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The Year of the Park

By Matt Kirk, president@candlerpark.org

By the time you read this column, many of you will have reviewed the CPNO draft budget for 2020, which will be voted on in the February membership meeting. Determining our budget is one of the most important actions of the year, so I invite you all to consider the priorities of CPNO, bear down on where we are financially as an organization, and how you can help.

The proposed budget clearly indicates our continued commitment to our numerous community support initiatives, our schools, and membership support. In addition, we have been careful to set aside a portion to cover our fixed operational and professional expenses. Most importantly, we have committed a large allocation to the Candler Park Conservancy both of existing funds and of a portion of our net profits from Fall Fest 2020 - I dub this the Year of the Park. As a result, our budget for discretionary expenses has tightened. It should be noted that this tight budget will likely continue through all of 2020, so CPNO will be restricted from addressing new neighborhood and local initiatives until 2021.

While we will have limited funds to apply to new projects in 2020, we need to fully utilize our greatest resource - our neighbors! Your individual support is our lifeblood; everyone involved in CPNO is volunteer striving to make this neighborhood even better.

If you are still looking for a New Year's Resolution (maybe as a replacement for another attempt that has gone sideways) and want to make a difference in Candler Park, I cannot recommend

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enough that you join one of our committees or representation opportunities. To get a little legal, our Bylaws even "strongly encourage" all CPNO members to participate in at least one committee each year. If you are curious as to the opportunities provided within CPNO, the following is a non-exclusive list: the Easter Egg Hunt, Zoning, Infrastructure, Education, Fall Fest, the Little 5 Points Alliance, Zoning, and the Freedom Park Conservancy.

For specific spotlights, the Fall Fest Committee always needs volunteers, and not only in the days around the events, but in the months of planning that lead up to them. As we will continue to discuss, 2020 is the 20th anniversary of Fall Fest, so help make it the best yet. 2020 will also be a vital year for Education. With a new superintendent on the way, many are cognizant of the threatened changes that may coincide. Candler Park would be well served by representatives at any meeting, town hall, or other gathering to voice our concerns and keep us updated.

In this the month of love, show Candler Park how much you love it by joining in! We can all use and appreciate your expertise, talents, passion, and time. Please do not hesitate to contact any of the Board Members or the specific Committee Chair for more information on any committee or representative opportunity.

The mission of the **Candler Park Neighborhood Organization** is to promote the common good and general welfare in the neighborhood known as Candler Park in the city of Atlanta.

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MEETINGS

CPNO Members Meetings are held every third Monday at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive.

Committee meetings take place at The Neighborhood Church, 1561 McLendon Ave., unless otherwise announced (enter from the street level door and ring the bell if you're late).

All are welcome. Only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly meetings. Membership applications must be received by Membership Officer by the first day of the month of meeting.

Find specific meeting information on page 6 and a complete list of CPNO meetings at www.candlerpark.org.

MEMBERSHIP

CPNO membership is free to Candler Park residents, property owners and businesses. Membership must be renewed annually.

Sign up at www.candlerpark.org or mail name, address, and email to

CPNO Membership
PO Box 5418, Atlanta, GA 31107

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

- 5** CPNO Zoning meeting,
7 pm, The Neighborhood
Church, 2nd floor
- 10** CPNO Board meeting,
7 pm, The Neighborhood
Church, 2nd floor
- 14** Valentine's Dance,
1st Existentialist Church
- 15** John Lewis 5K, 8 am,
Dellwood Park

