# The Messenger

October 2007 News for Candler Park Your Intown Hometown

# **Meetings and Events**

### CPNO Meeting October 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM Social Period @ 6:30PM

CPNO meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup>
Monday of each month at the First
Existentialist Congregation located at
470 Candler Park Dr. *All are*welcome.

## **October General Meeting Agenda:**

- Welcoming Remarks, approval of agenda and September minutes
- Officer and Committee Reports
- Land Use Matters
  - Beer & Wine Permit 1660 Dekalb
  - Side Yard Setback 350 Ferguson
- New Business
- Announcements
- Open Forum

To submit agenda Items, contact any CPNO officer. The November agenda deadline is October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007

### **Events Calendar**

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

# Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

CPNO Zoning Committee Epworth United Methodist Church, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

# Tuesday, October 9th

Fall Fest Volunteers First Existential Congregation

# Monday, October 8th

CPNO Board of Directors Epworth United Methodist Church, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

# Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

CPNO Regular Meeting First Existential Congregation

# Tuesday, October 16th

Neighborhood Watch Organizational Meeting First Existentialist

## Wednesday, October 24th

CPNO Historic District Committee United Methodist Church, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

# Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

NPU-N L5P Community Center

### Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>

CPNO Zoning Committee Epworth United Methodist Church, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

### Free Beer and a T-Shirt

By Donna Palmer

After much soul searching and fiddling about, my sweet baboo has agreed to join me in volunteering for the annual Candler Park Fall Fest. Don't believe me? Go to <a href="www.candlerparkfallfest.org">www.candlerparkfallfest.org</a>, click on the Volunteers link in the upper right corner and see for yourself. The handy-dandy website, set up by an amazing and powerful web guru, made signing up a breeze. I was able to look at where my friends and neighbors were working and sign up accordingly. You'll notice that we're listed in the Beer Sales section under something called "Jockey Box". I have no idea what that means, but doesn't it sound intriguing?

Turns out, we'll learn exactly what it means at the pre-fest volunteers meeting on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the E-Church on Candler Park Drive. The valiant and wise members of the Fall Fest committee have arranged for representatives from Samuel Adams to demonstrate how to properly dispense a cup of beer. Now I know most of you probably learned how to do this in school, but a refresher course is always a good idea.

Other areas are also in need of volunteers. When this article was submitted for publication, there were still slots available for:

- Traffic Directors (oooh...golf carts!)
- Tour of Homes (sellers of tickets and sitters of houses)
- Equipment Set-up (indulge your fantasies of being a rock-and-roll roadie)
- And, the ever popular Trash Queens and Kings

The Candler Park Fall Fest will take place—rain or shine—on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Won't you join us? You'll get a free t-shirt and coupons for the tasty beverage of your choice.



Photo courtesy of Glen Lopez (30307@comcast.net)

# The Messenger

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# L5P Halloween Extravaganza

By Donna Palmer

As you well know, Candler Park is strategically located next to one of the coolest business districts in the entire southeast. I'm talking of course about Little Five Points. In order to stretch the holiday shopping, eating and drinking opportunities, the clever members of the L5P business community hold their annual Halloween extravaganza a week or so before the actual All Hallows Eve. This year, the celebration starts at 5 PM on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> with outdoor beer sales, music and fire performers. Hummm, alcohol and fire...what could possibly go wrong?

Things get started at noon on Saturday with special children's activities, face painting, the Big Peach Swing Band and other "eclectic entertainment" at Findley Plaza and Criminal Records. There's also a costume contest for kids and adults at 4:30.

The highlight of the celebration is the edgy, funky Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 PM. Many of your all time favorites will be on hand, along with new entries such as the world-famous and much adored Candler Park Water Ballet Company.

For complete information on the festivities, visit www.l5phalloween.com. (There's a great section for history buffs detailing the origins of Halloween both here and abroad.) So, bring the kids, bring grandma and bring your camera. Then you can email pix to friends and loved ones around the world to show them how wholesome and vibrant life is here.

