

THE CANDLER PARK MESSENGER

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

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From The President:

To begin my first letter of this beautiful fall, I would like to extend thanks and appreciation to a few folks who have been putting in lots of hours in and around our neighborhood. First, I want to congratulate and thank Beth Martin from Donna Van Gogh's for the fine Festival she organized this past month. The Festival brings the neighborhood and our organization a lot of attention as well as being a great excuse to get out and see each other. The weather was perfect, which helped bring many of you to the Park. There were also lots of 'out of the neighborhood' folks in the hood enjoying music and the art booths. In addition, kudos to Will and Carrie Shevlin for their hard work in organizing the Tour of Homes. The Tour is a huge effort, and one of our main fundraisers. At this writing, the final figures of the Tour profits and other merchandise sales have not been finalized, but the neighborhood probably earned well over \$2,000 during the Festival weekend. I also want to thank the folks who opened their homes for the Tour, those who helped sell tickets, house sit and do other miscellaneous jobs that made the Tour happen. And of course, thanks to all of you who attended. And, more thanks to Beth Martin who helped CPNO cut some costs by printing the house descriptions in the Festival brochure.

Kudos also to Susan Grider who has been guiding CPNO towards receiving a possible EPA grant with matching funds from the City (see article inside). In addition to that, Community Planning Committees under her steerage have developed a survey that will be in the November Messenger. Be on the lookout for that.

My final thanks go to Betty Knox who has given countless hours as the person in charge of the Messenger distribution. Without her, you would not be reading this newsletter. We need another volunteer(s) for 2000. Please read the article inside that describes this job.
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Calendar

MON., 10/11 - 7:30 CPNO Monthly Mtg.
Mon., 10/18 - CPNO Exec. Com.
7:30 PM at Epworth United
Methodist Church
Weds., 10/20 - *Messenger* Deadline
Thur., 10/28 - N.P.U. Monthly Meeting

CPNO Mtg., October 11th

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 PM:

- Officers' Reports
- Presentation by Kirkwood Residents Against More Marta
- Presentation and vote on Findley Plaza (L5P) (see article)
- Block Captain Update (see article)
- Vote on possible grant opportunities
- Update on New Arcade on Dekalb Ave. (John Rick)

CPNO Officers

President:	Debra Snell
1st Vice President:	Greg Smith
VP Finances:	Karen Hill
VP Special Events:	David Dugan & Will Shevlin
VP Communications:	Barbara Senftleber
VP Zoning:	John Rick
VP Environment:	Susan Grider
VP Safety:	Austin Wattles

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(From the President continued from page 1)

This fall we are reviving and updating the Block Captains in the neighborhood. Please read the article inside and consider volunteering if your street is without a block captain.

Fall is also the time of year when the CPNO looks for nominations for the Executive Board. Officer elections are held at the November meeting. The Board has been discussing a committee/co-officer structure for some of the positions. Please let me know if you are interested in being nominated, if you have any nominations to pass forward, or if you have questions about any of the positions (dsnell@gsu.edu; 370-0040).

I enjoyed meeting many of you at the tent at the Festival; I hope to see you at the meeting October 11!

- Debra Snell

This is the Volunteer Job for You! Messenger Distribution Person/Family Needed for 2000

If you have often said you wanted to volunteer but cannot attend meetings, this is the perfect job for you. The *Messenger* is delivered through a hierarchy of distribution people, but the job begins with one person who collates bundles of the *Messengers* and Bond Community Star and passes them out to another group who then delivers to the street level distribution people. It takes approximately 3-4 hours once every month, usually near the end of the month. It seems like a great activity for a family with children who can count. If you are interested, please contact me and I can give you more details (dsnell@gsu.edu; 370-0040).

- Debra Snell

Tour Of Homes - THANKS!

The annual Candler Park Tour of Homes was a lot of fun and a big success. We have a lot of people to thank for the success. Bob Souvorin, Walter & Connie Weimar for creating the signs at each house; Shawn Foley for managing ticket sales in front of Donna Van Goghs, Debra Snell for managing our booth at the festival, Roger Johnson for adding a great Home Tour page to the Website; Homeowners for volunteering their homes; and the Home Sitters for directing traffic at each of the houses. The home tour goes repeated again and again how wonderfully varied the homes were. Comments were specifically made about gardens, additions, interior design and architecture. Thank you again and we look forward to more success in the future.

