

# The Candler Park Messenger

June 2010

News for Candler Park

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## Meetings and Events

**CPNO general meeting June 21<sup>st</sup>  
7:00 pm (social period @ 6:30 pm)**

CPNO general meetings are held every third Monday at First Existentialist Congregation, 470 Candler Park Drive; committee meetings are held at Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl. (or as shown)

**All are welcome** - only registered members are eligible to vote at monthly meetings.

Membership applications must be received by CPNO by the first of the month of meeting.

### June General Meeting Agenda:

- Welcoming remarks, approval of agenda and May 2010 minutes
- Officer and Committee Reports
- Land Use Matters
- New Business
- Announcements and Open Forum

Submit July agenda items to any CPNO officer by June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010

### Events Calendar (open to all)

**Wednesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7pm**

CPNO Zoning Committee - Epworth

**Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

Friends of Candler Park – vol. workday

**Monday June 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm**

CPNO Board of Directors - Epworth

**Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00 am**

Mary Lin Foundation MidSummer  
Music Fest 5K Race in Candler Park

**Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> @ 12 – 10:45 pm**

MidSummer Music Fest - Candler Park

**Monday June 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7 pm**

CPNO General Meeting -  
First Existentialist Congregation

**Wednesday June 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 10am**

L5P Bus Assn - Sevananda Foods

**Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm**

NPU-N - L5P Community Center

**Wednesday July 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm**

CPNO Zoning Committee – Epworth

**Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am**

Friends of Candler Park – vol. workday

## Silver Screen, Green Grass: Candler Park Movie Series a Continued Success

By Mark Clement

The first of our 2010 movie series was a hit! More than 200 children of all ages attended and enjoyed the movie *UP* on May 22. Pre-show music was provided by Kingsized. (Okay, it was a recording, but it was the Kingsized performance recorded from the Fall Fest eight months earlier in the same exact spot. I thought that was kind of cool.)

Don't miss the remaining movies in our series:

- **July 17: CLOUDY WITH A CHANCE OF MEATBALLS**
- **August 21: THE PRINCESS AND THE FROG**
- **September 18: HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL...maybe**
- **October 30: MONSTERS VS. ALIENS**
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We have a great lineup of movies this year. However, the response to *HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL* has been less than enthusiastic. Make your voice heard! We have a poll set up on [www.CPRunningClub.com](http://www.CPRunningClub.com); click "Candler Park Movie Night" to cast your vote. Then mark your calendar and grab your lawn chairs, blankets, and cooler and head to the front of the pool house for the next free Candler Park Screen on the Green.

Thanks to Park Pride for providing the equipment; Epworth Methodist for refreshments and help; Boyd Baker for solving our lighting problems; Candler Park Neighborhood Organization for funding.



## P.S. Hear the Splashing?

The Candler Park Pool is opening June 1!  
Look for details at [www.CandlerPark.org](http://www.CandlerPark.org).

## The Messenger

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## Candler Park Neighbor and Park Pride Executive Director Resigns to Join City of Atlanta