# The New Banners Are Here!...The New Banners are Here! By Amy Stout

I know it's not as exciting as phone books, and I know I'm stealing the line from Steve Martin, but I don't think he'll mind. Anyway, a batch of brand spanking new Candler Park banners will be available at this year's Fall Fest at the bargain price of \$25. Fly your neighborhood colors!



Laughter in the Park

# Will Candler Park be Super-Sized?

By Destiny Ronay

The zoning meeting of September 5th was designated for the developers and their architect—who also happens to be our neighbor David Green—to present 4 different plans for the property at 1240 Euclid Ave. The proposed plans are as follows:

- The property being rezoned to MR (multi-family residential)
- The property being rezoned to NC-1 neighborhood commercial
- R4: leave zoning as is and subdivide into single-family lots
- Rezone part of the property and keep the church.

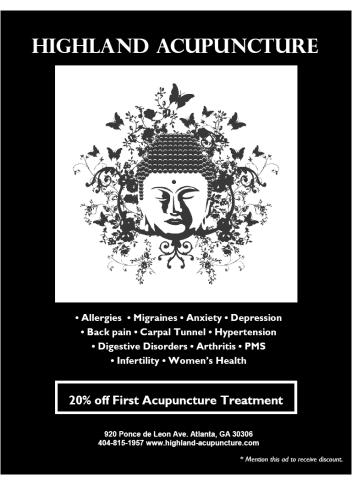
When it came time to hear David's presentation he had not yet arrived. And, by the time David did show up, he didn't have any plans available, plus the meeting had already adjourned. David apologized and stated that he would attend the next meeting (October 3<sup>rd</sup>) and would be better prepared.

This proposed project is forecast to take the next 2 to 3 years. Development is inevitable...UNLESS we show up to rally for what we want. These meetings are the only chance we have to express our desires for the area. I know I am directly affected by this project-more so than some of you, because our house is right across the street from the church. But, if you don't like the idea of possibly having a hundred new neighbors and the traffic they create or possible businesses like dry cleaners, bars, restaurants or parking decks spilling in to the residential portion of our neighborhood, then please attend the Zoning meetings and share your voice on the matter.

If the developers are successful in getting this property rezoned commercial, it establishes a precedent for later developments. In spite of these concerns, I still am open-minded to their plans, and hopeful that we'll get a nice addition to the neighborhood. Please mark your calendar for October 3rd and/or November 7<sup>th</sup> now and plan to attend a zoning meeting so your voice can be heard. Hope to see you all there.

**Editors Note**: Due to publication schedules, the printed version of the Messenger may not be delivered before the October 3<sup>rd</sup> zoning meeting. However, the online versions are generally available by the first of each month. Visit <a href="https://www.candlerpark.org">www.candlerpark.org</a> to review the most recent Messenger and those published in the past.







# Live Entertainment:

Saturday, October 13

12:00pm Tanglewood Tonic 1:00pm Angel Snow 2:00pm Blues Heart 3:00pm The Cazanovas 4:00pm Rocking Pontoons 5:00pm Hair of the Dog 6:00pm Sass Parilla 6:15pm League of Decency

Sunday, October 14

12:00pm Canine Cotillion 1:00pm Kevin Lewis Experience 2:00pm Spies of Life

3:00pm Geoff Achison & The Souldiggers

4:00pm Kristin Markiton 5:50pm Baton Bob 6:15pm Kingsized

# Saturday - Sunday October 13-14, 2007

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Candler Park 5K Oct 13, 9am Register Online at www.active.com

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# An Update Of Traffic Concerns On Clifton By Davy Smith

The traffic, safety and no parking issues on Clifton Road are still there; however, progress may be on the horizon. Since an earlier Messenger article on this matter, your email input was collected and analyzed. The owner of the Flying Biscuit and I met in April with a representative from the City's Public Works Dept. We came away from the meeting confident that the City would help with our concerns and would follow through as discussed and agreed. To insure our understanding, a letter (sent certified and regular mail) was sent in May 2nd to the City Representative. Reportedly, neither letter was ever received; therefore, the letter was reproduced and hand delivered on May 18th. Around the first week of June, a city crew painted yellow curb areas and installed a handicap parking sign in front of the Biscuit. This was appreciated but did not reflect what had been discussed and agreed upon.

