

# THE CANDLER PARK MESSENGER

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

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## From The President

Looking back on my tenure as President of CPNO, I have mixed emotions. It was a difficult year due to all of the controversial issues we had to confront, so part of me is relieved to move on and regain some time on my calendar. Another part of me feels somewhat frustrated that we couldn't have accomplished more of the goals we set in January, but no one can predict the twists and turns as the year unfolds. However, I am mostly grateful to have had the opportunity and the energy to serve a community that so far has proven to be the most desirable place I can think of to live and raise my family, in spite of its controversies.

I know that the meetings often ran long this year; I hope that doesn't deter people from continuing to come and participate in their local government. I encourage those of you who had good ideas about ways to improve the system to volunteer your time and energy in 1999 so that we can all benefit from your suggestions. I have never regretted a single hour that I have given back to my community and feel confident that if you can find time, you will feel the same.

A final word of thanks to all the folks on the CPNO board: **Debra Snell**, who has a much more detailed mind than I do and made the meetings run much more smoothly; **John Rick**, whose sheer energy and fire kept me motivated, and whose knowledge of this neighborhood and the people in it proved a constant resource; **Mary Alice Bray** who diligently kept up with the goings-on and reported back to us; **Betty Knox** who wrestled with time every month to get our "Messenger" to everyone's porch; **Bert Skellie** who worked with our local police to keep crime at bay, and who put on a stellar neighborhood picnic in August; **Jack Hammond**, who kept us fiscally fit; and to **Dan Benefield**, a thanks in advance for tackling this year's Tour of Homes. Thanks to **Karin Dusenbury** who quietly devotes time each month to putting our "Messenger" on paper.

## Calendar

MON., 11/09 - 7:30 CPNO Monthly Mtg.  
TUE., 11/17 - 7:30 CPNO Exec. Com. Mtg.  
Fri., 11/20 - *Messenger* Deadline  
Thur., 11/26 - N.P.U. Monthly Meeting

## CPNO Mtg., Nov. 9th

The Candler Park Neighborhood Org. Meets on the second MONDAY of the month at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Ave.

## *This month's agenda*

7:00 PM:	Refreshments
7:30	- Officers' Reports
	- Officer Elections
	- Variance for 1309 McLendon Ave
	- Variance for 1422 Iverson
	- Vote to change CPNO Bylaws - see article

## CPNO Officers

President:	Dempsey Herlihy-Werthman
1st Vice President:	Debra Snell
VP Finances:	Jack Hammond
VP Special Events:	Dan Benefield
VP Communications:	Mary Alice Bray & Betty Knox
VP Zoning:	John Rick
VP Environment:	Bob Rowley
VP Safety:	Bert Skellie

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(From the President continued)

Thanks to my husband **Ted Werthman** who inherited the position of "boy Friday" by proximity and was always gracious about it. Also special thanks to **Don Bender, Eric Dusenbury** and **Walter Brown** for all the time they gave to making Freedom Park a wonderful place when they could have been home pulling kudzu and calamity from their own yards. Thanks to the neighbors from **Page Avenue** who fought hard to make the neighborhood a better place in the face of opposition; it is that kind of zeal that keeps this neighborhood alive and kicking. And thanks to the newly formed **Candler Park Pool Association** for picking up the ball; I look forward to taking my new baby there next summer!

- Dempsey Herlihy-Werthman

## Slate for November Elections- CPNO Board

President:	Debra Snell
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President:	Bert Skellie
VP Finances:	Open
VP Special Events:	Co-Chairs: David Dugan/ Will
VP Communications:	Open
Messenger Distribution:	Betty Knox
VP Zoning:	John Rick Walter Weimar *
VP Environment:	Susan Grider
VP Safety:	Austin Wattles

\* runoff

Anyone can be nominated from the floor at the November meeting for any of the above offices. If you would like to be announced, please make your interest known to Dempsey Herlihy at (404) 523-6758. In order to run, you must be a resident of Candler Park and have attended three meetings in the past year to be eligible.

## Messenger Article

Anyone can submit an article for publication in the *Messenger*. Please drop your submission off with me at 1414 McLendon Ave or send them E-Mail 105164.472@compuserve.com. Please include your name and phone number.