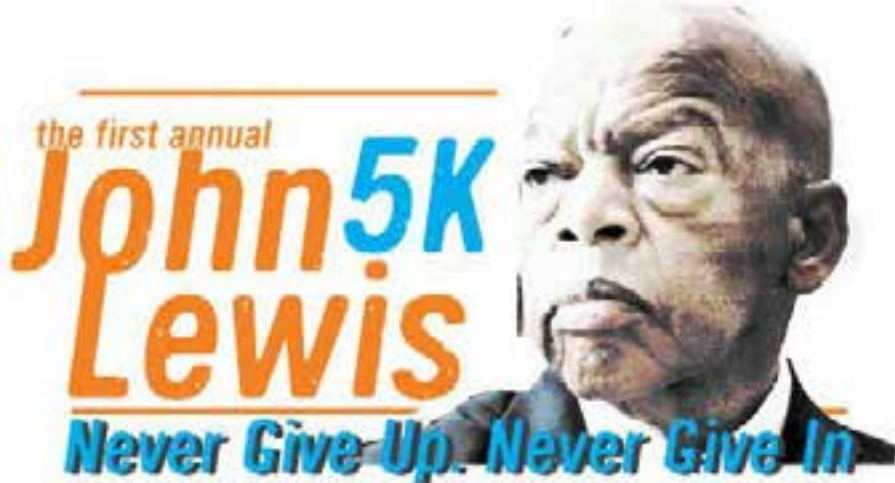
Deadline to submit content
for March Messenger!
- 17** President's Day

CPNO Members Meeting,
7 pm, 1st Existentialist
Church
- 23** CPNO Movie Night
indoors, Incredibles 2, The
Neighborhood Church
- 26** CP Forever: Tai Chi and
Exercising for Seniors, 10
am, The Neighborhood
Church

MARCH

- 4** CPNO Zoning meeting,
7 pm, The Neighborhood
Church, 2nd floor
- 9** CPNO Board meeting,
7 pm, The Neighborhood
Church, 2nd floor
- 15** Deadline to submit content
for April Messenger!
- 16** CPNO Members Meeting,
7 pm, 1st Existentialist
Church

*In case of cancellations or changes,
check CPNO's Upcoming Events list at
candlerpark.org. All CPNO meetings are
open to the public.*



Dear John 5K Walk/Run Celebrates and Supports Congressman John Lewis

John Lewis has served Candler Park and the rest of Georgia's 5th district as a U.S. Representative since 1987. He has a long history of fighting for people's civil rights and now he's fighting a personal battle against cancer. You can show your love and support for Congressman John Lewis by running, walking or volunteering. The DEAR JOHN 5K Walk/Run celebrates the contributions of Rep. Lewis and supports his battle against pancreatic cancer on **Saturday, February 15, 2020.**

Bring a card, write a love note, or create an artistic "get well" and event organizers will deliver them all to Mr. Lewis after the event.

This 5K is a point-to-point, which means that it doesn't start and end in the same place. It will start in Dellwood Park in Druid Hills and end the race by the David Howard School in Old Fourth Ward. The race will travel the John Lewis Freedom Parkway Path. Registration is at 8am and the race starts at 9am.

Money raised will go to support pancreatic cancer research and the Freedom Park Conservancy.

Go to www.DearJohn5k.org for more info. Keep those positive, healing thoughts headed Mr. Lewis's way.

Welcome and Thanks!

By Roger Bakeman, membership@candlerpark.org

CPNO thanks all members who have renewed for 2020

CPNO thanks members for their contributions:

Linda Green

Bartow Cowden

Scarlett & Lance Kirby

Mary Schaurer

...and others who wished to remain anonymous





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If you have a news tip or story idea, please email relevant information including contacts to editor@candlerpark.org or call the editor.

If you live in CP or own a business in CP, and aren't receiving the Messenger by mail, be sure to notify us! Send your name and address to editor@candlerpark.org. Place the words "Messenger Delivery" in the subject line.

CP ONLINE

For the most up-to-date information on Candler Park events and news, check us out on the Web at candlerpark.org.

Thanks to Brewhouse Cafe!

By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

Thanks to Brewhouse Café for sponsoring the January CPNO membership meeting with a variety of pizza! Located in the heart of Little Five Points, the Brewhouse Café calls itself "Atlanta's premiere soccer bar" and shows all Atlanta United soccer games. As an independent, locally-owned business since 1997, the Brewhouse serves traditional breakfast for early morning matches and stays open until 2 am serving starters, sandwiches, burgers, wings and pizza. Go to the Brewhouse Café and enjoy soccer "with Atlanta's most passionate soccer fans!"



