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A Movie, a Food Truck, an E-Waste Drive, King of Pops & Captain Planet!

BY MARK CLEMENT, CPNO SPECIAL EVENTS OFFICER

What do these things have in common? On August 11, they will kick off the Candler Park Fall Movie Series. Our feature presentation will be the movie *Wall-E*. This Disney film features the greatest recycler of cinema history. To support that theme, we are having our own recycling drive. Electronic Recycling Services will be on hand from 6 pm to 8 pm to take off your hands and recycle or responsibly dispose of your unwanted electronic items. Please see the related article or visit their web site at www.ers-international.com. Each item disposal will get you a raffle ticket to win restaurant certificates and possibly a rain barrel.

Also from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm, one of the most popular food trucks, MIX'd Up, will be on hand serving up tasty snacks. In addition, Captain Planet will be on hand for an eco-photo opp. So on August 11, come down to Candler Park in front of the pool house with your unwanted electronic waste, win some cool stuff, have dinner, get your picture taken with Captain Planet and see a great movie with your neighbors. This is all a bonus on top of the usual music-kids dancing-hula hooping mania that typically starts off movie night in Candler Park.

So: Candler Park Movie Night festivities start at 6 pm and the feature presentation, *Wall-E*, will go on around 8 pm (sunset) in front of the pool house. You will want to get there early for the best spot!

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Golf Course Report Leaves Candler Park Course Future Unclear

BY PAIGE PARVIN

A much-anticipated report addressing the Candler Park Golf Course, commissioned by the city from the external firm Golf Convergence, has left lingering questions for community stakeholders.

The report, which examined all six of Atlanta's public golf courses, suggests that investing in new equipment and maintenance to improve the Candler Park Golf Course, as well as possibly raising its greens fees, may increase its profitability and offset the financial challenge it currently poses for the city. However, the report is unclear about the future of the course if it is not deemed profitable by 2014.

"The recommendation in the report is non-conclusive in regard to Candler Park Golf Course. We do see opportunity in the short-term to improve financial performance at the course," said George Dusenbury, commissioner of the Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs. "More importantly, the report notes that the revenue decline that we have been seeing at all of our golf courses over the past three years is largely attributable to weather, not the economy and broader golf trends. While the report did not provide any capital improvement recommendations that would improve financial performance at the course, there are marketing and operational opportunities. We may consider a slight rate increase, which would require City Council approval."

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MEETING & EVENTS

**CPNO general meeting June 18th
7:00 pm (social period @ 6:30 pm)**

CPNO general meetings are held every third Monday at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive; committee meetings are at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Ave., 2nd Fl. (or as shown) All are welcome - only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly meetings. Membership applications must be received by CPNO by the 1st of the month of meeting.

May General Meeting Agenda:

- Welcoming remarks, approval of agenda and June 2012 minutes
- Officer and Committee Reports
- Land Use Matters
- New Business
- Announcements and Open Forum

Submit August agenda items to any CPNO officer by July 20, 2012.

EVENTS CALENDAR

(open to all)

JUL 14 Occupy Mulberry Fields Fundraiser

JUL 14 Butterfly Garden Clean-Up Day

AUG 7 7 PM Candler Park Networking Group Meeting

AUG 11 CP Movie Night and E-Waste Drive

AUG 20 7 PM CPNO Monthly Meeting at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive

A Movie...

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PHOTO CAPTION: Karen Merchanson wins a rain barrel and makes a new friend at last year's event.

Golf Course Report

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One option discussed for the Candler Park course was building a driving range, but the Golf Convergence report found that plan to be financially unfeasible. Another option for the course was its conversion to parkland. However, Dusenbury says the city is reconsidering that possibility and exploring different scenarios.

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Once again, well-behaved dogs on a leash are welcome. Bring your own coolers but be aware that glass containers or bottles are strictly forbidden in city parks. Thanks to Park Pride/Friends of Candler Park/



by Deb Milbrath

“Our Director of Parks believes that it would take at least \$40,000 to maintain the golf course as parkland,” Dusenbury said. “Given that threshold, we would not convert the golf course to parkland. We would explore adjustments to hours of operation that may reduce overhead while making the golf course available as parkland for parts of the day. Should the city explore that possibility, we would involve Candler Park and the surrounding communities.”

In the wake of the report’s release, the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* reported that city officials have made no firm decisions about any of the golf courses, but they don’t favor closing courses in the short term.

Although the Golf Convergence report indicated that a Candler Park group agreed with a two-year improvement and profitability plan, the advocacy group Friends of Candler Park Golf Course, led by Inman Park resident Michael Short, has denied that they support a two-year trial period. Short has said via the group’s website that they will continue to develop a strategy for the golf course that looks ahead three to five years, in collaboration with the Candler Park neighborhood and the CPNO.

In light of the report, the CPNO has formed a separate committee on the golf course. The committee was originally chaired by Steve Goff, CPNO Environmental Officer, but Steve recently resigned because he is moving out of the

neighborhood (only to Lake Claire, though). CP Resident Tate Wust has volunteered and been approved by the CPNO board to replace Steve as Environmental Officer and to take over the leadership of the golf course committee. For more information, contact Tate at 404-786-0331 or environment@candlerpark.org.

Help Improve Freedom Park

BY PERALTE PAUL FOR THE EAST ATLANTA PATCH

Any given summer afternoon, you can find scores of walkers, cyclists, joggers and dog owners using the paths and trails of Freedom Park. With 210 acres of linear green space, the park — born out of the defeat of what was to have been part of the Stone Mountain Freeway — Freedom Park is the city’s largest public park.

But Freedom Park — which opened in 1992 and links the Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site, the Old Fourth Ward, Inman Park, Poncey-Highland, Candler Park, Druid Hills, Virginia Highland and Little Five Points — needs a little TLC. As park regulars will attest, some parts of the park suffer from graffiti, broken or not enough lighting and a lack of seating.

