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President's Year End Report

It's been a great year for CPNO- I believe we've come a long way. This very newsletter is a prime example. The Messenger has grown from a simple flyer into a two-page, informative newsletter. There are plans for an expanded version next year, but, more on that later. Lots of great things have happened over the past year and I'd like to reflect on a few of what seemed to be the most significant.

The 1989 Spring Festival is a prime example of our positive growth over the course of the year. On relatively short notice, CPNO was able to put together a group of volunteers who made a significant contribution to Judy Dorman and the Festival Committee's efforts to expand and improve the annual Spring event. The 1990 Festival promises to be more exciting as plans are being made now to expand it to a two day event which will include more activities and more beautiful arts and crafts. We are going to need tons of volunteers for next year's event so please start thinking about it now.

A very significant sign of CPNO's growth has been the increase in attendance at our monthly neighborhood meetings. Attendance has almost doubled along with our ever growing volunteer staff. I'd like to think everyone came to the meetings for the exciting agendas and "hot" topics we've presented, but I'm sure it's the cake and refreshment that brought you all out in such droves. Whatever the reasons, thanks for your support.

One great stride we've made this year is the creation of our new Historic Preservation Zoning Guidelines. A lot of hard work has already gone into this project and there remains much to be done next year putting on the finishing touches. The Historic Preservation Guidelines will ensure our neighborhood remains intact as an example of an earlier architecture and neighborhood design. Over 1200 photographs were taken of every structure in Candler Park. The photos, along with basic information about each house, is being compiled into a huge document that will form the basis for our preservation plan. Look to see the results of all this tremendous volunteer effort bearing fruits next year and in the years to come.

Our organization has also grown stronger financially due in part to programs like "Friends of Candler Park" and the curbside recycling project. Thanks to everyone who supported "Friends of Candler Park" in 1989. Our recycling program, for which CPNO recently won a special award from Southface Energy Institute has grown over the months to include over 160 households. Recycling is an environmentally responsible thing to do, but I must admit that I was hesitant myself to sign up at first. But, I'm a firm believer now in the ease and value of participating in the recycling program once a month. It makes me feel good to do my part environmentally and to support CPNO at the same time.

All in all it's been a great year, don't you think? Well, I can assure you more growth and new exciting plans are on the way, but I'll let our new president for 1990, Walter Brown, fill you in next month. Speaking of next year, we still have a vacancy for our vice president of Zoning/Planning. There are several committees that are in need of support. Please consider making a gift of your time and support CPNO activities. Sign up sheets will be available at every meeting.

And don't forget the Holiday Tour of Homes and the Holiday Hop next Sunday, December 10th. I'll be there and hope to see you there too. Thanks to everyone who helped make my year as president of CPNO as productive as possible.

Sincerely,


David Schenck

DISCOVER YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. . .

Don't miss the fifth annual **Holiday Tour of Homes** in Candler Park on Sunday, December 10th from 1:00 until 6:00 p.m. A great way to begin the holiday season, the neighborhood will open its doors and warm its hearths for this annual event. The tour features homes spanning 100 years --from 1888 to 1988. Tickets are \$7 and are available at the Candler Park Gallery, located at the corner of McLendon and Oakdale Roads, the weekend before the tour and the weekend of the tour from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. (Saturdays and Sundays December 2nd, 3rd, 9th, and 10th) Tickets will be available at Frabjous Frames and several other locations in Little Five Points. See listing below.

This year, there will be eight homes featured on the **Holiday Tour** - twice the size of last year's event. Candler Park is well known for its architectural diversity and the tour reflects this with homes ranging from the late Victorian era to houses built just a year ago. Several homes on the tour were built in the bungalow/craftsman style of the 1910's and 20's. Architectural features and historical points of interest include original claw-foot bathtubs, unique windows, free-standing fireplaces, ceramic tile inlays, original oak and heart pine flooring, craftsman casements and gingerbread trim.

We are certainly lucky to have such talented neighbors and supporters of Candler Park. With the enthusiasm of many local folks and outside supporters, this year's tour has generated much excitement. Gary McMillan, a relative newcomer to the neighborhood, has donated many hours of his time to the design of the poster and brochure/ticket cover. We like it so much, we put it on the front page of this month's Messenger. Nina Laden of Laden Illustrates, a long-time resident of Candler Park, contributed drawings of each house on the tour. These are included inside the tour brochure/ticket. In addition, several area realtors have generously underwritten many of the costs of this year's tour: Marnie and Bill, Jim Icenhour, Niki Paris, Jim Hilliard, and Evelyn Baerman. Thanks for the support!