Because Clifton Road is shared by both the Candler Park and Lake Claire neighborhoods, a plan was initiated to enlist the assistance of a member of the Atlanta City Council. After discussion of the issues and concurrence at the April meeting of the Lake Claire Neighborhood Organization, a representative (Scott Armstrong) volunteered to work in conjunction with me on these issues. On June 6<sup>th</sup> Scott and I walked both sides of Clifton noting our observations as well as those derived from the April newsletter responses. A list of concerns and improvements was drawn up as-well-as a color coded map showing each item and location.

A letter including the list and map was mailed July 19<sup>th</sup> soliciting Council Member Natalyn Archibong's help. And, after a series of meetings, Ms. Archibong and staff have been able to persuade the City's Traffic and Transportation Dept. to assign on a "to be done schedule" the following Requests For Services:

- #11634: Paint vellow curb at McLendon & Clifton
- #11635: Install Pedestrian crosswalk sign @ Marlbrook Dr.
- #11636: Install Pedestrian crosswalk sign @ Harriett Ave.
- #11637: Install Pedestrian crosswalk sign @ Muriel Ave.
- #11641: Install No Parking/Loading Zone sign @ McLendon & Clifton.

These Requests do not represent our entire list of concerns; however, they are a starting place and will show some progress. I had the opportunity to speak directly with Council Member Archibong as I finalized this article; she was pleased that our two neighborhoods have chosen her as the champion for our concerns. I expressed our thanks for her assistance and noted that we are looking forward to her continuing support. For reference on parking regulation, go to the Official Code of G.A. 40-6-203 (2006).





# What's So Special about Candler Park?

by Lauren Welsh

Is it the heavy cover of our urban forest? Is it walkable sidewalks with paths up to every front door? Is it living in homes, many of which were built in the late 1800s or the early 1900s, in the middle of a constantly developing city? Is it street patterns based on a grid system instead of curvy streets with dead ends? Is it wide front porches where you can wave at your neighbors walking down the street?

These are the questions the members of the Historic District committee are asking as we shape our vision statement of what it is we all love about Candler Park and how we can work as a community to keep that character alive and well. As different neighborhoods in Atlanta have gone through the process of potentially becoming a Historic District, they all come up with a list of overarching ideas that they like about their community. These serve as a guide to convey what it is we're really trying to accomplish.

For example, Grant Park has the following as part of its statement: "to preserve the residential character of all streets and thoroughfares in the district." West End's statement includes: "to preserve the integrity of the neighborhood, which includes residential and educational buildings, constructed during the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and early 20<sup>th</sup> century." And Inman Park has this one: "to recognize the importance of parks, open space, and institutional buildings in the development of one of Atlanta's earliest garden suburbs."

We want to hear from you, our neighbors, about why you love living in Candler Park. Send us an email with your ideas at <a href="mailto:cp.historic@gmail.com">cp.historic@gmail.com</a>. What do you think makes Candler Park special?

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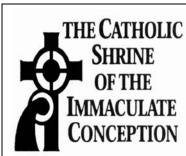
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# Park Pride Wants to Invest up to \$1000 in Our Park

By George Dusenbury
Executive Director Park Pride

Park Pride, the only organization that gains support for parks all over Atlanta and works with communities to improve them, is offering Community Micro Grants of up to \$1000 to improve public parks and greenspace. Throughout Atlanta, people are working with their neighbors to build a flower bed, plant some trees, install benches or paint dilapidated buildings in their community park. This is our way of saying "thank you" and encouraging others to get involved.

Applications must be endorsed by the appropriate Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU) and submitted by October 15. Awards will be announced November 1. Groups that have been funded in the past are eligible to reapply. Community Micro Grants are possible through the generosity of the Cecil B. Day Family. For more information, and to download an application, visit www.parkpride.org http://www.parkpride.org/micro.html, or call Allison Barnett, director of community relations, at (404) 817-6760, or email allison@parkpride.org.

