Candler Park Chosen for Park Pride ‘Vision’
By Paige Parvin

Our own Candler Park has been chosen as one of only two parks in the city for an upcoming installment of Park Pride’s Visioning Program, a nine-month process that will result in a master plan for long-term development and maintenance of the park.

“Because of the recent and ongoing discussions about the future of Candler Park and the strong community support that the park has, your application for Visioning was one of only two selected for the next round of Visioning,” said Walt Ray, director of the Park Visioning program.

Fours parks a year are selected for the Visioning process, which will be facilitated by a landscape architect on the staff of Park Pride. Parks must be between five and 15 acres in size; have an established or potential Friends of the Park group; and be participants in Park Pride’s inspection program. Candler Park, one of the largest parks in the city, met all the criteria for selection. The broader goal of the program is to build and maintain a world-class park system for the city.

A steering committee of about 15 members is now being formed, which will include representation from CPNO, NPU-N, and other organizations, and is open to any interested neighbors. Meetings will not formally begin until October at the earliest. In addition to the steering committee meetings, there will be public meetings held where community members can provide feedback and input.

“This is a great thing for Candler Park, and we look forward to the strategic planning and improvements the Visioning Program is sure to bring to the park, the heart of the neighborhood,” said Jay Sandhaus, CPNO board chair.

To learn more, visit www.parkpride.org and go to Get Involved—Community Programs—Park Visioning. If you are interested in participating on the steering committee, email Walt Ray at walt@parkpride.org.
Looking for Artists!
By Leslie Kipling

The Candler Park Fall Fest is October 15-16 this year and we are looking for artists to participate. We need all types of artists, except jewelry. We have had outstanding response but there are some spaces remaining.

Please email Leslie Kipling at artistmarket@candlerpark.org or call 404-661-0607 for an application.

2011 Atlanta BeltLine Night at the Braves

Parade around the field while players warm up; enjoy a pre-game reception with your closest friends and Atlanta Beltline supporters; maybe even catch the winning home run ball—all while raising funds for the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership—at the 2011 Atlanta BeltLine Night at the Braves! This year, we offer two seating choices, for those who want to get a little closer to the action. Join us as the Atlanta Braves play against the Washington Nationals.

- When: Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011; game begins at 7:10 p.m., but get there early to enjoy pre-game activities!
- Where: Turner Field
- Who: Everyone! Individual and group ticket options are available
- How: Visit Braves.BeltLine.org for more information

Laughter in the Park
by Deb Milbrath
A Half-Century in One Home
By Amy Clement

This month marks quite a milestone for longtime Candler Park resident Mark Clement, who is CPNO Special Projects Officer. He was actually born in his home on Benning Place exactly 50 years ago.

His parents, John and Joyce Clement, bought the home in 1960 and welcomed Mark into their family in one of the bedrooms one year later! With the exception of three years in Virginia Highlands and one year in Tucker, Georgia, Mark has resided at 1445 Benning Place.

In 1996 Mark bought the house from his parents, who wanted to move closer to their first grandchild. Since then, Mark has started a Candler Park family of his own, marrying Amy Clement in 2001. They have two children now, Jackson, who attends Mark’s alma mater, Mary Lin Elementary, and Adelaide, who will join him at Mary Lin next year.

Mark and two of his sisters at their Benning Place home, May 1967
You’ve Got Mail: Postcards to Candler Park Residents
By Dave Aynes, CPNO Treasurer

There are over 1,500 addresses in Candler Park. Despite free membership, CPNO has about 300 registered members (many pairs of members share an address).

I think CPNO could gain new members by reaching out to our neighbors in a new way, so I’m recommending that we send a postcard. I am hopeful that a new type of announcement about goings on in our neighborhood (childcare and food at membership meetings, movie nights, renew membership online, etc.), will encourage more people to get involved.

