The Candler Park Messenger
December 2010

Meetings and Events

**CPNO general meeting December 20th**
*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.

**December General Meeting Agenda:**
- Welcoming remarks, approval of agenda and November 2010 minutes
- Officer and Committee Reports
- Land Use Matters
- New Business
- Announcements and Open Forum

Submit January agenda items to any CPNO officer by December 23rd, 2010

**Events Calendar (open to all)**

**Wednesday December 1st @ 7pm**
CPNO Zoning Committee - Epworth

**Monday December 13th @ 7pm**
CPNO Board of Directors - Epworth

**Thursday December 16th @ 7pm**
NPU-N - L5P Community Center

**Monday December 20th @ 7pm**
CPNO General Meeting – First Existentialist Congregation

**Wednesday December 22nd @ 10am**
L5P Bus Assn - Sevananda Foods

**Wednesday January 5th @ 7pm**
CPNO Zoning Committee – Epworth

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**2010 CPNO Board Elected,**
**Open Planning Session January 6**
By Jay Sandhaus

The CPNO held its annual board election at the last membership meeting. I am excited to introduce our new board, which begins its term with many years of experience serving the neighborhood. We are fortunate to have two key people remain in their roles: our Treasurer, Dave Aynes, and Environmental Officer Trey Long. Lauren Welsh remains on the board but in a new position as Vice President. Lexa King and Mark Clement, both board members in previous years, return as Membership Secretary and Special Projects officer, respectively. Christie Kuropatwa joins the board for the first time as Public Safety Officer. And I join for the first time as President.

A big thank you is due to Doug Wetzel, our past President, and the entire outgoing board for your leadership and for the many hours you dedicated to Candler Park over the last year. The neighborhood is a better place for your efforts.

We have a great year ahead of us. I ran for the board because I saw an opportunity for growth in the CPNO. We have resources -- most importantly, people who want to be involved -- and lots of good ideas; I want to put time into making those ideas happen. My personal goals for this year are to lead the creation of a strategic plan for the CPNO; to fund, staff and complete at least four projects that support that plan; and to accomplish those plans by growing our membership by 50%. We will do these things in the spirit of our organization’s purpose: to promote the common good and general welfare in Candler Park.

**If you haven’t been involved, now is the time.** The projects we undertake, and the direction we set for the CPNO, is up to you. We will start planning this year with a *brainstorming session and party on January 6 at Manuel’s Tavern at 7pm.* At that meeting we’ll create a list of ideas and pick a few to start working on. We invite everyone in Candler Park to attend this meeting. **Even if you don’t attend a single other meeting this year, I hope we see you at this party.** We need your ideas and your participation. And it’s a great opportunity to meet your neighbors over a drink. Please join us.

Right now the CPNO is operating without a strategic plan. That means we have nothing but our mission statement to guide the organization. This year, we would like to create an actionable plan for how we will execute on that mission, and then see it through. That plan should include short-term projects, achievable within three months; medium-term projects that can be completed in about a year; and long-term goals of the neighborhood that might take many years. We also want to keep a much longer list -- a backlog -- of projects and ideas that have been proposed, so as resources become available we can put them to good use.

This meeting is the first step in creating our plan. We need your ideas to make the potential project list, and then your input to prioritize it. Come join your neighbors for an evening of conversation and conviviality!
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Year in Review: CPNO Board

As the year comes to a close, our CPNO Board would like to take the opportunity to thank you for letting us represent our neighborhood and to point out a few of the key items we accomplished in 2010. As a group, we worked amicably together to serve Candler Park’s needs and to encourage additional involvement in our neighborhood. Our neighborhood organization is only as strong as the residents who are willing to invest in CPNO to make these projects happen, and we appreciate both our members and donors. We look forward to another successful year with a new Board in 2011!

—Doug Wetzel, Regina Brandt, Dave Aynes, Randy Pimsler, David Bruce, Courtenay Dusenbury, Walt Weimar, Trey Long, Lauren Welsh

Financial

• Began tracking income and expenses in Quickbooks.
• Filed tax returns for 2007, 2008 and 2009.
• Hosted two budget committee meetings to get member input on financial matters.
• Developed annual budget for fixed operating expenses to be voted on once per year rather than voting on each expense individually.
• Developed financial handover process/list of tasks for future treasurer and board members.
• Filed Georgia Trademark applications for ‘Candler Park Fall Fest’ and ‘Fall Fest’.
• Began development of a grant process to determine how to select recipients.

