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Have a Fun and Safe Summer

By Zaid Duwayri, president@candlerpark.org

Summer is here... maybe not “officially” yet, but it sure feels like it: longer hotter days, school’s out, and pools are open. It’s also the time of year where we typically see an increase in crime, mostly thefts, break-ins and, occasionally, more serious incidents.

I’m not a subscriber to the argument that crime is part of the package that we all bought into when we decided to live in-town. Crime can happen everywhere and at any time that we let down our guard and accept it as a fact of life. It can be reduced through careful observation, logical thinking and cooperation among neighbors and with the authorities.

We live in a beautiful and popular neighborhood that we should strive to keep it safe for us and welcoming to our visitors, so please don’t confuse my message to stay vigilant with a call to report any stranger walking down your street. Few of the good practices in keeping crime at bay revolve around not making yourself an easy victim, these include:

- Keep your car clean of electronics, bags and purses

PRESIDENTIAL BRIEFING

- Locking side gates, side doors and windows
- Installing sensor-activated lights, cameras and alarms
- Locking your bikes and keeping them out of sight
- Report graffiti and request that it gets cleaned up as soon as possible
- Stay vigilant, and if you see something, say something

This is not a call to action, but a reminder that we need to stay aware of what’s happening in and around our neighborhood, and maintain communications using social media (primarily NextDoor.com) and other channels about any suspicious activity.

Stay safe and have fun this summer.

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

Committee meetings take place at Epworth United Methodist 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 1 and a complete list of CPNO meetings at www.candlerpark.org.

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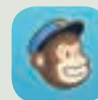
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DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE

- 2 & 3** Candler Park Music and Food Festival
- 7** CPNO Zoning Meeting, 7 pm, The New Church
- 8** CPNO Porch Party, 6 pm
- 10 to 17** Atlanta Cycling Festival
- 12** CPNO Board Meeting, 7 pm, The New Church
- 18** CPNO Block Party, 4 pm – 8 pm, Corner of Iverson and Candler Park Drive
- 19** CPNO Members Meeting, 7 pm, 1st Existentialist Church
- 21** Candler Park Conservancy Meeting, 7 pm, Rush Center Annex

In case of cancellations or changes, check CPNO's online Events at candlerpark.org. For meetings at Epworth, knock on door at street level to get in. All CPNO meetings are open to the public.



Welcome New Members and Thank You Contributors

CPNO welcomes new members:

- Alyssa and Jeff Ozer
- Sara Clark
- Meagan Light
- Jason (Elvis) Lindsey
- Navneet Kaur and Rajdeep Singh
- Elliott and Nell DeVoe
- Phil Culligan
- Victoria Vass
- Emily Davis and Ryan Berger
- Christopher Spruell and Michelle Moulton
- Hallie Meushaw and Scott Bryant
- Jacob, Jessica, and Anna Lange
- Zachary Cohen
- Steve Tellis
- Evan and Jessica Zimring

- Joe & Roxie Simon
- Coleen Ward
- Carlos Corless

CPNO thanks members for their contributions:

- Brian Daly
- Maura Mullaney and Laura Bowman
- Odie Snyder
- Jorge Hernandez
- Glenna Kline
- Mike Dunbar
- Howard & Katharine Connell
- Jamie and Jeffrey Beckham
- Doug, Angie, and Holly Brandenburg
- ...and others who wished to remain anonymous

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUL 15
Mulberry Fields Gone
Wylde party, 6 – 9
pm

AUG 1
APS First Day of
School

AUG 8
Candler Park Movie
Night, featuring Sing

AUG 19
Candler Park Movie
Night, featuring The
Jungle Book (2016)

SEP 9
Candler Park Movie
Night, featuring Star
Wars: The Force
Awakens

SEP 30 – OCT 1
Candler Park Fall
Fest

OCT 9 – OCT 13
APS Fall Break

OCT 21
L5P Halloween
Parade (4 – 6 pm)
and Festival (12 – 10
pm)

NOV 20 – NOV 24
APS Thanksgiving
Break

DEC 25 – JAN 5
APS Holiday Break

If you have a Candler Park event that you would like added to this list, email editor@candlerpark.org

CPNO Block Party Sunday, June 18, 2017: Chickens and Pigs, and More

By Roger Bakeman, membership@candlerpark.org

The second CPNO-supported block party for 2017 will be centered on the corners of Iverson and lower Candler Park Drive and is scheduled for Father's Day, June 18, from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. The organizers are Dempsey and Ted Werthman, Karin and Eric Dusenbury, Susan Archie and Janet Smith, and Betsy Goss. Please bring a dish to share and a cooler of your favorite beverage! Music will be provided by the Chickens and Pigs band. So come and enjoy good food, good fellowship, and good music.