At our August meeting, I will propose that CPNO approve funding for the $1,649 to send postcards to the addresses of all non-members in Candler Park. Since a member expressed concern over the trees that would have to be killed to send these postcards, I am also recommending that $125 be donated to Trees Atlanta. This cost will cover the maximum that CPNO would spend: $1,524 for 2,500 postcards (minimum order, including postage) and the $125 donation to Trees Atlanta to plant five trees (I think only one tree will actually have to be sacrificed to produce the postcards).

Please contact me with detailed questions by e-mailing treasurer@candlerpark.org.
April Festival & CPNO's 5K Fundraiser
By Dave Aynes

In 2011, CPNO hosted the 5th Annual SweetWater 420 5K. Over 2,000 runners participated and the race sold out over a week in advance. Planning for the 2012 event has become complicated due to the uncertainty surrounding whether the city will allow SweetWater's popular music festival to continue in its previous form. I believe that the festival, despite the disruption it causes, is popular in the neighborhood by an overwhelming majority. I am hopeful that enough residents will post messages in support of this festival (and festivals in general) to illustrate this to the city.

In the meantime, one of CPNO’s two primary fundraisers sits in limbo. I am proposing that CPNO promote and organize a 5K race on April 21st whether or not there is a festival. I am also proposing that CPNO hires Zulu Racing, LLC as its 2012 race director and timing company. While the timing and management costs will exceed last year’s budgeted cost by 38%, my research into Zulu’s technology and interview with their principals indicate that the increased cost is justified. In 2011, the race suffered from a lack of volunteers and a few other logistical issues last year but it is a highly successful event. I firmly believe that last year’s issues can be overcome and the race can be an even bigger success in 2012 but the planning must begin now. At our August meeting, I will propose that CPNO approve funding for the $3,250 contract with Zulu. $1,625 is payable upon signing and the remainder is payable within 3 days of the event. Please contact me with detailed questions by e-mailing treasurer@candlerpark.org.
Silver Screen, Green Grass: Movie Nights Continue
By Mark Clement, CPNO Special Projects Officer

Part four of the Candler Park Screen on the Green movie series was How to Train Your Dragon. Thanks again to Epworth United Methodist Church for supplying free popcorn and soft drinks. Turnout was spectacular!

The fifth movie will be Tangled on August 20. Movie night festivities start at 7:30 pm and the feature presentation will go on around 8:00 (sunset) in front of the pool house. You will want to get there early for the best spot. Also, to go with the “hair” theme of Tangled, we invite all princesses to wear their best costumes (or any other costumes boys or girls would like to wear). Great Clips will be on hand to transform their hair into something special! Prizes will be awarded to the fairest of them all!

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/Epworth Methodist. Thanks to our sponsors BOND credit union, Front Page News, Corner Tavern, Tijuana Garage, Candler Park Market, Corner Tavern and our Presenting sponsor the CPNO. Without all you of, movie night would not be possible.

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Beltline Hearings Scheduled

The Buildings and Facilities Office in partnership with Atlanta BeltLine Inc. and the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority would like all personnel to be aware of upcoming hearings on the Atlanta Beltline. The Atlanta BeltLine is a $2.8 billion redevelopment project that will shape the way Atlanta grows throughout the next several decades. The project provides a network of public parks, multi-use trails and transit along a historic 22-mile railroad corridor circling downtown and connecting 45 neighborhoods directly to each other. The Atlanta BeltLine is the most comprehensive economic development effort ever undertaken in the City of Atlanta and among the largest, most wide-ranging urban redevelopment projects currently underway in the United States. The meetings serve as the official public hearing on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Transit and Trails for the Atlanta BeltLine. More information on the EIS is available here under the Newsletters and Updates Section. Please pay particular attention to Chapter 7 Preliminary Evaluation of Alternatives. For more information please visit http://www.beltline.org/

Four Public Hearings will be convened:

Tuesday, August 16, 2011
1:00pm-3:00pm
All Saints’ Episcopal Church, Ellis Hall 634 W. Peachtree St NW, Atlanta, GA 30308 (Across from the MARTA North Avenue Station)

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Hagar CTM (site for NPU L meetings)
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CPNO General Meeting – July 18, 2011
Minutes Submitted by Cherie King, Secretary

1) Welcoming remarks. President Jay Sandhaus welcomed approximately 41 members and guests to the meeting. A motion to adopt the agenda was approved by a show of hands.

