

The Candler Park Messenger

August 2010

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Meetings and Events

CPNO general meeting August 16th
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 held at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Avenue, 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 first of the month of meeting.

August General Meeting Agenda:

- Welcoming remarks, approval of agenda and July 2010 minutes
- Officer and Committee Reports
- Land Use Matters
- New Business
- Announcements and Open Forum

Submit September agenda items to any CPNO officer by August 26th, 2010

Events Calendar (open to all)

Wednesday August 4th @ 7pm

CPNO Zoning Committee - Epworth

Monday August 9th @ 7pm

CPNO Board of Directors - Epworth

Saturday August 14th @ 8:30 am

Friends of Candler Park - vol. workday

Monday August 16th 7 pm

CPNO General Meeting -
First Existentialist Congregation

Wednesday August 25th @ 10am

L5P Bus Assn - Sevananda Foods

Thursday August 26th @ 7pm

NPU-N - L5P Community Center

Saturday August 28th @ sunset

CPNO / Epworth Movie Night
Pavilion at Candler Park Pool

Wednesday September 1st @ 7pm

CPNO Zoning Committee - Epworth

Saturday September 11th @ 8:30 am

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Fall Masquerade Ball 2010™—Dance We Must!

By Donna Palmer

Thanks to popular demand, the annual Fall Masquerade Ball™ is being planned to kick off this year's Candler Park Fall Fest. The celebration begins at 7:30 pm on Friday, October 22 at the First E on Candler Park Drive.

Come kick up your heels to the soulful sounds of the **Jr. League** featuring **Tommy Dean**. This is a prime opportunity to try out your Halloween outfit!

Tickets for Candler Park Neighborhood Organization Volunteers will be \$10, all others \$15. So, if you volunteer *in any capacity* for CPNO—*Messenger* deliverers, board members, Fall Fest volunteer—you are eligible for a \$10 ticket.

There will be a vote on the cost for this event at the next CPNO General Meeting on August 16, 7:00 pm at the First Existentialist Congregation. The proposal is \$1,100.00: \$600 for the band, \$200 for the space, and \$300 for beverages and snacks.

Please note that we're trying to raise money this year, so a few things have changed. Be sure to eat dinner before you come to the dance. Light snacks will be available for purchase. Beer and wine will be available; a small donation will be appreciated for the potent potables.

One last thing...the world famous and much beloved Candler Park Water Ballet Company has volunteered to staff this event.

For more on plans for the Fall Fest, see page 14.

Memories from last year's Fall Masquerade Ball...



Amy Stout and Silvia Edelstein

Steve Brodie

The Messenger

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Know Your Neighbors: Walt Weimar

By Courtenay Dusenbury

Walt Weimar is a dedicated and thoughtful leader who—without fuss or fanfare—has been a quiet force for progress in the Candler Park community for almost 20 years.

Since moving to the neighborhood with his wife Connie in 1992, he has served as CPNO's NPU representative and zoning officer, Freedom Park Conservancy representative, vice-president (later president), and now as special events officer. He's worked with community leaders on CPNO's historic district and corridor study, the Candler Park brook improvement project, and has served on the zoning, Fall Fest and budget committees. Since 2006 he has managed newsletter ad sales, layout and distribution for *The Messenger*.

As if this weren't enough, Walt, the father to two Mary Lin Elementary boys, serves as 2nd grade den leader with Cub Scout Pack 586. Each month he helps out at Friends of Candler Park work days and, along with Connie, participates in events at their church and supports her role as a board member with the Olmsted Linear Parks Alliance.

Walt grew up in Shreveport, Louisiana "in a classic sort of *Leave it to Beaver* suburban neighborhood—conservative and slow to change (although it certainly has, by now)," he says. "Before videos, Nintendo or 24-hour television, kids had to find creative ways to amuse themselves. To stave off boredom, we invented our games and rode bikes a lot. Though I actually didn't learn to ride until age 8 or so,



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Laughter in the Park

by Deb Milbrath

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cycling probably was what gave me the most enjoyment, instilling the sense of personal freedom that made it easier to eventually leave for LSU, and later from Louisiana altogether."