The Freedom Park Conservancy’s Park Improvement Committee is looking at the things that need to

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be addressed and is asking for the public's input into what they'd like to see. At a meeting of the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization, Billy Davis, a Park Improvement Committee member, spoke to residents to tell them about the project and solicit their concerns and ideas. Among some of the suggestions: better lighting, graffiti abatement and benches. Davis, an Old Fourth Ward resident, will be making the rounds to all the neighborhood associations representing the communities that touch Freedom Park to get their residents' ideas as well. To send him your ideas, e-mail Davis at: davisbi@gmail.com.

Lighting Can Deter Break-Ins

BY DUNCAN COTTRELL

Most petty burglars don't want confrontations and avoid houses with someone at home. Lights and TVs or radios on timers can be a good deterrent for break-ins by giving the appearance of occupancy and activity. The timer plugs into a wall outlet and the appliance plugs into the timer. You set the on and off times, then leave the light or radio's switch "on."

A darkened home night-after-night sends a message to burglars that you are away from home. Timers are inexpensive and can be found at many local hardware, home improvement and convenience stores. Ideally, they should be used on a daily basis, not just when you're away. In this way you set up a routine that your neighbors can observe and will allow them to become suspicious when your normally lighted home becomes dark. Typically, prime locations to install and use light timers are near the front and back

windows - with the curtains closed. The pattern of lights turning on and off should simulate actual occupancy. Leaving them on all the time negates their effectiveness. The same light timers can be used to turn on radios or television sets to further enhance the illusion of activity.

Exterior lighting in common areas, driveways or garages will enable you to see if there is a threat or someone suspicious lurking around. If instinct tells you something is amiss, avoid an uncomfortable situation and retreat in another direction. Exterior lighting needs to be bright enough for you to see 100-feet and it helps if you can identify colors. Good lighting is definitely a deterrent to criminals because they don't want to be seen or identified.

Security lights with infra-red motion sensors are highly recommended for single family homes. They are inexpensive and can easily replace porch, garage or side door lights. They typically come with a photo-cell to turn on at dusk and turn off at dawn. Leaving these lights on permanently is a dead giveaway that you are out of town. The motion sensor can be adjusted to detect body heat and can be programmed to reset after one, five or ten minutes.

For a free home security assessment, you are invited to consult The Entry Enforcer. Contact: Duncan@EntryEnforcer.com; 404-289-6960. You can find out more at: www.EntryEnforcer.com

Atlanta BeltLine SW 5K, July 14

Don't miss this exciting run/walk along the Atlanta BeltLine Southwest Trail. Enjoy a number of Art on the Atlanta BeltLine exhibits - such as the White Street mural shown to the left

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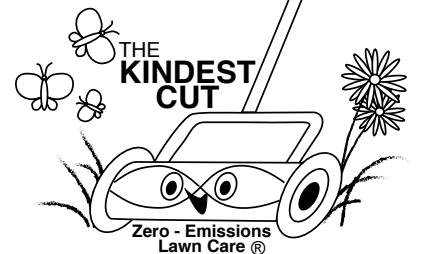


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Candler Park E-Waste Drive August 11

ERS/ Electronics Recycling Services



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Items we will pick up include but are not limited to:

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Atlanta Beltline SW 5K
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When: Saturday, July 14 at 7:30 a.m.
Where: Gordon White Park, Atlanta, GA 30310

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Candler Park Residents Continue Messenger Tradition

More than 50 volunteers help deliver the newsletter you're holding

BY WALT WEIMAR, ADVERTISING & CIRCULATION MANAGER

Long-time readers of *The Messenger* know that it strives to offer timely, useful news about our neighborhood each month, but not everyone realizes how many volunteers are needed to bring our publication to their doorstep so conveniently - a bunch! In addition to our esteemed editor Paige Parvin and graphics/layout expert Erin Aynes, this large group of dedicated residents routinely gives about a half-hour of their time each month, walking door-to-door along their streets to deliver the print edition of the newsletter, allowing CPNO to consistently fulfill its mission to inform and advocate for our community.

Of course, each issue of the newsletter is also uploaded in color on CPNO's website (www.candlerpark.org), but for many, the print edition is a convenient and complementary means of keeping up with our neighborhood's issues and activities. For those from outside Candler Park, print copies can usually be found at neighborhood merchants including Radial Café, Candler Park Market, Dr. Bombay's, Flying Biscuit, Aurora Coffee, Sevananda Foods, BOND Community Federal Credit Union, Eyes Etc., LSP Pharmacy, Fox Bros. and Zesto's, as well as when visiting Epworth United Methodist Church, Mary Lin Elementary, Candler Park Golf Course or First Existential Church.

Everyone should feel free to recognize and thank our *Messenger* delivery volunteers when an opportunity arises. A smile from a neighbor, and the satisfaction of helping those closest to them stay informed and cohesive, will encourage these generously public-spirited residents and business owners (many of them busy professionals who still find time to serve CPNO or other non-profit organizations) in building a stronger Candler Park community:

Mike Capretta - McLendon from Sheppard to Clifton
Scott and Kerstin Armstrong - Clifton from McLendon to Dekalb; Dekalb from Clifton to MARTA
Julia Brooke - Clifton from McLendon to Marlbrook
Lori and James Van Rossem - Clifton from Marlbrook to Muriel
Joy Wasson - Clifton from Muriel to Clifton Terrace
John and Marti Wolf - Page from Harriet to Clifton Terrace; Clifton Terrace from Terrace to Clifton
Paul Smith - Page from Marlbrook to Harriet; Marlbrook from Terrace to Clifton
Judy Aehle - Terrace from Marlbrook to Clifton Terrace
Nancy Porteous and David Godfrey - Page from McLendon to Marlbrook
Will and Carrie Shevlin - Parkview Heights (condos, 428 Page)
Connie, Walt, Robert and Theo Weimar - Brooks from McLendon to Dekalb
Debra Snell - Callan Circle from/to McLendon
Ed and Stephanie Andrews - Sheppard Place from McLendon to end; two houses on McLendon by Epworth
William (Lee) Manson - Glendale from Dekalb to McLendon
Paul Nelson - McLendon from Oakdale to Mell
Stan Vaughn and Glenna Kline - Mell from Dekalb to McLendon; Pickle Factory Lofts
Kevin and Ann Sullivan - Oakdale from McLendon to Dekalb
Benny and Betsy Goss - Iverson from Mell to Oakdale; Candler Park from McLendon to south end
Chris van Beneden - Iverson from Ferguson to Oakdale
Claudia Ledwich - Ferguson from Dekalb to Iverson; townhouses at Dekalb and Oakdale
Ruth Middleton - Ferguson from Iverson to McLendon
Samuel Heller and Mellie DeRouen - McLendon from Oakdale to Ferguson (incl. apts.)
Jennifer, Michael and Zach Hubert - Oakdale from McLendon to Marion
Sally Ferguson - Miller from west end to Candler Park; Hillcrest from Miller to north end
Bridget Smith - Oakpointe Apartments - 469, 475, 485, 497, 505 Oakdale
JB, Michelle, Reece and Remy Hughes - Hooper from Oakdale to west end
Mary Alice Bray - Oakdale from Marion to Benning; Marion from Oakdale to west end
Mark and Amy Clement - Benning from Oakdale to Candler Park