2) City Officials & Other Visitors
   a) Councilman Alex Wan, Atlanta City Council (awan@atlantaga.gov) – Was not able to make the meeting.
   b) Major John Dalton, Atlanta Police Department (jdalton@atlantaga.gov) – Major Dalton was not able to attend and sent Officer Komeau to represent the police department. Officer Komeau stated that vehicle break-ins are still an issue. He stated that residents should not keep items in their vehicles. AC units and TVs are being stolen. Burglars are able to see the TVs through open blinds as they are driving around at night. Crime has gone down – last week only one car break-in. Get to know your neighbors and let them know when you are not at home. If someone looks like they do not belong in the neighborhood, they probably don’t. A resident asked if there has been an increase in the number of assaults in L5P stating that a friend was pistol whipped about a month ago. Officer Komeau was not familiar with the incident. A resident asked about the man who wears a turban and sleeps out his truck. A couple of residents stated that he has been around the neighborhood and has been checked out by the police. Officer Komeau stated that if he is not breaking the law, they cannot do anything. A resident asked if there was a particular time of day for AC thefts. Officer Komeau stated the thefts are happening between 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
   c) Commissioner George Dusenbury, Atlanta Department of Parks & Recreation (gadusenbury@atlantaga.gov) – Commissioner Dusenbury stated that the golf course loses money and costs approximately $35k a year to maintain. Beavers have moved into the park. They are trying to build 3rd dam. The 3rd dam has to be knocked down each time they build it because it floods the course. Commissioner Dusenbury came to us to get a sense on what we think about the golf course. He spoke with Alex Wan and American Golf about the course. The options are: status quo, get rid of the golf course or a hybrid - maintain some of golf experience (driving range, putting range, 3 hole) and use some as park. The field is being regarded. A resident asked who is paying for the field repair. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that a combination of City funds, funds from Sweetwater and funds from MidSummer Music Fest are paying for the repairs. A resident asked how much it would cost to change the area from a golf course. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that it costs approximately $7k an acre to maintain. A resident stated that this is substantially more money to make the change. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that the cost would depend on what is done with the area. For example, a golf experience could make money. Commissioner Dusenbury was not sure of the costs associated with the different options. A resident asked whether there were going to be lights put up in the park. Currently there are no plans. A resident stated that the Candler Park golf course was the only low cost option for golfers. This fills a niche for the golfing community. This is cheaper and not remote. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that part of the hybrid would fill some of the void for golfers. A resident asked if the City has talked to First Tee. Commissioner Dusenbury is very familiar with that organization. A resident asked how many people play at the Candler Park golf course. Commissioner Dusenbury was not sure. A resident stated that a driving range will be at night and would need lights. Residents will not like this option. A resident asked what the Parks Department did to work with the neighborhood to define new uses when Piedmont Park gave up their golf course. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that this predates him and he is not sure. A resident asked what will happen next. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that they are looking to have conversations about what to do with the course. A resident asked whether a solution could be created that would not increase crime and enable people to have places to live in the park. A resident asked whether the City has considered using another company besides American Golf. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that American Golf is saving the City money. Another resident asked if teaching pros have been solicited. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that you can take lessons at the golf course. A resident stated that they would like to see a solution that would not increase foot and vehicle traffic. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that Candler Park is a