When looking for their first home in 1992, Walt and Connie were immediately attracted to Candler Park. "Even from our apartment in Vinings, it was clear that intown Atlanta offered the authentic old trolley-line neighborhoods that Connie and I, recently married after relocating from Baton Rouge, found most appealing. When long-time residents who'd opposed a freeway that would have devastated the character of these communities realized their goal to transform Georgia DOT's project into America's largest new urban park, we decided Candler Park was ideal. Connie soon became involved in CPNO as safety officer, and ultimately as president, in the important years following DOT's settlement agreement, while I was traveling professionally," he says.

After almost 20 years, "Candler Park now feels like the old friend who accepted us as Atlantans," he

says. As a refuge from the metropolitan sprawl that afflicts many American cities, Walt says "its well-crafted historic bungalows help reinforce an ethic when neighbors shared responsibility for their community's safety and prosperity. Our nearly century-old home illustrates how neighborhoods were once formed by families that seemed to function better with limits on living space, helping discourage material clutter and wasted time in furnishing and maintaining spaces that often lead to less-connected, more-sedentary lifestyles. Our tree-lined pedestrian access to high-quality local merchants, our many recreational facilities, transportation options, and revitalized public education institutions are all a prominent legacy of those who worked to preserve the best qualities of Atlanta's past, and we expect to appreciate Candler Park's next century even more," he says.

Given his enthusiastic dedication to our community, almost every day is a happy day for Walt. But his very happiest day?

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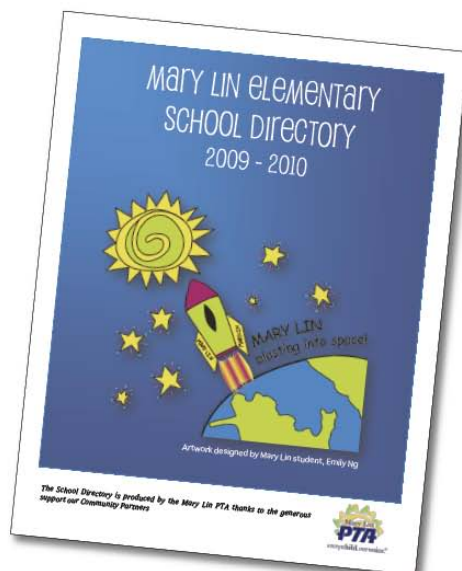
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"My happiest day will always be first glimpsing a high school-age Connie as she visited Baton Rouge to attend a concert, experiencing the rare moment of absolute certainty when we know what our life ahead can become. Thirty years later, the promise of that chance meeting still guides all that I attempt—at some of which I can modestly claim to succeed—both personally and professionally," he says.

And Walt has attempted plenty, though he is modest about his many contributions to Atlanta, seeing his work as a small part of a larger effort "Having grown up elsewhere, I'm always inspired by the difference newcomers can make in large cities like Atlanta. Our diverse views and constructive involvement as new citizens are needed at all levels to help officials fulfill the promise that will continue to draw millions of visitors and residents to Atlanta. By listening, voting and serving in volunteer roles, I believe we can encourage our children, as native Atlantans, to continue building the model of a livable, tolerant and sustainable large city in the American South."

5@5@Epworth

Submitted by Steve Vale

Epworth United Methodist Church is offering a new program on Sunday evenings at 5:00 pm. 5@5 features lives blues music by the 5@5 Band, followed by community storytelling. The program is non-spiritual and all are welcome.

Want A New Den?

DIY Network is casting families in the Atlanta area for its new series: Mega Dens! This is a show where family rooms or under-used spaces get a much needed makeover...but this ain't your mother's makeover show. We're not talking about new TV trays and a coat of paint. We're talking movie theater, high-end game room, wine snob's paradise, techno-geek Shangri-la, sports or music shrine, the possibilities are endless! If you're interested or know someone who might be, please email me at marygrace@picturewindow.tv and I'll send you more information.



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Candler Park Movie Series Continues

By Mark Clements

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Visit www.cprunningclub.com for updates. While you're there, cast your vote for the viewers choice movie that will take place on September 25th.

There was talk of Baton Bob making pre-movie appearance; however, he had something come up. He regrets not being able to attend but promises to bring his mirth to a future Candler Park Screen on the green. As always, we are looking for shutterbugs. Mike Geier of Kingsized has agreed to do a theme song for us. Our hope is to capture enough footage of our movie nights and add it to song for a short YOUTUBE video.