Park Pride is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit promoting more and better parks, with the vision of creating a world-class park system in Atlanta. In 2006, Park Pride coordinated more than 20,000 hours of volunteer work in Atlanta parks, developed new conceptual master plans for five parks, helped start more than a dozen friends of the park groups. Park Pride continues to work with community organizations and grassroots advocates to support the creation of the Atlanta BeltLine, which will create more than 1,000 acres of new parks and 33 miles of trails.



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So far in 2007, 138 members have enrolled, donating \$2560 in voluntary contributions to CPNO. Please note for those who became members in 2006, applications for 2007 are still needed.

From long-time residents who've called Candler Park home for over 35 years, to our newest neighbors eager to enjoy our unique intown lifestyle, it takes everyone to help make CPNO work for all of us, and to help keep Candler Park such a great place to live!

- Mary Alice Bray, Membership Secretary

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# President Carter To Sign Copies of His New Book

By Tony Clark

Public Affairs Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum

President Jimmy Carter will sign copies of his new book "Beyond the White House: 25 Years of the Carter Center" at the Carter Presidential Library on Wednesday, October 17th. The book signing is from 5:30 PM until 7:00 PM and is open to the public. Copies of "Beyond the White House", as well as President Carter's other books will be available for purchase at the museum gift shop. Publishers Weekly describes "Beyond the White House" saying "Sharing the 39th president's boundless energy and enthusiasm for humanitarian work, the book is written in a highly personal and informal style."

Also this fall, the Carter Library will host a number of best-selling authors for lectures and book signings. For more information, call 404-865-7109 or visit www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov.



# Epworth's FAMOUS BBQ!

# Saturday the 13th during the Candler Park Fall Festival.

Take a break from shopping and eat at the (air conditioned!) church.

We're hosting an outdoor worship service on the stage in the park

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14th at 11:00AM

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# Learn How To Be a Nosey Neighbor!

by Liz Thompson

The majority of neighbors who responded to the Candler Park Security Survey over the summer expressed interest in getting involved in the Neighborhood Watch Program because it:

- Provides a cost effective (i.e. FREE!) method to reduce crime
- Becomes a daily part of neighborhood living, not a series of
- ✓ The basic premise of the watch program is: You watch my house and I will watch your house.
- ✓ Teaches proactive strategies in the fight against crime.
- ✓ Creates awareness among neighbors to assist in the prevention of criminal activity in their communities.
- Strengthens the relationship between the community and the

I know I'm repeating myself here, but if you skipped over the stuff above, it's free and it doesn't require a lot of meetings!!!

Inspector Ruby Naylor from the Atlanta Police Department is the Crime Prevention Inspector assigned to Candler Park and we have engaged her to help us get some Watches formally up and running. Please join us for an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30PM at Epworth United Methodist on McClendon. (rsvp liz.thompson@suntrust.com).

Ruby will provide details about the program and step-by-step instructions on how to get a Watch started on your block. After the meeting, you'll have the materials needed to get your neighbors involved and hopefully start forcing the rising crime rate around here back down!

This is a one-time informational meeting and will not require follow-up or monthly meetings. However, if you cannot attend the meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> (which is specially geared for Candler Park), the APD is also hosting a general training for new Block Watch Captains at City Hall East. On Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 AM to 1:00PM in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Training Center Presentation room at City Hall East. RSVP by Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup> by calling 404-853-4380.

And to all you nosey neighbors out there – keep up the good work!

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# **Georgia Power May Have Over-Charged Residents**

By Alan Fav

This summer, I received a statement from Georgia Power that showed excessive power consumption (3-4 times my typical kWh usage). Well aware of the record temperatures, I still wanted to review the kWh on my meter in order to validate the charged amount. However, examining my statement further, I noticed that most of the amount was from another meter. Georgia Power had replaced my meter and charged me the amount on my old meter from previous months (which were estimates).

The rates per kWh increase at certain thresholds. This means that charging past energy use as one lump sum results in a higher bill. This is at best another tax we have no choice but to pay, and at worst, consumer fraud.

Although Georgia Power has already admitted the mistake, they have refused to change my statement. I have pointed out that they are in violation of the usage contract, which stipulates I am entitled to a review and test of my old meter in the event of a dispute. Georgia Power has refused, stating that they have already destroyed my old meter. They also admitted to changing many meters throughout our neighborhoods, which means that many other homeowners may be affected.

