

The Messenger

News for Candler Park

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August 2004

MEETINGS*EVENTS

CPNO MEETING AUGUST 16 @ 7 PM

The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization is for all residents! We meet the third MONDAY of each month at Epworth United Methodist Church at 1561 McLendon Avenue. Please use the Mell Avenue entrance. Membership is FREE!

AUGUST MEETING AGENDA:

- Officer Reports
- Boundless Playground Presentation & vote
- Vote on Sign Topper Style w/ respective cost
- Reaffirmation of specific bylaw stipulations
- Announcements

TO SUBMIT AN AGENDA ITEM for the September meeting, contact any CPNO officer (see list on page 2). Deadline is August 26, 2004.

EVENTS CALENDAR

AUGUST 2004

Monday, August 16 * 7 PM

CPNO General Meeting
Epworth United Methodist Church
1561 McLendon

Thursday, August 26 * 7 PM

NPU-N Meeting
Epworth United Methodist Church
1561 McLendon

OCTOBER 2004

Saturday-Sunday, October 16-17

Candler Park Fallfest Weekend

Saturday, October 16 * 9 AM

Candler Park 5K

Saturday, October 16 * 12 - 6 PM

Candler Park Tour of Homes

TRAFFIC CALMING FINALE

The issue of traffic calming on McLendon Avenue has been discussed at CPNO meetings for as long as can be remembered. The issue was raised in 2001 by Cathy Woolard who had asked students at Georgia Tech to develop a comprehensive plan for traffic calming as part of their class work. There was no money to pay for the study or to implement the suggestions—but the process was started. A survey was conducted by the CPNO special traffic calming task force. The results were published in the Messenger in August of 2001. In 2002 Atlanta passed the Quality of Life Bond and there was money to start a traffic calming project in Candler Park. There was money to implement a program, but there was no money to design one. The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization joined the project and through the efforts of several people were able to raise enough money to hire a firm to design a traffic calming plan for Candler Park. We (CPNO) were asked to pledge \$5,000 towards this project. We voted and approved the money and the hiring of URS to conduct a study, design a plan, and present

it to the City for implementation. During the study and design there were several informational meetings held on the project. The Messenger (October 2002) contained information about the plan and a meeting was held August 28th at Epworth UMC to have public comment on the plan. At no point were we asked to vote on this plan. We voted to hire experts to develop our plan and calm traffic, but since the neighborhood as a group (CPNO) is not qualified to offer expert opinion of traffic calming it was decided to go with the experts (URS) and let them suggest the method for making our streets more pedestrian friendly.

For the record:

The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization (CPNO) as a body has not approved or voted on any plan. The Executive Committee had previously presumed that the CPNO approval of the funding constituted neighborhood approval; we apologize for any confusion this may have caused.

Bert Bellinson

The Messenger

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Calling All Runners!!!

The Candler Park 5k Fun Run will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 16. It will be timed to kick off the 2004 Candler Park Fall Fest. The fun run course will take you through 3.1 miles of our neighborhood and conclude in the park. Each runner will receive a stylish Candler Park Fun Run t-shirt that will make you the envy of your couch-dwelling neighbors and coworkers.

How can you get involved??
I'm so glad you asked!

(1) Run the race! It is fun and good for you. Also, with your stylish t-shirt on your back you have bragging rights during the entire festival weekend.

(2) Volunteer! We will need volunteers to man water stations, direct traffic, etc. Bert might even let you drive his golf cart!

(3) Cheerlead! Get out there and cheer on your friends and neighbors for participating!

(4) Sponsor! If you work for, or own a business who would like to support the neighborhood and get a logo on this stylish t-shirt, please let us know.

If you would like to rant, rave, protest or praise you can reach me at
fallfest@bellsouth.net.

Mark Clements

Laughter in the Park by Deb Milbrath



Sign Toppers For Candler Park

We are finally nearing the moment of having sign toppers - the little signs above the street sign that tell you what neighborhood you are in — for Candler Park. We have 2 estimates from the company that will manufacture the signs. The basic design for the 2 signs is the same: the words Candler Park, the Candler Park logo (the tree logo that appears on the banners), the phrase “our intown hometown”, and our zip code (30307). The choice before us is do we go with a purely rectangular sign (4 inches by 12 inches) or do we go with one that has a rounded top (sort of a rectangle with a bulge on the top). The purely rectangular signs will cost approximately \$30 each to install, while the ones with the rounded tops will cost approximately \$38 each to install. Thanks to the help of Michael Lewis, we have more than \$250 collected from the last Fall Fest that is to be put toward the cost of the sign toppers.

There are approximately 65 intersections at which we would like to place signs in the neighborhood. We need your help with the following things:

- 1) Show up to the August CPNO meeting to vote for one of the two sign designs. We will have examples on hand to show you. Once we have a decision on this, we can move forward with placing an order.
- 2) Buy a sign (or a part of a sign) for your intersection (or for another intersection in the neighborhood if yours is already spoken for). Make checks out to CPNO, and in the memo line, write in “sign toppers” and the name of the intersection you wish to sponsor. Alternatively, you can donate money by cash or check directly at the August CPNO meeting
- 3) Volunteer to help raise money by going door-to-door or approaching friends and neighbors. Lists of all the intersections will be available at the August CPNO meeting
- 4) Volunteer to help install the signs once they arrive, which is likely to be some time in mid to late September.