Zoning

• The Zoning Committee held open monthly meetings with two exceptions, when there were not applications before the group.
• One special exception/variance for parking on commercial property.
• Two alcohol license applications for commercial properties and one alcohol license application that was withdrawn for a commercial property.

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Laughter in the Park

by Deb Milbrath

Laughter in the Park
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• Nine variance applications for variances on residential properties, one of which was for a new home. The remaining eight were for additions to existing homes.
• Ten inquiries from property owners related to zoning related items and/or suggestions for how best to handle proposed projects. Most notably, two of these inquiries related to issues with neighbors regarding poor property conditions and/or zoning infractions; three of these related to vacant land and proposals for possible development (one of which was a commercial development and rezoning); one was related to a commercial property and issues that impacted neighbors on adjacent properties; one was from a person moving into the neighborhood, totally unfamiliar with land use in Atlanta.
• Discussed transit oriented development (TBD) for the MARTA station and had a formal presentation at the November Committee Meeting.

Safety
• Helped neighbors near abandoned church on Euclid Avenue to clean it up and secure it.
• Encouraged Zone 6 to have officers at each meeting.
• Updated monthly crime reports.
• Notified Zone 6 officers if neighbors had a concern or if there were problem areas that needed additional patrol.

Records
• Timely compilation and distribution of accurate meeting notes for CPNO Board and General meetings
• Use of updated member distribution list each month to ensure that all CPNO members receive meeting notes
• New system to post meeting notes on website

Special Projects and Events
• Worked with co-chairs, Kate Sandhaus and Cherie King, as well as FallFest Committee to have a successful and profitable FallFest.
• Assisted the FallFest Committee co-chairs with permitting, insurance requirements, CP-branded souvenir merchandising and records management for future organizational event planning reference.
• Reviewed applications and responded to or met with event organizers seeking to use public spaces including Candler Park and neighborhood thoroughfares for race events.
• Worked with neighborhood residents concerned about traffic, parking, noise or other impacts from permitted events.

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- Supported planning and administration, newsletter publicity and general meeting updates on CPNO-sponsored events including movie nights in Candler Park and the 420 Festival 5K.
- Worked with volunteers to support Movies in the Park.

Environment
- Started a graffiti removal program to help fighting tagging around the neighborhood.
- Planted, and re-planted creeping fig along the concrete wall that runs along the MARTA tracks on DeKalb Avenue.

Membership
- Evaluated the current CPNO website and additional changes we could make within the current system with support from webmaster.
- Moved all membership applications online and created an opportunity to donate to CPNO and purchase merchandise online.
- Re-launched neighborhood block parties with financial support from CPNO.
- Will migrate all membership to online only for 2011.
- Created a “block captain” program to recruit individuals to serve as information sources for their blocks.

I’m With Inman!
A Celebration of Inman Middle School Talent
Submitted by Jeff Blum

Saturday, December 11th at Barnes & Noble in the Edgewood Shopping Center, 11:00 am to 5:30 pm

Our community Barnes & Noble in the Edgewood Shopping Center is hosting a huge fundraiser for our school PTA. All day long we will have kids performing, having craft workshops, singing, playing in orchestra and jazz ensembles, doing improv and cheering for us!!! This event will highlight all the great talent we have at Inman and showcase the Arts Departments. Up to 25% of EVERYTHING sold that day will go directly to the Inman Middle School PTA! This is also good for ANY Barnes & Noble in the country AND for online sales as well. How cool is that? You can stay home in your jammies, but you'll miss the show!

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Use the code #10312874 in person or online and help out Inman Middle School PTA.
Fall Fest:
A Fun Party AND a Money-Maker!
By Kate Sandhaus & Cherie King

We all knew Fall Fest was well-attended and a ton of fun. But until recently, we were all waiting with baited breath to find out how it did financially. And lo and behold, the news was good. Very, very good.

At the November membership meeting, Dave Aynes presented the findings of his exhaustive waltz with Quickbooks. And we are pleased to announce that this year’s Fall Fest netted $26,000, all of which goes directly to the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization. Thank you again to all the committee members, volunteers, sponsors, vendors and festival-goers who contributed to that bottom line.