Kirk and Karen Marchesen - Candler Park from Miller to Mary Lin
 John Morgan - Candler Park Condominiums
 Josh and Liz Bock - North from Candler Park to Euclid (incl triangle)
 "Oakdale" Don - Oakdale from Benning to North
 Chris Devaney - Euclid Court Apts
 Jason Aldrich - Candler Parkside Condominium
 JoJo Ross - Candler Walk Condominium, Bldg A
 Mitzi Allison - Candler Walk Condominium, Bldg B
 Brigid Scarborough - Candler Walk Condominium, Bldg C
 Jack and Jennifer Healan - Euclid from North to Euclid Terrace
 Alex and Paul Curtis - North from Oakdale to Moreland
 Eric and Christine Sweeney - Moreland Townhomes
 Paul Cornwell - Druid Place from Moreland to Candler;
 Candler from Euclid to north end
 Hunt Brown - Mansfield from Moreland to Euclid
 Ann and Charlie Henn - Euclid from Euclid Terrace to Moreland
 Chris Melhouse - Euclid Terrace from Euclid to McLendon
 Mary and Jeff Middlemas - Candler from McLendon to Euclid; condos at Moreland and McLendon
 John and Laura Walsh - Sterling from Euclid to McLendon
 Mike and Regina Brandt - Sterling from McLendon to south end; McLendon from Ferguson to Candler
 Adam and Christie Kuropatwa - Iverson from Ferguson to Candler
 Doug Busk - Candler @ Dekalb Condominium
 Tom Painter and Carla Roncalli - Candler from McLendon to Dekalb
 Terry and Kelly Daugherty - Elmira from McLendon to Dekalb
 Elena Mushkin - Josephine from Dekalb to 300 Josephine
 Bob and Christine Stanton - Josephine from McLendon to 300 Josephine
 David Bruce and Deb Milbrath - McLendon from Elmira to Moreland; McLendon from Elmira to Candler
 Brittany Bosco - The Pointe Condominium

As a special salute, we also extend our thanks to some long-standing volunteers who recently gave up their volunteer Messenger delivery duties (but who have often helped coordinate transition to their successors):

Victoria Lennon - Euclid Terrace from Euclid to McLendon
 Don Radick - North from Candler Park to Euclid (incl triangle)
 Jennifer Boxer and Greg Askew - Terrace from Marlbrook to Clifton Terrace
 Josh and Pattie Harrelson - Oakdale from McLendon to Marion
 David Dillard - Oakdale from McLendon to Dekalb
 Wyn Jones and Lisa Maxwell - Elmira from McLendon to Dekalb
 Richard Ford - Euclid from North to Euclid Terrace
 Carla and Jason Key - Druid Place from Moreland to Candler;

Candler from Euclid to north end

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Candler Park Professional Networking Group Meeting

BY GIGI MILLER

The Candler Park Professional Networking Group held its first official meeting on June 12 at Dr. Bombay's Underwater Tea Party. It was a successful evening of networking, connecting with neighbors, and sharing business ideas over coffee. I look forward to seeing everyone (newcomers welcome!) at the next meeting!

Join Candler Park's Professional Networking Group:

- Develop new working partners
- Share important ideas and resources
- Connect with your neighbors
- Keep it local

Who is this for? Must be a business professional residing in Candler Park. There will be no fee to belong to the group.

However, any food or drink purchased during the meetings will be the member's responsibility.

Contact: Gigi Miller, phone: 404.274.1930, email: gigi@VisionOrganizing.com

Meetings: (First Tuesday of every month from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. until otherwise noted)

Tue, 07/03/2012 - 7:00pm
Tue, 08/07/2012 - 7:00pm
Tue, 09/04/2012 - 7:00pm
Tue, 10/02/2012 - 7:00pm
Tue, 11/06/2012 - 7:00pm
Tue, 12/04/2012 - 7:00pm
Tue, 01/01/2013 - 7:00pm
Tue, 02/05/2013 - 7:00pm
Tue, 03/05/2013 - 7:00pm
Tue, 04/02/2013 - 7:00pm
Tue, 05/07/2013 - 7:00pm

Location: Dr. Bombay's Underwater Tea Party, 1645 McLendon Ave. In Candler Park

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Goodbye to ‘Walter’

An old tree makes new friends

BY KAREN LUSCHER, IVERSON ST.

One of the first things we truly loved about our new home was the enormous tulip poplar tree in the front yard. The builders had loved it too. They “saved” it during construction by ordering an arborist out to maintain its health with an actual prescription. I grew up amongst tons of trees and my husband, a native New Yorker, couldn’t believe a tree like that could just be at one’s home. This tree is estimated to be at least 150 years old. To imagine what he has seen and lived through is overwhelming.

Our family grew quickly and our first daughter also loved the tree, naming it Walter. We talked to Walter, played around Walter and over time, Walter was the great pacifier during thunderstorms. I could tell my daughter that during thunderstorms Walter received his much needed water. During these very same thunderstorms I would lie awake and pray that Walter would remain standing through the night.