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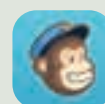
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Music and Food Festival in May: CPNO-Member Tickets Support the Park

By Roger Bakeman, Candler Park Resident and Past CPNO Board Member

Rival Entertainment's Music and Food Festival, held early summer, and CPNO's Fall Fest both have music, food trucks, and an artist market, but there are some key differences. Our Fall Fest includes a lively and bouncy Kidlandia, a tour of homes, a fun 5K run—and is free. The emphasis of Rival Entertainment's Music and Food Festival is the music—and people pay to attend.

The last three years Rival Entertainment has generously offered complimentary tickets to members of CPNO—although I have always known this was not a permanent arrangement. I have very much appreciated their past generosity, but never took it as an entitlement. As is often true, good things come to an end. Here's the deal for CPNO members for 2020.

Rival Entertainment's Candler Park Music Festival will be held Friday, May 29, and Saturday, May 30, 2020. In early February, they will announce the performer line-up. General Admission weekend ticket for the general public will range from \$25 – \$45, plus tax and fees.

In support of the park's future and the Candler Park community, 500 weekend general admission tickets will be made available to current

CPNO members for only \$25 *inclusive of tax and fees*, of which **\$10 will be contributed to the Candler Park Conservancy's Active Lawn** project fund. With neighbor's support, we'll raise \$5,000 toward the vision of making *Candler Park Atlanta's Natural Place to Play!*

To purchase your fundraising festival ticket: A unique promo code will be emailed by CPNO to all current members when tickets go on sale. Each code is valid to purchase (2) fundraising festival tickets at [Freshtix.com](https://www.freshtix.com). Tickets will remain on sale until all 500 have been sold.

The festival features two days of nationally recognized music performances, local music showcases, artist and craft vending, and your favorite festival food! Often considered the music festival offering the biggest bang for the buck in the Southeast, Rival is proud to partner with City of Atlanta Parks and the Candler Park community to invest in the future of the park's greenspace.

For current CPNO members, this is just one more reason to renew your membership for 2020—and if you are not a member, to join now. To purchase tickets that support the park, CPNO members will need the unique code we provide.



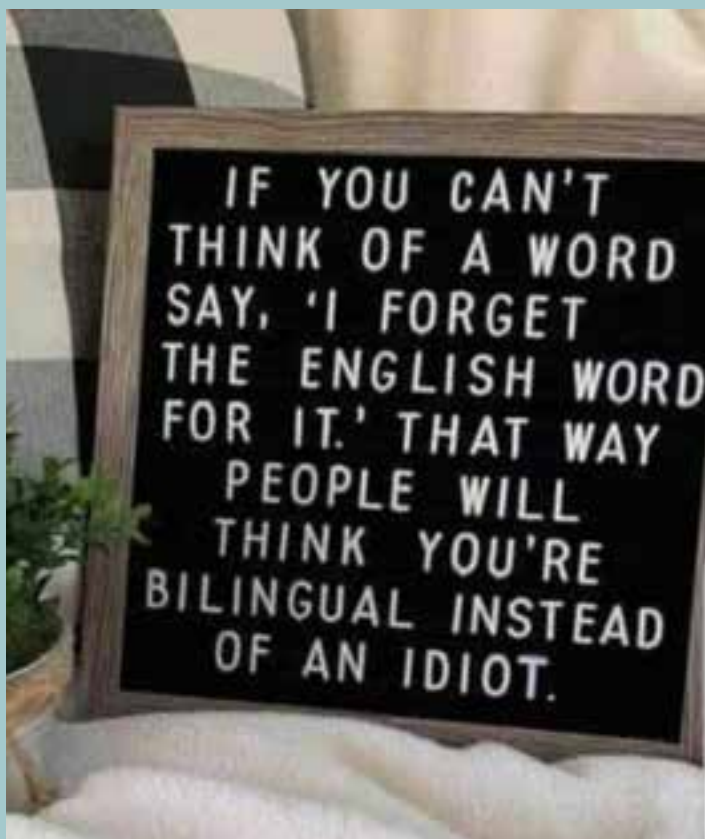
Candler Park Forever Plans Monthly Info Sessions for Seniors

By Lexa King, safety@candlerpark.org

Anybody else have memory issues? Names, words, why I went into the kitchen? The thing is, I have struggled with some of these things all my life. I once heard that Einstein did not remember his own phone number. When asked about it, he said, "Why would I take up space in my brain remembering something that can so easily be looked up?" I'm with Einstein!