Please review your summer month statements and pay particular attention if your meter has been replaced. As consumers, we often don't have a choice when it comes to utilities. However, this does not mean a company can charge us arbitrarily and destroy the evidence in violation of their service contract.

If you have been billed by this "lump sum" method, new meter or not, you should contact the Executive Customer Service department at Georgia Power (404.506.3701). Also, please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:emptyset@gmail.com">emptyset@gmail.com</a> if you have any questions about my current dispute or want to compare your case with mine.



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# Family Dinner Night By the Food Freak

Every other Wednesday, a group of us get together for a good old fashioned Family Dinner Night. Depending on work and play schedules, I'll be cooking for about 6 to 8 adults, half a dozen babies/toddlers and occasionally—when the mood strikes them—a handful of teenagers. As you can imagine, the scene is wonderfully chaotic. Stand still long enough and somebody will hand you either a crying baby or a glass or wine...sometimes, you'll get both! Over the years, I've whittled the menu down to a couple of crowd pleasing favorites. Here's one of the most requested – Spaghetti Casserole:

2 lbs. ground beef
1 lb. Italian sausage (hot or mild)
1 lb. fresh mushrooms
3-4 cloves of fresh garlic
2 cups of shredded cheese\*

2 (14 oz) cans crushed tomatoes
1 medium sized onion
2 tbs. dried basil
2 tbs. olive oil
Salt and pepper
1 tbs. dried oregano

4 cups elbow macaroni or penne pasta 1 large bottle cheap red wine

The first step is to make the sauce. I usually do this ahead of time because it freezes beautifully and I like to save my energy for playing with babies. Start by browning the ground beef and sausage in a heavy skillet over medium high heat. You'll probably have to do this in batches unless you have a monster skillet. After draining the grease from the skillet, toss the browned meat into a large sauce pan or a stock pot. Add the crushed tomatoes, sprinkle with salt and pepper and place over low heat. Be sure to stir this every once in a while.

Meanwhile, wipe the mushrooms with a dry towel and then slice them. Next, peel the garlic cloves and onions, and then chop both into small bits and pieces.

When all of the meat is browned, wipe the skillet clean, then add 1 tablespoon of olive oil and place over medium heat. Add chopped onion and sauté until wilted. Add chopped garlic and continue to cook – stirring frequently – until the veggies are clear and starting to brown at the edges. Dump the onions and garlic in with the meat and tomatoes. Now wipe the skillet again, add more olive oil and sauté the sliced mushrooms until they are soft and brown. Sprinkle the mushrooms with the dried basil and oregano and allow the flavors to mingle a bit. Pour about a cup of the wine into the mushrooms and gently scrape up any tasty browned bits. Add the mushroom and wine to the meat and tomatoes, then sit back and let it slowly simmer for about an hour. The sauce should be thick, so give it a stir occasionally to make sure it's not sticking. You can either drink the rest of the red wine now, or save it for dinner. I recommend that you live in the moment. Also, at this point you can either continue to make the casserole or let the sauce cool and freeze it for later.

Once the sauce is made, preheat the oven to 400, and then cook the macaroni or pasta according to package directions. Lightly oil a large lasagna pan and dump in the drained pasta. Stir in the sauce and top with cheese. Bake uncovered until brown and bubbly. Serve this with a large green salad, a loaf of fresh bread and plenty of your favorite cheap red wine. Yum.

\* I like to mix things up a bit and use a combination of cheddar, mozzarella and parmesan.



# **Candler Park Zoning Committee Meeting**

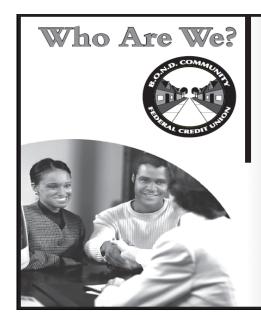
By James Johnson

The Candler Park Zoning Committee met Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> and reviewed the variance application for 1279 McLendon Ave. The committee recommended approval for the reduction of the sideyard setback from 15' to 10.4'. This item was also approved at the CPNO Regular meeting 17 September 2007.