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Submitted by Holly Mull

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Mary Lin Rocket Run 5K for the Kids

By Cherie King

The second annual Mary Lin Rocket Run 5K went off without a hitch on Saturday, June 19. A big thanks to our sponsors—Smart Center Buckhead, L5P Corner Tavern, MidSummer MusicFest, Red Level Renovations, Savage Pizza, The Zac Team, Operation Boot Camp, Raging Burrito, The Albert, Big Peach Running Co., My Favorite Automotive, Candler Park Market, Great Clips at Edgewood, Studio M, Variety Playhouse, Live Oak Events, The Moog Gallery, Wahoo Grill, The Porter Beer Bar, Highland Product, Kenari, Hughes Printing and Candler Park Running Club. A special thanks to our 27 volunteers (10 of which were from Clifton Ministries) for helping make our event a success.

This year's race began on Candler Park Drive near the school, ran through Candler Park, and ended behind the school on the playground. There were approximately 250 runners participating. The Mary Lin Foundation was able to raise almost \$5,000 for our neighborhood elementary school.

Leah Thomas was the overall female winner with a time of 19:05 and the overall male winner was Jonathan Corso who crossed the finish line in 17:42. Kate McMahon and Aaron Powell (10 and under), Josh Ortega and Annabella Farabaugh (11-14) were among the fastest in their age division. A surprise among the runners was Ted Brooke (60 and over) who attended our local school when Ms. Mary Lin was the principal in 1950s.

The Mary Lin Education Foundation would like to thank the neighbors and all the wonderful folks who made the race a success. With this support, the Foundation will be able to help provide improved technology and training for Mary Lin's teachers and students. For more information, go to www.marylinfooundation.org.



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Free Seminars on Smart Remodeling

Submitted by Kelly Cheek

Renewal Design-Build will host two free seminars focused on homeowners who are thinking of renovating in light of the current economy:
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CPNO General Meeting Notes, June 21, 2010

Compiled by Courtenay Dusenbury

I. Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. with CPNO Vice-President Regina Brandt in the chair. Approximately 25 members and guests were in attendance.

II. Police report: A representative of Atlanta Police Department's Zone Six reported that the crime rate in the Candler Park neighborhood is the lowest in the City. Neighbors shared concerns about illegal parking on McLendon Avenue.

III. Announcements:

CPNO Planning: Regina Brandt announced that the CPNO Board is undertaking a goal-setting exercise in which ideas for potential priority areas – including those for membership, finance and the environment – are being developed. Ideas will be collected and discussed by the Board in July and a neighborhood-wide discussion will be held, potentially in August or September. Those interested in sharing their views now should e-mail Courtenay Dusenbury, who is collating responses, at secretary@candlerpark.org. Regina Brandt plans to summarize the goal-setting exercise and a plan for moving forward in the next edition of the *Messenger*.

Yard Signs: Terri Stewart created seven yard signs made of recycled materials to announce the monthly CPNO general meeting. These are meant to augment meeting notices on the website and in the *Messenger*. Teri is willing to make more signs if neighbors are interested. Meeting attendees thanked Terri for her efforts.

Grandmaw Gordon: Terri Stewart reported that a recent Grandmaw Gordon program at the DeKalb Historical Center was successful. More information is available on the Grandmaw Gordon website. Terri and her group have been distributing a draft proposal and a petition in support of a land swap for the Grandmaw Gordon property.

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Over 130 signatures have been gathered in support of the swap. The group will return to Superior Court June 28. Terri encouraged residents to attend. The Grandmaw Gordon group's next presentation will be at the Battle of Atlanta events in East Atlanta.

Website Update: Kate Sandhaus, CPNO Webmaster, updated neighbors on improvements to the website. Traffic on the website has increased dramatically this year, with over 145 visits a day and over 13,000 page views each month. Among the improvements put in place by Kate and her husband Jay are a new masthead, better graphics and new functions to collect membership information including electronic membership applications. Kate asked members to send her announcements, comments and suggestions as well as photos or comments that can be posted. She is looking for whimsical, interesting observations. She will explore linking CPNO's security website to the existing site. Members thanked Kate and Jay for their many hours spent improving the website.