Here's something I would like you to remember. In 2020, Candler Park Forever will be presenting monthly information sessions. We intend for these to be useful, informative, and fun. The session in February will feature demonstrations of Tai Chi and exercising for Seniors. I have heard multiple horror stories of people falling, breaking various parts and being confined to bed for weeks. As with many things, there are better ways of falling that can save you much pain and inconvenience. Let's learn about them together. The session will be held at the Neighborhood Church at 10:00, Wednesday February 26th. Come to the silver and glass doors to the left of the Sanctuary building. If we are not right inside the doors, there will be a sign directing you to our location. We will see demonstrations and maybe get to try some things ourselves! Next month I hope to have a fairly comprehensive list of upcoming sessions for the year.

Candler Park Forever would like to be able to reach out to our Senior community to keep you informed of events and gatherings. In order to do that, we need your contact info. We are circulating questionnaires to homes in Candler Park to gather email addresses and phone numbers.



Please respond per the directions on the questionnaire or drop me a line with your name, address, email and phone number. We wouldn't want you to miss one of our events!

Ensuring a Full and Fair Right to Vote

By Rev. Andy Woodworth, Co-Pastor of Neighborhood Church, A United Methodist Community

On Sunday, January 12th the short film **Suppressed: The Fight to Vote** was screened at an event hosted by Neighborhood Church and The First Existentialist Congregation. But what emerged from the afternoon was more than simply a movie and conversation - the event has sparked awareness of active issues and engagement opportunities in our own backyard.

Suppressed: The Fight to Vote, the new documentary by Robert Greenwald weaves together personal stories from voters across the state of Georgia to paint an undeniable picture of voter suppression in the 2018 midterm election where Stacey Abrams fought to become the first black female governor in the U.S. The issues Georgians faced included polling place closures, voter purges, missing absentee ballots, extreme wait times and a host of voter ID issues - all of which disproportionately prevented many students and people of color from casting their ballots. To view the film, or set up a free screening visit: bravenewfilms.org/suppressed

After the events of 2018, Stacey Abrams formed Fair Fight, an organization created to promote fair elections in Georgia and around the country, encourage voter participation in elections, and educate voters about elections and their voting rights. Fair Fight brings awareness to the public on election reform, advocates for election reform at all levels, and engages in targeted voter registration and other voter outreach programs and communications.

"Fair Fight Action stopped a purge of more than 26,500 voters, but much more work remains," said Fair Fight Action CEO Lauren Groh-Wargo. "We intend to invest in and raise funds to support civic organizations that do voter registration work in Georgia - groups that will help reinstate voters to the rolls and register new voters. We encourage all Georgians to check their registration status regularly, and to re-register if their voter registration is not up-to-date."

Beyond checking registration status, Fair Fight is encouraging action at local polling places - either by working as a poll monitor or a paid poll worker. Poll monitors observe and report issues that voters experience on polling days; poll workers work with the county election boards to operate specific polling places. As new voting technology is rolled out in upcoming elections, poll workers familiar with technology and the voting process will be required. To find opportunities to volunteer with Fair Fight, visit: FairFight.com

With 2020 being a national election year, the work of ensuring a full and fair right to vote for all Americans is more important than ever. The Georgia primary election will be held on March 24, 2020; the Georgia general election will be held on November 3, 2020.

Rev. Andy Woodworth

*Co-Pastor | Neighborhood Church
A United Methodist Community*





Photo credit: Kristen Vincent



Wellness and Community for All

By Kristen E. Vincent,
Owner, Be Kula: Space for Wellness

From the beginning, the people of Neighborhood Church have been clear about many things, including this: the church building - the one that takes up an entire block and sits in a prime location directly across from Candler Park - should be the neighborhood's building. Especially since the entire building just got a gorgeous facelift a year ago, it should be a place where people feel comfortable gathering, meeting, playing, and working. Whether you're Christian or not, whether you're a member of Neighborhood Church or not, you are welcome in this building.