With that nice pile of cash comes the question of where it will go. This is something we all talked about long before we knew if there’d be a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Two reasons: 1) Those who poured time and effort into this event wanted to know...to what end? Sure, a fabulous festival is a worthy cause in and of itself, but there was also a sense that resulting funds should go toward something meaningful. And 2) As we head into future years of festival planning, we want to be able to point toward the tangible results of previous festivals. The festival cycle of life, if you will.

That is why we’re proposing six projects, totaling roughly half of the Fall Fest proceeds, that will benefit our neighborhood. Four of these will be presented and voted on at the December meeting, and the other two will likely be deferred 1-2 months while we finalize the project details.

Candler Park Movie Night 2011 – $6,300 toward six movies from April to October. This was a hugely popular event in 2010, with attendance averaging 250 people per movie. It’s a great opportunity for Candler Park residents to come together for a family-friendly event. And for anyone who has been to one of the movies, you know it’s also an opportunity to socialize and catch up with your neighbors before the movie begins. The budget for each movie is: $500 equipment, $375 movie rental, $75 security, $100 Park Pride administration, which covers insurance, permitting and bathrooms.

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Clifton Sanctuary computer lab – $2,519 toward five desktop computers and wireless adapters. Clifton, which has been part of our community for thirty years (located just “over the line” in Lake Claire), provides shelter to 30 homeless men at a time, and also serves as a transitional housing program. Clifton provides a number of services, including helping these men get back on their feet. Guests will use the computer lab to work on resumes and other job search related activities. It will also make it possible to bring in volunteers from the community to help with computer education. The budget represents all equipment needed for this project.

Mulberry Fields water sustainability – Estimate $2,000, to be finalized when project and budget are fully defined. Mulberry Fields is a hidden oasis near the corner of Candler St. and Iverson St, which used to be a dairy farm. Today the two-acre space is home to goats, chickens and cooperative gardens. The space is open to all, and is especially beloved by those with green thumbs, kids and dogs. Currently all water for the space is provided by one of the residents in the adjacent houses. Installing either an irrigation meter or a well (both options are being pursued) would significantly reduce the water costs and ecological footprint associated with operating the space. That will also make it possible to add additional garden plots.

Park improvements – Estimate $1,500, to be finalized when project and budget are fully defined. We are in the process of

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gathering ideas from Park Pride and the Department of Parks to come up with a list of possible Candler Park park improvement ideas. The goal is to give back to the park that hosts Fall Fest, both because it tends to need a little TLC after it hosts thousands of festival-goers and it’s a prized resource in our neighborhood.

Fall Fest 2011 Kickoff – $500 to be used at a kick-off event for those interested in being on the Fall Fest 2011 Committee. The kick-off will be held at a local restaurant and will include food and drinks. The goal is to generate interest in next year’s festival planning efforts, to get folks excited about working together on it, and to begin identifying roles & responsibilities.

CPNO / Fall Fest Storage Unit – $500 for 2011. As many committed neighborhood folks will tell you, we’ve got a lot of stuff -- Candler Park merchandise, Fall Fest banners, water coolers, t-shirts, parade float decorations, and many boxes of miscellaneous stuff. These items have been scattered across various garages, basements and attics, and we would like to move everything to a single storage unit.

Our goal with these proposed projects is to spread the Fall Fest proceeds around a few areas – entertainment, charitable giving, improving our natural resources and outdoor spaces, investing in next year’s festival, and getting our house in order, both figuratively and literally!

Each project will be presented by the project owner and voted on by the membership at either the December (#1, 2, 5, 6) or January (#3, 4) general meetings. In the meantime, please direct any questions or comments to Kate Sandhaus (404-819-5060) or Cherie King (404-786-2407).

King-sized Holiday Show
By Mark Clement

If I heard it once Fall Fest weekend, I heard it a thousand times. "Where is Kingsized? Why is Kingsized not playing? Kingsized is a tradition." Well, there is still time this year to get your Kingsized on!