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a) successful park with a pool and a golf course. Parks are for people and are an attraction. A resident stated that they were interested in expanding a nature area and adding new spaces for recreation. A resident stated that they are not a golfer and would love to see the area become a jogging, walking and picnic area – a place for people to hang out. A resident asked if there was a blog where they could send comments and/or suggestions. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that there was not a blog. A resident stated that some famous golf courses become a park on Sunday for people to use. A resident stated that they are in favor of doing something else with the golf course such as adding walking trails and a wilderness area. A resident asked for an official word on the beavers. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that they are not going to get rid of the beavers. They are coexisting with the golf course and only encroaching a little on the fairway. A resident asked what the next steps are. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that Freedom Park is participating in a Visioning Program and that he heard that Candler Park will be participating as well. A resident asked how community input will be taken. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that there will be community meetings and that this process will go a long time – approximately 6-9 months. A resident stated that 80% of folks are in favor of the festivals. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that Sweetwater was a significant festival. Sweetwater has talked to Piedmont Park but they do not want them there. A resident stated that they love the golf course and the beavers. They are concerned with people living under bridge and are concerned about adding additional areas where people will live. A resident asked about the chain link fence in park. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that it is temporary. The chair of the dog park committee stated that Commissioner Dusenbury met with the dog park committee to discuss some options. Commissioner Dusenbury suggested a park of the park to be used for a dog park area. The dog park committee met with the Freedom Park Trust. The Freedom Park Trust stated that they are not interested in having a fenced in dog area in Freedom Park. The dog park committee is looking to move the dog crowd to Candler Park. Commissioner Dusenbury stated that adding a dog park is a long process. A resident stated that once we remove the golf course it will never come back. A resident suggested golf camps.

2) **Announcements**

   a) Thank you to Savage Pizza for refreshments this month.
   b) Block party planned for Josephine in August (Trey Long) - August 20 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
   c) Kirkwood Family Medicine now open (Claudia Goffan) – 1863 Memorial Drive. Offers pediatrics to geriatrics. There are lots of parking spaces. There is not an urgent care. Go to [www.kirkwoodfamilymedicine.com](http://www.kirkwoodfamilymedicine.com) for more information.
   d) Elliott Pimsler, Glenn School teacher and childcare provider for CPNO meetings, mentioned that the Glenn Afterschool Program offers afterschool programs for approximately 60 kids and they pick up from Mary Lin. There are 10 available spots. The ratio of children to teachers is 8:1. They offer roller skating in gym on Thursdays, homework help, art and numerous sports. [www.glennumc.org](http://www.glennumc.org) for more information.

3) **Approval of previous month’s meeting minutes.** Approved by a show of hands. Motion made and seconded. All were in favor.

4) **Officer and committee chair reports - Special note: informative reports appear at the end of this report as Appendix 1.**

   a) **Treasurer – Dave Aynes**
      i) Candler Park banners, hats and mugs are available at the Candler Park Market – cash only.
      ii) We are tax penalty free at the moment. Thanks to Dave Aynes and Small Business Services for saving us.
      iii) Need to vote an additional $1500 to pay additional fees. Dave will put an article in the Messenger for us to vote on in August.
      iv) $23k of $40k spent so far this year (58%)
      v) All IRS penalties waived, but $1,400 spent resolving tax issues.

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a) **Zoning – Mischa Uppelschoten**

i) Parking changes on Callan & Brooks to be discussed at the NPU-N meeting on July 28. It appears that the City has unilaterally decided to change the parking on these streets to one side only. The City stated that it was difficult for service vehicles to gain access on these streets. The consensus is that we are disappointed that the City has not come to us. The CPNO board is going to write a letter to the City about this issue. A resident stated that they are fighting this issue in Lake Claire. Residents need to come to the NPU meeting to give their input. A resident asked what happens if the NPU votes against the parking restrictions. The NPU has not been consulted. The City can enforce the parking process based on a law. A resident asked if the only recourse is to go to the City council. We hope that by writing a letter and engaging them at the NPU meeting that we can have a discussion about this. A resident stated that they talked to someone at Public Works and they stated that they were going to put the signs back up after the NPU meeting. A resident asked whether our City Council member has been contacted. Alex Wan will receive the letter from the board as well. A resident stated there are two issues – one is the signs and the other is the process. A resident urged the CPNO board to engage Alex Wan in this issue. A resident on Terrace stated that during festivals no parking signs are put up on the side where residents live and not the golf course side; therefore, impacting residents that live on the street and causing damage to the grass on the golf course side. A resident stated that they would love to see a Public Works representative come to our next membership meeting. A resident stated that Alex Wan should be urged to come to the July 28 NPU meeting. A resident asked whether the commercial district (Clifton and McLendon) who have been approved and given a license based on parking availability is going to be impacted by the reduced parking. Street parking does not go towards their permit. A resident asked whether the alcohol and business licenses are aligned. Yes, the alcohol license has to be consistent with the business license. A resident asked the members present what the consensus was for this issue. A resident asked whether the neighborhood would be willing to take a position on this. Yes, if there a will of the membership to take a position on this issue, we will. Right now, we do not have a voice in this decision. The neighborhood organization and residents on the impacted streets should have a voice. We do not have all the information on this issue. A resident asked what we need to do to get this ball rolling. Let your City Councilperson and Public Works know your position and come to the next NPU meeting. A resident made a motion that no action be taken on removal of parking from CPNO streets in question (Callan and Brooks) until such time as the neighborhood can gather more information and make a recommendation to the NPU and City officials. This motion was seconded - 22 were in favor, 1 opposed and 7 abstentions. A resident stated that we need to be careful not to restrict emergency vehicles. If safety and emergency vehicles are a concern, we should not delay the progress. A resident stated that the City quit picking up garbage for a few weeks claiming that they cannot get through even though the recycling trucks made it through.