Submitted by Park Pride

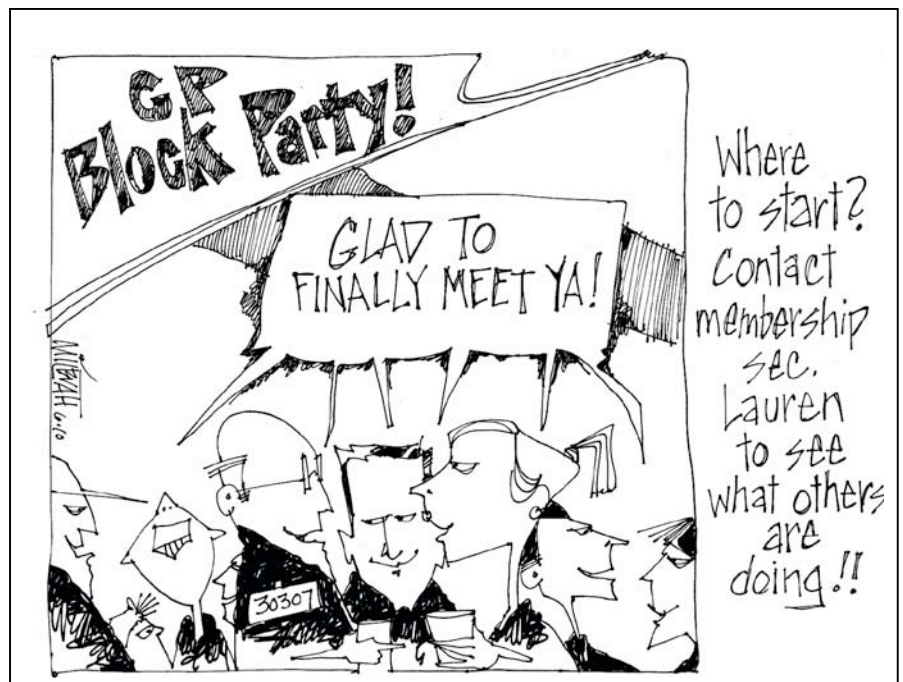
Park Pride has announced the resignation of George Dusenbury IV as its executive director. Dusenbury has accepted the role of Commissioner of the City of Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and will join the City after his expected confirmation in June. Dusenbury led Park Pride for six years and helped the 21-year-old organization establish itself as the leading parks-focused nonprofit in Metro Atlanta. Park Pride Director of Operations Allison Barnett will be interim executive director.

"While we are clearly disappointed that George is leaving Park Pride, we cannot thank him enough for the work he has done over the past six years. George's leadership set the tone for our growth, and we certainly look forward to working with him as DPRCA Commissioner. We congratulate Mayor Reed on his excellent choice for this important position," said Sarah Yates Sutherland, Park Pride board president.

During Dusenbury's tenure, Park Pride has made significant impacts on Atlanta's parks, including:

- Increasing the capacity of residents to transform their parks by helping form more than 60 Friends of the Park groups in neighborhoods all over Atlanta.
- Coordinating hundreds of park volunteer days, and more than 15,000 volunteer hours annually.
- Creating 19 Park Master Plans through a community-driven process called "Park Visioning" that has attracted more than \$8 million in public and private funding for neighborhood parks.
- Establishing Park Pride's Community Gardens program, which now has 17 community gardens in City of Atlanta Parks.

Learn more about Park Pride at [www.parkpride.org](http://www.parkpride.org).



*Laughter in the Park*

by Deb Milbrath

## Come Help Plant!

By Trey Long

At the Candler Park Neighborhood meeting in April, we approved money to be spent on a creeping fig vine to be planted along the concrete wall that separates Dekalb avenue with the Marta tracks. The hope is that it will improve the appearance of this area with little to no required maintenance. A date for planting has been set for Saturday, June 26. With over 800 small plants, we can use all the help that we can get. We will meet at the Candler Park Marta station near the intersection of Oakdale road and Dekalb Avenue at 8:30 a.m. I believe that each plant is 3-4 inches tall so bring small gardening tools and gloves.

**What:** Planting along DeKalb Avenue

**When:** Saturday, June 26, 8:30 a.m.

**Bring:** Small gardening tools and gloves



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## ATLANTA BELTLINE WINS \$25,000 GRANT FROM TONY HAWK FOUNDATION; Largest Gift Among 19 National Grant Recipients

Submitted by the Atlanta BeltLine

The Tony Hawk Foundation awarded Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. with a grant of \$25,000 to help with the construction of a new 15,000-square foot skatepark, Atlanta's first, which is now under construction as part of Historic Fourth Ward Park in the Old Fourth Ward neighborhood.

Historic Fourth Ward Park is one of several projects under construction as part of Atlanta's comprehensive redevelopment effort, the Atlanta BeltLine. The park will help redefine an historic neighborhood that is lacking in grand public recreational space.