I called the builders and inquired about the aforementioned arborist. I wanted to make sure Walter was healthy. Just two years prior, the drought had left many of the big trees on our street without good root anchors. Our neighbors two homes down had literally lost their home to such a tree. A huge old oak. They had left the house just before it fell and it totaled their home. We were nervous.

Over the next five years, we had another Walter-loving daughter and we were still very endeared to him. The arborist came out regularly....mostly after a huge storm and checked Walter’s well-being and we pruned, fertilized and treated him as needed. Sadly, he developed a fungus at his base that the arborist informed us was “the beginning of his demise”—a root rotting fungus, armillaria. We then made the very difficult decision to have Walter safely removed. My fear of his dying and falling had grown to where I never slept during a storm. I had visions of that tree falling through my home and keeping me from getting to my children, or even worse.

This decision did not come quickly, neighbors, I assure you. I have shed many tears over this, as have my children. My husband and I brainstormed just how we could make anything positive out of this otherwise awful situation. He came up with the very loving idea of having a farewell party for Walter. Something our kids could contribute to and remember, something for our neighbors as well. The kids made an invite and we invited our entire street. We

attempted to make lemonade out of sour lemons. We know that the disappearance of this kind giant will invoke questions and we really want to help our community understand. We will be replanting a tree in the winter when new trees have their best survival rate. We will also be having a bench made out of Walter for our kids to sit on and reflect. While the tree might be gone, Walter will never be out of our lives. We hope you can have fond memories of him as well.



A neighbor we hadn’t met came by our farewell party. Margaret. She has lived on our street since 1956. She told us that her husband’s paper route included our street in the early 1940’s. She shared stories of the street’s history with all of us. She was very curious about why we were having to remove the tree, and she wanted to know why we had named him Walter. We never really knew why our child called him that. Turns out Walter is the name of Margaret’s late husband. Lemonade out of very sour lemons.

Butterfly Garden Cleanup! Volunteers Needed

BY TERESA COX

Join your neighbors along Freedom Park on Saturday July 14, 8:00 am to noon, at the Butterfly Garden at the intersection of Candler Park Drive and North Avenue (Rain date Sunday, July 15 same time). Together we can attack the weeds, put down mulch and address erosion issues in the garden.

Some tools provided, feel free to bring any you like and your gloves. Contact Barry Atwood, barrykatwood@gmail.com for more information.

Date: Sat, July 14, 8:00am

Location: Intersection of Candler Park Drive and North Avenue

<http://www.candlerpark.org/content/butterfly-garden-beautification-volunteers-needed> - comments

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APS Update:

LETTER FROM CECILY HARSCH-KINNANE (APS BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 3) AND PAULA HERREMA (INMAN PRINCIPAL)

The purpose of this letter is to provide a brief update about the task force that has been formed to assist with the planning for a long term solution to address overcrowding at the middle school level in the Grady cluster. The task force will have its first meeting on July 10th and will then meet regularly throughout the summer and into the fall. The goal is to have a rational and workable solution identified this fall.

The task force will be a working group—comprised of parents, faculty, APS administration, and APS board members—that will provide input and feedback as the information and data pertaining to possible solutions are presented and analyzed; the final decision as to a solution will be made by APS. The task force co-chairs are Karen Waldon, APS Deputy Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, and Larry Hoskins, APS Deputy Superintendent of Operations.

There are 12 parent representatives on the task force—two each from Centennial Place, Springdale Park, Hope-Hill, Morningside, Mary Lin, and Inman. The 2011-2012 PTA Presidents and LSC Chairs attended a meeting to hear about the role and purpose of the task force and the role of task force members; they were then asked to share this information with their respective boards and councils and together designate the representatives from their schools.

We appreciate the help in assembling the group and the willingness of those that will be serving in the role—we are now looking forward to getting to work! Once the task force meetings are underway, the school representatives will be responsible for sharing pertinent information with their school community. Thank you for your involvement in the schools!

Note: Mary Lin's task force representatives are Jeff Shaw and Lori Van Rossem.





B*ATL Author Series Kicks Off with Jeffrey Haas!

SUBMITTED BY MELISSA FORGEY, DEKALB HISTORY CENTER

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The first author program features Jeffrey Haas, author of *The Assassination of Fred Hampton: How the FBI and the Chicago Police Murdered a Black Panther*. How does a white boy from 1950s Atlanta grow up to become the attorney for the plaintiffs in the notorious Chicago case *Hampton vs. Hanrahan* and then write such a book? He will discuss the book, his personal history, how it intertwined with Atlanta's and resulted in this riveting story.



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Committee Formed to Assess Oakdale/McLendon Intersection

BY JIMMY BLIGH, CPNO PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER

I wanted to give a quick update about the newly formed committee which was created during the June CPNO membership meeting. Our committee was tasked with examining the traffic and safety issues surrounding the intersection at Oakdale/McLendon and presenting to the neighborhood a recommendation of how we feel is the best way to partner with the city to develop a solution that addresses all of the concerns of the neighborhood.

The preceding week, the city had added a proposal of adding 'no parking' signs along Oakdale Road to be discussed at June's NPU meeting. However, after discussing the matter with city officials, the city agreed to postpone a discussion at the NPU level until after the neighborhood and city officials had a chance to meet and discuss the issue and determine how we would like to proceed to find a solution.

Over the course of the next few weeks, our committee plans to engage with city officials and schedule a public meeting with the neighborhood to discuss the issues surrounding this intersection. At the end of this process, it is our committee's intent to form a united neighborhood position on the issues which face the Oakdale-McLendon intersection and come to an agreement with the neighborhood and city of how we would like to proceed in order to develop a solution that addresses the traffic and safety concerns of the neighborhood regarding that intersection.

If anyone is interested in learning more about our committee or would like to discuss the intersection further please feel free to contact me.