ii) Fox Brothers BBQ to appear at Zoning Committee meeting August 3. Some residents came to the zoning committee to discuss parking concerns. Owners, business partners and residents will be there.

iii) By-law change approved by board. The proposed by-law change will be published in the on the Candlerpark.org website and will be up for vote next month.

b) **Special Projects – Mark Clement**

i) Notified by Sweetwater 420 that they intend to return in 2012. Going to want to have a public forum ahead of time to discuss. A resident wanted to clarify whether they have their permits and permission from the City. No, they do not, but they have reached out to the parks department already. We will meet before they put in their permit. A resident asked whether we should move our fall festival to spring.

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5) Requests for Funding (Project Introductions -- Information Only, No Vote)
   a) Planning for a 5k during the 420 festival in 2012 (Dave Aynes) – Sold out in 2011 in advance of the race. One of the complications was the lack of volunteers to work this event. We need a race director that is experienced with large races. Zulu Race Company has been approached. In 2011, we netted $21k with 2050 runners. We cannot grow the race unless we have a more sophisticated timing system. A resident asked whether the race company would provide the water. No, they do not provide water. We will be in charge of water. Zulu uses a bib timing system. The racer’s time starts when the cross the start line and stops when the cross the finish line. A resident asked if we have talked to Big Peach Running Company. Big Peach does not manage races. They are in partnership with Zulu.
   b) Outreach program to broaden awareness of CPNO -- $1,524 (Dave Aynes) – Postcard to 1,500 addresses to tell people about the things that are going on in our neighborhood and with CPNO. We have 300+ registered members. Such things like childcare and food at membership meetings, movie nights, renew membership online, etc. would be mentioned. A resident suggested putting up signs like Lake Claire does for their meeting instead of killing trees.

6) Requests for Funding (Votes)
   a) Fall Fest Budget Vote (Mark Clement and Dave Aynes) – Budget was listed in the July Messenger. A resident asked whether the line items were based on actual bids or best guesses. We have received some of the bids. A resident asked whether we were going to manage the alcohol this year. No, we are going to outsource this as we did last year. A resident asked about the liability insurance and whether the premium has gone. We have not received a quote yet. The contingency allows a little bit of padding for each line item just in case some of the expenses come in more than expected. A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed Fall Fest budget - 23 were in favor and 1 abstention.
   b) $400 for Membership Hospitality program through end of year (Lexa King). This is a program for Candler Park residents or business owners who reside or have a business within the confines of Candler Park. This program will recognize new residents, residents having celebration or life issue by giving them a floral arrangement or gift card from a Candler Park business. A motion was made and seconded to allocate $400 for the hospitality program - 21 were in favor and 1 abstention.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Appendix 1

Meeting Notes -- CPNO General Meeting, May 16, 2011

Officer Reports

Treasurer -- Dave Aynes (treasurer@candlerpark.org)

As of June 30, 2011, CPNO’s financial position was as follows:

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2007 IRS Late Filing Penalty of $5,897.45 has been entirely forgiven! Apparently, the IRS does have a heart.