Will there be more block parties this year in Candler Park? That depends on you. As noted in the March Messenger, CPNO voted to support block parties. We asked for proposals by May 1, but will accept later ones if submitted by the first of the previous month (e.g., by July 1 for an August event). In order to qualify for CPNO sponsorship, we require that the event be open to the residents of a residential block of Candler Park. Proposals should be submitted via email to membership@candlerpark.org and include the following:

Proposals should include the following:

- Description of event
- How the event will serve Candler Park residents and CPNO members
- Requested funded amount (up to \$250 and justification for request)
- Name(s) of person(s) responsible for organizing the event
- Date that a post- event report, including receipts, will be submitted

We hope to announce other block parties for 2017. If you have one in mind, we encourage you to submit a proposal.



Photo credit: Roger Bakeman

Porch Party Saturday, June 10, 2017

By Amanda Bolster, CPNO membership committee

For June's Porch Party, join us for yummy crepes and other Hungarian goodies at Palacsinta! Even though Maria will be cooking for us, still bring a few of your own snacks to share – plus drinks (alcoholic and non).

- Time: 6pm–8pm
- Place: Palacsinta – corner of McLendon and Oakdale
- Date: Saturday, June 10

You can meet us there walking on our lovely new sidewalks!!

So put June 10th on your calendar. Bring a snack and/or drinks (alcoholic or not) to share, and join the fun and conversation. And, if you'd like to host a porch party in July, August or September, let me know (amandafbolster@gmail.com)

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Mary Lin Annual Greek Sculpture Garden Amazes

By Elizabeth Tolmach, Mary Lin Second Grade Teacher

The Greek Sculpture Garden has been a Mary Lin third grade tradition for more than 10 years. On Friday, May 12, my second graders walked among the 8- and 9-year-olds dressed elaborately as Greek statues. On demand, the statues came to life and shared their stories with families, students and teachers.

My students loved seeing dozens of plastic snakes coiled in Medusa's hair. They were in awe of the giant globe Atlas bore on his back. They enjoyed eating a chocolate gold coin from Midas after hearing his monologue. Mythology fascinates many elementary age students.

"The children look forward to participating beginning in kindergarten," says Mary Lin third grade teacher Michell Carter.

Hats off to the students for researching Greek myths, creating elaborate costumes, writing monologues, memorizing them, and presenting them with poise and confidence. I am in awe of the hard-working teachers, parents, and administrators, including Principal Sharyn Briscoe, who supported the students throughout their endeavor. Carter thinks the hard work pays off. "Every year the event is a huge success," she says. It "builds confidence, enriches knowledge, and leaves a lasting memory for the children and their families."

All photos credit: Roger Bakeman.



Tate Mikula as Atlas.



Maribelle Fitzgerald
as Demeter.



Floyd Hernandez
as Hades.



Aerin Jones as Cerberus.



Siri Bluestone as Hestia.



Nora Crawford as Andromeda.



Owen Milko as Hercules.



Guthrie Nash as Minotaur.

Party at Mulberry Fields - Save the date!

By Sara Nessenbaum, Membership and Public Programs
Coordinator, Wylde Center

The Mulberry Fields Gone Wylde extravaganza returns for its second year on July 15th from 6-9pm. Webster will be playing on the main stage, and when the sun sets, the Chikabilly will be lit up! Food, beer and wine will be available for purchase. All funds raised support Wylde Center's work at the beloved Candler Park Mulberry Fields Community Garden. A special thank you to Candler Park Neighborhood Organization, Premier Grease, Small Business Services, and the Harris Bathrick Basch Family! Wylde Center members get in for free! Become a member today! wyldecenter.org/membership

Join us on July 15th and #goWylde!

Members: FREE

Non-Members: \$10 entrance fee, Children 12 and under are free.