The committee also intended to review the proposal to rezone 1240 Euclid Ave. However, due to miscommunication, that did not occur. The proposal to rezone will be discussed at the next Zoning Committee meeting to be held Wednesday 3 October 2007. The agenda for the October meeting includes the following items:

- 350 Ferguson Street Sideyard setback reduction.
- 1660 DeKalb Ave. Beer and Wine License.
- 1240 Euclid Avenue, Review schematic plan for the proposed rezoning of 1240 Euclid.

**Editors Note**: Due to publication schedules, the printed version of the Messenger may not be delivered before the October 3<sup>rd</sup> zoning meeting. However, the online versions are generally available by the first of each month. Visit www.candlerpark.org to review the most recent Messenger and those published in the past.



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## Atlanta Theatre's Hidden Gem

By Amy Wratchford

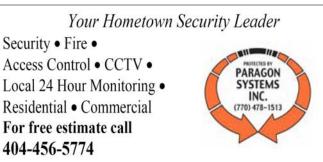
We all know that Atlanta is home to some excellent theatre. Most of us know that much of that theatre is created right in our backyard. Many have attended productions at Horizon or 7 Stages. But, did you know that in residence at 7 Stages is a vibrant theatre company that is dedicated to supporting of women artists, forging community partnerships and developing new work? That company is Synchronicity Performance Group, about to launch its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 2007-2008 Season.

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The women of Synchronicity are hard at work off-stage too with a devotion to mentoring young women and girls. Playmaking for Girls is the company's award-winning community outreach program which helps teens use the creation of theatre as a tool for creative expression, community healing and personal growth. This four-part program includes two-day workshops in regional detention centers, a summer workshop with recently released and paroled girls, an after-school program for middle school girls, and satellite workshops throughout metro Atlanta.

Come down to 7 Stages and see what makes Synchronicity Performance Group Atlanta theatre's hidden gem. For more information, check out Synchronicity's website at <a href="https://www.synchrotheatre.com">www.synchrotheatre.com</a>. You can also call 404-484-8636 or email info@synchrotheatre.com.





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# **CPNO Meeting Minutes September 2007**

Compiled by Randy Pimsler

The regular monthly meeting of the Candler Park Neighborhood Neighborhood Organization, Inc. was held on Monday, September 17, 2007 in the fellowship hall of the First Existentialist Church, 470 Candler Park Church, with president Amy Stout in the chair. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. Approximately twenty-nine people were present at the start of the meeting.

David and Darryl attended from the Vision Church on Euclid Avenue.

The proposed agenda was adopted after two items were added, under Officer and Committee Reports.

Randy Pimsler provided an update on the Candler Park Pool lawsuit.

Amy Stout reported that the banners have been ordered and should be here any day for sale.

The minutes were approved with the modification of the initial attendance to be changed to eighteen people.

### **Committee Reports**

A treasurer report was not provided.

Amy Stout reported from the NPU, at this meeting. The NPU board voted to defer consideration of a variance application for 1526 Iverson, as well as the variance application for 354 Clifton Rd. The board approved two special event permits: one for the 7th annual Candler Park Fall Festival to be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 13th and 14th, 2007 and one for the 7th annual Little Five Points Halloween Festival and Parade to be held Friday and Saturday, October 19th and 20th, 2007. Lt Brady from the Atlanta Police Department indicated that overall crime is up in Zone 6 this year by 16%.

Mark Clement was present and reported on the Fallfest, Oct 13 and Oct 14. Volunteers are needed for the day of the event (167 slots are still available). Visit the web site for additional information, <a href="https://www.candlerparkfallfest.org">www.candlerparkfallfest.org</a>. The Tuesday before the festival, volunteers will have a party

Mary Alice Bray, Chairperson of the home tour now has ten homes confirmed for the tour. Volunteers / house sitters are needed for the Sunday event. To volunteer and / or for additional information, contact <a href="maryabray@aol.com">maryabray@aol.com</a> or visit the Fallfest website.