Food for meetings: Funding to pay for food for CPNO monthly general meetings was approved by a show of hands. About \$110 has already been budgeted and an additional \$160 was approved for a total of \$270 for supplies for general meetings through November. Board members have been contributing food and drink to the meetings without reimbursement.

Real Estate: Lexa King, a local realtor, provided a list of current sales information. This will be posted on the CPNO website.

IV: Meeting Minute Approval

After a discussion of how the meeting minutes from the May General Meeting characterized a vote on the Grandmaw Gordon funding, the minutes were unanimously approved by a show of hands.

V. Officer Reports:

Finance: Dave Aynes reported that CPNO has \$79,400 in the bank, with \$76,400 in uncommitted funds. A plan and process are being developed to solicit input on how to allocate some of these funds. Regina Brandt will summarize this in a *Messenger* article.

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Members questioned how much CPNO earned from last weekend's Midsummer Music Festival. Cherie King of the Mary Lin Foundation, which oversaw a 5K race in association with the Musical Festival, said there were 245 runners. Final revenue numbers are not yet available. CPNO is likely to earn between \$3,000 and \$5,000 depending on wrist band sales for the event, a portion of which were to be dedicated to the neighborhood. Some residents expressed their strong dissatisfaction that organizers of the MMF claimed all proceeds were going to Candler Park when this is not true. It was agreed that Walt Weimar, CPNO special events chair, will contact festival organizers to express the neighborhood's concerns about how MMF organizers advertise their contributions to the neighborhood.

Fall Fest Update: Fall Fest will take place October 23-24. A committee has been formed and efforts to obtain sponsorships are underway. Dave Aynes, treasurer for Fall Fest, noted that it appears the event will break even based on potential sponsorships and revenue from vendors. Costs will be lower this year because it is an all-volunteer effort. A sign-up sheet was passed around during the meeting. Those who are able to volunteer should contact CPNO President Doug Wetzel at president@candlerpark.org. An article summarizing the event and progress to date, and the need for volunteers, will be prepared for the Candler Park Messenger.

Environment: Trey Long announced that residents will meet at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, June 26 to plant creeping fig along DeKalb Avenue. He conducted a straw poll to gauge residents' interest in hiring a landscape architect to design plans for bulb outs along McLendon Avenue. Based upon the discussion and informal vote during the meeting he will not pursue this option.

Zoning:

-529 Oakdale Avenue: Randy Pimsler presented on behalf of property owners. The property will be expanded and the side yard set back reduced from 7 feet to 1 foot. The CPNO Zoning Committee approved the variance request. The CPNO membership supported it by a vote of hands,

-Mary Lin addition: Randy Pimsler noted that despite various rumors circulating around the neighborhood there is no addition currently planned for Mary Lin Elementary School.

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Atlanta Public Schools are undertaking a demographic survey now and will come to CPNO with the results. APS will not tear down the Hall House and, if they decide an expansion is necessary, they will need to come through CPNO for zoning issues.

-Wrecking Bar Property: Randy Pimsler updated residents on the NPU vote in support of an exemption from City of Atlanta parking space regulations for the property. The NPU approved the exemption without a provision approved by CPNO that would have made the exemption contingent upon an annual review of the parking situation.

NPU, Safety and Membership: No reports

VI. New Business:

Historic Old Fourth Ward Park: Kit Sutherland, NPU M Chair and Old Fourth Ward resident, requested \$250 toward the printing of a brochure for the Historic Old Fourth Ward Park - a new park in the neighborhood. Funds have already been donated by other neighborhoods including Poncey Highlands, Virginia Highlands and others. The request was approved by the Board during its June 14 meeting. It was approved by CPNO members by a show of hands with one person opposed and one person abstaining.

BOND Credit Union: Tiya Porterfield, BOND Community Credit Union Community Development Manager, introduced herself and noted that BOND provides the same services as a regular bank including checking and savings accounts, loans and others. BOND is a member of the National Credit Union Association and funds are insured at up to \$250,000 per account.

CP Water Ballet: Donna Palmer announced that the Candler Park Water Ballet meets Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Candler Park Pool. Anyone is welcome to join, swimming experience is not necessary.

Candler Park Legacy Markers: Markers providing information about the African-American history of the neighborhood have been placed in Candler Park.