For tickets: <http://bit.ly/mfgw2017>

Become a Sponsor: <http://wyldecenter.org/sponsorships/>

Volunteer: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044daea623a5f49-mulberry1>

Website: <http://wyldecenter.org/mulberry-fields-gone-wylde-2017/>



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Mulberry Fields Gone Wylde!



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The Atlanta Cycling Festival Returns! Saturday, June 10 – Saturday, June 17 - All over Atlanta

From Atlanta Cycling Festival press release.

A week of bike rides, bike classes, bike parties and bike fun. Proudly made in Atlanta, GA. The Atlanta Cycling Festival is a free, weeklong bicycle festival of fun from Saturday, June 10 to Saturday, June 17.

There will be 35+ bicycle events throughout the week of the Festival!

The Festival is geared towards connecting bicyclists of all ages and experience levels with each other and to support local bike-friendly businesses and organizations.

Sampling Of Festival Events:

- The Big Opening Bash: Join local bike vendors and our sponsors of a night of bikes! We'll also screen a family friendly bicycle themed movie.
- Atlanta Streets Alive: In tandem with the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition, 2.7 miles of West Midtown will be car-free and open to experience outside of the car.
- Concrete Jungle Fruit Tree Tour: Discover the hidden fruit trees in Atlanta - A tasty tour on two wheels.
- 4th Annual Doughnut Ride: Tour and sample the BEST doughnut shops in Atlanta.



- Bicycle Cargo Challenge: A competition between nonprofits on Yuba Cargo Bikes, each team will compete for the ultimate bragging rights and cash prize.
- CLIF Ride Zone For Kids: Grab the kids for an amazing bike course designed just for the little ones.
- MTB Pump Track From REI: Humps, dips and turns - a mountain biking track for all ages.

For a complete list of events, please visit: www.atlantacyclingfestival.com/events.

Other highlights for the 2017 Atlanta Cycling Festival:

- We're giving \$2,000 via our ACF Create Grant to help kick start a new bike business in Atlanta
- We're donating 5% of our net profits back to the cycling community
- We're supporting minority owned and/or LGBTQ owned businesses
- We're keeping our drinking local by partnering with Eventide Brewing

The Festival is made possible through the support of sponsors, local cycling organizations, and community partnerships. For all the sponsors/partners, please visit: <http://www.atlantacyclingfestival.com/sponsors>.

The Festival seeks to encourage the recent growth in Atlanta cycling culture and corresponding growth in cycling infrastructure.

Benning Bayou Bash Was A Blast

By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

The first CPNO-supported block party for 2017 was the Benning Bayou Bash on May 20th. Despite one thunderstorm mid-way through the event, an estimated 100 neighbors and friends enjoyed the crawfish boil and spring party from late afternoon until late night. Boiled crawfish, potatoes, and sausages were the featured entrée accompanied by a variety of sides provided by neighbors. Keeping with the Louisiana theme, Candler Park neighbor John Perantoni treated guests to tasty, fresh-made beignets topped with powdered sugar.

Organized by Mark and Amy Clement and Peter and Kelly Jo Bluestone, the Benning Bayou Bash included a performance by the Real Ukuladies of Atlanta and avant-garde entertainer Brent Star. DJ extraordinaire Martin Steib of Lake Claire kept the music going through the evening. Children were entertained by the variety of playground equipment and the thrilling zip line in the Clements' backyard.

Thanks to the CPNO for supporting this event!



Kids enjoyed the thrill of the zipline. Photo Credit: Susan Rose



Many pounds of crawfish, corn, potatoes and sausage were enjoyed! Photo Credit: Glenn Callwood



Mark and Amy Clement and Peter and Kelly Jo Bluestone hosted the Benning Bayou Bash. Photo Credit: Glenn Callwood



The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta were joined on stage by their daughters and friends to sing "A Million Reasons" by Lady Gaga. Photo Credit: Glenn Callwood

The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta Rock Candler Park

By Susan Rose, editor@candlerpark.org

It started at the fence line. Candler Park mom Dana Fowle was telling neighbor Kate Sandhaus that she regretted not learning to play an instrument. "Growing up, we just didn't have the money," she said. Both women admittedly felt a little left out watching their children and their husbands play instruments together. "Get a ukulele," Sandhaus said. "I got one for Christmas."