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CPNO Membership Meeting Minutes May 21, 2012

SUBMITTED BY BESS CANTY AND MISCHA UPPELSCHOTEN

Editor's note: Due to an error in last month's Messenger, the CPNO minutes from both the May and June meetings appear in this issue.

Motion to adopt agenda, so moved.

Atlanta Police Department, Sgt. Stephens. Crime up 33% compared to this week last year. Car break-ins up from 23 to 60. Apple devices are prime target. There is no breakdown that would explain festival related crime. Robberies appear focused on "corridors" and extra enforcement in one corridor will move activity.

Announcements

-Gigi Miller, Professional Networking Group. Thursday June 12, 7pm Dr. Bombay's. Goal is to bring business professionals together and network.

-Anne Dennington, Flux Ladders project in Freedom Park from June to September.

-Rachel Ruckart, Action Ministries. Summer lunch initiative to provide nutritious lunches for children as a continuation of the free school lunch program "Smart Lunch, Smart Kid". Program needs volunteers through August. Also needs food donations.

<http://www.actionministries.net/SmartLunchSmartKid/index.html>

-Mark Clement, Friends Of Candler Park.

Saturday June 16, 5K race to kick off

Midsummer Music Fest (<http://www.cprunningclub.com/candlerpark5k.html>).

Volunteers wanted. The Sweetwater 5k raised 15k for CPNO.

Redistricting update (Kate Sandhaus, education committee chair)

Outcome for Candler Park was favorable, although overcrowding at Inman is still an issue.

APS board member Reuben McDaniel gives an update. He has appreciated a good neighborhood input.

*On June 4, the final budget for next year will be presented. Revenue has dropped \$120 million, resulting in a \$47 million reduction and a 7-8% cut in staff.

*The cluster model as designed now has each high school being fed by one or two elementary schools. The role of the principal of this high school is to be the “coach” of the team of schools in the cluster.

*APS has decided to consolidate its partners in order to become more engaged with them.

*Overcrowding at Inman will be solved next school year with addition of portables. Potential long term solutions:

- Reanalyze whether we can we expand the Inman footprint
- 6th grade academy (most likely, according Reuben)
- Redistribute to a k-8 school
- Second middle school (not likely)
- The Mary LIn-Coan track is “off the table”. Grady can handle students in the cluster.
- APS wants community involvement and is, according to Reuben, “sensitive to this community”.

Questions

-Jeff Shaw expresses his appreciation for the hard work done by APS. Asks about ML addition, as well as the task force that will investigate the middle school issue, led by Cecily Harsh-Kinnane.

McDaniel: ML money is allocated for an expansion, the project is early on the list. The procedure for expansion is to form an architecture team and a construction team. They get together with the Local School Council and the community.

Q: What about 6th Grade Academy solution?

A: In the right environment a 6th grade academy is a good solution; most middle schools segregate the 6th grade anyway. Experience is that 6th grade academy approach does not work well in deep urban poor areas.

Q: How about Davis’ retirement?

A: Superintendent search process starts in Fall. A Committee will be formed and community input will be sought.

Q: (Lexa King): Why does the school board representation follow city council districts? Our elementary school now has two school board representatives?

A: Redistricting is caused by outcome of census and is mandated by law. It would need a charter change to correct the two representative problem. In the past 10 years, this hasn’t been a big issue. McDaniel will take a look at it.

Q: Should we take action on this?

A: A CPNO standpoint would be helpful.

Q: What is the timeframe for a middle school solution. What other factors are involved in a decision?

A: Decision is expected by Decemeber. Factors are cost, construction issues, desire of neighborhood/community. Walden is considered for 6th grade. McDaniel says he will be happy to come back.

Announcements Cont.

- Special appearance by Dax Lopez, who is a State Court

judge in Dekalb County (www.daxfordekalb.com).

- Judge Lopez hears criminal and civil cases. Of the 11,500 cases he hears on average, 6,000 are DUI cases.

- Brian Thrasher, a neighborhood resident, notified the membership that he has a company in the business of online video recording of safety camera footage.

Approval of Last Month’s Meeting Minutes

- Minutes from the April Members Meeting were approved.

Sidewalk Clean-Up – presented by Jay Sandhaus

- The Board has been discussing a sidewalk clean-up and repair project for Candler Park.

- Many neighbors want walkable sidewalks. The City of Atlanta has put the responsibility on the property owners to maintain the sidewalks.

- The Board is discussing a 4 Phase plan, which will be implemented first along McClendon and Oakdale, and expanded to include other sidewalks depending on the success of the initial implementation.

- The 4 Phases are:

1. Clear the sidewalks and edge the weeds.
2. Removal of stumps impeding the sidewalks
3. Tend to the grassy strip between the street and the sidewalk, including planting grass or other low profile plantings.
4. Repair the broken concrete /cement.

- There are economies of scale that can be utilized to help reduce costs and an alternative to bringing in an outside contractor would be enlisting volunteers to undertake this initiative.

- The T-SPLOST referendum would help fund the repair of the sidewalk in front of Candler Park, but the City of Atlanta does not have the additional budget to repair other sidewalks in Candler Park at this time.

- There is no Board Committee at the moment.

- Ultimately, to begin Phase 1 of the process, the CPNO will need permission/consent from all property owners along Oakdale and McClendon, since the initiative involves landscaping work and maintenance on the private property bordering the sidewalks.

Officer & Committee Chair Reports

- Reminder about our hospitality program. If you know of any neighbors who are new, who could use our support, congratulations, or a pick-me-up, contact LexaKing@gmail.com to take advantage of CPNO’s hospitality program.

Bylaw Amendments – presented by Jay Sandhaus

- Q: What happens if a contract is not approved?

- A: Nothing is rejected permanently. The contract can be revised and re-submitted to the Board for approval.

- There was a motion to approve the amendments, which was seconded.

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- The amendments are approved by a vote of 27 in favor and 1 abstention.

