

# The Messenger

News for Candler Park

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## MEETINGS\*EVENTS

### CPNO MEETING FEB 16 @ 7 PM

The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization is for all residents! We meet the third MONDAY of each month at Epworth United Methodist Church at 1561 McLendon Avenue. Please use the Mell Avenue entrance. Membership is FREE!

### FEBRUARY MEETING AGENDA:

- Officer Reports
- Old Business
- New Business
- Announcements

TO SUBMIT AN AGENDA ITEM for the March meeting, contact any CPNO officer (see list on page 2). Deadline is February 26, 2003.

### EVENTS CALENDAR

#### FEBRUARY 2004

#### Monday, February 9 \* 7 PM

CPNO Executive Board Meeting  
Fellini's on McLendon  
Open to all

#### Monday, February 16 \* 7 PM

CPNO General Meeting

#### Thursday, February 19 \* 7 PM

NPU-N Meeting  
Epworth United Methodist Church  
1561 McLendon

## The Neighborhood's Thine Oyster, Which Thee With Participation Can Open.

It's officially a threepeat... I am now serving my third term as president of CPNO. Right now I'm wondering if this is a good thing or bad for the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization. I'd like to know what *you* think.

It can be argued that there is stability in our organization — people have gotten used to the Board names and faces, and know who to call when they need something. What I'm concerned with, however, is that we are confusing *stability* with *stagnation*.

Yes, our immediate future holds much progress. Major traffic calming work has begun, and sign toppers are within reach. Our Candler Park 5K race will be returning this year, as will the Candler Park Tour of Homes. The Candler Park FallFest is evolving into a great neighborhood festival.

All of these things are positive — but are they what most of us want? And is this *all* we want? We have 25 or fewer folks who seem to do all the talking for the neighborhood — not at all representative of the 1600 households within our boundaries.

In my opinion, our neighborhood suffers because of lack of involvement. With all the intelligent, creative people who live here, we should be staking out new territory in neighborhood improve-

ment, not simply trying to maintain what we've had for years.

We know you don't want to spend a lot of time at meetings. But is 45 minutes of your time, once a month, asking too much? That's all the time it takes for a typical monthly CPNO meeting. It's not painful — in fact, it's pleasant. Come on out and meet your neighbors.

What do you want from your neighborhood organization? Do you want neighborhood pot lucks? Activism and speeches? Social, intellectual, or special interest groups? Or do you want us just to hear land use issues? Will you attend a meeting only when a neighbor is planning on adding a 35-foot tall addition that will block the sunlight to your trees?

If you'd like to help us keep the good and improve the less-than-good features of our neighborhood, speak up. Whether you have a suggestion, a new idea, or even a complaint, send me an email. You'll find my address where it has been for the past few years — page 2, left side of every issue of *The Messenger*.

Our residents are the lifeblood of our neighborhood. Everyone who gets involved is a new shot of adrenalin. We know you're busy with your life — but you live your life in Candler Park. An investment of time in your neighborhood can make a difference to *you*.

-- Bert Bellinson



# The Messenger

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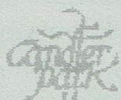
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## Atlanta's Curbside Recycling Program Expands To Accept Mixed Paper

In the past, if an Atlanta resident wanted to recycle mixed paper or box-board (cereal boxes, shoe boxes, tissue boxes, you get the idea) they had to save it up in their home and then drive it to a recycling location in the surrounding metro area. Now all they have to do is place it in the same black recycling boxes in which they put their newspaper, glass, plastic containers and aluminum cans. This is really good news for Atlanta residents and in fact for all surrounding counties. With Atlanta running out of local landfills and faced with exporting all of our solid waste to surrounding areas, this can lessen that burden by a large part.

The official expansion is the inclusion of 'Mixed Paper' which can include magazines, telephone directo-

ries, junk mail, envelopes, office paper and boxboard. This does NOT include corrugated cardboard. You still have to truck that off but there are many places within the city that accept this material.