CP Tour of Homes: The Tour will take place Sunday, October 24. More homes are needed. Please contact Mary Alice Bray if you are willing to donate your home or if you know of a nice property that might have potential for the tour. All proceeds benefit CPNO.

VII. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Many neighbors enjoyed a pleasant social ½ hour following the meeting.

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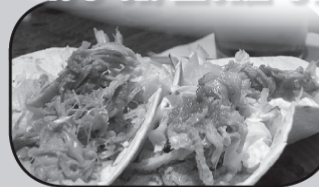
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Report from the July NPU-N Meeting

By Amy Stout

According to City of Atlanta representatives...

-New types of parking zones will be created including an entertainment / restaurant / hospital zone that will allow parking for up to 4 hours. Little Five Points will be redesignated as one of these entertainment zones, and the new time limits and hours of enforcement (Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.) will be modified in the near future.

-The Department of Parks and Recreation would like citizen assistance regarding wet ball fields. Please call 404-546-7992 to check the status of fields and to report groups playing on wet, damaged, or closed fields.

-A leaking toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water per day and lead to very expensive water bills. Please test for leaks by placing food coloring or other dye in the toilet tank and then checking for color in the bowl a few minutes later.

-Mark your calendars for a special EcoLife event to be held at Atlantic Station on September 25th and 26th (<http://www.ecolife-events.com/index.php>). Citizens will be able to take hazardous waste such as old pesticides, cans of paint, motor oil, prescription drugs, etc. for proper disposal on Saturday September 25th along with electronic waste and compact fluorescent light bulbs.

Land Use and Zoning Matters:

-The NPU-N board voted unanimously to defer a vote on a variance for 325 Oakdale Road to reduce the

side yard setback to allow for an addition to an existing single family dwelling. (This will allow the applicant and the Candler Park zoning committee additional time to deal with changing plans and other concerns.) CPNO voted not to support the original plans at their July meeting, following the recommendation of the zoning committee.

-The board also went on the record as opposed to the issuance of a liquor license for a restaurant at 378 Clifton Road (the old Salon Red location). The applicant had informed the CPNO zoning committee chair that she was not going to go forward with her plans to redevelop this site as a pub, and the applicant was not present at the NPU-N meeting; but the group took a vote as a precautionary measure at the request of the CPNO representative.

Other:

-MARTA service will be cut by 30%, and the changes will take effect September 25th.

-The NPU-N board voted to support a request for a special event permit for the Highland Beer Fest to be held August 21st. The gated, ticketed event will be held on Highland Avenue between Elizabeth Street and Inman Village Parkway. Admission will be \$35 with advance ticket purchase with some portion of the proceeds going to the Inman Park Security Patrol.

-The next NPU-N meeting will be held on Thursday, August 26th at the Little Five Points Community Center.



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How Candler Park Block Captains Help

by Lauren Welsh, Membership Secretary

One of the best ways to promote connections and information sharing among residents is to do it at a more local level. By encouraging each street in Candler Park to have a single representative serving as a block captain, residents within the neighborhood will be more connected to each other and will have a more direct connection to the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization (CPNO) as well.

CPNO is working with individuals who are volunteering to serve as block captains and currently recruiting new ones as well. The role is meant to be flexible based on what the individual volunteer is willing to do and what residents on that street need and want. At the very least, the block captain is responsible for keeping a single list that includes basic information about residents and their contact information. This will be held by the individual block captains, not CPNO, and can be used to communicate about safety issues, upcoming meetings, volunteer opportunities, etc.

Some block captains may be interested in focusing on bringing neighbors together through social gatherings while others may be more interested in safety issues and creating a Neighborhood Watch program. Each block may decide what is most important for their residents and how they want to connect with each other. For those who would like to create a Neighborhood Watch program, please contact Christina Walker at the Atlanta Police Department at cwalker@atlantaga.gov) and our Public Safety chair, David "Wing" Bruce at safety@candlerpark.org.

CPNO's Membership Secretary will be responsible for keeping an active list of block captains and using that email list to share critical information about happenings in the neighborhood. This may include immediate safety concerns, volunteer needs, upcoming meetings or events. The idea is that by sharing this information with the captains, the captains can then forward it directly on to their block. This way Candler Park residents are receiving information and requests for support directly from a neighbor they know.