The Kingsized Holiday Jubilee and Toy Drive is at the Variety Playhouse on Saturday December 11 at 8:30 (doors at 7:30). Start your Holiday Season with Atlanta’s own showbiz mavens, Big Mike and The Dames Aflame, along with the very merry Kingsized Rock’n Roll Orchestra bringing tidings of comfort & joy with their signature glitz and glamour. This freewheeling Kingsized Holiday Jubilee has become a tinsel-time tradition, one that I never miss. The all-ages 90-minute show features your holiday favorites by the likes of Bing Crosby, Nat King Cole, Andy Williams, Ray Charles, Heat Miser, The Grinch, Elvis and more! Folks who bring an unwrapped toy for donation to Toys for Tots get to sit for their holiday portrait with Really Big Santa before the show!

Tickets available at Variety Playhouse box office or any Ticketmaster outlet. For more info and to order online, visit http://www.kingsizedholidayjubilee.com.
Goodbye, Mr. Postman
By David Aynes

Back in late May, Pete & Helen Whitlock e-mailed me to say that Charles Halsey “our most excellent mailman” was moving to a new route. By the time I read it, his last day had already past so I decided to track him down. A visit to Little Five Points, a phone call (okay, maybe two or three) to Ralph McGill and another call to Ben Hill and bingo! I’m on the phone with Charles.

I explained who I am and why I was calling. “What’s your address?” he asks.

“A few seconds of thought “Okay, I remember. You and your wife have a baby girl.”

“That’s right!” I said, totally impressed. “And you were always so nice to her. My wife said you’d always stop to say hello or smile and wave.”

We talked for a few more minutes. I asked if I could meet him on his new route, take pictures and ask some questions for an article for The Messenger. He agreed and a week later, we’re standing near the business office at Greenbriar Mall. I’m asking questions and Charles is loading the mail box for all of the mall businesses.

With a bit of a grin, Charles said “I don’t think I’ve ever been interviewed before.”

“Well, I haven’t given many interviews…so I’m kind of making this up as I go along.” I smiled back. “So, how long have you been a mail mmm.”

“Mail Carrier?” he offered.

“Okay, right…Mail Carrier. That’s the official job title?” I scribbled in my notes, feeling more and more like a postal insider.

“Hmmm, let’s see, well I guess it would be ten years…ten years this month as a matter of fact.”

As we began to talk about his route in Candler Park, it soon dawned on me that Charles knew drastically more about us than we knew about him. His ability to match addresses with names, children and pets reminded me of Dustin Hoffman’s character in Rain Man (although Charles is much more personable than Raymond). I could only imagine what else he might know about us individually or collectively.

Charles walked our sidewalks and streets FIVE DAYS A WEEK FOR SEVEN YEARS! Of course, my inner-math-nerd had to get out an aerial map and try to figure out how many miles Charles has walked in Candler Park.

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At first glance, the route is roughly 2.3 miles. Then you have to include the trip from the sidewalk to the mailbox (and back). That’s another 50 feet for each house multiplied by 250+ houses...about 2.4 miles. But wait, there’s more. All that mail is heavy...250 pounds (16 ounces per house per day). Unless you can carry it all at once (in 100 degree heat or freezing rain), you’ve got to deliver one batch, then circle back to the truck to pick up another. That adds another 2.3 miles for a total of nearly 7 miles per day. Multiply that by 241 delivery days per year for seven years and you come up with 11,657 miles!

Charles asked as we were walking outside the mall to take pictures, “What made you want to do this?” I told him that he’d really made an impression on the people in our neighborhood. Everyone had a good memory of Charles. I asked him how he managed to seem like he was in a good mood everyday. He said humbly “It doesn’t cost anything to be nice to people.”

In the hour or so I spent getting to know Charles, I learned some cool things: He was raised in Chicago, Illinois and served in the U.S. Navy from 1975 through 1995. When the first Gulf War broke out in 1990, Charles was on an aircraft carrier in the North Arabian Sea. This is his tenth year as a Mail Carrier. His last seven were spent in Candler Park. While he really liked the people and places in Candler, his commute and his knees demanded change. Charles’ new route in Ben Hill is a shorter commute from his home in Fayetteville. With several large stops like Greenbriar Mall, the new route is also a bit kinder to the joints (his 14,000+ miles of walking have led to multiple knee surgeries).

At the end of our time together, Charles received a call from his bass player about their band’s rehearsal. Apparently this Naval-seafarer turned gentleman Mail Carrier also plays drums in a Gospel band. They had an upcoming gig at Carver Bible College!