For more information, contact Robert Newman, VP Environment, CPNO at 404-222-0306.

Robert Newman



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*Candler Park
Weekend
October 16-17*

*5K Race,
Tour of Homes,
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Recycling Time!

No, I don't mean recycling like for paper or plastic. If you have kids, there's a new kind of recycling going around. One where you, your kids or your group can make money!

Twice a year (Spring and Fall), there's a Community Kids Consignment Sale at Epworth United Methodist Church in Candler Park (1561 McLendon Avenue). The 2004 Fall sale is Friday, September 24 from 9:30am until 6:30pm and Saturday, September 25 from 9:30am until 1:00pm (most items ½ price Saturday).

It's a great fundraiser for schools, child development centers, mommy and me groups, etc. and it costs nothing to put together and sell. Just have people in your group donate items for the sale, register to get a number, tag the merchandise and bring it to the sale. We'll do the rest.

If you volunteer to help with the sale you keep a larger profit margin. All consigners keep 70% while those who volunteer keep 85%. The rest of the proceeds from the sale go to benefit Sevananda, a natural foods co-op, and also Epworth United Methodist Church.

To register, pick up a form at Sevananda (467 Moreland Avenue) or call (404) 584-7875 ext.300 or e-mail us at: communitykidsconsignment@yahoo.com. Once registered, you'll receive a number and instructions on tagging your merchandise and when to drop it off.

If you do not wish to consign, but would like to donate your items, you may drop these items off in the drop box at Sevananda or at Epworth (located in the foyer of the Education Building).

Carter Center Events

THREE PULITZER HISTORIANS COME TO ATLANTA

A series of public appearances by three of America's most distinguished historians, all winners of the Pulitzer Prize - begins later this month at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum.

The series, "A Trio of Pulitzers," is sponsored by the Georgia Center for the Book at the DeKalb County Public Library with the Carter Library. The three programs offer metro Atlantans the opportunity to hear free lectures and meet prize-winning historians.

- Dr. Gordon S. Wood, 1993 Pulitzer Prize in History winner for The Radicalism of the American Revolution and author of the recent The Americanization of Benjamin Franklin leads off the series Friday August 27 at 8 p.m.

- Richard Rhodes, winner of the Pulitzer Prize in History and the National Book Award for The Making of the Atomic Bomb and author of the fall release of John James Audubon: The Making of an American, appears Sunday October 24 at 2 p.m.

- Dr. David Herbert Donald, twice winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Charles Sumner and the Coming of the Civil War and his biography of the late writer Thomas Wolfe, Looking Homeward, ends the series with a lecture Thursday November 11 at 8 p.m. Donald's just-published book is We Are Lincoln Men: Abraham Lincoln and His Friends.

The free programs will be held at the Carter library, 441 Freedom Parkway. No advance reservations are required. For information on "A Trio of Pulitzers," call 404-370-8450, ext. 2225, or go to www.dekalblibrary.org or www.georgiacenterforthebook.org.

Freedom Park Calling.

Freedom Park Conservancy is seeking Marketing and Fundraising Volunteers. The following are descriptions of the opportunities available.

Marketing/PR committee:

The Freedom Park Conservancy Board of Directors seeks interested volunteers to serve on its marketing/pr committee. You do not have to be an FPC board member to participate. We are looking for volunteers with professional or volunteer experience in any of the following areas: marketing plan development, strategy development, web site development, media relations, public events, printed marketing materials, public relations, general marketing, etc. If you have a vested interest in the future of our valued Freedom Park and have skills in these areas, please contact Nancy Tao: nancytao@earthlink.net.

Development (fundraising committee):

The Freedom Park Conservancy Board of Directors seeks interested volunteers to serve on its Development (fundraising) committee. You do not have to be an FPC board member to participate. We are looking for volunteers with professional or volunteer experience in any of the following areas: grant writing, membership development, fundraising events, fundraising research, in-person solicitations, mail solicitations, fundraising strategy, prospect development etc.

If you have a vested interest in our valued Freedom Park and have skills in these areas, please contact Sarah Cook: psyslc@langate.gsu.edu.

Tour Of Homes!

Plans for the Candler Park Tour Of Homes are in full swing!

The Candler Park Tour Of Homes will be held in conjunction with the FallFest. It will take place from 12:00 til 5:00 on Saturday, October 16. We now have 13 homes that will be included on the tour.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the event. You can choose to volunteer for the full time or for shifts 12:00-2:30 and 2:30 - 5:00. People will be needed to sell tickets at the booth in the park and to check tickets at the individual homes. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Chris Russell at Chris_Russell@peoplesoft.com.



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Let The Game Begin!