- Karin Dusenbury

## Zone 6 Police Names and Numbers

Telephone: 404-371-5002  
Major Carlos Banda, Commander  
Inspector Ruby Naylor, Prevention  
Officer Bud Watson, Beat 602 Evening Watch  
Pager 404-225-7085)  
Officer Craig Cooper, Beat 602 Day Watch  
Officer Grady James, Beat 602 Morning Watch

## December Pot Luck Dinner

Every year in December, in place of the regularly scheduled CPNO meeting, we get down to the business of eating and making merry! This year's annual Pot Luck dinner will be on Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. It's a great time to relax and get to know that guy that you may have vehemently opposed in some vote during the course of the year... or to introduce yourself to all the cool new people that have recently moved into our neighborhood. It should be lots of fun, and the eatin' will certainly be good. Bring the kids too!

## Variance for 1309 McLendon Ave.

At the November CPNO meeting there will be a vote on a variance for 1309 McLendon to reduce the rear setback. The homeowners are expanding their home by four feet in the rear.

## Variance for 1422 Iverson

At the November CPNO meeting there will be a vote on a variance for 1422 Iverson to reduce the front setback.

## Vote to Change CPNO Bylaws

At the November CPNO meeting there will be a vote on changing the bylaws to allow amounts up to \$300 (rather than \$100) to be allocated by the executive board without a full neighborhood vote.

## Inman Park Cooperative Preschool Holiday Sale and Auction

The 14th Annual Inman Park Cooperative Preschool Holiday Sale and Auction will be held on Sunday, November 22 from 12:30 - 5:00 at the Inman Park Trolley Barn (963 Edgewood Ave). The event will include a live auction, silent auction and retail area, music and cafe dining. The silent auction begins at 12:30. The live auction begins at 4:15. The proceeds benefit the Inman Park Cooperative Preschool. Admission to the event is free. For more information please call (404)659-4161.

- Press Release



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## CPNO WEBSITE

The website is up and running! Come by and visit at our temporary home

[www.mindspring.com/~rogjohnson](http://www.mindspring.com/~rogjohnson).

What do we have to offer ?

- The history of Candler Park
- Information about CPNO
- The Candler Park Messenger archives (we have Sept. & Oct. included already)
- Links to local businesses and organizations of interest
- Directions on how to get to Candler Park

Longer term, we hope to have areas focusing on Candler Park life, links to the websites of local residents, and possibly a section focusing on Little Five Points. We are also considering selling web page space to local businesses or residents to help support the website. We are currently working on a permanent home under the domain name [www.candlerpark.com](http://www.candlerpark.com); we'll let everyone know when we have the name locked up!

We're now listed on the Alta Vista, Infoseek and Access Atlanta search engines and expect to be listed on the other major services soon. Our website team is growing and includes Jason Schneider and Mike Robinson. Feel free to join us!

-Roger Johnson  
([rogjohnson@mindspring.com](mailto:rogjohnson@mindspring.com))

## Freedom Park Update

As many of you may already be aware, the city has officially signed a 99 year lease on the land that is to become Freedom Park. Many thanks to Don Bender, Bill Dorn, and Al Caproni for their work in getting the lease approved by the city and the DOT.

Now that the lease is signed, the Freedom Park Conservancy will concentrate on the actual construction of the park. Thanks to the hard work of Walter Brown and Alida Silverman, the Conservancy received an ISTEIA grant of \$600,000 for implementation of the Moreland Gateway project. These funds are to be used for improvements in the eastern (Candler Park) leg of the park.

Unfortunately, we have a relatively tight time schedule to perform the tasks necessary to complete the Moreland Gateway project. In response, the CPNO board has created a subcommittee to help oversee the implementation of this project. We are currently looking for

energetic people who would be interested in joining this committee.

We are especially looking for people who feel that they have a vested interest in the project. This should help us avoid conflicts that have arisen on other decisions the neighborhood has made regarding the park. It will be much easier to address concerns in the planning process than during the construction phase.

On a final note, many of you may have noticed the rezoning signs that have appeared along the park land. Have no fear! These signs are to notify you that the Special Public Interest (SPI) Zoning that the neighborhood has developed for the DOT right of way is about to be implemented. The legislation is scheduled to go before the Zoning Review Board in early November and before the city council in the beginning of December. Hopefully it will become law by the end of the year.