**PS. If you’d like to reach Charles, please write to:**
Mr. Charles Halsey, 2260 Fairburn Road, Atlanta, GA 30331-9998.
Sing in the Spirit of Christmas
By Sarah Wynn

The staff, guests, and board of Clifton Sanctuary Ministries invite all neighbors to join in our annual caroling from Monday evening, December 13th, through Friday night, December 17th. Prince Davies-Venn’s choice of carols always keeps us warm and happy in the beat. Singing starts at 7:30 PM and refreshments will be served to warm your body and your spirit.

On Sunday, December 19th, the guests offer a very special Christmas program to the staff and volunteers of Clifton. If you’d like to enjoy the wonderful performing talents of our guests, please stop in for the Clifton Christmas Pageant at 3 PM. After the performance, an early Christmas dinner – that you do not want to miss – will be served. Please join us, the more the merrier!

Clifton Sanctuary Ministries is a nonprofit organization at 369 Connecticut Avenue that provides shelter and nurture to men seeking to overcome homelessness. To donate or learn more, visit www.cliftonsanctuary.com or call Prince Davies-Venn for information at 404-373-3253, ext. 7.

Help a Clifton Guest for the Holidays

Each year, Santa fills a holiday bag for each gentleman living at Clifton Sanctuary. Your donation of new underwear, clothing, hygiene items, or Marta cards can make a big difference!

Please deliver gift bag donations by December 20th to: Clifton Sanctuary Ministries, 369 Connecticut Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30307. Please contact Alice at 404-373-3253, ext. 1, for more information.
Screen on the Green: That’s a Wrap
By Mark Clement

Thanks to Park Pride for their help in our five-part family movie series, Friends of Candler Park Screen on the Green. This year we showed five family friendly movies to over 1500 people in the Candler park area: UP, Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, The Princess and the Frog, Kung Fu Panda and Monsters vs. Aliens. We also had some added movie night excitement by Baton Bob, the Feed and Seed Marching Abominable.

Many thanks for Park Pride’s help for equipment rental and set up. Thanks to Ayanna, Marlina and Amanda for their support. However, it takes more than the Friends of Candler Park and Park Pride to pull it all together. Thanks to the people of Epworth United Methodist and the Mary Lin PTA for their help. Also thanks to John Peranonti, Gordon and Susan Rose, Ken and Melissa Buck, Boyd Baker, Curt Faurity, Jim and Reba Pelot, Jack and Rev. Lisa Dempsey. Thanks to our sponsors, Front Page News, Corner Tavern, Tijuana Garage, BOND Credit Union, Savage Pizza and our presenting sponsor the CPNO.

It is now time to turn our attention to next year. At the general CPNO meeting on the third Monday of December we will be voting on funding of this year’s movie night. Last year the CPNO funded $4,500 for five movie nights. This year we will be asking for $6,300 for six movie nights.

Need a Christmas Puppy?

Fulton County Animal Services will hold a Home for the Holidays pet adoption event at the shelter’s location, 860 Marietta Blvd, Atlanta. We will have more than 100 homeless pets available for adoption. Saturday, December 11, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 404-613-0358.

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Be sure to renew your membership for 2011

It’s a great way to get involved in the neighborhood and keep up with what’s happening in Candler Park, and allows you to fully participate by voting in CPNO monthly meetings, receive e-mails with important news, and keep apprised of upcoming meetings. In 2010 the CPNO Board will be reviewing by-laws to change annual renewal, but for now we need all members to renew.

Lexa King, CPNO Membership Secretary

CPNO Membership Application

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1300 block Benning Pl – Larceny from auto - 10/18 Mon Day. Parking lot. Someone broke out driver’s side vent window and stole clothes, shoes and car radio.

McLendon Ave @ Elmira Pl – Larceny from auto - 10/22 Fri Morn. Victims live on Moreland Ave @ McLendon Ave. Someone broke rear passenger side windows to both vehicles and stole 3 cameras, camera bag, clothes and 2 lenses.

400 block Page Ave – Larceny - 10/22 Fri Morn. Victim said someone stole a bicycle from his front porch.