Requests for Funding (Fall Fest) – presented by Mark Clement & Dave Aynes

- Two budgets were presented to the membership for discussion and vote

- 2012 Fall Fest Budget - \$77,359 (substantially similar types of expenditures as the 2011 budget with some additional costs related to inadequacies in the 2011 budget (e.g., security and lighting)

- Fall Fest Music Expansion - \$4,250 plus a revenue sharing component with Please Rock (this would include hiring Yacht Rock as the Saturday night performance and likely having the festival end at 10pm on Saturday).

- Lengthy discussion regarding the merits of the Fall Fest Music Expansion and engagement of Please Rock.

- Additional discussion relating to the objectives of Fall Fest, the nature and characteristics of Fall Fest, and what type of festival the neighborhood ultimately wants to have.

- The 2012 Fall Fest Budget is approved by a vote of 24 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

- The Fall Fest Music Expansion Budget is approved by a vote of 17 in favor, 5 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

Event Applications & Other NPU Actions

- Discussions regarding (a) traffic calming at Oakdale & McLendon and (b) post-event thoughts about Sweetwater 420 Festival postponed until June meeting

CPNO Membership Meeting Minutes June 18, 2012

SUBMITTED BY WALT WEIMAR

Meeting opened by President Jay Sandhaus at 7:10 pm - approximately 50 people were in attendance

7:10 pm - Public Safety - an officer of Atlanta Police Department provided updates on CPNO crime statistics for the area (continued low), offered tips on how to avoid car break-ins.

7:15 pm - Agenda - motion to amend agenda to defer discussion of meeting minutes and board vacancies until after announcements - motion passed 17 - 4

7:20 pm - William Davis, Freedom Park Conservancy park improvement committee member from Old Fourth Ward

explained FPC efforts to reduce graffiti and undertake other capital improvements; wants all neighborhoods that touch the park to provide suggestions on plan and priorities for improvements; Lexa King suggested maintenance of North Blvd/Moreland medians; another suggestion for maintenance of water sculpture on PATH; Tom Painter suggested erosion control near Euclid Avenue section, others suggested greater use of plantings to help banked sidewalk areas; North Avenue/Oakdale Road section has gravel spilling into street from Atlanta Gas facility on east side that requires maintenance; Mischa Uppelschoten requested clarification of the designation of FP as "passive park" with no activities; another neighbor was concerned that lighting does not continue across some sections, which may have been due to neighborhood concerns about glare, but which did not address potential benefits for public safety

7:32 pm - Dan Williams (danw@altantadowntown.com), Metro Atlanta Chamber and Central Atlanta Progress rep also working as volunteer with Atlanta Beltline encouraged members to vote to approve T-SPLOST measure due to need to enhance transportation features for estimated 3 million new Atlanta area residents; 10-year 1-cent sales tax is limited in duration, would require reauthorization beyond that; 157 projects in all will benefit, 52% of majority which is for transit; remaining 42% for roads will also provide benefits, some of which is for safety for bikes and pedestrians (including dedicated bike lanes along Dekalb Avenue); Donna Palmer requested assurances that funds will only be spent on projects described, which it was stated would be protected by mechanisms built into legislation; tax will be paid by everyone in 10-county region although projects are largely inside city; if differing opinion would like to present, need to volunteer by next meeting

7:43 pm - Jay Sandhaus, President announced that Park Pride has withdrawn from the Candler Park visioning process, and with end of visioning process, steering committee has been formally dissolved; possible cause of this failure to complete the process may have been misalignment of PP and CPNO's expectations and neighborhood organization's resources for open discussion not tied to specific outcomes; a restart may be possible in the future, which would be needed to gain more focus and investment on larger problems that study would have helped quantify; some members pointed out that park has improved in some respects, thriving in some areas, but areas of neglect will require interim measures by volunteers; to re-engage, PP will meet to discuss specific goals after we have identified priorities; Amy Stout advised that as member of steering committee, she feels CPNO could hire a consultant to perform function as private contractor based on RFP designed by CPNO (which could include survey of neighbors

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that was part of PP's process); she proposed a motion to have steering committee members meet with Jay Sandhaus to review how process could continue, possibly even to re-purpose its agenda to one of specific concerns (e.g., saving the golf course); NPU-N representative Lauren Norton supported Amy's effort and feels this could be beneficial as well; Tom Heideleman from Elmira Place observed that PP did not need to walk away, but understood golf course issues created difficulty, and supports Amy's proposed motion as way to re-engage PP; Mischa Uppelschoten observed that political aspect of GC advocacy, having contributed to problem with PP, may have inadvertently created opposition; others felt mistrust of unspoken options for GC were root of difficulties, supports Amy's motion to have more internal discussion; MOTION - existing steering committee to continue to meet, debrief and to possibly conduct survey(s) in order to make recommendations to CPNO (Amy Stout has list of 14 members); MOTION seconded; MOTION approved 25 for, 1 against, 1 abstention

8:10 pm - Amy Stout proposed CPNO board minutes be updated on CPNO website, and that vacancies on board be filled; Jay advised members that volunteers have been hard to recruit; board members can be appointed without necessarily meeting qualifications for election; board members can nominate to fill board vacancies at any time; possible hiring of stenographer to take minutes

8:20 pm - skipping approval of prior month's minutes (due to non-publication in Messenger)

8:20 pm - MOTION to approve CPNO spending \$2000 for sidewalk improvement and cleanup on Oakdale and McLendon (edging/trimming and removing foliage including descending branches and stump removal/mulching) will require all adjacent landowners to agree to release CPNO (form of which, designed by pro bono attorney at request of CPNO board, will require group of 20 volunteers to retrieve signed releases); individuals who support program but wish to "opt out" can do so, and would be free to address sidewalk on their own; forms were distributed with the June Messenger; volunteers who want to assist should contact Jay to provide areas they will handle; some concern about whether this will encourage the recalcitrant homeowners to ignore the responsibilities on continuing basis, but start of the process may help engender greater compliance (and would reduce costs of any follow-up program); suggestions were voiced about incentivizing individual property owners, such as possible discounts from a CPNO-approved vendor; Randy Pimsler suggested this effort be coordinated by a committee headed by the CPNO environmental officer, and possibly funds from festivals be targeted to this

purpose; voted to call question APPROVED discussion ended; MOTION amended to condition on obtaining required releases; MOTION APPROVED 33 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions; volunteers to be listed on website