Interested in learning about whether your street has a block captain or volunteering yourself? Please contact Membership Secretary, Lauren Welsh, at membership@candlerpark.org.



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Happy 10th Anniversary Fall Fest!

By Kate Sandhaus and Cherie King



Fall Fest 2010 is only three short months away! This year's festival will be on October 23-24, with Fall Ball kicking off the fun on Friday, the 5K road race on Saturday and the Tour of Homes on Sunday.

This is a special year because it's Fall Fest's TENTH ANNIVERSARY. Come celebrate a decade of living in the best neighborhood in town.

But don't just celebrate, get involved! What started as a few rag-tag volunteers has grown into a truly amazing committee. Sure, we're working hard, but we're having a lot of fun doing it (who knew?). Now we're asking that everyone in Candler Park participate in one way or another, whether it's joining the committee or volunteering an hour or two on festival weekend. In return, we promise you'll have fun and make some new friends. Oh, and you'll get a free t-shirt. If interested, email Volunteer Coordinator Christie Kuropatwa at ffvolunteers@candlerpark.org.

As for committee updates, there's too much progress to list here, but a few highlights: more than a third of the artists' market spots have been filled go to www.candlerpark.org/fallfest/artistsmarket to see who is coming so far. There's an awesome band line-up with headliners – more information to come! There are going to be some great local restaurants in the food area – something for everyone! The 5K course is mapped and registration is open. More than half of the homes for Tour of Homes are locked in. Bottom line, this year's Fall Fest is going to be the bomb diggity.

WANTED: a few more houses, lofts or condos for the house tour. Homes need to be committed by August 15th in order to have the tour booklets ready for advanced ticket sales. If you're interested in volunteering your home, contact Mary Alice Bray at maryabray@aol.com or phone 404-522-5455.

Visit candlerpark.org/fallfest for more information, plus links to the artists' market application and the 5K registration. Also, find us on Facebook (search "candler park fall fest"), click "like" to get ongoing updates, and suggest the page to your friends.

Supporting MARTA in Candler Park

By Patrick Sewell

The recent recession has hit MARTA particularly hard, and MARTA leadership has responded with several proposals for reducing service. In March MARTA announced drastic cuts, eliminating 25 percent of its service, including half of its bus routes. The announcement produced a well-timed uproar, with many protests helping convince state legislators to temporarily release MARTA's requirement to spend half of its sales tax income on capital projects. Two months later MARTA revised its proposal for service cuts and announced a series of public hearings. The new proposal reduced total service by 10-15 percent, eliminated one third of MARTA's least necessary bus routes, and eliminated 743 staff positions.

I looked into the proposed cuts more closely and found that, while overall cuts represent 15% of current service, service to the Candler Park station would be reduced by 51.5 percent. Candler Park would lose both of its bus routes—the 113 to Auburn Avenue and Downtown and the 45 to Virginia Highland and Midtown—and train service would be greatly reduced. Currently both the full-size Blue line and the two-car Green line serve the Candler Park station every 10 minutes during peak hours. After the proposed cuts the Blue line would serve Candler Park with a reduced frequency of every 15 minutes, and the Green Line wouldn't serve Candler Park at all. The wait between trains in Candler Park would extend from 5 minutes to 15, without the option of taking buses.

Lauren Welsh and I attended one of MARTA's public hearings in June and gave statements arguing that the proposed cuts affected Candler Park far more severely than the rest of the city. MARTA's staff was courteous, but I expected that our efforts were futile. Happily, I was wrong. At the end of June, MARTA's board voted to approve a modified slate of service cuts including the retention of Green Line service to Candler Park station during peak hours. This means a train will leave Candler Park for downtown every 7.5 minutes, rather than every 15 as proposed. Sadly, there will be no more bus service in our neighborhood, with the exception of the 2, which will run down Moreland to Ponce and the North Avenue station.

Public transportation does more than reduce traffic congestion and provide access for lower-income people without cars. A well-used (and well-funded) transit system both reduces pollution and allows us to live in denser, greener cities with less sprawl.

Fat Tire Raffle

By David Aynes

The good folks down at Candler Park Market (<http://www.candlerparkmarket.com>) are raffling off a fabulous Fat Tire Bicycle from New Belgium Brewery. This bike has a phat paint job and truly Fat Tires! You would instantly become at least two points cooler if you won it! So head down to and enter for your chance to win.