Within the next year, Historic Fourth Ward Park will bring 17 new acres of greenspace to the Old Fourth Ward neighborhood. The new skatepark was professionally designed with the input and support of the local skateboarding community. The skatepark design includes shotcrete, concrete, metal rails and copings, and a recycled piece of railroad track as a grindrail. It is located on a five-acre section of the park adjacent to the BeltLine corridor and will be open to the public by the end of 2010. The funding from the Tony Hawk Foundation will be used to help cover construction costs.

"The Atlanta BeltLine is honored to be selected by the Tony Hawk Foundation for this generous grant," said Brian Leary, President and CEO of Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. "This is an endorsement of the amazing collaboration between the City, Atlanta BeltLine, and our incredible local skateboard community. The inspiration came from the vision, will and determination of the community. Combined with the City's strong support, and now this outstanding gift, the new park—Atlanta's first fully designed skatepark—will be one of the best skate facilities in the U.S." More information on the Atlanta BeltLine is available online at [www.BeltLine.org](http://www.BeltLine.org).

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## Candler Park Blend: Good to the Last Drop

By Jo Jo Ross

Hello Candler Park neighbors! If you're like me, you start your day off with a workout and a cup of coffee from San Francisco Roasting Company. There are some things you may not know about San Francisco Roasting Co. on Dekalb Avenue, like they are completely local. The owners fell in love in San Francisco. They opened their first store in Vinings in 1992, and have recently started brewing a Candler Park Blend! I can't wait to bring the deliciousness with me as hostess gifts to spread my love of good coffee and Candler Park. I was interested enough in this brew with my favorite place in its name to ask manager Matt Chavis more.

"Traditionally coffee roasters mix two or three, and sometimes more, beans together to create well rounded signature blends that represent their pallet and coffee philosophy. For years, we've had blends that represent the neighborhoods of Virginia-Highland and Morningside," Chavis said. "I figured we were well overdue for creating a blend for Candler Park, a neighborhood that's embraced us since we opened in June of 2008.

"So, working closely with our master roaster, Doug Bond, I started with a base of Monsoon Malabar, which is sweet, pungent, and a little grassy. Then added an Estate Java from Djampit for its dark chocolate notes, and then rounded out the blend with Brazil Cerrado for its sharp acidity. It's **sweet, earthy, and unique**, which is why it reminds me of Candler Park. I truly love this blend."

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## Taking Back the Streets: Atlanta's First Ciclovía

By Lauren Welsh

On Sunday, May 23, nearly 6,000 people turned out to attend Atlanta's first ciclovía in downtown Atlanta. Created initially in Bogotá, Colombia more than 30 years ago, a ciclovía is an event where the main streets are blocked off to become car-free and instead allow people to participate in all kinds of free health and community-oriented events. Runners, skaters, bicyclists and others take over the streets while stages are set up in city parks where aerobics instructors, yoga teachers and musicians lead people through various performances. In Bogotá, these events occur each Sunday and include 2 million people on almost 75 miles of car-free streets.

This year the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition and a dedicated group of volunteers with the support of City Councilmember Kwanza Hall created Atlanta's first ciclovía known as Atlanta Streets Alive. A portion of Atlanta's downtown streets were closed to cars and instead were filled with people skating, riding bikes, hula-hooping and generally enjoying another use for our city streets—creating a sense of community.

The purpose of the event was to create a different way to view the public city streets that are so often filled with individual cars and traffic. For a few hours on a hot Sunday afternoon, community members got to join each other in experiencing the open public space of Edgewood Avenue with no cars in sight. If you participated in the event on Sunday and enjoyed it, contact your City Councilmember and Councilmember Kwanza Hall to let them know you appreciate this type of community gathering in our city. And stay tuned to [www.atlantastreetsalive.com](http://www.atlantastreetsalive.com) for more details about the next ciclovía!