Please call Eric Dusenbury at 404/522-7130 if you are interested in joining the new subcommittee or if you have any questions regarding the SPI or the Freedom Park Conservancy.

- Eric Dusenbury



## **CP Pool Association Gets Nod From CPNO**

The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization has approved an initial seed grant of \$6,000 to help launch the Candler Park Pool Association (CPPA). The CPPA is a grass-roots neighborhood group dedicated to improving the management and maintenance of Candler Park Pool.

The funding is a greatly appreciated boost to the pool association's membership drive now underway. The money helps cover the cost of printing subscription promotions and mailing (\$2500); administration and reinstating its incorporation, IRS filing fees, and Federal tax ID number (\$700); insurance binder fee (\$2500); and other contingencies and miscellany (\$300). Operating costs will be funded by membership fees. The CPPA is drafting a lease agreement modeled after the successful Garden Hills Pool operation, which is entering its fifteenth season. If approved, the city would remain responsible for general maintenance, utilities, and supplies, while the CPPA would invest in management services and capital improvements.

The CPPA volunteers comprise many neighborhood professionals, including a pro bono attorney, a CPA, and an architect. Sending in your membership form and check by year's end is a vote of support that will help in the lease approval process. For a season subscription form or more information, call CPPA President Leslie Lowe at (404) 659-4161.

*-- CPPA Press Release*





# Dive In To Candler Park Pool

## The Water's Great And The Pool's Getting Better...

The Candler Park Pool Association (CPPA) is offering subscriptions for the 1999 summer swimming season. As a City of Atlanta pool under neighborhood management,\* you will see lots of improvements: A fresh look with new paint, more patio furniture and spruced-up locker rooms. You'll also see a new emphasis on safety, fresh landscaping, better parking and long-term infrastructure investments. Future plans include a kiddie pool, more deck space, a separate lap pool and a snack bar.

Show your support and make an investment in the future of Candler Park Pool. Your subscription will help to create a fun and safe recreation area the entire community can enjoy. Meet your friends, get some exercise, teach your kids to swim and have a blast!

The CPPA has been busy drafting a proposal to manage the pool and make much needed improvements. With your support this dream will happen for everyone. Join the pool and watch it transform into a central gathering area we can all be proud of!

\*[Subject to approval. The CPPA proposal must be submitted to the City of Atlanta by December 30, 1998.]

**SUBSCRIPTION BENEFITS:** Atlanta, Dekalb and Fulton County residents can buy season subscriptions that provide access to the pool at any time during public operating hours plus additional "subscriber only" hours. We operate as a non-profit association working to improve the facility. Your subscription is an investment in the neighborhood.

No children under 12 will be admitted without a parent or a guardian 16 years or older.

**REFUND POLICY:** If you request a refund of your subscription fee before opening day you will receive your payment less a \$25.00 processing fee. If you request a refund after opening day you will receive a refund less \$25.00 for every week after opening day.

Contact Leslie Lowe with any questions at (404) 659-4161.

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### The water's great...Yes, I want to dive in to Candler Park Pool!

my check is enclosed based on household members.

Rates			
Youth (ages 12-18)	\$50	Household (2 adults)	\$150
w/ permission of legal guardian			
Senior (65 & over)	\$50	Additional household members	\$25
Individual	\$100	Maximum per household	\$200

Last name \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
List each additional member name \_\_\_\_\_

Total members \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_  
The undersigned agrees to abide by the rules and regulations governing the pool and understands that violators will be asked to leave.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of legal guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to CPPA and mail to: P.O. Box 5343, Atlanta, GA 31107



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## Classified Ads

### NOOK & CRANNY MAID SERVICE

"I earn your business every time I clean."

Bonded. Insured. Dependable. Call 688-3766.

**CHILD CARE PICK UP** offered for Emory Montessori and Paideia morning students. Park-museums-healthy snacks in a safe 'Happy Home'. 18 years in child care education experience-ref available. Call for brochure - Eva Holbrook 404-875-0531.