- Will Shevlin

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

Candler Park Merchandise On Sale

There should be new Candler Park banners for sale at the October meeting as well as caps. Caps are \$12 and banners should be between \$12-15. If you left your name at the CPNO tent and asked for a banner, I will call you as soon as we have them.

Environmental Update

Upcoming Events

Ø **Southface Sustainable Atlanta Roundtable!**

Monthly meeting. \$5/per. Fri. 10/1 7:30-9am.

RSVP/details @ www.southface.org.

Ø **Homebuilding School.** Learn energy efficient and sustainable home building design. Oct. 5-8. \$295/per or \$395/couple. RSVP/details @ 4/872-3549 or www.southface.org.

Ø **Rivers Alive - Eighth Annual River Clean-up!** A weeklong celebration with 9-12 keystone events focusing on river and creek clean-ups across Georgia and Metro Atlanta. Oct. 9-17. Contact PWA at 4/508-7603 for more info.

Ø **Rivers Alive / Peavine Creek Clean-up!** Free T-shirts for volunteers. Peavine Watershed Alliance clean-up in Druid Hills is open to everyone. Sat. 10/16 9am-1pm. Contact PWA at 4/508-7603 for more info.

Ø **Passive Solar Design & Solar Tour of Homes!** Learn to build with sun in mind. Meet at Southface for map of passive and active solar homes to tour. Sat. 10/16. \$7/per. Member discount. RSVP/details @ 4/872-3549 or www.southface.org.

Ø **Environmental Living - Annual Southface Conference!** Sat. 11/20. \$30/free for members. RSVP/details @ 4/872-3549 or www.southface.org.

In the Pipeline?

Ø **Interested in the Greening of Candler Park?** Join Candler Park's Community Planning efforts. Contact SGrider at avenir@mindspring.com or 4/373-2026.

Ø **Interested in Non-Point Source Pollution Reduction or Watershed and Stream Health?** Join efforts toward securing a 319 grant from the EPA. Contact SGrider at avenir@mindspring.com or 4/373-2026.

Contact Sgrider at avenir@mindspring.com for entries to 'Environmental Update.' or questions.

- Susan Grider - VP Environment

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Block Captain Update: Still More Block Captains Needed! Block Captain Training on Oct. 19!

Efforts to revitalize the block captain system in Candler Park are well underway. We are currently updating - and adding to - a list of former block captains which was compiled by Safety VP Austin Wattles. There are still many spots to be filled, see below. The purpose of having a block captain on your street is to be the contact point for his or her block, in case of an emergency and/or crime. Knowing who your neighbors are and how to reach them will help increase safety in your neighborhood and create a greater sense of community. (Some blocks even organize get togethers such as potlucks and barbecues on a regular basis!)

To find out what a block captain does (not a huge commitment of time, so an easy volunteer opportunity), come to a BLOCK CAPTAIN TRAINING at Epworth Church on October 19, 1999 from 7 - 8:30 pm. Inspector Ruby Naylor from the Zone 6 Police Department will conduct a training session for all the neighborhoods in the northeast section of Zone 6. Refreshments will be served!

For more information or to sign up as a block captain on your street, contact:

Rita Wuebbeler
Block Captain Coordinator
Tel. 404-378-1990
E-mail: rwuebbeler@aol.com

At press time of this article, the following streets either still need block captains, and/or need confirmation of existing names on record. If you see your street listed below, and you are currently the street block captain, please contact me.

Clifton: Marlbrook to Harriett; Clifton: Mariett to Muriel;
Page: Marlbrook to Muriel; Page: Muriel to Clifton Terrace;
Parkview Heights (Condos); Marlbrook: Terrace to Page;
Marlbrook: Page to Clifton; CP Drive: Miller to North;
CP Drive: Miller to McLendon; Benning Place: Oakdale to CP Drive; Benning Place: Oakdale to Euclid;
Oakdale: McLendon to Miller; Oakdale: Benning to North
Oak Pointe Apartments; Marion; Hooper; Miller: West of Oakdale; Miller: Oakdale to CP Drive; North Ave: Moreland to Euclid; Euclid Ave: Moreland to Euclid Terrace; Euclid Ave: Euclid Terrace to Candler Street; Euclid Ave: Candler Street to Benning; Euclid Terrace; Josephine: DeKalb to 324; Elmira: DeKalb to 305; Elmira: 305 to McLendon; Candler Street: DeKalb to Iverson; Candler Street: Iverson to McLendon; Sterling: McLendon to 450; Sterling: 450 to Euclid; McLendon: Moreland to Elmira; Oakdale: DeKalb to Iverson; Oakdale: Iverson to McLendon; Iverson: Ferguson to Oakdale; Iverson: CP Drive to Mell; McLendon: CP Drive to Mell; Mell; Sheppard Place; Clifton: DeKalb to McLendon;