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## Trees Atlanta Celebrates 25 Years

Submitted by Trees Atlanta

Trees Atlanta will celebrate twenty-five years of planting and conserving trees in Atlanta with a celebration on the evening of Friday, June 25, 2010. The event is open to the public and citizens who have supported Trees Atlanta over the years as well as those who are new to the non-profit organization are invited to attend. Trees Atlanta will direct a portion of the evening's proceeds toward tree planting and education efforts.

Trees Atlanta was founded in 1985 by Central Atlanta Progress, the Atlanta Commissioner of Parks, and The Junior League of Atlanta, Inc. in order to address in-town Atlanta's lack of trees. Though it began as an urban beautification program, Trees Atlanta's work is now considered essential for the continued vitality of Metro Atlanta. Trees not only make our city more attractive, but they also provide innumerable environmental, human health, social, and economic benefits.

The evening will include chef-attended stations serving a scrumptious summer supper provided by Three Sisters Catering as well as a green rooftop bar with Atlanta's sparkling skyline as its backdrop. Individuals wishing to support Trees Atlanta at a deeper level may bid on silent and live auction items including a beach stay in St. Croix, a Costa Rican get-away, a landscape design package and a weekend at Ritz-Carlton.

The 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for Friday, June 25, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The event will be held at Trees Atlanta's "green" headquarters, the LEED Platinum Certified Kendeda Center, located near Downtown Atlanta at 225 Chester Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA 30316. Tickets are \$75.00 per person and sponsorships are still available. For information, visit [www.treesatlanta.org](http://www.treesatlanta.org) or call Joe Staley at 404-522-4097.





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## Parking Meters and Atlanta Parking Policy

By Lauren Welsh, member of the City of  
Atlanta parking management  
subcommittee

Over the last month or so, many of you may have noticed parking meters popping up around Little 5 Points and downtown areas. These are part of the City of Atlanta's contract with Park Atlanta – a private company working to collect revenue through this parking management system.


There have been multiple problems with the new meters including limited public outreach, broken meters and mislabeled parking spots. In addition, the parking restrictions were for a full 24 hours and residents who parked in their residential parking spots were inappropriately receiving tickets.

Because of the negative feedback the city has received from both residents and businesses, a parking moratorium was called for 60 days to discuss some of these challenges. The City of Atlanta has reached out to the public to create a subcommittee on parking management led by City Councilmember Michael Julian Bond as a part of the Transportation Committee. They are interested in learning how to improve the parking management situation while also increasing engagement with residents and businesses to learn of their needs.

Recently, this group made several recommendations to the Transportation Committee to consider. Some of these include:

- Change the parking meter hours from 24 hours, 7 days a week to Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 6 PM.
- Create a more thorough public outreach campaign.
- Make parking tickets more consumer-friendly by ensuring that the process for appeal is prominently displayed on the ticket.
- Create parking zones specific to different areas of the City (i.e. entertainment, commercial, high-density residential, etc.).

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- Designate a portion of the City's guaranteed parking enforcement revenue of \$5.5M to Parking Improvement Districts. These districts would implement streetscape enhancements and pedestrian improvements (i.e. bike racks, benches, lighting, traffic calming, etc.).

While these are only recommendations at this stage, the conversations around parking management policy have been fruitful. The working groups are addressing some short-term concerns during the parking moratorium and will discuss larger policy issues around parking management over the next year or so.

The City of Atlanta is one of the few major metropolitan cities that does not charge for curbside parking, which is known as some of the most valuable parking we have. At the same time, our traffic congestion and air quality continue to be a significant problem with the average employed Atlantan driving 66 miles each day and *Forbes* recently ranking Atlanta as "the most toxic city." Providing free parking only serves to encourage more car use in a city that is dominated by the automobile.

If you have questions or concerns you'd like to share about parking and transit in our neighborhood and our city, please contact your City Councilmember Alex Wan at (404) 330-6049 or [awan@atlantaga.gov](mailto:awan@atlantaga.gov).