After much trash talking and false starts there appears to be a firm date for a softball game between Lake Claire and Candler Park.


Recently, over drinks, Lake Claire resident Kenyon Thweatt accepted, on behalf of the Lake Claire neighborhood, the challenge to play Candler Park in a friendly match. The game will be played at 4:00 on Saturday September 11, 2004 in Lake Claire Park.

The goal for each team is to find enough people that are willing to lay it all on the line for their


neighborhood -- you don't need to be a former major leaguer to play. Lake Claire residents who are interested in playing should contact Kenyon at pkhc@bellsouth.net or 404-378-7727. Candler Park residents who are interested in playing should contact Eric Dusenbury at dusenbur@bellsouth.net or 404-522-7130. Friends, family, and neighbors are encouraged to attend and pull for their favorite team.

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Boundless Playground Proposed

An idea for installation of a "Boundless Playground" in Freedom Park East/Druid Hills (aka Jackson Hill Baptist Church site) has been proposed as the required replacement of play structures in Springdale Park. This location is very close to the Druid Hills/Candler Park "border" and therefore needs discussion in both neighborhoods. According to the commissioner of parks, if there is agreement among the neighborhoods around the park, a boundless playground on this site can serve as the required replacement.

The boundless playground is

an exciting, even revolutionary approach to playgrounds from the initial design through to actual use. It is for children of ALL abilities, including children with disabilities, and for their adult caretakers including those who may also have some disability. Much useful information about boundless playgrounds can be found on the web site www.boundlessplaygrounds.com.

A presentation will be made at the August meeting of CPNO in order to see whether Candler Park finds this idea worthy of support.

Although the Olmsted Linear Park Alliance voted at its February

board meeting to move forward with a plan for the rehabilitation of Springdale Park that included installation of play structures in the south-east corner, OLPA also voted at its June meeting to move along a parallel track to determine the feasibility of a replacement in the form of a boundless playground on the Freedom Park East/Druid Hills site. The reason for the latter was that funding for a boundless became available through the generosity of a donor, thus addressing OLPA's need for sufficient funding for such a playground.

Alida Silverman

LAND USE ISSUES

There are no land use issues scheduled to be heard and voted on at the August CPNO meeting. Land use issues to be voted on at the September meeting must be submitted prior to August 26.

NPU-N ISSUES

NPU-N meetings are held at 7PM, on the 4th Thursday of every month at Epworth Methodist Church. Candler Park residents are welcome to attend. Contact NPU-N representative Walt Weimar regarding any regularly-scheduled voting or agenda matters.

Please see the article on Boundless Playgrounds. There will be presentations by different sides of the issue and a vote by the Candler Park Neighborhood Body to satisfy a NPU-N request.

There will be a vote at the August general meeting to reaffirm those sections of the Candler Park bylaws that stipulate requirements for votes on certain matters that affect the neighborhood.

The by-laws are on-line at the neighborhood website at www.candlerpark.org for your review. The pertinent sections are

Article VIII, Section 5. -- "All major questions before the Organization requiring a vote of the Organization (zoning issues and any expenditure of funds in excess of \$300.00) shall be advertised in the issue of the Candler Park Messenger immediately preceding such meeting."

Article VII, Section 1. -- "...The Executive Committee may act on behalf of the Organization where it deems it to be appropriate." and

Article III, Title - Purposes -- "The purposes of the Organization shall be to unite the people of the Candler Park Neighborhood into an organization concerned with the common issues of the area, to provide a means for discussions and solutions of such issues and to maintain and enhance the quality of life in the Candler Park neighborhood."

CRIME REPORT

Reported 6/18-7/14, 2004, Zone 6 police records.

Do you know who your block captain is? If not, send me e-mail and I'll try to find out for you. If your street doesn't have a block captain, perhaps you'd be interesting in learning about the neighborhood watch program. I'll be happy to meet with your and neighbors to work with the APD to get organized and get the neighborhood watch signs. It doesn't take a lot of effort; it's more of neighborhood awareness than anything else.

1500 block McLendon Ave, 6/18, items stolen from porch.

1600 block McLendon Ave, 6/21, 12a, armed robbery.

1500 block McLendon Ave, 6/21, 5p, argument over water balloons.

300 block Josephine St, 6/22, auto stolen.

400 block Moreland Ave, 6/24, temporary tag stolen from vehicle.

300 block Moreland Ave, 6/29, 6p, argument.

1500 block McLendon Ave, 7/5, 5p, wallet stolen.

1500 block McLendon Ave, 7/6, break-in and theft.

1300 block Euclid Ave, 7/7, 5p, cigarette machine broken into.

400 block Moreland Ave, 7/7, restaurant broken into, food items stolen.

200 block Elmira Pl, 7/9, 1a, pedestrian robbery at gunpoint. Suspect ran to getaway car, a beige Honda Civic.

200 block Josephine St, 7/10, auto broken into, audio equipment stolen.

400 block Candler Park Dr, 7/14, house broken into via rear bathroom window.

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