You pay for this curbside recycling whether you use it or not so get your money's worth and use it. You won't believe how infrequently you will have to take the trash out.

Call 404-330-6776 if you have questions about the recycling program in general or the program expansion.

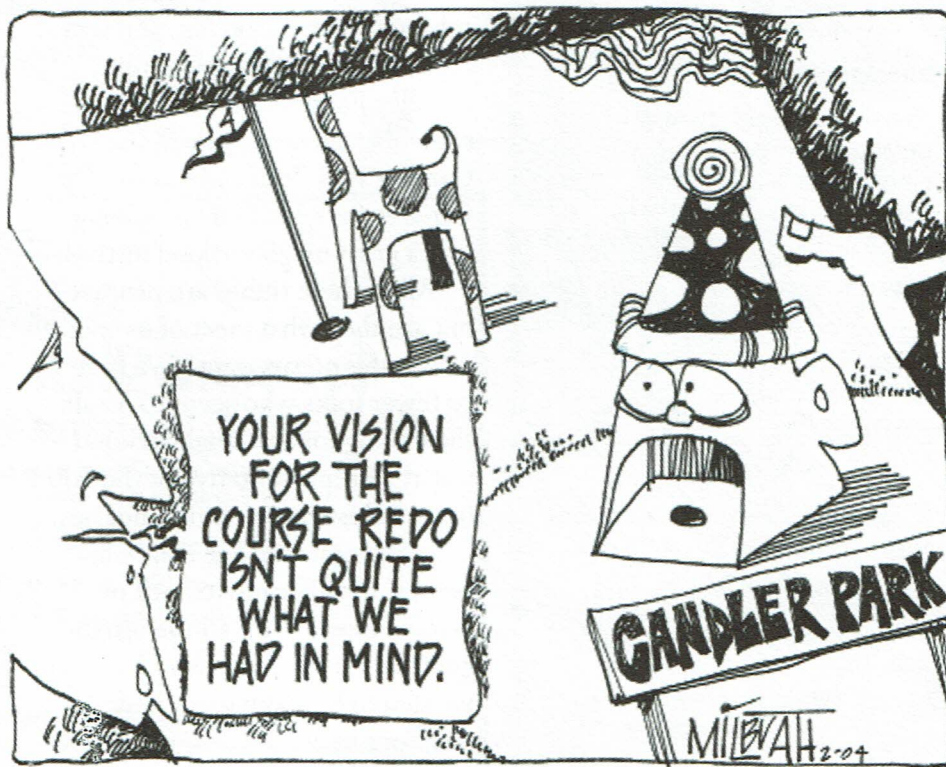
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Ah, winter in Atlanta... all cold and nasty. But the sun will return, and the Candler Park Pool will be opening in just 150 days!

We're starting the pre-season with great news. We now have a more stable relationship with the City of Atlanta in the form of a new 3-year contract with two 2-year options. Essentially, this means we have seven years of neighborhood management before we need to go before city council and the mayor's office for a new deal.

We'll be making some major changes for the better. This summer, we are planning on morning "subscribers only" hours beginning at 9 am Monday through Friday – perfect for uncrowded lap swimming or toddler splash time. At 10 am, admission will be open for summer camp swimmers, and general admission hours will start at 11 am.

We are also planning more activities on the weekends including parties, Dive In Movies and live music events. (Stay tuned for details on our first party on opening weekend.) We'll be working on the facilities again as well. Last year, we re-strapped most of the pool lounge chairs. This year we hope to put in a picnic area for public use.

This will be our best year yet, and we want you to be part of it. Please go to the CPNO website at [www.candlerpark.org](http://www.candlerpark.org) and click on the pool link for a membership form. Fill it out and mail it in, and we'll be looking for you poolside in May!

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Proceeds from the Silver Lining Silent Auction will go toward the DHCDC scholarship program and a new school bus for the children.

Mark your calendar for a good time and a good cause. Tickets are on sale thru February 13th in the DHCDC office or contact Lori Anne Pollack at 404-523-8802 or at [lori.pollock@mci.com](mailto:lori.pollock@mci.com).