Sandhaus, who played piano as a child, simply thought it would be fun to learn another instrument. Fowle got a ukulele that week. Soon after other neighbors, Silvia Medrano-Edelstein and Dima Nizzal Duwayri, joined in. Together the four women became the initial core members of what would become The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta. Within four months, the neighborhood mom band grew to 15 members.

The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta began meeting on Friday evenings earlier this year and learning to play the ukulele through YouTube videos. "It's a lot of fun," said Fowle. "Even our kids now refer to us as 'Mom's band.'" And many of the group members are very studious and work hard practicing in the group and at home on their own. One of the group members remarked, "We may not be tight, but we are uptight."

According to Medrano-Edelstein, the ukulele name and instrument comes from Portugese explorers who came to Hawaii in the 19th century. In Hawaiian, "uku" translates to "fleas" and "lele" to "jumping" which is a reference to the quick picking action going from fret to fret. "If you want to be a hipster in the know, you pronounce the instrument correctly as 'oo-koo-lay-lay,'" said Medrano-Edelstein.

Not only have the Real Ukuladies of Atlanta benefited from the personal learning, but they know their children have watched them "tackle a challenge and succeed, so they have no excuses for not doing the same," said Fowle. Another core member noted, "My kid sees me overcome stage fright, feels empathy and expresses encouragement!"

Their hard work and word-of-mouth publicity has resulted in several recent gigs including the Inman Park Festival and the Benning Bayou Bash (the first CPNO block party of 2017.) Most of their repertoire focuses on pop and rock songs often learning new songs popular with the younger set and alternatively introducing oldies but goodies in a breezy ukulele style. At the Bayou Bash, several of their daughters joined them on stage to sing Lady Gaga's "Million Reasons." Their next planned gig is the Oakhurst Porch Party.

Creating their brand identity was another creative challenge. They casually referred to themselves as "The Ukuladies". When Sandhaus began setting up a Facebook page, she discovered there were Ukuladies all over the world. (Hello, Ukuladies of Singapore!) The group needed a unique name. According to Medrano-Edelstein, "Fans riffed on names like 'Hootie and the Ukuladies' and 'Ukuladies and the Blowfish!'" One band member texted, "How about 'The Real Ukuladies'?" Another replied, "Is this a reference to 'The Real Housewives of Atlanta'?" Medrano-Edelstein said, "The layered ironies of the reality-show dramatists appealed to the middle-age mom ukulele cover band." One spouse



took the "Housewives" logo and created a band logo by swapping out their peach for a ukulele.

The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta group is considering ways to 'give back' by contributing to the Mary Lin music program. Both Mary Lin's principal Sharyn Briscoe and its music teacher Mr. Marvel are enthused about the new monthly Ukulele and Friends Open Mic Night, which is billed as a family affair. Still, others in The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta group are adamant that the group maintain

its focus on the social aspects of their effort and individual growth of learning to play the ukulele with other Candler Park moms.

New Monthly Social Event Featuring Ukuleles!

What: Ukulele and Friends Open Mic Night (though other strings are welcome)

When: Every second Thursday of the month, 6:30, starting June 8, 2017

Where: Cameli's Pizza in L5P on Moreland

Cost: Free, but please purchase something at the host restaurant.

Info: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ukulele-and-friends-open-mic-second-thursdays-tickets-34527298078>



(L - R) Silvia Medrano-Edelstein, Lisa Orejudos-Morris, Kate Sandhaus, Dana Fowle, Jennifer Silver



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Grady High School Class of 2017 Moving On To College

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Agnes Scott College	Furman University	Notre Dame
Auburn University	Georgia Institute of Technology (8)	Ole Miss University (2)
Alabama State University	Georgia Gwinnett College	Rhodes College (2)
Albany State University	Georgia Military College	Rhode Island School of Design
Alcorn State University	Georgia Southern University	Savannah State
Arizona State University	Georgia State Perimeter College	Savannah College of Art and Design
Boston University	Georgia State University (15)	Spelman College (4)
Brown University	George Washington University (5)	Stanford University
Case Western University (2)	Hampton University	St. John's University (2)
Charleston Southern	Howard University (4)	Tulane University (2)
Clark Atlanta University (3)	Kennesaw State University (2)	University of Alabama
Clemson University	Lane University	University of California, Los Angeles
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Rat Poison Kills Owls, Hawks and Other Predators

By Meta Larsson, Candler Park Resident

Everybody loves birds of prey. Is there anyone who doesn't enjoy seeing a hawk soar in the sky or hearing owls hooting in the night? In intown Atlanta, partly because of the many big old trees, we have resident hawks and owls— including Piedmont Park's recently acclaimed screech owl and Candler Park's barred owls.