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Additional funding for CPNO tax returns and back tax issues:

So far in 2011, CPNO has paid out $1,627.49 to file tax returns for 2007, 2008 & 2009 and to negotiate penalties for late filing. These payments were paid from $1,200 budgeted in 2010 & 2011 and by $499 voted upon by the membership in December 2010. Small Business Services estimates additional fees of $1,280 will be required to file CPNO’s 2010 return and deal with any remaining back return filing issues. I propose the membership votes at its August meeting to allocate $1,500 toward paying these costs.

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BEER WEEK BREWING IN ATLANTA FOR OCTOBER 1ST-8TH, 2011
By Reid Ramsay

With the announcement of the Second Annual “Beer Week” on October 1 to 8, 2011, Atlanta joins the ranks of major craft beer cities in the U.S.

The week will begin with special Kick Off events, headlined by the popular HOToberFest on October 1 in the city’s Glenwood Park neighborhood, where attendees will be able to sample over 260 unique craft beers.

“Cities like Philadelphia, Chicago, New York, Boston, San Diego, and Portland have major craft beer markets and have their own ‘Beer Weeks,’” says Reid Ramsay, the founder of Beer Street Journal. “Atlanta is currently the eighth largest craft beer market in the country and so it only makes sense that we have our own. We look forward to making this a great annual event for the city’s residents and businesses.”

Atlanta Beer Week will include events citywide, including tastings, classes, social gatherings, dinners featuring beers paired with gourmet meals, and special beer and brewer presentations. Brewing and beer education classes open to all experience levels will be available on multiple days as will special rare beer and cask tastings. A number of the brewers who produce the one-of-a-kind libations will be in town for lunches, discussions, and workshops. The events section of the Atlanta Beer Week website (www.AtlantaBeerWeek.com) will be updated regularly with additions to the schedule.

Information on sponsorship opportunities for Atlanta’s Beer Week and HOToberfest is available sponsorship@atlantabeerweek.com. Restaurants, bars, stores, breweries, or other business interested in having a presence at the events can contact the marketing staff at events@atlantabeerweek.com.
How To Secure Windows
Intrusion prevention suggestions from “The Entry Enforcer”
By Duncan Cottrell

Although kicking in doors is the most common method of forced entry for burglary, windows are also a vulnerable route of intrusion. Windows are difficult to secure and still allow ease of operation and pleasant aesthetics. There are a few things that can be done to reinforce them against break-ins.

Typical double-hung windows (where the window sash slides up and down) have a pivoting lock where the two sashes overlap. The window lock is attached only with short screws, which will readily pull out when a prybar is levered under the bottom sash, thus allowing the window to be opened. To prevent this, window pins (available in a kit from hardware stores) are inserted into a hole drilled through the wood of one window sash into the overlapping sash. A special extractor tool (comes with the kit) is used to pull out the pins when you want to open the window. Additional holes can be drilled higher up to allow the window to be pinned partially open for ventilation. This technique works best on wood windows but not very well on aluminum or vinyl windows. An alternative is to use screws to lock the sashes together, but this is more laborious to open the window. This obviously won’t work for casement windows, which are cranked open. Nor does it prevent breaking the glass.

For glass windows and doors, a tough polyester Window Security Film is available. The security film is crystal clear, 4 mils thick, and is applied from edge-to-edge on the inside of the glass with a super-strong adhesive. If the glass is broken (like with a brick or baseball bat), the shards don’t fall out. They stay in place because they are bonded to the film, which is too tough to cut or tear. By holding the glass shards in place, the film prevents the broken window from being used as an entryway. The perpetrator becomes frustrated and goes away looking for an easier target. You still have to replace the broken glass (and film), but an intrusion is prevented.