**DEPENDABLE HOUSEKEEPER** desires two days a week. With references. (404)758-7650.

### - Advertising - How To -

Classified ads are \$2/line. One line equals 35 characters or spaces per line. The first two or three words will be capitalized and bold faced. Bold or all caps elsewhere in the ad are \$1 each place.

Print or type your ads. Deliver ad and check made out to C.P.N.O. to Jack Hammond, 1429 McLendon Ave. (ph. 688-2916) no later than the 18th of the month for publication in the next edition. Include your name and phone number in case there are any questions.

Classified ads may not be phoned in or bought on credit. For multiple months, pay in advance or pay before each deadline.

**Display Ads** (those in boxes or with art) are \$10/column inch in height. Ads should be camera ready (desktop laser printer is OK). Help with ad preparation is at additional cost. To purchase this type of ad, contact Jack Hammond, 688-2916. Ads must be ready by the 18th of the month for the following months edition.



*At Thanksgiving, as at all times, I give thanks to my Candler Park neighbors for your support throughout the year.*

## Maya Hahn

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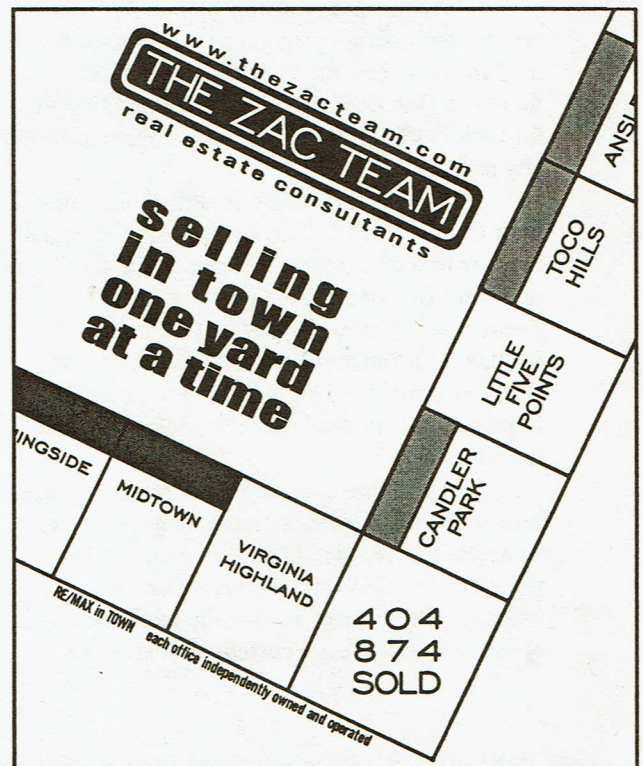


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# IMPORTANT SCAM WARNING!

This is to alert you to a SCAM that I've recently seen in our neighborhood. You may have received an official looking letter from HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION PROCESSING. If you respond to this letter, you will be swindled out of \$40.00.

This "service" offers to save you lots of money by "preparing and forwarding paperwork and information to file for a homestead exemption for the following tax year." They CANNOT file for you; you must still go to the tax assessor's office after January 1, 1999 and file in person. It even states this in the letter. In fact, you don't need this company at all. All you will need to file for your homestead exemption is proof that you owned and occupied your home January 1. If you purchased your home this year, your closing statement will suffice. There is **absolutely nothing** that this company can provide for you that you don't already have.

In our areas of Atlanta in DeKalb County we must file for our homestead exemptions in two places. DeKalb County sends new homeowners the application in the mail. Atlanta does not. All too often homeowners apply for the DeKalb exemption but neglect the Atlanta exemption which, by the way, is far greater than the county exemption. All too often people pay far too much in property taxes every year until they sell their homes because they haven't gotten the homestead exemption.

The only possible service that this letter *can* serve might be to alert you to the fact that you are missing all possible homestead exemptions. If you have received any mail from HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION PROCESSING, INC. or if you suspect that you may not be receiving all your eligible exemptions, you should check your tax bills from both the city and the county. They will have printed on them whether you have the homestead exemption. Or you can call the tax assessor's office and they will tell you if you have the exemption. The phone number for Fulton County Tax Assessor's Office (also for the City of Atlanta) is 404-730-6100, for DeKalb County, 404-371-8297.

If you would like further information on homestead exemptions, you may call me at my Candler Park office, 404-522-0011.

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