On the street where I live— Druid Place, which runs along Freedom Park in the Candler Park neighborhood—a pair of barred owls, a few years ago, nested in an old magnolia. That spring, we delighted in spotting two adorable little owlets huddled together on a branch.

The “branchlings” weren't quite ready to fly, but they needed to get out of their lice-infested nest. For those of us watching them, the little puffballs were a joy as they hopped along branches for the few days before they became airborne and left.

This spring two baby barred owls were born in a nest in Jyll Thomas' backyard on Sterling Street in Candler Park. “Owls are such exquisite animals, aren't they? We were very fortunate to experience the family,” said Thomas.

Indeed, we are fortunate that such magnificent birds share our neighborhood. On Druid Place last year, we had a nesting pair of hawks living amongst us. Their yearlings remain in the neighborhood; and on many mornings they enjoy their breakfast in a stately white oak whose branches overhang our street.

Hawks and owls are definitely carnivores; and some people may find it unpleasant watching them in the messy act of devouring their prey. However, it's a good idea to keep in mind that they help to keep our rodent populations in check.

In fact, owl parents, to feed their families, may catch as many as 3,000 rodents in one season (hungryowl.org)—and a season is only about 4 months. However, when people use rat poison, the birds who eat poisoned rodents are killed by the poison too. In Georgia, wildlife is generally not tested for cause of death, but the wildlife hospital, WildCare, in San Rafael, California, which has tested dead wildlife since 2006, report that an astonishingly high number--over 80% of wild animals--owls, hawks, foxes, and other predators -- test positive for deadly anti-coagulant rat poison (wildcarebayarea.org).



Red tailed hawk in Candler Park. Photo credit: Meta Larsson

A few months ago, a neighbor on Druid Place found a dead red-tailed hawk in his back yard. It was not tested, so no cause of death was determined, but chances are that the bird died from eating poisoned rats. The deaths of birds and mammals that consume poisoned rats are like that of the rats they consumed: it is slow and painful as the victims bleed to death internally by powerful anti-coagulants.

The organization Raptors Are the Solution or RATS states on its website: “It has been demonstrated that rat poison, including first and second generation rodenticides,

commonly sold both over the counter and used by the pest control industry (Diphacinone, Brodifacoum, Bromadiolone, Chlorophacinone, Bromethalin and others) slowly, and cruelly poison hawks, owls, eagles, bobcats, foxes, bears, mountain lions, coyotes, songbirds, raccoons, fishers, and kit foxes, in addition to our children and our beloved pets” (raptorsarethesolution.org).

So what do we do? The Hungry Owl Project, at hungryowl.org, suggests that the best solution, involves exclusion, prevention and trapping with snap-traps, and that a collective effort is the most effective. Exclusion refers to sealing up any holes through which mice and rats can enter a house. Prevention entails removing whatever it is that attract rodents--such as fallen bird seed, pet food or trash. Removing English ivy and other thick vegetation is another form of prevention since rodents love to nest under cover.

And for trapping, although not that appealing to deal with, using traditional snap traps is the best option. Snap traps work efficiently and there are no side effects beyond the victim itself. But snap traps need to be put in places where only rats can get to them in order to protect other animals.

But, more importantly, we can let our resident hawks and owls do the job. Inviting owls by putting up owl boxes is another solution suggested by the Hungry Owl Project. However, we can't all have our own private backyard owls, but we can stop poisoning the birds that work for all us of and provide so much joy.

Meta Larsson, a native of Sweden, lives on Druid Place in Candler Park and teaches English as a second language at Georgia State University.

Help! I've Found A Baby Bird!

From Atlanta Audubon Society Press Release

Spring is in the air and birds are nesting. It is not uncommon to find baby birds on the ground this time of year, and Atlanta Audubon Society receives many calls each spring from well-meaning citizens who have found a baby bird and want to help.