According to *KickStand Magazine*, "This year's model by Felt—based on the Magno cruiser—includes a custom chain ring, custom graphics, and custom handlebars built by Black Sheep Bikes. This year, the bikes are also coming with front racks created by Orlando Baker of Carver Surf Racks. In this way they have also created a phenomenon so that you know what year people were inaugurated by which bike they have."

CPM has generously offered to donate all proceeds from the raffle to CPNO, Inc. Raffle entries will be accepted through Labor Day and then the new envy of Atlanta's cycling community will be chosen at random!



P.S. Also check out CPM's nice write up in *Atlanta Magazine's* June Dining section!

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- Lauren Welsh, CPNO Membership Secretary

CPNO Membership Application

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Zone 6 Crime Reports

Compiled by David Bruce

300 block Moreland Ave – Aggravated assault - 6/17 Thurs Eve. Victim: B/M, 20 YOA. Witness said the arrestee took the leash out of victim's hand. Victim said his dog was on the leash so he grabbed it back from arrestee. Arrestee became angry and attacked victim with a stick. Victim then pulled out a screwdriver to defend himself. Arrestee: B/M, 30 YOA.

400 block Moreland Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 6/16 Wed Eve. Victim: B/M, 55 YOA. Victim said he was in the Little Five Points Square when 3 B/M's approached and one of them punched him in the face and took his case. Witness said she saw the suspect approach the victim and say, "give me my stuff." Suspect: B/M, wearing orange shirt and tan shorts.

500 block Candler Rd – Burglary - 6/23 to 6/24 Unk time. Victim said he left his front door open while he did work in the back. He stated he left his computer on the floor in the hallway and when he went to get it, it was gone.

400 block Seminole Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 6/21 Mon Eve. Victim said he let suspect use his cell phone. Suspect ran off with the phone after victim gave it to her and jumped inside the vehicle. Victim said he ran after suspect and as he caught up to her, the driver of the vehicle picked up a gun and pointed it at him. Suspect: 2 B/F's. Suspect Vehicle: Gold Lexus or Camry, possible FL Tag# 7357IN (tag not valid).

Dekalb Ave / Nelms Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 6/26 Sat Morn. Parking lot. Victim said she was getting out her vehicle when approached by suspect at gunpoint. She said the suspect asked where her money was so she went to reach into her vehicle, but he stopped her.

Victim said the suspect got into the driver's seat and four more suspects ran up and jumped in the car. Suspects fled in the vehicle. Victim said all her personal property was inside the vehicle. Taken: 2007 Toyota Corolla GA Tag# AWC3861, cell phone, camera, Soc Sec Card. Suspect: B/M, 13-15 YOA, 5'03" with a shirt wrapped around his face. Suspect: 4 B/M's, with shirts covering their face.

300 block Moreland Ave – Larceny from auto - 6/30 Wed Eve. Parking lot. Someone punched out driver's side door lock and stole a laptop, purse and watch.

400 block Oakdale Rd – Pedestrian robbery - 7/2 Fri Morn. Apartment – Parking lot. Victim said she was getting items from her vehicle when suspect 1 approached with a white t-shirt over his face pointing a gun at her and shouting, "give me your keys." She said she threw the keys on the ground and suspect 2 ran up, snatched her purse and pushed her down. She said both suspects fled on foot, but she believes they got in a vehicle at some point. Victim was able to recover her keys. Taken: Purse w/ \$1 and DVD. Suspect 1: B/M, 5'03"-5'05", 16-19 YOA, slim, wearing white t-shirt and dark jeans. Suspect 2: B/M, 5'08", 16-19 YOA, slim, wearing tan t-shirt and dark jeans.

1600 block Marlbrook Dr – Burglary - 7/9 Fri Day. Someone entered apartment and stole \$500, laptop and a Play Station 3. No forced entry located.

900 block North Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 7/7 Wed Midnight. Victim said she was walking home when the suspect came from behind her, grabbed her waist and demanded her purse. Victim began screaming and suspect put his hand over her mouth. Victim said she bit the suspects hand and he fled. Witnesses heard victim screaming and came to help. Taken: Nothing. Suspect: B/M, 6'03" 180lbs, small Afro, wearing navy blue shirt and dark jeans.

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