Freedom Pkwy @ North Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 10/20 Wed Morn. Victim (cab driver) said suspect vehicle pulled in front of him and suspect (passenger) came to the window pointing an AK-47 at him demanding money. Victim said he began reaching for his weapon when suspect got back into the vehicle and left. Witnesses were in rear of victim’s vehicle and said they saw the same thing. Nothing taken, no injuries. Suspect: B/M, wearing gray hoodie. Suspect Vehicle: White Dodge Charger.

900 block Euclid Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 10/23 Sat Eve. In a park in Inman Park. Victim: B/F, 32 YOA. Victim said she was walking through the park when suspects approached. Suspect 1 pointed a gun at her chest, while suspect 2 took a wallet, cell phone, messenger bag, I-pod, keys and debit card. Suspect 1: B/M, 6’04” 130-170lbs, blank bandana, black shirt, blue jeans. Suspect 2: B/M, 5’07” 140lbs, dark blue jeans.

400 block Moreland Ave – Shoplifting - 10/19/ 11Thurs Eve. Incident not reported until 10/26. Employee said suspects left location without paying for 2 pairs of shoes. Incident captured on video. Suspect: B/F, 5’03”. Suspect: B/F, 5’10”.

1300 block Benning Pl – Larceny 11/1 Sun Day. Victim said someone stole her bicycle from location. She said the bicycle was locked on a chain and the chain had been cut.

Dekalb Ave @ Degress Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 11/3 Wed Eve. Victim: B/M, 33 YOA. Victim said he was walking when approached by 8-10 B/M’s and B/F’s. He stated one of the males said, “what’s up nigga?” and they all began to assault him. Victim said he fell to the ground and suspects punched and kicked him, then took his cell phone and laptop bag with books inside.

400 block Oakdale Rd – Pedestrian robbery - 11/2 Tue Eve. Victim: W/M, 23 YOA. Victim said he was walking when he heard footsteps approaching fast. Victim said suspects came up from behind and asked how he was doing. Victim responded okay and one of the suspects pointed a gun at him (leaving it halfway inside his sleeve). Suspects demanded victim’s possessions and took his cell phone, wallet, eye drops, contact case, book, debit card, ID and $10. Suspect: B/M, slim, wearing all black. Suspect: B/M, slim, wearing all black.

300 block Moreland Ave – Auto theft - 11/11 Thurs Eve. Gas Station. 2010 Toyota Camry, GA Tag# BJ6141. Victim said she left her vehicle running while she went inside location and when she came out suspects were driving her car away. Video shows suspects pull up in listed vehicle and 2 of the suspects jump in victim’s vehicle and drive off. The suspect’s vehicle also left the scene driven by an unknown individual. Vehicle parked on system as stolen. Suspect: B/M, baggy white t-shirt, dark pants, white shoes. Suspect: B/M, dark hoodie, white t-shirt, baggy blue pants. Suspect: Unknown. Suspect Vehicle: Green vehicle.

900 block Euclid Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 11/9 Tue Eve. Inside a park. Victim 1: W/M, 19 YOA. Victim 2: W/M, 24 YOA. Victims said suspects approached and asked them for some weed. Victim said they told suspects they didn’t have any and suspects pulled out black handguns. Victim 2 began to run as victim 1 was hit in the face with one of the suspect’s fists. Victim 1 said one of the suspects then put the gun to his temple and took a laptop, backpack and text books. Nothing was taken from victim 2. Suspect: B/M, 5’10”, wearing black snow vest, dark colored long sleeved shirt. Suspect: B/M, 5’10”.

Euclid Ave NE @ Alta Ave – Pedestrian robbery - 11/12 Fri Morn. Victim 1: W/M, 26 YOA. Victim 2: W/F, 25 YOA. Victims said they were stopped by 3 suspects in listed vehicle. Suspect 1 was armed with a shotgun. Suspects took a wallet with DL, debit and credit cards, $100, 2 cell phones and a purse with ID from victims and fled. Victim 1 said his credit card had been used at a BP on Moreland Ave. Police went to location to see if they could look at the video, but the employee was unable to access the tapes. No injuries reported. Suspect 1: B/M, 6’00” 175lbs, blue bball hat, gray hoodie, gray or white sweatpants. Suspect 2 & 3: B/M’s. Suspect Vehicle: 4 door white sedan (possibly Chevy).

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