Liz Thompson was not present, so Amy Stout reported for the security patrol committee. A Neighborhood Watch Program is going to be initiated with meetings to be held in October, at a date and time to be determined. Check the website, candlerparkpatrol.com for ongoing information updates.

### **Land Use Matters**

James Johnson reported that the architect had notified the group that he would be late for the zoning committee meeting. No presentation was made at that time and the hope is that four schemes will be presented at the next zoning committee meeting on October 3, 2007 at 7:00 pm.

No follow up has been received from the applicant of 1526 lverson.

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### **CPNO Meeting Minutes Continued from Page 17**

1279 McLendon presented an application for a reduction in a side yard – half depth front yard setback (corner lot) from fifteen feet to ten feet, to place the addition in line with, or just a foot offset from the existing house. The zoning committee voted to support the application if the side yard fence (wall) could be modified by either replacing it or removing it. The building will also be built on piers, so as to reduce the impact of the building addition on the existing tree. Numerous signatures were provided by adjacent neighbors. The motion was made to approve the application for the reduction in the side yard, with the two stipulations noted above and conditional on a signed agreement between the applicant and Candler Park Neighborhood Organization.

Walter Brown provided a detailed report on the Moreland Avenue Implementation Task Force. An excellent article was presented in the Messenger. The City of Atlanta has approved some funding for corridor improvements. The Atlanta Regional Commission might consider additional funding if additional engineering is undertaken. The Department of Transportation has agreed to start studying twelve intersections along the corridor and has also agreed to model proposed improvements. The web site for this project is morelandcorridor.net. James Johnson is CPNO's representative to the task force.

# **New Business / Announcements / Open Forum**

Walt Weimar noted that the expenditure for the insurance coverage for the Fallfest would be presented next month for voting.

The Little Five Points Community Center raised just over four thousand dollars on their annual Golf Tournament. A thank you was expressed to CPNO for their contribution.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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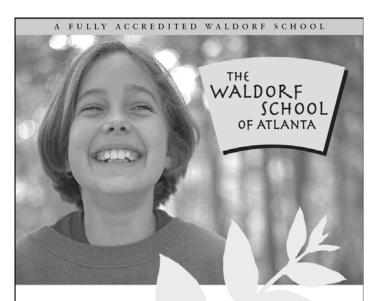


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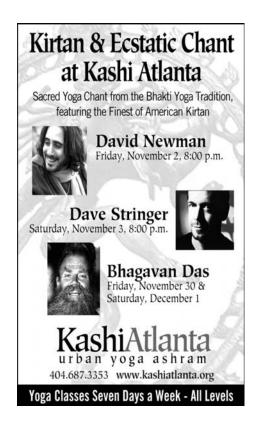




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# **Zone 6 Crime Report**

8/19 - 9/15

Compiled by David Bruce

**300 block Mell Ave** – Assault - 8/19 Sun Eve. Victim reports the suspect pushed the car door on to her foot during an argument. **Arrestee: W/M, 36YOA.** 

**1300 block McLendon Ave** – Burglary -8/19 Sun Eve. Victim stated that she heard a noise and found the suspect attempting to open her back door with a screwdriver. The Victim raised the alarm and the suspect fled the area on a red Bicycle. Item taken but recovered. Suspect: B/M, 5'10", 160lbs.

Mansfield Ave NE @ Moreland Ave — Larceny from auto - 8/19 Sun Eve. Victim reports someone damaged his vehicles door lock, entered, and removed property. Moreland Ave NE @ Euclid Ave — Larceny from auto - 8/24 Fri Day. Victim reports someone smashed her vehicles rear passenger side window and removed property.

Candler Park Dr NE @ McLendon Ave – Larceny - 8/23 Thurs Eve Candler Park. Victim reports someone stole his bike from Candler Park.