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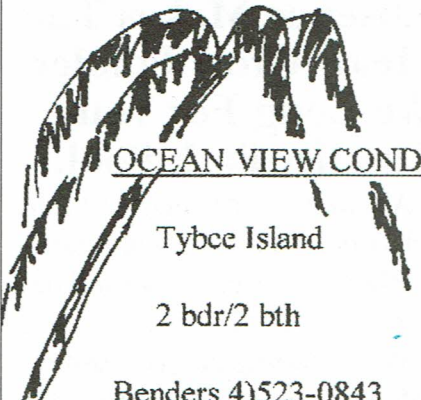


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To register, pick up a form at Sevananda (467 Moreland Avenue) or call (404) 584-7875 xt. 300 or e-mail us at: [communitykidsconsignment@yahoo.com](mailto:communitykidsconsignment@yahoo.com). We accept merchandise related to maternity to infant to teen.

Proceeds from the sale benefit both Sevananda, a natural foods co-op, and Epworth UMC. Consigners keep 60% unless they volunteer in which case they keep 80%. Group consigners of 5 or more who volunteer keep 80%, otherwise it's 60%.

We look forward to having this sale twice a year, every year.

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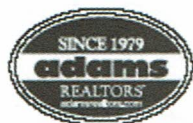
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Visitors came from 1,022 distinct Internet addresses.

The web server delivered 1,289 unique documents one or more times each.

The home page itself gets about 300 hits a week (the rest are directly to pages of interest). It is estimated that about half of the visits are from residents, and the other half are from people interested in Candler Park or Little Five Points based on their activity on the site.

-- Roger Johnson (WebMaster)

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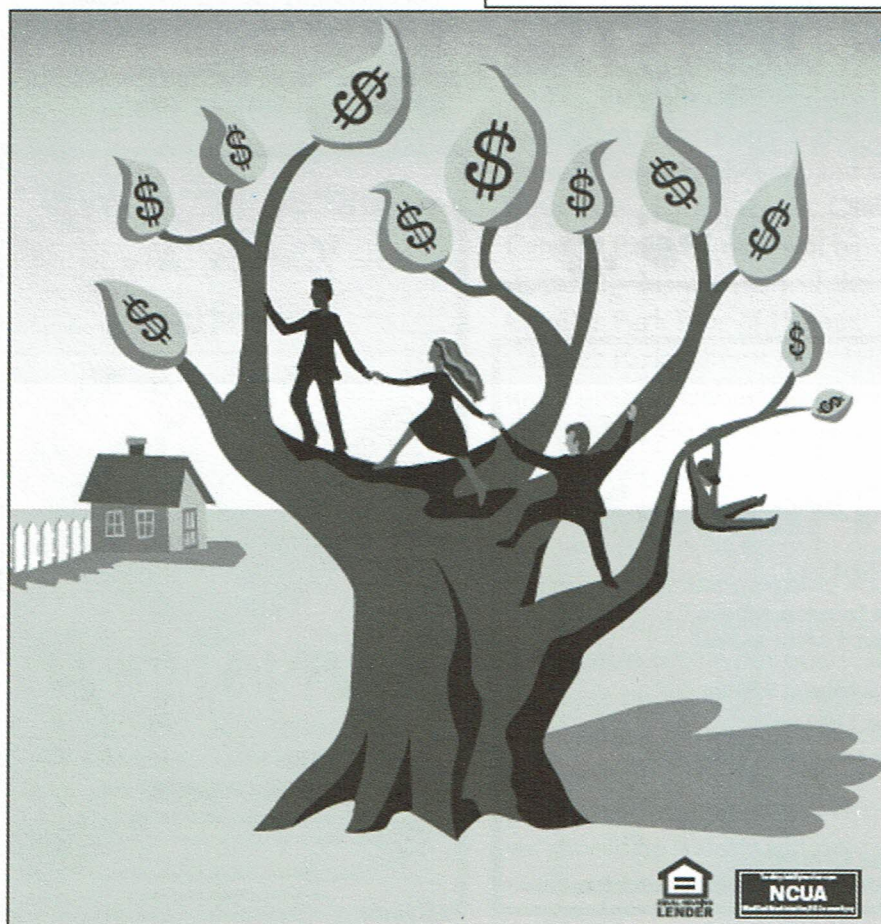


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## LAND USE ISSUES

The following land use issues are scheduled to be heard and voted on at the February CPNO meeting. Deadline for land use issues to be voted on at the March meeting must be submitted prior to February 26.