So when the pastors learned that Candler Park Yoga (CPY) was closing its doors last March, they knew immediately that they wanted a yoga studio in the building. Not only would it be one more way to welcome people from all walks of life into the building, but it would provide a home for the many teachers and students who had loved and called CPY home. Bonus: it would make good use of the church's former fellowship hall in the basement. The pastors told me about the studio, I decided to buy and manage the business, and we moved all of CPY's furniture and equipment over to the church. Just that quickly, we were ready to go.

And so it was that Be Kula: Space for Wellness opened its doors on March 26, 2019 with a restorative yoga class. You might think a church basement wouldn't be a great place to practice wellness, and that would be fair. But what a difference a building renovation and some nice touches can make! Indeed, most people comment on how calming and lovely the space is with its fairy lights overhead, candles, and artwork that invites you to "be."

This fits, because Be Kula's purpose is to help people "be. well." We are not the hip, sweaty yoga studio; those places are great and have a wonderful purpose, but that's not us. Instead, Be Kula is focused on offering yoga, tai chi, and other classes and events that help people learn how to be. Just be. To slow down, let go, recenter, recalibrate, and experience wellness. And that seems to be working. It has been almost a year, and people of all ages, body types, abilities, faiths, economic levels, and experiences have been coming together to be with us. Which is lovely because kula is Sanskrit for community. We are a community of people learning to be. well.

Classes for all in a building that is welcoming to all. That's pretty good stuff.

To learn more about Be Kula: Space for Wellness - including our classes, events, team, and prices, visit bekulanow.com.

Please Help Stop Park Poisoner

By Amy Stout on behalf of Candler Park Conservancy Board of Directors

Unfortunately, someone in our community is placing potentially lethal rat poison out in our public park, endangering the animals that live in its natural spaces. The presumed target is the beavers, but residents need to be aware that this is a serious poison that can damage many living creatures throughout the food chain – including pets and children if they ingest it.

On December 8, CP resident Meta Larsson found rat poison in the leaves on the shoreline of the beaver ponds. She first noticed the bright green blocks when her leashed dog sniffed one out and was nuzzling it with his mouth. (A photo of the retrieved bait blocks is shown here.) On December 20, Bill Read, another CP resident, discovered more of the green poison in the same area. He pulled bait blocks from a beaver dam about 10 feet out from the shore using his extendable golf ball retriever.

The active ingredient in this type of rat poison (bromethalin) is a mitochondrial poison, and its toxic effects are not selective, targeting energy production from mollusks to mammals. There is no antidote, so pests - and pets - who ingest too much can suffer paralysis, seizures, and death.

These bait blocks are intended for use in rat traps with restricted openings that exclude most mammals and birds. Leaving them out

in the open in a public park is highly irresponsible and illegal.

Councilmember Amir Farokhi's office consulted the City Legal Dept who indicated that this activity constitutes cruelty to animals and is prohibited under city, county, and state law. [Section 18-5 in Atlanta's Code of Ordinances states: It shall be unlawful for any person to overload, cruelly treat, maim, bruise, deprive of necessary sustenance, ill use or in any manner whatsoever torture or abuse any animal. (Code 1977, § 14-4015)]

The City / Parks Department has indicated they will take appropriate action against those responsible. If you have any information, please share it before something awful happens. Our wildlife cameras cover some, but not all, of the areas involved. Please contact the Parks Deputy Commissioner Alvin Dodson at adodson@atlantaga.gov and copy the CPC board at info@candlerparkconservancy.org.



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Source: DeKalb History Center press release

It was the 1920s, the Jazz Age. There were wild parties! And while Al Capone was busy unleashing violence upon Chicago, African Americans in Bible Belt Georgia were fighting racial, social, and political battles, thus transforming America in unexpected ways.

Join the DeKalb History Center as we learn about the Jazz Age in the South from an African American perspective. This informative and entertaining program will include dynamic presentations, the award-winning Georgia State University Jazz Band, and an original documentary detailing this fascinating decade. The Historic DeKalb Courthouse will be transformed musically and visually into a speakeasy, so feel free to wear something that embodies the Roaring Twenties!

Sponsorships are still available and start at \$100. Please contact Melissa Forgey at 404-373-1088, extension 22, for more information on how to support the DeKalb History Center's Twelfth Annual Black History Month Celebration

Thursday, February 13, 2020

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Tickets are \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members.

