MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

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From The President:

We have reached the six month mark to the new millennium. What will you be doing December 31? Will disaster strike or will it be a big nothing? What is all the fuss about? Y2K: Y for year, 2 for two, and K for thousand. A computer systems problem that terrifies some, bores others. The bottom line is no one knows how affected people will be when the clock strikes midnight December 31. In an effort to educate ourselves at a community level, the American Red Cross will conduct a 30 minute presentation at the June 14 meeting where you can learn more about how Y2K may affect us and hear about strategies to help all of us be prepared. Please bring questions, concerns, and your neighbors with you to this very important meeting. My hope is that this will be a catalyst for reviving the block captain system and a feeling of neighborhood collaboration.

In addition to the Y2K presentation, the Peavine Watershed Alliance will give an update on the work they have been doing.

Last, thanks to all who have sent in the Candler Park Directory form. To those who want to be included and have not yet completed the form, here's one more reminder to submit the form. We are on deadline for a July/August printing, so this is last call for those forms. If you are interested in buying an ad, please indicate that on the form and we will contact you.

See you on June 14.

- Debra Snell

Opening on Executive Board

Bert Skellie has resigned as 1st Vice President of CPNO to focus his energy on his new home in East Lake Commons. We thank Bert for all he has done for our neighborhood!

If you are interested in taking over this office, please contact Debra Snell (370-0040; dsnell@gsu.edu). Please note: being VP DOES NOT mean you have to be president the next year!

Calendar

MON.,6/14 Fri., 6/21

- 7:30 CPNO Monthly Mtg.

- CPNO Exec. Com.

7:15 PM ad Epworth United

Methodist Church

Wed., 6/21

- Messenger Deadline

- N.P.U. Monthly Meeting Thur., 6/27

CPNO Mtg., June 14th

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: 7:30 PM: Refreshments

Officers' Reports

- American Red Cross Presentation on Y2K
- Peavine Watershed Presentation
- Discussion of Candler Park soccer fields (see article)
- REACH Center Update (Druid Hills representative)
- Variances: (see article)
 - -1530 Dekalb Ave.
 - -Candler Park Cafe

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STREET CLOSINGS ON JUNE 12th Annual Candler Park 5K

June 12th is the date - if you aren't running in the race, please plan to line the streets and cheer on the runners! If you'd like to volunteer to be an official course monitor (free t-shirt is included!) please call Karin Dusenbury at 404-522-7130

The following streets will be closed to traffic between 8AM and 9AM on Saturday June 12th:

- Clifton Road, southbound between McLendon and Clifton Terrace
- Clifton Terrace
- Moreland Ave., one lane northbound between the bike path and McLendon
- McLendon Ave., between Moreland Ave. and Clifton Road.

The following major intersections will be periodically blocked to allow runners to safely cross streets:

- Oakdale at North Ave. (police will be stationed there)
- Euclid at North Ave.
- Oakdale at McLendon (police will be stationed there)
- Euclid at Moreland
- Intersections along Clifton Road.
- Intersections along McLendon Ave.

There will be course monitors at all major and most minor intersections to help cars cross when it is safe. If you feel you are going to have a problem with the street closings, please call Karin Dusenbury (4/522-7130) before June 12th so we can work out an escape plan. Roads and intersections will reopen after the last runner has passed. McLendon Ave. will be affected the longest as the race starts and finishes on this street.

- Eric & Karin Dusenbury

Proceeds from the 5k will be split between Mary Lin PTA and the Candler Park Pool Association. Come support these neighborhood causes!



Childcare at CPNO Meetings

Pam Revie Patterson is providing childcare to parents who would like to attend the monthly meetings. Thanks to Guy Kent, Epworth pastor, who is providing the Epworth daycare space. Please call Pam if you have any questions about the childcare (4/221-1938).

Candler Park Tour of Homes

Candler Park will host the Annual Home Tour the weekend of September 18 &19. This is the same weekend as the Candler Park Arts & Crafts Festival. We are well on our way to a great tour but still need more homes and volunteers. Volunteers can assist with home sitting during the tour or with preparation. Please call Will Shevlin 404-377-1803 if you would like to volunteer yourself or your home for the Tour.

Will Shevlin

Variance Requests for June

Philip Palmer (4/659-6594), the new owner of the Candler Park Cafe has requested a renewal of the business's Beer and Wine license.

Jason Dove (4/521-3642) has requested an Amusement Game license and a Beer & Wine license. He is planning on opening an arcade in he building at 1530 Dekalb Ave. behind the Candler Park Cafe.

Messenger Article

Anyone can submit an article for publication in the *Messenger*. The deadline is always the week after the CPNO monthly meeting (Friday of that week). Please drop your submission off with me at 1414 McLendon Ave or better yet, send them E-Mail 105164.472@compuserve.com. Please include your name and phone number.

- Karin Dusenbury

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GET YOUR BLOCK PARTY ORGANIZED NOW!!