After the home tour, wind up the day's activities with the **Holiday Hop**. Hop with the music, hop with your friends, and hop into the holidays with music, dancing and cheer. The **Holiday Hop** will be held at the Existentialist Church, 470 Candler Park Drive, on Sunday, December 10th, from 7:00 until 11:00 p.m. Tickets for the Holiday Hop are \$5, or \$3 with your Tour ticket stub. See you at the Tour and Party!

WHERE TO PURCHASE TOUR TICKETS

In addition to the Candler Park Gallery, Holiday Tour tickets are on sale at the following business:

Euclid Avenue Yacht Club
Inman's Deli
The Energy Shop
Baker's Cafe
S & L Laundry
Frabjous Frames

SPECIAL THANKS TO TOUR VOLUNTEERS

With a tremendous spirit of volunteerism, it was possible to put on this year's Holiday Tour of Homes for the enjoyment of our neighborhood and visitors. Although many people have given their time to this year's tour, the following individuals deserve special thanks:

Joanne Lugar, Theresa Stolz, Margaret Thompson, David Schenck, Janet Ward, Gary McMillan, Nina Laden, Pam White, Mary Eudaly, and Pam Terry.

For more information about how to acquire tickets, please call Tersa Stolz at 377-1014.

NO NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING IN DECEMBER

There will be no meeting of the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization in December. In order to focus attention on the Tour of Homes and to give CPNO officers more time to be with family and friends, the executive committee of CPNO has postponed the monthly neighborhood meeting until January 9th, 1990. If you have any matters which need the attention of an executive committee member, please contact Walter Brown at 524-6722.

DEKALB AVE. PLANNING TASK FORCE FORMING

As most of you probably know by now, there is a new level of pressure to develop vacant land at and around the Candler Park/Edgewood MARTA station. For years, the land that MARTA condemned on the southern flank of our neighborhood to facilitate construction of the East line, sat empty or underutilized. MARTA had big plans for this land at one time, but has since lost interest in developing these parcels. Recently, surplus land held by MARTA along Dekalb Avenue has come up for sale to the highest bidders. In spite of CPNO's attempts over the years to "down-zone" all land along Dekalb Avenue, from more to less intense uses, MARTA is not inclined to bend easily to neighborhood desires to reduce density and traffic congestion. Their only concern seems to be to maximize their profits. This behavior is perhaps understandable, given MARTA's short-term financial situation, but it is not a very civic-minded or long range attitude.

Several developers, including A.E.D.C, have recently proposed plans for relatively high

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density housing projects on or near the MARTA train station. A tremendous protest has been registered by the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization, Lake Claire Neighbors, and the Organized Neighbors of Edgewood, over concerns about the lack of a planned, sensible approach to all of the new proposed construction activity.

Without a careful assessment of current conditions along the Dekalb Avenue corridor and the creation of a comprehensive plan, it makes absolutely no sense to proceed with piecemeal development at this time. CPNO and Lake Claire Neighbors are calling on the City of Atlanta to initiate a new study as soon as possible and to include the neighborhoods in a planning process for new development along Dekalb Avenue.

A meeting between City officials, MARTA, and local neighborhood leaders was held on November 17 to lay the groundwork for such a plan. This ad hoc planning group will meet again in December to proceed with efforts to establish a logical approach to satisfying multiple goals for the Dekalb Avenue corridor.

Come to the January 9th CPNO meeting to hear an update on the Dekalb Avenue corridor and to help us protect our neighborhood's right to participate in the planning process.

1990 OFFICERS ELECTED

At the November meeting of CPNO, the following new officers were elected for 1990: President - Walter Brown; 1st V.P. - David Schenck; V.P. Communication - Judy Boleman; V.P. Finance - Teresa Stolz; V.P. Special Projects - David Schenck; V.P. Environmental and Facilities Improvement - Gary George; V.P. Public Safety - Margaret Bryce. Congratulations to all the new officers!

The Candler Park Messenger is a monthly publication of the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization. C.P.N.O 1989 officers are: President- David Schenck; First Vice-President - Walter Brown; Second Vice-President- Randy Pimsler; Treasurer- Carole Craig; Secretary- Mary Eudaly. All area residents are encouraged to attend monthly meetings held on the second Tuesday of each month. Meetings are held at the 1st Existentialist Church, 470 Candler Park Dr.

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