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## CPNO General Meeting Notes

Compiled by Courtenay Dusenbury

The meeting was called to order May 17, 2010 at 7:05 p.m. with CPNO President Doug Wetzel in the chair. Approximately 30 residents and guests were in attendance.

### I. Atlanta Police Report.

Major Dalton reported that there have been two recent burglaries in the neighborhood – one on DeKalb Avenue and one on Harold Avenue – but that crime is down 65% and residential burglaries are down 69% over same month last year. Why has criminal activity decreased? Major Dalton said he did not know the answer; he said some have speculated that the reduction is due to the DeKalb County District Attorney keeping more criminals in jail while others have suggested it may be due to the increase in unemployed people who are now staying at home. There is no news on the appointment of the new Atlanta police chief.

### II. Announcements

**Movie Night:** Mark Clement announced that the first Candler Park Movie Night will take place Saturday, May 22 at dusk. He thanked CPNO for its financial support of movie night. Five movies will be presented over the summer; for more information please see the schedule at [www.candlerpark.org](http://www.candlerpark.org).

**Grandmaw Gordon:** Doug Wetzel presented a statement of support drafted in collaboration with Terri Stewart. The statement was approved by a show of hands. Terri noted she will be making a presentation on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at the DeKalb History Center. A motion by Ted Pettus to donate \$499 to the Grandmaw Gordon account at Park Pride, in support of Teri's legal fight to stop development on the property, was brought forward to the membership. Doug Wetzel called for a vote and, without discussion, the motion was approved 11 to 6. In response to a question after the vote, Terri noted that the funds will go to legal fees.

**Midsummer Music Festival:** Festival organizers noted that the event will take place June 19 in Candler Park. They have been given approval by the Atlanta Parks Department to use the soccer field and pledged to leave the field in better shape than they find it.


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A copy of the festival plan was distributed and will be made available at [www.candlerpark.org](http://www.candlerpark.org). Detective Clark, of the Atlanta Police Department, is coordinating security for the event. He said there would be plenty of police in the park and parking police patrolling the neighborhood. The group will put up "no parking" signs and will enforce parking regulations. Detective Clark said his team will also monitor the traffic light at the corner of McLendon Avenue and Candler Park Drive to ensure there aren't any backups. Last year festival attendance averaged between 6,000 and 8,000 persons (compared to an estimated 14,000 at the Sweetwater 420 Festival). CPNO members asked about a cleanup plan and were assured that the cleanup will be completed Saturday night. A motion to support MidSummer Music Festival was unanimously approved by show of hands.

Energy Conservation Solutions: Shane Matteson of Kirkwood ([Shane@energyconservationga.com](mailto:Shane@energyconservationga.com)) has opened a new green energy company. Services include home energy audits, solar water heater installment and the development of strategies, including remodeling projects, to reduce emissions and save money.

Little 5 Points Business Association: The Association's new treasurer, introduced himself and promised to work closely with CPNO. Neighbors expressed concerns about the City's new parking system in Little 5 Points; he shares these concerns.

Lauren Welsh has been appointed to the City Council's transportation subcommittee on Atlanta parking enforcement - those interested in learning more about this, or expressing their views about parking enforcement, can e-mail her with questions at [membership@candlerpark.org](mailto:membership@candlerpark.org). Neighbors are also encouraged to contact our City Council representative, Alex Wan, as well as our three "at large" city council members.

Atlanta Streets Alive: a festival will take place Sunday May 23 from 1-6 p.m. More information is available at [Atlantastreetsalive.com](http://Atlantastreetsalive.com) and will be posted on the Candler Park website.

First Existentialist Church Fundraiser: Ted Pettus announced a fundraiser scheduled for Saturday, May 22 at 7:00 p.m. to raise funds for the church roof.