June is Block Party Month in Candler Park. The purpose is for neighbors to get to know each other so they can improve crime watch and help each other in emergencies. Plus, it's just nice to know the names behind those friendly faces you've seen up and down your street. Here are some tips to get a block party organized:

Volunteer to organize or to host. Block captains may be helping you already – if not, step forward and volunteer. The easiest way may be to partner with your next door neighbor – one of you can host, the other will put flyers on everyone's door. Divide up the people on your street to follow-up. Choose a date. We're suggesting Sunday afternoon, June 16 as a possible date.

Decide the format. A potluck is probably the easiest to organize. You can ask people to sign up for certain things and let you know when they RSVP, or you can assign things. For example, people whose last names start with A-F can bring entrees, G-O can bring side dishes, and P-Z can bring desserts. The organizer and the host should bring soft drinks and napkins, plates, and utensils. Encourage people to bring extra beverages in addition to a dish – especially if they're bringing a large group to the event.

Make flyers. List the details and distribute to every door on the street. The flyer should include the organizers name and phone number for RSVP's and questions, as well as instructions for what to bring.

Follow-up before the event. Go door to door to get those who haven't RSVP'ed, and call people who have signed up to re-confirm.

Put it on paper. At the event, ask everyone to put their name and numbers on a sign-up sheet. Following the event, distribute a copy to everyone on the street, whether they were able to attend or not.

Reap the rewards! Following the event, use the names to form a basis for a crime watch committee and to help in preparing for any unforeseen Y2K incidents or other emergencies.

Start planning the next one! Make this a regular event on your street!

- Karen Hill

More on Sidewalks

Last month we discussed the issue of sidewalks, both new and old, and I want to share with you this information.

New Sidewalks

According to Cathy Woolard, District 6 city councilperson, a list of new sidewalk requests for Candler Park has existed for a few years. This list was prioritized and approved by the CPNO some years ago. However, due to a variety of problems in the city, no new sidewalks have been installed in Candler Park. So, regarding the proposed list of potential new sidewalks listed in the May Messenger, Cathy informed me that there is no need to develop a new list since one already exists. (A new list would go to the back of the existing list.) Currently, the city is accepting bids to hire a sidewalk contractor, which could mean that we may see new sidewalks in Candler Park (although it could be awhile).

Old Sidewalks

Why can't sidewalk money be spent on sidewalks that need repair? This question was posed at the May meeting, and seems legitimate. According to Cathy Woolard, years ago, the city decided that sidewalk repair was the homeowner's responsibility. One problem with this philosophy is that one homeowner could fix his/her sidewalk but if the adjacent neighbor doesn't then the sidewalk is still impassable. If you want a neighbor to take responsibility for a sidewalk in need of repair follow these steps:

- 1. Call 330-6087 and ask for a sidewalk inspector to condemn a sidewalk(s) (give the address).
- 2. A day or two later, call again and ask who has been assigned to your request so that you can follow up.

What happens next:

- 3. The sidewalk inspector reviews the sidewalk(s) in question.
- 4. If it is in disrepair, the homeowner is cited with a violation.
- 5. Then, the homeowner can
- A) Apply to the city to have the city contractor fix the sidewalk (could take 1-1 1/2 years to fix);
- B) Hire a private contractor to fix the sidewalk; contractor needs a city permit from Public Services Division.
- 6. If the homeowner does none of the above, the inspector can cite the sidewalk as a nuisance.
- 7. The city will repair it and attach the cost to the property taxes. (Length of time to repair? Unknown.)

Another suggestion is to join forces, hire a contractor together and ask for a reduced rate to fix adjacent sidewalks in need of repair.

-Debra Snell

Candler Park Soccer Fields

Since January of this year, the Atlanta Youth Soccer Association (AYSA) has had a permit from the City of Atlanta, Department of Parks and Recreation to use the Candler Park Soccer Field. The permit provides for the use of the field each weekday from 5 to 7PM and on Saturdays from 9AM to 3PM.

The fields are used during the week for practice sessions for both recreational and select youth soccer teams. On the weekends, children in the under ten age group play games on the field. AYSA keeps the field free of debris, lines the fields and moves goals on and off of the field so as to not obstruct the use of the fields when not occupied by the league.

AYSA is a non-profit organization, which began eleven years ago with forty players and now services the needs of nearly 800 youth soccer players in metropolitan Atlanta. The greatest base of players resides in the B.O.N.D. and the Morningside/Virginia Highlands Communities. Currently, the league utilizes and helps maintain fields at Mary Lin Elementary School, Inman Middle School, Austin Avenue, Howard School and Piedmont Park. Each field is in use based on an agreement with the Atlanta Public Schools or the City of Atlanta.