Registration includes a catered buffet lunch.

Historic DeKalb Courthouse,
Second Floor

101 E Court Square
Decatur, GA 30030

Demystifying a CPNO Meeting: Robert's Rules in Motion, Meetings in Brief

By Roger Bakeman (past Board officer)
and Bonnie Palter (current CPNO Secretary)

If you have ever watched a meeting on C-Span or observed a meeting of your local school board or city council—or attended our own CPNO monthly meeting—you might have wondered, just who is this rule-maker Robert.

According to Wikipedia, Robert's rules have been around since the 19th century. In 1863 Henry Martyn Robert (1837–1923), a US Army officer living in San Francisco, was chosen to preside over a church meeting. Noting how chaotic and tumultuous meetings could be, he felt the need for orderly procedures. His *Pocket Manual of Rules of Order for Deliberative Assemblies*, published in 1876, was the result. His procedures were loosely modeled on those used in the United States House of Representatives at the time but adapted for use in ordinary societies.

The original manual has since evolved and has been widely adopted by organizations large and small, including the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization. The 11th edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (2011) runs 816 pages, but for most purposes, *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised in Brief* (2011, 117 pages) is more than sufficient. The authors of the brief version claim that "In only twenty minutes, the average reader can learn the bare essentials, and with about an hour's reading can cover all the basics."

The bare essentials are these.

- The chair—the presiding officer who runs the meeting from start to adjournment and who maintains order—is key. The presiding officer introduces topics in order per the agenda and recognizes speakers. No one may speak until recognized by the chair. This assures that only one person speaks at a time. Recognized speakers address only the chair, not other members. At CPNO meetings we ask that a speaker, once

recognized, stand up and begin by giving their name and the name of the street on which they live.

- Many of our agenda items are informational and don't require action, only questions and comments (e.g., police reports). Others require action (e.g., requests for zoning variances), which takes the form of a motion. Motions are made by members. Once recognized by the chair, the member states his or her motion. If the motion is seconded, the chair then restates the motion and opens debate, with the maker of the motion having the right to speak first. To avoid ambiguity, it is strongly advised that the member provide the secretary with the motion in writing. No one may speak twice until all who wish have spoken first. The presiding officer—the presumed neutral party—cannot participate in debate unless first relinquishing the chair.
- Debate on a motion is closed by general consensus or by a motion to "call the question," which requires a second and a 2/3s vote. The chair then restates the motion, clarifies consequences of aye and nay votes if needed, and asks who is in favor (aye), who is opposed (nay), and who abstains. The chair may ask another person to tally the votes. The chair then announces the result and provides it to the secretary. A motion passes if a majority vote aye (e.g., 16 of 30) but fails without a majority (e.g., 15 of 30), not counting abstentions.

These are only the barest of highlights and much is not addressed here (which is why we have a parliamentarian). But these highlights should be sufficient to get us through most of our monthly member meetings.

42 Staples to Always Keep in Your Pantry and Fridge

By Gail Turner-Cooper, Candler Park Resident and Certified Health Coach

Your grocery trips just got a whole lot simpler.

When you run to the store, do you make a list ahead of time or do you simply see what you're in the mood for as you peruse the aisles? Each style can have their benefits, actually. While having a list means you can avoid the impulses of snack food aisles, being willing towards spontaneity means you can shop more seasonally or see which produce looks good that day instead of deciding in advance which fruits and vegetables you'll definitely pick up.

Certain groceries are important to stock up on and keep in your pantry at all times. These pantry staples make life easier on nights you don't get to the store, or during busy weeks and seasons. It might be time to give your pantry a makeover — one that's healthier, more well-rounded, and better for you. Here's a checklist for your next shopping trip!