Zone 604 900 block Dekalb Ave -Robbery residential - 8/25 Sat Eve. Weapon: Glock 22, Colt .45 Model 70. Victims stated they were sitting in 922 Dekalb Ave when shots were fired into the residence. Fearing for their lives the victims jumped out a second story window to the pavement below. One victim landed on her face knocking 13 teeth out and two others sprained an ankle. The suspects were seen running toward the Marta Station and were taken into custody after a brief foot chase. Marta Officers recovered the weapons and property from the Station Platform. The suspects were taken to the Zone 6 precinct were they stated that they fired into the home, entered, and removed the victims wallets. Taken/recovered, 2 wallets and contents. Arrestee: B/M, 19YOA. Arrestee: B/M, 17YOA.

**300 block Glendale Ave** – Burglary - 8/27 Mon Day. Victim believes someone entered his garage by crawling through the doggie door and removed property.

**1500 block McLendon Ave** – Burglary -8/30 Thurs Day. Victim reports someone entered his home and removed property. There was no sign of forced entry and the victim thinks he may have left the front door unlocked.

**1300 block McLendon Ave** – Larceny from auto - 8/27 Mon Morn. Victim reports someone removed his vehicles license plate.

**1400 block McLendon Ave** – Larceny - 8/27 Mon Morn. Victim reports someone stole items from her back porch.

**400 block Oakdale Rd** – Larceny - 8/30 Thurs Eve Apartment. Victims reports someone removed property from their wallets during a party.

1300 block McLendon Ave — Burglary - 9/7 Fri Eve. Victim reports someone kicked in a second level back door, entered the home, and removed property.

400 block Candler St — Larceny from auto - 9/7 Fri Morn. The victim stated that he left the vehicle unlocked. Items taken.

1800 block Dekalb Ave — Robbery pedestrian - 9/4 Tue Day. Victim was sitting in his vehicle reviewing construction paperwork when the suspect approached. The suspect asked if the victim a few questions before he pointed a small black semi auto handgun at the victim's head. The victim elbowed the suspects hand causing the gun to fall inside the vehicle. After a brief struggle the suspect retrieved the gun and demanded the victims wallet. The victim refused so the suspect grabbed the victim's vehicle keys and walked away form the scene. Suspect: B/M, 5'11", 190 lbs

1400 block Benning PI – Burglary - 9/15 Sat Eve. Victim stated someone made entry into his house and removed property. The home is under construction and has no roof, just a blue tarp. No forced entry was found, the suspect must have climbed a wall and climbed under the tarp. 400 block Callan Cir – Burglary - 9/12 Wed Day. Victim reports someone removed the screen to an unsecured second story window, entered, and removed property. The suspect left a bike next to the window.

**300 block Candler St** – Larceny - 9/6 Thurs Day. Victim reports someone stole his bike from his front porch.

## **Announcements**

The non-profit **Intown Community Assistance** is seeking blankets, gloves, hats and socks in preparation for winter weather. Donations accepted 10-noon Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri at 670 Seminole Avenue or call 404-729-1281.

**Emory Recycles** is having an Electronic Recycling Event on Sat., October 6<sup>th</sup> from 9AM-12PM at Emory's Briarcliff Campus, 1250 Briarcliff Rd. All electronics are accepted. Appliances are <u>not</u> accepted. There will be a \$10 fee for televisions. For more information contact Claire Wall, claire.wall@emory.edu or call: 404-712-8921

Inman Middle School is recruiting tutors/mentors for at-risk students. Play an integral role in the education and development of these students who are struggling to keep up. Ideally, volunteers would be available at least one hour per week through May, but anyone who is interested in working with us is encouraged contact Jeanine Rousso (Graduation Coach) at 404-802-3214.

BBQ and Bluegrass on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 4 PM to 7 PM at **Druid Hills Presbyterian** Church located at 1026 Ponce de Leon Avenue. Enjoy free music, carnival games, inflatable rides, and craft making centers for children. Please contact Eric Dusenbury at 404-522-7130 or dusenbur@bellsouth.net for more information.

Inman Park Cooperative Preschool invites interested families to a meeting for prospective parents on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the preschool at 760 Edgewood Ave. IPCP is a non-profit cooperative school for children ages 12 months to 5 years. Come and learn more about IPCP's unique learning environment. For more information, check the website at <a href="www.ipcp.org">www.ipcp.org</a> or contact director Betty Wood at 404-827-9796 or ipcp@mindpring.com.

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