At this time, the AYSA would like to begin negotiations with the City of Atlanta, in an effort to formalize an agreement for ongoing maintenance and use of the fields at Candler Park. The model for this partnership is a youth soccer program north of the downtown area, which already has a very similar agreement with the city. Basically, AYSA would like to re-grade and sod the soccer field if the City of Atlanta will help with water hook ups. Fertilization, cutting and clean up will be joint efforts of both groups. In return for this investment, the city would enter into a fiveyear agreement with the league and monitor the use of the fields so that in inclement weather or during maintenance periods, the fields might be closed to heavy use by organized groups. Piedmont Park soccer fields are currently handled in this manner.

The AYSA presented an outline of the agreement to the C.P.N.O Executive Committee, during the week of May 17th and received a unanimous endorsement. Questions and / or comments regarding this matter may be addressed to Randy E. Pimsler, Vice President, Atlanta Youth Soccer Association (404 875 1517, 287 Ferguson Street).

- Randy E. Pimsler

Environmental Update

Upcoming Events

Ø Southface Sustainable Atlanta Roundtable!. Monthly meeting. June focus on solid waste. Is zero waste possible? \$5/per. Fri., 6/7 7:30-9AM. RSVP/details @www.southface.org. Next is 8/6 on air quality

Ø Peavine Watershep Alliance Presents! Come to CPNO's June meeting and learn what you can do to help PWA restore the health of Peavine Creek. Mon. 6/14, 7PM @ Epworth Methodist.

Ø Greenprints 2000 Wed. Nite Seminars! Monthly seminars on green building practices & envirotechnolgies. Wed. 6/30. Contact Southface @ 4/872-3549 or greenprints@southface.org.

Ø Creek Cleanup! Join PWA in a creek clean-up. Bring boots and gloves. Sat. 7/10, 9am - 1pm. Rain date TBA. Call 4/508-7603 for info or to inquire about Adopt-a-Stream.

Ø Design Green with equal! Fit/retrofit homes/commercial buildings for energy efficiency and indoor air quality. Architects and developers/\$75. Thurs. 7/22. Contact Southface @4/872-3549 or www.southface.org.

Ø Southface Homebuilding School! Three day crash course on energy efficient building design for homeowners. \$295 indiv/\$395 couples. 8/12-15. Contact Southface @4/872-3549 or www.southface.org.

In the Pipeline?

Ø Interested in the Greening of Candler Park and neighboring businesses? A task force to develop Statement/Guidelines for Candler Park as walkable community. Contact Susan Grider @4/373-2026 or avenir@mindspring.com.

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- Susan Grider - VP Environment

CPNO June Meeting - Peavine Watershep Alliance Presents

Calling all PATH walkers, bikers, rollerbladers, stroller(er)s! Find out how you can help with Peavine Creek clean-ups, Adopt-A-Stream programs or funding efforts.

Peavine Watershed encompasses a six square mile area within Candler Park, Lake Claire, Druid Hills and Decatur. Portions of the watershed are along the PATH in Freedom Park. PWA members include representatives from each of these neighborhoods as well as local businesses and institutions including Fernbank, Emory and Druid Hills Golf Club.

Attend CPNO's June meeting (6/14 at 7PM) and learn what you can do to help PWA restore the health of Peavine Creek.

- Susan Grider

Crime Report

Candler Park Neighborhood Organization Crime between 4/19/99 and 5/23/99

Assaults upon people - 1

Callan Circle - 5/8, 8:00 pm, person seen carrying car stereo, followed by neighbor, suspect threw 2 x 4 board at neighbor, neighbor retreated, then called police (see 5/8, car burglary reported later.)

Burglary - 5

Clifton Rd.- 4/22, 6:20 pm Garage entered, bike and power mower taken,

Oakdale Rd. - 4/22, 10:00 pm Tool shed entered, mower taken,

Iverson St. - 4/27, 5:00 pm house burglarized, electrical equipment taken.

Candler Park Dr. - 5/12, 10:50 pm forced entry into apartment, tools taken.

Moreland Ave. - 5/21, 11:20 pm suspect entered apartment by breaking door, arrested.

Theft from Auto - 1

Callan Circle 5/8, 10:00 pm car burglary, stereo, C.D. taken (see assaults upon people above, 5/8)

Fights mostly domestic -1

Driving under the influence -1

Drug arrest - 1

Mansfield Ave. 5/19, 8:00 pm Homeless man arrested with controlled substance.

Vehicles towed away or found -4

Brooks Ave., Josephine St., Elmira Place (two).

Miscellaneous - 4

Near 1270 De Kalb Ave-vehicle tire damaged by pot hole

Moreland & Euclid. - 4/22, 8:20 pm Person driving with license suspended - arrested

Oakdale Avenue - 5/5/8:00 am Purse snatched - victim had purse snatched after suspect started a conversation

Neighborhood - 5/6 victim had large amount of money illegally withdrawn from bank in another Atlanta area: Under investigation by Larceny Department of the Atlanta Police.

* If you live in one of the following communities, you are eligible for membership

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