Oils

- Coconut oil (for high heat cooking)
- Olive oil (for low to no heat cooking)
- Pasture raised grass fed butter

Milks

- Almond milk (unsweetened, unflavored)
- Coconut milk (unsweetened)

Fruit/sweeteners

- Bananas
- Dates/medjools (one a day!)
- Local honey
- Apples (shop organic – remember your dirty dozen)
- Berries (organic)

Vegetables

- Kale (organic)
- Spinach (organic)
- Cucumbers
- Mushrooms
- Onions
- Garlic
- Squash
- Sweet potatoes

Protein

- Eggs (pasture raised)
- Wild caught fish (salmon)

- Grass fed/pasture raised beef
- Hormone-free chicken
- Chickpeas
- Kidney beans

Spices

- Vanilla bean extract
- Apple cider vinegar
- Balsamic vinegar
- Oregano
- Basil
- Ground ginger
- Salt
- Pepper

Other

- Lentils
- Oatmeal
- Quinoa
- Almond flour

Gail Turner-Cooper is a certified health coach and the founder of Align Health Coaching based in Atlanta. You can learn more about her and Align Health at www.alignhealthcoaching.com.

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January 20 CPNO Members Meeting – draft minutes

These minutes are presented for review. They may be amended before being considered for official adoption at the February members meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Matt Kirk, President. Motion to adopt the amended agenda passed. Motion to approve the December 2019 minutes passed. Thank you to the Brewhouse for providing dinner.

Guest Speakers:

- Scott Pendergast- A new restaurant, Skinny's, has opened in Little 5 Points without going through the necessary process for permits and alcohol license. It is located at the corner of Colquitt and Euclid.
- Atlanta Police- no representative present

New Business:

- 2020 Budget- Karin Mack, Treasurer, presented the 2020 Budget. The Budget will be voted on next month.

Announcements:

- Fall Fest needs Committee members and volunteers.
- Candler Park Movie Night is February 23@ 4 pm at The Neighborhood Church on McLendon.
- Candler Park Conservancy- Amy Stout reported that someone has placed rat poison around the beaver pond. Please call Police if you encounter this.
- Little Five Point Alliance- Christina Hodgen, CPNO Representative, emphasized the importance of CPNO membership in Little 5 Points Alliance.
- Candler Park Forever-Lexa King, Public Safety Officer, announced the first in a series of monthly informational meetings. . The first session is

on Social Security, January 23rd, 10am-12pm, Neighborhood Church.

- There will be a Valentine's Day Dance at the First Existentialist Church, February 14th. Hair of the Dog will be the band.

Zoning: Emily Taff, Zoning Officer

- 470 Candler Park Drive- The motion that "CPNO membership supports the Special Use Permit application of the Primavera School" passed.
- 351 Moreland Avenue- The motion that "CPNO membership supports the application of a alcohol license for Hudson Grille" passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by Bonnie Palter, Secretary

January 20, 2020

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CPNO Officer and Committee Reports for January

Public Safety -- Lexa King

In 2020, Candler Park Forever will be presenting monthly information sessions. We intend for these to be useful, informative, and fun. The session in February will feature demonstrations of Tai Chi and exercising for Seniors. I have heard multiple horror stories of people falling, breaking various parts and being confined to bed for weeks. As with many things, there are better ways of falling that can save you much pain and inconvenience. Let's learn about them together. The session will be held at the Neighborhood Church at 10:00, Wednesday February 26th. Come to the silver and glass doors to the left of the Sanctuary building. If we are not right inside the doors, there will be a sign directing you to our location. We will see demonstrations and maybe get to try some things ourselves! Next month I hope to have a fairly comprehensive list of upcoming sessions for the year. [from January 2020 Messenger article]

Zoning -- Emily Taff

The January 8 Zoning Committee meeting was held with 4 members in attendance, and the applicants for the below voting items—Primavera preschool and Hudson Grille.

Special Use Permit:

U-19-037 Primavera Preschool—This is a renewal of the Special Use Permit for the operation of the Primavera preschool/daycare at 470 Candler Park Drive. The issue was also discussed at the December Zoning Meeting (see previous report). The applicant and church have examined the concerns brought up at the December meeting and updated the application to address the issues as follows:

- Existentialist Church will place signage on the driveway will be closer to the street (current signage is just in front of

the church building), signage will clearly indicate that this is "private driveway" and "do not park/block"

- Applicant will plant shade tolerant evergreens such as hollies as screening along the fence on the south side.
- Applicant will notify additional neighbors who had not been reached during previous efforts to do so of the application by Primavera via certified mail. This includes 7 neighbors between Hooper and Benning Place on the west side of Candler Park Drive that need to be notified. (done Jan. 16)

Updated application was approved with 3 votes in favor and 1 abstention and the Zoning Committee would like to request that the City to allow this applicant to renew the application every 5 years instead of 3 years.