8:35 pm - Oakdale/McLendon traffic calming discussion - Jay explained that accidents at the intersection have become more frequent and severe, and traffic congestion is a growing concern; accident in last two weeks led City Transportation Commissioner to advise CPNO President Jay Sandhaus that he would be coming to a general meeting where he could present ideas to members on solutions, and is studying suggestions from group of volunteers for a traffic-study group (Joshua Harrelson on Oakdale and others), which may lead in next few weeks to approval for a formal traffic study; Josh advised his group is trying to remain neutral other than to articulate problems (speeding, accidents, risks to pedestrians) in factual manner, rather than trying to diagnose problems (i.e, whether parking is contributing to issue); group feels professional study is needed to determine which circumstances will actually make a difference, that CPNO could take to PWD Commissioner Mendoza; discussion by various members on merits of alternatives for traffic calming; MOTION to form committee under CPNO Safety Officer and members of informal group that is already studying issue in order to make possible recommendations for Commissioner Mendoza to review with CPNO (APPROVED 28 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions)

8:50 pm - MOTION to defer discussion of Sweetwater 420 Festival impacts and concerns was made, seconded and APPROVED (13 for, 9 against, 4 abstentions)

8:57 pm - zoning matters: Mischa Uppelschoten introduced 3 land use matters

- 350 Ferguson variance for carport that was constructed without prior application for permit; zoning committee voted to approve application, but to impose penalty on applicant that would double application fee as deterrent to bypassing procedures by new applicants; questions by audience included questions why applicant did not seek approval as required, supporting imposition of fines; member of audience (not CPNO member) advised that BZA will not impose fines, but that Dept. of Planning may be able to do so; MOTION by ZC chair Mischa Uppelschoten was seconded, APPROVED 11 for, 3 against, 6 abstentions
- 1642 McLendon variance for carport is supported by Zoning Committee; Amy Stout made motion to defer and request NPU-N rep seek deferral; motion withdrawn and had been removed from agenda (informational only)
- 617 Terrace Avenue seeks variance to reduce setback

for patio - ZC recommends deferral since application not complete (requires evidence of adjacent neighbor approval) - item discussed on informational basis only and no vote was taken.

9:05 pm - MOTION to adjourn APPROVED, meeting concluded by Jay Sandhaus.



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1200 block North Ave – Burglary – 4/23 Mon 10:00 am. Victim said he heard 3 knocks on the front door of apt. but did not go to door. He said about 5 minutes later the suspect kicked the door open but turned and ran when he saw victim. Victim did not see the suspect's face described as a black male wearing a blue sweater and dreads. Suspect left with 2 other males in black Honda Civic. Victim said he was broken into in October but there is nothing anyone would want to take.

400 block Oakdale Rd – Pedestrian robbery – 4/23 Mon 5:30 pm. Victim was walking to her apt. when 2 black males, wearing dark clothes, one with a small afro, snatched her iPhone. She chased them to the Marta station. Marta officers gave chase also before losing them near some apartments.

1300 block Euclid Ave – Auto theft – 4/26 Thurs morning. Victim said she parked her car overnight in parking lot of her apts. and discovered it gone in morning with only broken glass where it was parked.

300 block Moreland Ave – Larceny from auto – 4/22 Sun 8 to 10 pm. Victim 1 parked his car in parking lot and when he returned, the passenger side window was busted out and a bottle of cologne and a box of jewelry (\$250) were gone. Victim 2 was owner of the items. Victim 2 was selling jewelry to victim 1 and box had lid open and jewelry was in plain view.

400 block Sterling St – Larceny from auto – 4/26 Thurs 2 to 6:30 am. Someone broke the rear driver side window and stole a laptop.

300 block Candler Park Dr – Larceny from auto – 5/10 Thurs morning. Victim said she parked her car on street in front of her house and discovered the left rear window was broken and items taken.

1500 block Clifton Terrace – Auto theft – 5/7 Mon morning. Victim said she parked her car in front of the house and discovered it gone in the morning with only broken glass left. Car was found at Buckhead Towing, abandoned and towed. A GPS was stolen. When officer arrived for the report, the window had already been repaired.

Candler Park – Auto theft – 5/11 Fri evening. Victim left his car keys on the side of the basketball court while he played. After playing he could not find his keys but his car was still there. He went to make a phone call and when he returned, his car was gone. During all this, his car was found abandoned on Hardee St. His wallet and cell phone were stolen.

1600 block McLendon Ave – Larceny – 5/14 Mon 6:30 pm. Officer was responding to a call on Euclid Ave involving drugs and observed a black male matching the description of a suspect involved in a "reported cell phone stolen" on McLendon Ave. The suspect was with a male. Officer followed them to the bridge over Moreland Ave. As the officer got out of his car, the suspects ran towards Seaboard Ave and along with another officer and a civilian, they caught one suspect and he had the stolen cell phone which was then returned to its owner.

300 block Candler Park Dr – Larceny from auto – 5/19 Sat evening. Victim parked her car in front of residence at 9 pm. At 11:50 pm she discovered her car's front passenger side window busted out and her GPS taken from the glove compartment.

1500 block DeKalb Ave – Larceny from auto – 5/18 Fri evening. Victim said she parked her car at 11:30 am and at 6:45 pm discovered all her clothing items were gone from the trunk. The driver's door handle was damaged to gain entry.

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1300 block Euclid Ave – Burglary – 5/18 Fri during day. Officer responded to a house alarm and discovered a side window broken, audible alarm, and rear door glass broken. It appeared that an attempt was made to silence the alarm system. Homeowner arrived and said a laptop and 2 watches were missing. Neighbors did not hear anything. Victim said she had a birthday party last weekend and some uninvited guests were there.

Candler Park – Larceny – 5/12 Sat evening. Victim said he was playing basketball and left his bag on the sidelines and later discovered his iPhone was taken out of the bag. Victim also said he saw 3 young black males near where his bag was.