Skirt chaser 5 K: CPNO had formally opposed the race route for the May 15 event; Doug Wetzel asked members for their opinions on the race. Terri Stewart said closing down McLendon hurt the Candler Park business district. Mark Clement noted that the race had only 540 runners versus the 1500 people organizers had wanted. Mark noted that, with more runners, there would have been serious problems. Members expressed their concerns about the lack of cleanup after the race along Candler Park Drive as well as how traffic backed up on Moreland Avenue. Following a lengthy conversation, neighbors agreed to contact political leaders to express their concerns about the race and to try to prevent a similar situation in the future.

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Mary Lin Foundation 5 K: Cherie King of the Mary Lin Foundation announced that the race will take place beginning at 8:30 a.m. on June 19. The race expected to have minimal impact on neighborhood streets. Volunteers are needed and should contact Boyd Baker at 404-895-9276 or via email at [boyd@SumoWriter.com](mailto:boyd@SumoWriter.com).

April General meeting minutes: Meeting minutes were unanimously approved by a show of hands.

**IV: Committee Chair Reports**

Zoning: Randy Pimsler, Zoning Committee chair, introduced Bob Sandage who has purchased and plans to develop the Wrecking Bar property on Moreland Avenue, and was making an informational presentation to CPNO as an adjacent neighborhood possibly affected by the application, as recommended by NPU-N. The property will include an event facility for weddings and corporate gatherings, a brewpub and restaurant, and a brewing area. Mr. Sandage is seeking a special exemption from City of Atlanta parking requirements. City regulations require 23 parking spaces for the event facility, 36 spaces for the brewing area and 18 spaces for the brewpub/restaurant. He noted that only two employees will be on site making beer. He has 21 parking spaces on site and has signed letters of intent for 40 more at neighboring businesses.

Regina Brewer, incoming President of Inman Park Neighborhood Association, expressed her neighborhood's strong support for the project. CPNO Zoning Committee Chairman Randy Pimsler noted that his Committee voted to support the project with the caveat that there is an annual review of letters of intent for parking by the City of Atlanta. A motion to support the project without an annual review of letters of intent for parking failed 12 to 11. A motion to support the project with an annual review of letters of intent for parking passed 18-6. In other zoning matters, a variance for a project at 1288 Euclid Avenue was approved by a show of hands with one abstention.

Finance: Dave Aynes reported that CPNO now has \$77,000 in uncommitted funds. The Sweetwater 420 race made over \$17,000 for the neighborhood.

Membership: Lauren Welsh reported that she is working with Kate and Jay Sandhaus on membership development software for the website. A presentation was made to the CPNO Board on Monday, May 10. She is working to develop a list of neighborhood block captains and is trying to ensure that there is one on every street. Please contact Lauren at [membership@candlerpark.org](mailto:membership@candlerpark.org) if you are interested. Lauren is researching ideas for porch parties and will share these in the next *Messenger*.

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Special Events: Walt Weimar, CPNO Special Events Chair, proposed a resolution to allow the CPNO board to negotiate with a third party to run the 2010 Fall Fest. Walt noted that no volunteers have stepped forward to run the Fall Fest or any of its committees. Working with a third party would delink the festival from CPNO, which would maintain its control over the Fall Fest 5K and Candler Park Tour of Homes. The third party would be able to use the Fall Fest name, choose the date, seek permits, line up sponsors, etc. CPNO would have no financial risk and using a third party would relieve volunteer burn out in the neighborhood. Walt noted that this approach has been successfully used with the Midsummer Music Festival's 5 K race and that the money-making activities are the Fall Fest 5 K and Tour of Homes. He also noted that originally the Fall Fest was the only neighborhood event but that there are now others that bring in larger amounts of money with fewer volunteers needed. Doug Wetzel, in response to a question from the membership, noted that the Board supports this resolution. The CPNO Board believes that, without this approach, there won't be a Fall Fest. Mark Clement urged CPNO to use a local organizer rather than a for-profit group to keep the intent and spirit of the neighborhood festival alive. Following a brief discussion of a potential process to identify a third party to run Fall Fest, a motion to allow the CPNO board to negotiate with a third party was unanimously approved by a show of hands.