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Very thick versions of security films are used on federal buildings to withstand bomb blasts. Window security film costs about $8 per square foot installed. Full-light or half-light doors are easily reinforced with security film even if they have the overlain grid simulating mullions, which can be removed for film installation then replaced.

The most burglar-proof security for windows is fixed metal grilles—burglar bars. To mitigate their unattractiveness, they can be custom designed to correspond to the dividers/mullions on the window (sometimes called “invisible” window bars). For a typical 3 foot by 5 foot window, these run around $170 per window installed. Off-the-shelf burglar bars from hardware stores are about $40-$100. Bars that are hollow are insubstantial and easily thwarted by intruders. Bars can be installed on either the inside or the outside of windows and can be painted to match house colors. Fire code requires that window bars installed in bedrooms be readily openable for emergency exit.

Another option is Security Screens, which resemble insect screens but are much stronger, being made from stainless steel wire held in a steel or aluminum sub-frame, which is attached to the window opening. The sub-frame appears to be part of the original window opening. They are available hinged for egress & cleaning, with a latch operable only from the inside. They are typically custom-made to window dimensions and are expensive (about $300 each, installed), insect screen.

Duncan Cottrell, The Entry Enforcer (404-289-6960), can advise you about door and window security options at your home and install any products mentioned.
Zone 6 Crime Reports
Compiled by David Bruce

400 block Candler Park Dr – Auto theft and recovery - 6/17 Fri Morn. Parking lot. Victims said he parked his vehicle at location and when he returned it was gone. Victim later called police to report he found his vehicle at the Marta station. Victim then said he may have left his vehicle there, took the train to school and then walked home after coming back from school.

500 block Goldsboro Rd – Larceny from auto – 6/21 Tues Eve. Parking lot. Victim said the driver’s side front window was broken and a GPS was taken.

200 block Josephine St – Larceny - Victim said she was heading home on DeKalb Ave when she saw a black male riding a bike and pulling another bike, which was hers. Just to be sure, she went home and hers was missing. She went back to the area she last saw the thief and flagged a Marta police officer. They found the subject trying to get on the train and arrested him.

400 block Moreland Ave – Commercial robbery – 6/22 Wed Eve. Victim said a black male about 5’ 9” wearing a black T-shirt with white writing on the front, green shorts, black and white tennis shoes and a black baseball cap robbed her. The mean old bad guy walked in and forced the victim away from the cash register with a black object in his hand and demanded all the money. She said the mean old bad guy kept saying “Bobby Johnson” and “more money, more money” during the robbery. A witness outside saw the MOBG leave the store but did not know a robbery had occurred at the time until the nice lady came out looking for help. $200 was taken. A video camera inside and outside will be reviewed.

1300 block Iverson St – Auto theft – 6/27 Mon Morn. Victim said he discovered his car missing when got up. He said this is the 3rd time a car has been stolen from him at this location.

1400 block Iverson St – Burglary – 7/2 Sat Morn. A neighbor noticed the front door of the home was kicked in and she and a friend went in and saw that the owner’s TVs were missing. They called 911 and the homeowner. Officer talked with the homeowner who was out of town and would be returning immediately. Back door was also open.

McLendon Ave @ Candler Park – Larceny from auto – 6/26 Sun Morn. Victim said they parked their car and went to park. She noticed a gold 4 door KIA parked next to her car. She said he heard some noise as they KIA was leaving. When they returned they discovered that driver side rear window was smashed and items taken. Shortly after, she received a call from a resident on Mansfield Ave that they found some of her items. Items were returned to victim. List of items not available in report.

400 block Moreland Ave – Larceny from auto – 6/29 Wed Morn. Victim said he discovered a broken passenger side window broken and listed item taken. No list in report.

1200 block McLendon Ave – Attempted auto theft - 7/5 Tues early Morn. Victim said she parked her vehicle at location and when she returned noticed someone had damaged the steering column and ignition in an attempt to steal the vehicle.

300 block Moreland Ave – Larceny from auto - 7/9 Sat Night. Parking lot. Someone damaged driver’s side door lock and stole a car radio.

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