Misleading Mailbox Moving Mandate

On Saturday September 11, many Candler Park residents received a letter from the U.S. Post Office Ralph McGill Carrier Facility stating "Your mailbox needs to be placed at curbside no later than 9/21/99." This letter was misleading. The supervisor at the Ralph McGill Carrier Facility clarified that this letter was a request by the particular mail carrier on the McLendon route versus a true mandate from the Post Office. Each homeowner may decide whether to comply with this request. For further questions, please contact Post Office employees James Warner or Joe Wimbush at 1-800-275-8777.

- Donna Taylor

Your Vision For Freedom Park?

As you read this article, Freedom Park Conservancy/CAUTION, Inc. ("FPC") will be in the middle of constructing the North-South greenway trail running from the Inman Park MARTA station to Ponce de Leon Avenue and related landscaping improvements that are being done as part of Phase II of Freedom Park's development. As we can begin to see the end of this phase of our work, the Board of FPC has determined that we should evaluate where FPC is as an organization, and where Freedom Park, as an asset for the City and our communities, are today and, more importantly, how and where we want to go and grow in the future.

To further this "soul searching" process, the Board of FPC has determined that we will engage in a strategic planning process during October and November designed to determine what long-term path we wish to follow for FPC and the long-term visions for Freedom Park. We would like for this process to be as open to comment and participation as possible. To that end, we are requesting that anyone having an interest in Freedom Park, what the park will be in the future and how its development will be guided and/or influenced over the years contact your neighborhood's representative to FPC to share any of your issues, concerns, objectives, etc. for Freedom Park and FPC. We thank you in advance for your interest and support of FPC and Freedom Park.

- Al Caproni, FPC Co-President

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Neighborhood Survey in November!!!

A survey to all Candler Park residents will be circulated by the Community Planning teams in November's Messenger. Responses to the survey will be integrated into the Candler Park Plan due March 2000. By responding to the survey, you will help set priorities for public and private development in the neighborhood including sidewalk extension and repair, shop composition in Little Five and along DeKalb Ave., and water/wastewater repair and maintenance. For the electronically oriented, the survey will be posted at the Candler Park website. Your participation is critical!!!

Potential SDCG Grant to Benefit Candler and Freedom Parks

In partnership with Park Pride Atlanta and Lake Claire Neighbors, Candler Park is seeking a \$250,000 Sustainable Development Challenge Grant (SDCG) from the Environmental Protection Agency. The project, if funded, would create an integrated waterscape and streetscape plan linking Lake Claire Park, Candler Park, Freedom Park and Findley Plaza in Little Five Points. The idea is to promote walkability in and between neighborhoods, parks and local economic centers meanwhile encouraging behavior that is linked to cleaner air and water.

The grant concept enjoys broad community support from a variety of groups and individuals including Lake Claire Neighbors, Candler Park Neighborhood Organization, the City's Bureau of Planning, Councilmember Cathy Woolard's office, the Peavine Watershed Alliance, the Little Five Points Business Association, and Trees Atlanta. Additional groups are being contacted to enlist further support.

The City's Bureau of Parks is dedicating \$229,000 for sewer repair to be used as matching funds. Sewer repair with an environmental sustainability overlay per recommendations from Center for Watershed Protection in Maryland and the Peavine Watershed Alliance will likely serve as Phase One Implementation.

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 F. Retledge, Beat 602 Morning Watch

Crime Report:

Crime between 8/20 and 9/15

All addresses are approximate for privacy.

Assaults upon people - 1

McLendon & Oakdale, 9/02 3:20 am, victim was robbed and assaulted.

Burglary - 5

Moreland Ave. 8/23, 1:45 pm door kicked in and leather jacket stolen, Clifton Rd. 8/28 4:00 pm, garage entered, bicycle and power tools taken. Clifton Rd. 9/09 8:00 pm burglary of home, mountain bike and power tools stolen. Sheppard Place 9/09 property taken, VCR, jewelry, car identified by neighbor as seen in front of victims house. Candler Street, 9/3, 9:28 am theft of furniture from porch - submitted by phone, not in police records.

Alarm Call - 2

Oakdale 12:50 am window broken in, entry not made into apartment. 300 Brooks, 9/15 12:30 am side door found open, no sign of forced entry.