Environment: Trey Long is proposing June 12 or 26 as planting dates for the creeping fig project. He will provide more details to the neighborhood in an article in the Messenger.

NPU-N Rep: Amy Stout reported that several issues will be considered by the NPU at its next meeting, including the potential for big box stores inside the former City Hall East property, residential parking issues and fees. The meeting will take place the fourth Thursday of the month at the Little 5 Points Community Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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## CPNO Wants to Support Block Parties

By Lauren Welsh

A few weeks ago, a group of us from parts of Iverson, Sterling and Ferguson Streets got together for a casual block party over in Mulberry Fields on Iverson. We put flyers in mailboxes asking people to stop by with their families.

Recently, folks on Elmira Street held their annual block party where they shut down the street and took it over with activities for families and friends.

Candler Park Neighborhood Organization (CPNO) is interested in advocating for and supporting these types of events so more neighbors get to know each other and the larger community without having to wait for a neighborhood-wide festival to bring folks together. They're a great way to make connections in the neighborhood and build relationships with each other, which is certainly a goal of CPNO and our Membership work. We are currently considering ways we can provide support for these get-togethers, whether it's a small financial contribution of funds or helping coordinate a permit for street closures.

Have you attended or helped create a block party on your street? We want to hear from you. Please email membership secretary, Lauren Welsh, at [membership@candlerpark.org](mailto:membership@candlerpark.org).



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*- Lauren Welsh, CPNO Membership Secretary*

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**1500 block Dekalb Ave** – Commercial burglary - 4/24 Sat Day. Victim said his video surveillance captured a suspect entering the business through the unlocked front door and stealing a laptop computer.

**1200 block Dekalb Ave** – Commercial burglary - 4/30 Fri Day. (Listed on pull sheet as non-residential burglary) Victim said someone kicked in her front door and stole a laptop computer, jewelry and a flat screen TV.

**200 block Josephine St** – Larceny from auto - 4/26 Mon Morn. Someone stole 2 wheels off of a vehicle.

**1200 block McLendon Ave** – Larceny from auto - 4/26 Mon Day. Victim said his door was open when he returned to his vehicle and a GPS and change had been stolen. Victim said he might have left the door unlocked.

**300 block Candler St** – Larceny - 4/12 to 4/26. Victim said she lives in Wisconsin and had left her bicycle chained at her boyfriend's house. She said her boyfriend last saw the bike on 4/12 and noticed on 4/26 that the fence had been cut and the bike was gone.

**400 block Moreland Ave** – Shoplifting - 4/26 Mon Eve. Employee said suspects left the store without paying for a pair of flip flops. Suspects: 2 white females. Suspect Vehicle: 2000 Jeep Grand Cherokee.

**500 block Moreland Ave** – Commercial robbery - 4/29 Thurs Eve. Victim: W/M, 45 YOA. Victim: W/M, 71 YOA. Victim: W/F, 21 YOA. Victim: W/F, 28 YOA. Victim: W/F. Victims said the suspect entered the business and pointed a gun at them demanding the safe be opened. The victims walked toward the back of the store and then ran out the back door. Suspect fled out back of building without taking anything. Suspect: B/M, 6'02" 250lbs.

**NPU-N Report**

The latest monthly meeting of Neighborhood Planning Unit "N" was scheduled for Thursday May 27<sup>th</sup>, which was later than the layout deadline of this issue of the Candler Park Messenger; accordingly, please look for a report of May NPU-N proceedings at our June CPNO general meeting, or in our next issue of the Candler Park Messenger, or for more information, please contact NPU-N representative Amy Stout or alternate representative Lauren Welsh (for whom contact information may be found on Page 2 of this issue).

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