"In many instances, the best way to help a baby bird is to leave it alone," says Adam Betuel, Director of Conservation for Atlanta Audubon Society. "Fledgling birds hop out of their nests before they are fully flighted and the parents will tend to them on the ground. If you find a young bird with feathers on the ground, chances are very good the parents are nearby and looking after the bird. As long as the baby is not in danger from cats, dogs, or traffic, leaving it alone and observing from a distance is the best course of action."



On occasion, featherless hatchlings fall out of the nest due to high winds, predators or other causes. These birds are not ready to leave the nest and should be returned to the nest if possible. Despite the myth, parent birds WILL NOT abandon a

baby bird that has been handled by humans. If it is not possible to return the hatchling to the nest, constructing a make-shift nest out of a berry basket or small plastic container and placing it in a tree is often all that is needed. Parents will often tend to the baby in the new makeshift nest.

If the baby bird appears to be injured or, if after an hour of distant watching, the parent birds are not observed tending the youngster, then calling in a wildlife rehabilitator is appropriate. A list of licensed wildlife rehabilitators may be found on the DNR, Wildlife Resources Division website at http://d7.gadnr.org/sites/default/files/le/pdf/Special-Permits/Wildlife_Rehabilitator_List.pdf. Please note that it is illegal to possess a wild bird without a permit and that baby birds require specialized, full-time care, so it is important that well-meaning individuals do not try to raise the bird at home.

For more information and for a flow chart of what to do if you find a baby bird, visit the Atlanta Audubon website at <http://www.atlantaaudubon.org/injured-orphaned-birds>.

The mission of Atlanta Audubon Society is to protect Georgia's birds and their habitats through conservation, education, and advocacy.

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Prep Your Ride for The Ultimate Summer Road Trip

By News USA

The weather is heating up, school is out and that means it's time to hit the open road on a memorable summer road trip! Road trips can be a fun, inexpensive, and even educational way to enjoy and explore new places, or return to favorite spots.

Wherever your road trip takes you, the key to having a great experience starts with proper preparation; that means taking care of the driver, passengers and your ride.

Here are some easy tips to help you plan a road trip and make your summer adventure one to remember:

- * Safety first: The driver focuses on driving. If the driver needs to check the phone, take a break, have a snack, or anything else, wait for a rest stop, or pull over to the side of the road.

- * Check your ride: A complete car check before a road trip should include checking the fluid levels, wiper blades, lights (including brights) and tires.

- * Optimize your engine. After only a short period of time, you might see changes in your vehicle's performance and this shouldn't be ignored.

Before you hit the road, a simple way to troubleshoot performance issues is to use a fuel injector cleaner such as 104+ Fuel Injector Pro.

Fuel Injector Pro is a fuel system cleaner formulated to break up heavy carbon deposits that can keep your car's engine from working its best. To make sure your car is at its top performance and getting the best fuel economy before you hit the road, pour the product into your gas tank and you'll see an immediate improvement.

- * Ride in style. A clean car makes any trip more pleasant, especially a summer road trip. Spills are inevitable on a long ride, so make sure to prepare your ride for the unknown. Simply spray 303 Automotive Stain Guard to help protect the carpet and car seat fabric against messes caused by coffee, soda, pets, dirt, mud and more. The product is easy to apply, non-flammable and safe for car seat upholstery, carpeting and fabric floor mats.

- * Resist the elements. On your trip, you may hit some inclement weather or encounter other elemental irritants, so make sure to protect the metal areas of your car and trailer with a coat of rust prevention spray. STA-BIL Rust Stopper is a rust treatment designed to help protect any exposed metals from rust and corrosion, and help prevent water erosion and markings.

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CPNO Officer and Committee Reports for May

These reports were submitted by officer and committee chairs prior to the May Members Meeting.

Zoning - Bill Morris

The Zoning Committee meeting was held on May 3 with three members in attendance. Two members who were not able to attend the meeting voted electronically. The applications on the agenda were v-17-106 (1314 Iverson St.) and v-17-108 (284 Ferguson Ave.). In addition, two zoning ordinances z-17-18 and z-16-11 were also on the agenda.