**545 CLIFTON ROAD – V-03-400** Todd Simmons (agent for Jonathan Elmore), owner of property located at 545 Clifton Road (northeast corner of Clifton Road and Harriet Avenue, currently zoned R-4), seeks a variance to reduce the half-depth front yard along Harriet Avenue from 17.5' (required) to 4' (proposed) to allow for construction of a detached 22' x 24' two-story garage, and a variance to increase the floor area to a ratio (to be specified by applicant) greater than 30% of the main structure (maximum allowed). Applicant advises that the footprint of the proposed accessory structure will occupy an area historically occupied by a similar structure, and that all new construction will lie exclusively within an existing paved area of the property. This matter will be heard by Neighborhood Planning Unit-N at 7PM Thursday 2/26/04 at Epworth Methodist Church, and by the Atlanta Board of Zoning Adjustment at its next subsequently-scheduled regular meeting in March 2004 at City Hall, 2nd Floor - Council Chambers. Applicant has also been advised to make a courtesy presentation to Lake Claire Neighbors, the neighborhood immediately adjacent to the east of the subject property, at its regularly-scheduled February 2004 meeting, prior to review by NPU-N.

**1589 MCLENDON AVENUE –V-04-\_\_\_\_\_** Catherine and Michael Robinson, owners of property located at 1589 McLendon Avenue (zoned R-5) seek a variance to reduce the westerly side yard setback from 7' (required) to 5' (existing) to construct a screened-porch over an existing deck. Applicants have advised that the porch will not exceed the footprint of the existing deck. This matter will be heard by Neighborhood Planning Unit N at 7 PM Thursday February 26th at Epworth Methodist Church, and by Atlanta Board of Zoning Adjustment at 1PM on Friday March 19th at City Hall, 2nd Floor Council Chambers.

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Reported 11/11–12/31, 2003, Zone 6 police records.

**400 block Moreland Av**, 11/11, 5p, shoplifting.

**400 block Moreland Ave**, 11/12, 3p, coins stolen from arcade game.

**400 block Moreland Ave**, 11/12, money stolen from victim at ATM.

**300 block Moreland**, 11/20, 11p, vehicle broken into, laptop computer stolen.

**1500 block McLendon Ave**, 11/23, 12a, strong arm robbery. B/M 30-35 yrs 5'09"-5'10" 160 lbs wearing a black puffy coat and dark pants fired a black handgun at the ground and took the victim's purses. He placed the handgun to one of the victims belly and demanded her money. No one was physically hurt.

**300 block Candler St**, 11/24, vehicle damaged, nothing taken.

**600 block Oakdale Rd.**, 11/27, 4p, back door kicked in, nothing reported missing.

**600 block Terrace Ave**, 12/1, 9a, residential burglary from home under repair.

**400 block Sterling**, 12/2, stolen automobile.

**500 block Candler Park Dr**, 12/5, moped stolen from residence.

**400 block Moreland Av**, 12/12, 7p, auto broken into, purse stolen.

**1000 block Oakdale**, 12/12, 1p, wallet stolen.

**1300 block McLendon Ave**, 12/22, 10p, The victim advised that a B/M 15-17 yrs 5'05"-5'06" 140 -150 lbs with hazel eyes a Black bubble coat and blue jeans placed a silver colored semi-automatic to the victims back and took \$70 from her. The suspect fled on foot.

**500 block Page Ave**, 12/24, vehicle damaged, apparent attempted robbery.

**300 block Moreland Ave**, 12/28, vehicle damaged, apparent attempted robbery.



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