Damage - 2

Terrace Ave. 8/31 2:15 pm errant golf ball damaged vehicle. Oakdale Rd. 9/13 8:00 pm suspect wrote profanity on door.

Arrest - 1

Euclid Ave. 9/12 12:30 am, driver arrested fleeing police in his auto.

Miscellaneous - 2

Candler Park Pool 9/01, 10:00 pm city pools money lost, misplaced or stolen. Candler Park Pool 9/06 10:40 am, pool vandalized, flowers and body waste put in pool.

-Austin Wattles
404/ 577-1498

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Update On Property Tax Issue

The difficulty with writing this update each month is that it has to be submitted two or three weeks before it appears, and things seem to have changed by the time it comes out. Last month, as you recall, two ordinances to resolve the situation had just become law and we were cautiously hopeful that a successful resolution was in sight. Events interrupted the mailing of our refunds, however.

Several weeks ago City Council President Rob Pitts sent a letter many felt contained several serious inaccuracies. We withheld public comment about it until we could better understand the situation. We now believe Mr. Pitts was sincere in trying to help but was given bad advice in the preparing and sending of the letter. We and others met with him and he now gives every indication that he has joined us in our cause. He came to both the Candler Park and the Lake Claire meetings in September and said he is 100% behind our request for equality and further stated that he "is willing to do whatever is necessary to rectify the situation." This is great news and quite a turnaround from what we feared when his letter came out. We will continue to be in touch with Mr. Pitts on this issue.

We need his help because, at the time of this writing, the City is doing little to implement the ordinances passed by the City Council. Our attorney, Mary Carole Cooney, worked with our City Councilwoman, Cathy Woolard, to construct a revised ordinance which spells out in more exact terms the law allowing for refunds for individuals. We believe the more specific wording of this ordinance will not allow the City to avoid implementing it. Ms. Woolard introduced the revised ordinance in City Council on September 21. We will be working for a veto-proof majority (at least 10 City Councilmember votes) for this revised ordinance. We want "veto-proof" because the Mayor has consistently opposed refunds and may very well veto this ordinance.

Cathy Woolard continues to work extremely hard on this issue and we owe her many thanks.

Another key component of this effort has been Mary Carole Cooney, the attorney we hired to help us navigate this extremely complicated issue. If CPNO had not voted funds to hire her when it did, we could not have gotten as far as we have.

Major good news is that other neighborhoods have joined us in our efforts. Both Lake Claire and Druid Hills have voted funds to support us and will be providing a representative to work with us. We are talking to Morningside, Kirkwood, and others.

Even with the support from neighborhoods, fighting the City is expensive and those of us working on the issue have decided we also need to begin to accept donations from individuals. We have adopted Fair Assessment for Intown Residents as our name. We will be opening a checking account at the BOND Community

Federal Credit Union. This account will primarily be used to pay our attorney but will also be used for photocopying, mailing, signs, and other related expenses. Checks in the amount of \$50-100 are suggested but any amount is welcome. Make checks to "Fair Assessments for Intown Residents" or "FAIR" and send to Greg Smith, 422 Candler Street, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30307.

I will give an even more up to the minute update at the next CPNO meeting and will try to answer any and all questions folks may have.

For more information or to volunteer to help, visit the Candler Park website at www.candlerpark.org or call/e-mail Lesile Lowe (4/659-4161, leslowe1@aol.com), David Osborn (4/688-3219, dosborn@bellsouth.net), Cynthia Zauner (4/577-8621, czauner@mindspring.com), or myself (4/681-9945, gsmithmd1@aol.com).

- Greg Smith

Findley Plaza Improvement Plan

Several years ago, Candler Park approved a plan for the improvement of Findley Plaza in Little Five Points. There were some changes in the Parks Department and the project was tabled. Recently, the plan has been revived and with some additional input has been improved. We are seeking approval of this revised plan which includes the partial opening of the existing planters, the enhancement of existing trees, seating control and site amenities such as ornamental trash receptacles, benches and replacement lighting fixtures. A site plan and a more descriptive article are in the October BOND Community Star.

The revised plan will be presented by Bill Brigham at the October meeting of CPNO, for our consideration. Those of us who have worked on perfecting this plan urge your support. If you have a problem locating a site plan, please call me.

- Don Bender

Remember... There is 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).



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AFTER-SCHOOL CARE spaces still available at Druid Hills Child Development Center. Transportation from Mary Lin Elementary. Call 404-875-5019.

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.



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