V-17-106, 1314 Iverson St.: Application is for a variance to reduce the half depth front yard setback from 15 ft to 0 ft in order to reconstruct a two level deck addition. The lower level of the deck will be screened in. An additional section of the existing lower deck will remain in place and is the reason that the variance is required as it is built within the half depth front yard setback area. The committee voted 5-0 in support of the application with the conditions that the applicant appear before the NPU and the project is built in accordance with the site plan filed with the City dated April 13, 2017. The applicant was also requested to obtain support letters (or provide mail receipts) from neighbors at 1307 and 1303 Iverson.

U-17-108, 284 Ferguson Ave.: Application for a Variance to reduce the front yard setback from 30ft to 25ft 2inches and to reduce the north side yard setback from 7 ft to 6.9 ft to allow for construction of a second story addition to a single family residence. This residence currently has an unusual partial second floor addition with two bedrooms, bathroom and closets. The existing second story floor plan and rooms will be retained and incorporated into the new construction of the full second story addition. The committee voted 5-0 in support of this application with the condition that the applicant appear before the NPU and the project is constructed in accordance with the site plan filed with the City dated April 17, 2017. The Applicant was also requested to obtain support letters (or mail receipts) from neighbors at 275 and 299 Ferguson.

Z-17-18: Amendment to allow area of underground utility easement and common driveways to be incorporated in calculation when determining conformity for a lot and whether the lot is considered buildable. The Committee voted 5-0 in support of this application.

Z-16-11: Amendment of zoning ordinance to create industrial mixed use zoning district as recommended in the 2016 Comprehensive Development Plan. The Committee voted 5-0 for deferral of this application.

Freedom Park Conservancy-Carol Gregory

Freedom Park Conservancy board met on May 9 and completed their strategic plan with goals for the upcoming FY. Mark Brodbeck, board member, led the planning process over several meetings. The board is also soon to receive the master plan RFP from Perkins and Will. We need volunteers to join the work of our committees: Park Improvement, Fund Raising, Human Resources, and Art. Send an email with your interest. Carol Gregory Carolagreg@gmail.com

External Affairs Officer-Lindy Kerr

Notable Zoning votes:

1. V-17-059 passed: Reduction of side yard setback build a second story addition 531 Page Ave NE.
2. V-17-030 passed: Special Exception from Zoning ordinance to reduce required on-site parking for 652 North Highland Ave (Sweet Auburn BBQ).
3. Z-17-16 passed: Ordinance to amend Office Institutional,

Commercial Residential, Light Industrial, Heavy Industrial and Mixed Residential Commercial Zoning regulations to prohibit building storage facilities in portions of said Districts that are also within the Beltline Overlay District.

Notices:

1. APD: Overall, crime is down so far in 2017. However, there has been a notable uptick in package/mail theft. There has also been an uptick in car break-ins/theft.
2. Code Enforcement v. Department of Buildings: If you have a concern about a building under construction (e.g. whether certain construction is permitted), please contact the City's Department of Buildings. If you have a concern about the maintenance of a finished building, please contact Code Enforcement. For Code Enforcement issues, you may also reach Solicitor Hughes at ahughes@atlanta.ga.gov.
3. Proposed Ordinance creating an Industrial Mixed-Use (I-MIX) zoning category: Per the City, the proposed ordinance is to encourage redevelopment of industrial properties and allow for low impact industrial, commercial and residential uses on the same parcel. The ordinance proposes that developments zoned I-MIX would have 40% industrial, 30% commercial and 30% residential use. The NPU-N member organizations had several questions for the city planner after reviewing the proposal. A vote on I-MIX is expected in May or June 2017.
4. Candler Park Conservancy Rep from NPU-N Voted in: Stephen Aultman of Lake Claire was voted in as the Candler Park Conservancy representative from NPU-N.
5. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) is looking for more volunteers: CASA is a program in Fulton County that trains volunteers, appointed by judges, to advocate for children in the foster care and child welfare systems. Training consists of one, 3-hour session per week for five weeks. Once trained, the usual commitment is about 10 hours per month. Please visit www.fultoncountycasa.org or email contactus@fultoncountycasa.org for more information about upcoming training sessions.



May 15 CPNO Members Meeting – draft minutes

These draft minutes are presented for review. They may be amended before being considered for official adoption at the June 19 CPNO Members Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Zaid Duwayri, President. Welcome; new members were introduced. Motion to adopt the agenda as displayed passed. Thank you to Corner Tavern for providing this evening's dinner.