351 Moreland Ave. NE – Hudson Grille/ Candler Inman LLC

Application to sell Alcoholic Beverages (former location of Front Page News)—the Hudson Grille, a local sports bar chain, will be taking over the former Front Page News and Tijuana Grill spaces combined. They are requesting the neighborhood's support of their liquor license application. The zoning committee felt that the applicant has sufficient experience with serving liquor and training employees and voted unanimously in favor of supporting this application. (note: appearance before the neighborhood for liquor license applications is voluntary)

Candler Park Conservancy -- Ken Edelstein

Your Candler Park Conservancy is planning a busy new year as we leverage support from CPNO and our members to raise funds for the million-dollar Active Lawn improvement project. Here's a look at some upcoming events:

March 18 — The Annual Membership Meeting will provide a chance to hear the latest on the Active Lawn project and to offer feedback. In addition, members will elect public board members and discuss the Conservancy's overall plans.

May 3 — The Third Annual Beavers, Bluegrass & BBQ Bash will be held along the fairway and on Terrace Avenue. Join us for food, drink, entertainment, games and of course an amazing raffle at the Conservancy's signature celebration.

Late Spring and Summer — This year, the Conservancy is excited to take on production of Candler Park Movie Night. Times for the popular series haven't been set yet, but we expect to hold four to six screenings.

In addition, the Conservancy is at work on other park improvements. Among them:

- Private funds are being raised for a memorial garden near the path between the upper pavilion and McLendon Avenue honoring our late friend and founding board member Amy Erwin.
- The second phase of program funded by an Audubon Society grant will rid the riparian corridor of invasive plants.
- Perkins + Will landscape architects are continuing their design work with the Conservancy (and the community) on a new playscape.

Meanwhile, we need all hands on deck for the Active Lawn project. Learn more about it (and our other projects and events) at candlerparkconservancy.org. Better yet, join the Conservancy to become a part of this big step for our community!

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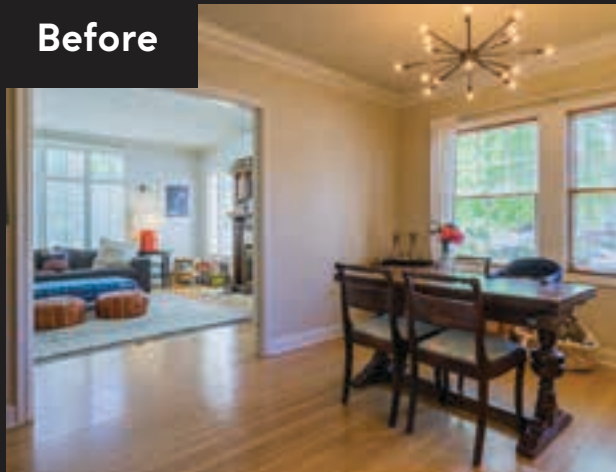
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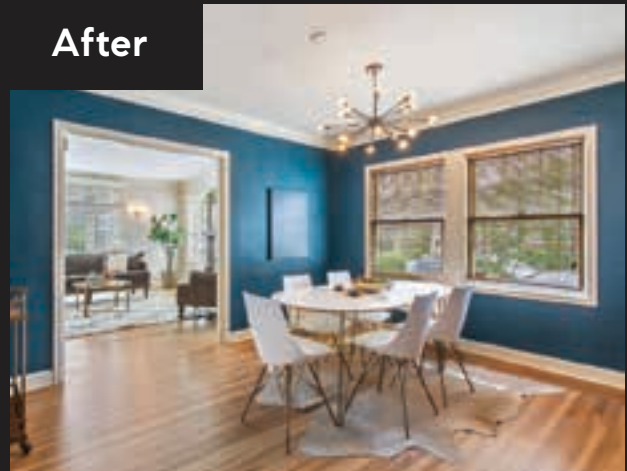
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