The idea of a dance following the 2008 Fall Fest was mentioned. Mark acknowledged the idea, but cautioned that past efforts to do this had not been very successful, and that more discussion is warranted.

420 Sweetwater wants to do their festival again next year, for 2 days, and this request will be voted on in January 2008.

Land use matters: The Zoning Committee recommended that the request for a restaurant parking variance at 299 Moreland be denied. Considerable discussion followed and two votes were held. The request was denied by a vote of 23 to 5 by all in attendance, and again by a vote of 21 to 5 by CPNO members only, with 6 abstaining.

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Join CPNO in 2008

It's a great way to get involved in the neighborhood and keep up with what's happening in Candler Park, and allows you to fully participate by voting in CPNO's monthly meetings. Provide your e-mail address on the membership form, and receive e-mails with timely, important news from in and around Candler Park, and reminders of our upcoming meetings.

- Mary Alice Bray, Membership Secretary

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In accordance with the Zoning Committee's recommendation, the attendance voted to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for the construction of a garage/carriage house at 1223 Druid Place.

The application for a liquor license at 1660 DeKalb Ave. will be considered in January 2008.

New Business items: A proposal was made that CPNO contribute funds toward needed repairs at the DeKalb Ave/Candler Street fire station. Mike Brandt will present a proposal at the next meeting for a specific amount and repairs to be funded.

The occasional negative uses that some persons make of the CPNO web site Bulletin Board was discussed, a motion was made to instruct the volunteer who is working to improve the web site not to include the Bulletin Board, and was approved.

Announcements: Amy informed those present that the Infill/Historic District Committee will make a presentation on infill development in CP and the Committee's recommendation that CP seek a Historic District Designation from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 27 February 2008 at Epworth United Methodist Church.

Tom Painter introduced CP resident Joye Ross, who wishes to promote activities that will benefit Candler Park and CP green spaces, and indicated that in the near future, CP residents would be asked to provide their input concerning priorities for improvements in these areas. Tom invited any who are interested in joining a CPNO Environment e-mail distribution list to contact him.

James Johnson clarified that the next Zoning Committee will be held on 09 January.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Zone 6 Crime Report

November 19 – December 08
Compiled by Regina Brandt

300 Block Moreland Ave –Auto Theft. 11/18. Sun Eve. Victim reports someone stole his vehicle after he parked it in the parking lot. The vehicle was last seen going south on Moreland Ave

1300 Block Benning PI –Auto Theft. 11/20. Wed Morn. Victim reports someone stole his vehicle after he parked it in the parking lot. Victim stated he locked the vehicle's doors after parking it

200 Block Elmira PI –Residential Burglary. 11/20. Tue Day Officer responded to a call and found the rear door kicked in. No items appeared to be disturbed. No contact to secure the house. A directed patrol was made for the shift.

1300 Block North Ave –Residential Burglary. 11/20. Tue Morn Officers responded to an alarm call and found that someone had pried open a basement window. The home was checked but no one was located inside. The victim responded and advised that property had been taken

600 Block Moreland Ave –Larceny from Auto. 11/21. Wed Morn Victim reports someone broke his vehicle's passenger side windows and removed property.

1325 Block McLendon Ave—Larceny from Auto. 11/21-11/26. 5-Day time frame. Victim reported someone broke out the drivers' side window and stole some items from the vehicle.

1400 Block Fairview Rd—Residential Burglary. 11/22 – 11/23. 30-hour time frame. Unknown point of entry. Victim reports someone broke in to his guest house and removed property.

1 Lullwater Place—Larceny from Auto. 11/23– 11/24. 24-hour time frame. Victim reported someone made entry to her vehicle. No signs of forced entry and nothing was taken.

1300 Block Iverson St. --Larceny from Auto. 11/24 -11/26. 43 hour time frame. Victim stated that his vehicle was broken into, and that items were taken. Officer observed a 3-4" cut in the front right passenger tire.

1300 Block McLendon Ave—Larceny from Auto. 11/25 –11/26. 16 hour time frame. Victim reported someone had broken out the passenger side window and removed items.

300 Block Sterling St—Larceny from Auto. 11/25– 11/26. Eleven hour time frame Victim reported to police someone had broken out the rear passenger window and rummaged through the vehicle.

900 Block Euclid Ave—Auto Theft. 11/27. Tue Morn. Victim stated that he parked his vehicle at the location, and discovered that his vehicle was no longer there in the morning.

800 Block Oakdale Rd—Residential Burglary. 11/28. Wed Day. Victim reports someone smashed a window on her garage and removed property

1300 Block Hooper Ave—Residential Burglary. 11/28. Wed Day. Officer responded to an alarm call. When he arrived he found that someone had thrown a flower pot threw a rear door. The home was searched but no one was located inside. The Victim arrived and reported property had been taken.

700 Block Lullwater Rd –Residential Burglary. 11/29. Thurs Day. Victim reports someone pried off a glass window on the side of her home, entered, and removed property

1700 Block McLendon Ave--Larceny from Auto. 11/30. Fri Day Victim reports his vehicles tag is missing. He last saw it when he left for work in Norcross and later noticed it missing. Victim is not sure if the tag fell off or was stolen.

300 Oxford PI –Auto Theft. 12/1. Sun Morn. Victim reports someone stole her vehicle after she parked it on the street.

400 Block Page Ave –Residential Burglary. 12/1. Sat Day. Victim reports someone smashed the window in a rear door, entered the home, and removed property

1800 Block McLendon Ave –Larceny from Auto. 12/4. Wed Morn Victim reports someone entered his unsecured vehicle and removed property while it was parked in his driveway

700 Block Lullwater Rd –Residential Burglary. 12/5. Wed Day. Victim reports someone damaged the door lock to his trailer, and removed property

400 Callan Cir—Vehicle Recovered. 12/6 Telephone Victim states her scooter was recovered in Grant Park after it was stolen from her driveway. Victim needed a report so she could pick the scooter up from property

2000 Block McLendon Ave—Larceny from Yard. 12/6. Thurs Eve Victim reports someone removed property from his front yard

1500 Block McLendon Ave—Residential Burglary. 12/7. Fri Eve. Victim reports someone kicked in the side door to his detached garage and removed property

1400 Block McLendon Ave—Residential Burglary. Fri/Sat. Twenty-five hour time frame Unsecured front door. Victim reports someone removed property from her apartment. There was no sign of forced entry and the victim thinks she left the front door open

1409 Block Fairview Rd –Residential Burglary. 12/8 Sat Morn Victim reports someone smashed a small pane of glass in the rear door, entered the home, and removed property

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