Candler Park – Auto theft – 5/16 Wed evening. Victim was playing basketball from 7 to 8 pm and noticed his car keys missing. He walked to parking lot and his car was gone. Victim did not know his tag number for report. Officer offered a ride to victim's house for more info but victim left the scene with another party. Officer went to victim's address and no one was home. No one answered the phone number provided by victim. During this time an abandoned car was found on Memorial Dr. which was the victim's. Car was towed and victim got his car back the next day (after answering his phone this time).

Candler Park – Larceny from auto – 5/16 Wed during day. Victim said she parked her car at 12:45 pm, went inside location, returned at 1:00 pm and noticed her window broken and purse missing. Victim said her credit card had been used at 3 gas stations.

1300 block McLendon Ave – Larceny – 5/18 Fri 2:00 am. An officer was patrolling Candler Park neighborhood and saw a white male carrying a Sterling St/McLendon Ave street sign. The male then dropped the sign when he saw the officer. The male said he and some friends were coming from a bar in LSP and he jumped up on the sign and hung on till it fell off. He was arrested and he had in his possession a dugout with "Got Weed" inscribed on it containing marijuana, credit cards, money and a pill the male said was "Dilaudid" given to him from a friend. He had a strong odor of alcohol. He was arrested for interference of government property, possession of less than 1 ounce of pot, and theft by taking and taken to jail.

400 block Clifton Rd – Larceny from auto – 5/22 Tues morning. Victim parked his car in his driveway outside his bedroom window. In the morning he discovered his front passenger window broken and his iPod and GPS were missing.

500 block Goldsboro Rd – Larceny from auto – 5/21 Mon

night. Apartment parking lot. A witness heard a loud crash about 11:16 pm and looked out his window and saw a person's legs hanging out the window of the victim's car window. Witness quickly dressed and ran outside to see a short slim male in blue jeans and dark shirt. He yelled at the suspect and suspect ran towards Freedom Park. Victim said a bag with documents and another bag with prom photos, camera, DVD movies and DVD player were stolen. Officer found the bags, missing the camera and DVD player, and returned them to the victim.

300 block Josephine St – Larceny – 5/4 to 5/22 Unknown time. Officer made report over the telephone. Victim sent \$55,000 by wire to a Dallas TX location to buy a vehicle listed on the Internet. Seems the money ended up in an Atlanta GA bank. Victim lost contact with the seller apparently after sending the money and never got the vehicle or title and wanted to make an information report.

300 block Moreland Ave – Larceny from auto – 5/24 Thurs evening. Victim parked her car in a restaurant parking lot at 8:45 pm and she was sure she locked her car. At 11:00 pm she returned and all her doors were unlocked and no windows were broken. Stolen were a backpack with \$80 and a credit card out of the trunk, iPod and Nook tablet from inside the car which were not in view. Her credit card had already been used 7 times before she cancelled it.

300 block Moreland Ave – Rape – 5/27 Sat midnight to 1:30 am. Parking lot. Report not sent but states it may be obtained through public records.

400 block Moreland Ave – Aggravated assault – 5/28 Mon 6:30 to 7 pm. Victim said a dark car followed her to

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a restaurant and pulled in the space next to her car. As she got out, the suspect yelled "You F#\$%#\$ B%^%!" and threw a small glass figurine at her car. Employees at restaurant came out and the car left. They got the tag number and have suspect's name and address.

400 block Moreland Ave – Auto theft – 5/30 Wed 9:15 pm to midnight. Victim parked her car in parking lot behind location and when she returned, it was gone.

400 block Callan Cir – Larceny from auto – 5/26 Sat day to 5/27 Sun evening. Victim said she left town and when she returned her catalytic converter was gone.

500 block Clifton Rd – Burglary – 5/28 Mon 5:15 pm. Victim said was in bed when he heard breaking glass on his front porch. He looked out and saw a heavy set black male using one of his window ornaments to gain entry. Victim shouted "What the H#%& are you doing!". (He saw suspect and said he can identify him). The suspect then approached his front door and victim said he feared for his life not knowing if suspect had a gun or was going to kick the door in so victim shot through the door with 2 shots and the male ran away towards Ponce de Leon Ave. Officers canvassed the area but could not locate male. Officers determined that he was justified in discharging his gun for fear of his safety and his gun returned since victim was fearful the suspect might return.

1600 block DeKalb Ave – Larceny from auto – 5/30 Wed evening. Parking lot. Victim said the back driver side window was broken and his black Coach bag was stolen which contained court case records.

1200 block DeKalb Ave – Larceny from auto – 6/1 Fri morning. Victim said he parked his work truck in front of his residence overnight. In the morning he discovered the right rear window broken and a computer and luggage with clothes from work were stolen. The luggage was later found in the 300 block of Moreland Ave with the victim's name on a piece of paper and was returned to the victim.

1900 block DeKalb Ave – Larceny from auto – 6/1 Fri 11:35 to 11:45 am. Victim said she parked her van in the parking lot of the swimming pool and left her purse under a hat inside. When she returned the passenger side window was broken and purse gone. During the report, she called her credit card co. and her card had already been used at a gas station.

500 block Goldsboro Rd – Larceny from auto – 5/25 Fri midnight to 5:00 am. Victim parked his car in front his residence and in the morning discovered the rear driver's side window broken. Items stolen were a pair of sunglasses and a gym bag with gym clothes and other accessories inside. Victim said he has an alarm in car but it did not activate with the glass breakage.

Candler Park – Larceny from auto – 6/1 Fri 7:30 to 8:00 pm. Officer was patrolling the area and was flagged down by victim. She said she parked her car and put her purse with keys in the trunk but did not lock the doors. She then went walking in the park with her son and a friend. When she came back, her purse was gone. She had parked next to a car with someone sleeping inside and he did not see or hear anything. Also several other witnesses said they did not see anything.

Candler Park – Larceny – 6/2 Sat noon to 1 pm. Victim said he put his cell phone down next to the basketball court and when he finished playing it was gone.

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