Guest Speaker: Sgt. Hines reported no new crimes, but an increase in car break-ins this past month.

Announcements:

- Next Porch Party is June 10th
- Candidates for Georgia House District 69, Sachin Varghese and Bee Nguyen, introduced themselves and stated their respective platforms.
- Little 5 Points Halloween Festival 2017 will be October 21st from Noon to 10 pm.
- Sylvia Edelstein announced that The Real Ukuladies of Atlanta will play their first 'concert' on June 8th at Cameli's in Little Five Points.
- Dana Fowle announced the initiation of phase 2 for sidewalk repair. There is a need for volunteers to go door to door and collect ~\$2200/ sidewalk from those desiring their sidewalks to be repaired. Contact Dana at danafowle@gmail.com if interested.

Zoning: Bill Morris

- 1314 Iverson Street- Motion- Candler Park Neighborhood Organization supports the variance V-17-106 with the conditions that the applicant appear before the May meeting of NPU-N and that the project is constructed in accordance with the site plans and application filed with the City on April 13, 2017 passed.
- 284 Ferguson Street- Motion – Candler Park Neighborhood Organization supports the variance V-17-108 with conditions that the applicant appear before the May meeting of NPU-N and the project is constructed in accordance with the site plans and application filed with the City on April 17, 2017 passed.
- Motion to support zoning amendment Z-17-18 to provide for incorporating the area of underground utility easements and common driveways in the calculation when determining lot conformity passed.

Special Presentation: Emily Taff and Matt Adams

Matt Adams, City of Atlanta Office of Design, explained, as well as answered questions, concerning the establishment of Candler

Park as a "local historic district". This was informational only presentation; no vote was taken.

Treasurer's Report:

Rohini Kukreja, Treasurer, reported the April expenditures which included two donation checks of \$500/ each issued to BiRacial Project and Mulberry Fields.

Motion to approve corrected April minutes passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by

Bonnie Palter, Secretary

May 15, 2017

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Enhance Pool Safety: Help Protect Your Family From Electric Shock Drowning

By News USA

Before you open your pool for the season or whenever you close it down, you should be aware of a hidden danger. Faulty wiring or damaged electrical cords used to connect electrical equipment near the pool or from the pool lighting can cause the water to become energized. When swimmers come into contact with this “leaked” electrical current in your pool, it can cause loss of muscle control, rapid or irregular heartbeat or even electric shock drowning (ESD).

Electrical shock drowning can occur in treated water. Many pools and spas now feature lighting, digital entertainment systems, automated sensors for maintenance, and other integrated comforts or technologies. The presence of these devices in and around water can increase the risk of injury.

Mild tingling sensations and numbness in the limbs or extremities are the first telltale symptoms of ESD. “Electricity is extremely dangerous in water and improperly installed, maintained or damaged electrical connectivity can leak electrical current,” says Grayling Love, product line manager at Eaton. “Help protect yourself and your loved ones from ESD by having all electrical equipment used at the pool or spa installed, inspected and regularly maintained by certified electrical contractors who can help you meet the latest electrical codes and standards.”

Electric shock drowning cases have been known to result from electrical current leakages originating from faulty wiring or failing electrical distribution equipment. The use of Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) and Equipment Leakage Circuit Interrupters (ELCIs) near the pool, hot tub or wet spa can significantly help reduce the risk of electric shock drowning while helping water facilities meet electrical codes and safety standards. These devices are designed to help enhance safety by quickly shutting off power if electrical current leakage is detected.

If you own a pool or spa, contact a certified electrical contractor to install, maintain or replace equipment and assure that your site is up to code. Look for experts with certification specific to water-based systems. The Eaton Certified Contractor Network (ECCN) can help you locate an Eaton Certified Electrical Contractor who can provide guidance through the most recent codes, standards and safety considerations required for your specific site or project needs.

To help enhance safety and reduce the risk of electrical shock in your pool or spa:

- * Remind swimmers and spa users to always pay attention to how they feel in the water.
- * Schedule routine electrical maintenance and inspections.
- * Don't enter the water to perform electrical maintenance tasks.
- * If any unusual tingling or numbness occurs, avoid contact with metal objects.
- * Signal for help without inviting others into the water.

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