



The CANDLER PARK MESSENGER



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MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

A Fast Paced August

Several important activities in August successfully demonstrated neighborhood togetherness and involvement. The "National Night Out" was a major success with about 150 neighbors taking advantage of a great opportunity to meet our local police, SWAT team, and the always popular police helicopter and crew. Free gifts from Brinks Security were also a big hit. Thanks to all those who brought food and joined in. A real big thanks and congratulations goes to Anita Teel who organized the event!

Another major event was the August monthly meeting of CPNO which focused on the future of the Candler Park Golf Course. This meeting proved that when we speak we will be heard. CPNO gives the neighborhood a powerful voice with which to speak to our government.

So don't stop now and come on to the next CPNO meeting on Tuesday, September 10th at 7:30 pm at the Epworth Methodist Church on McLendon Avenue and present your ideas on crime and safety in the neighborhood.

Neighborhood Watch Reorganization

Every year the structure of the CPNO Crime Watch needs to be examined to see if it is working for us. On some streets it works very well. At other locations it does not work at all. The reason is the level of participation from people living on each street. We need to see where there is active participation and where there is not. New plans

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CPNO Activities Calendar

September

Tuesday - 9/10 - 7:00 pm
Tuesday - 9/17 - 7:30 pm
Monday - 9/23 - 9:00 am
Thursday - 9/19 - 7:30 pm
Monday - 9/16 - 7:30 pm

CPNO Monthly Mtg.
CPNO Exec. Com.
Recycle Day
NPU-N Monthly Mtg.
LSPts Public Mtg.

October

Tuesday - 10/8 - 7:00 pm
Tuesday - 10/15 - 7:30 pm
Thursday - 10/24 - 7:30 pm
Monday - 10/28 - 9:00 am

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Neighborhood Organization Meeting September 10th

The Candler Park Neighborhood Org. meets on the second Tuesday of the month at the Epworth United Methodist Church, 1561 McLendon Ave.

This Month's Agenda:

7:00 - 7:30 • • • • Refreshments

7:30 - 8:00 • • • • Regular Business

- Candler St. Special Exception Hearing
- Golf Course Update
- Tour of Homes Kick-off
- Selection of Candler Park Sign Design
- CAUTION Report - Good News!

8:00 • • • • Neighborhood Watch

- Review of Current System
- Organizing Blocks
- Guest Presenters

October Mtg. Theme - Golf Course, or Pest Control

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and directions on how to address problems with the Crime Watch system will be outlined at the September meeting as well as what each block needs to do to receive help and information on possible solutions to these problems. Also on hand will be Precinct Captain Moore, Crime and Safety Agent Ruby Naylor, Jeff Petrillo from Councilperson Mary Davis's office and other city government representatives to answer questions and offer suggestions.

Neighborhood Watch is more than calling the police and watching suspicious activities. It also includes getting to know your neighbors and working with them on other problems, such as building variances, nuisance problems, abandoned cars and vacant lots, etc. There is no better way to improve your level of safety and sense of belonging.

If a person with a problem on their street won't help themselves by becoming involved then CPNO can't help them. The direction CPNO will take next year will be to assist blocks and neighbors to solve their own problems. This will leave more time for CPNO to help all neighbors in Candler Park and not just those that yell the loudest.

So, this is an important meeting coming up! If you do not know who your block captain is, whether you have any representation, or how to get involved

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with the umbrella of community protection given by Neighborhood Watch, please come to the next meeting. (See schedule on front cover)

Annual Tour de Homes

Assistance for this year's Tour of Homes is needed immediately. We need houses or gardens to show and assistance to help with advertising, posters, and organizing the event. If you are interested please call Steve Speed at 371-8855. A committee meeting will be held in mid September for this important annual fundraising event.

Golf Course Debate

The golf course meeting was held in the big Epworth Methodist Church community room and

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was attended by over 150 people. Presentations and heated discussions were held to determine problems and possible solutions to keep the course open and unchanged. Many of our government officials did attend to answer questions about what has been

going on with the course.

Conclusions from the meeting are:

- 1) At this time, the proposal from American Golf has been shelved.
- 2) There are other people who have submitted proposals which have not been reviewed (e.g.. Candler Park Golfers Club).
- 3) The accounting of City funds for running the course is inaccurate and needs complete auditing to determine if and what actual losses have been.

As a direct result of the August CPNO meeting, an audit of golf course finances has been ordered by Councilmember Mary Davis. Although the City is on record wishing to discontinue management of the course, a decision on which direction to go will have to await further analysis. CPNO will demand that the City consult the neighborhood on any future proposals which the City may consider for operating the course.

A special committee is being formed to address the audit and possible proposals. If you are interested in becoming involved please call 371-8855. A committee meeting date will be announced at the September CPNO meeting. A follow up CPNO meeting concerning the golf course is planned for October or November depending on when information is received from the city. Stay tuned!

Directory Dilema

CPNO, as well as other neighborhood organizations, have been swindled by Mr. Fred Anderson, the vendor who sold advertising and was producing the directory. We are now in the process of filing criminal charges against him. If you know of anyone who has paid to be advertised in the directory, please contact CPNO at 371-8855. We need to assemble a list of all those who paid in order to file charges and to insert the advertising in the directory which will be produced by year's end. CPNO deeply regrets our association with this con artist.

CPNO has received no funds directly from Mr. Anderson. We intend to pursue all available legal channels to bring him to justice. Thank you for all your support.

Entrance Signs Design

A winner of the Entrance Sign design contest will be selected at the next CPNO meeting. See last month's Messenger for rules or call 371-8855. Have you submitted your design yet?

Candler Park Crime Report

Auto theft seems to be a big problem in our area. Most of our auto thefts and auto larcenies occur between 11 pm and 5 am. It's difficult for neighbors to keep a look out during those hours-however, if you happen to be out of bed make a habit of looking out your front window.

Candler Park's typical auto thieves are 2 or 3 black males working as a team. Usually one of them will be keeping a look out in the street. We have also had several reports of a dark Jeep in which 2 or 3 black males are riding through the neighborhood shining a flashlight into car windows allegedly to determine if the radio is worth stealing. If you see this type of activity at night please call 911 immediately.

The following crime statistics for June occurred in the Candler Park neighborhood (crimes, such as auto break-ins that do not result in a patrol car visit, are not included):

Rape	■■■■■	0	Larceny	■■■■■	2	Burglary	■■■■■■■	5
Assault	■■■	4	Auto Larceny	■■■	3	Vandalism	■■■■■	3

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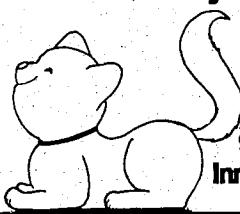
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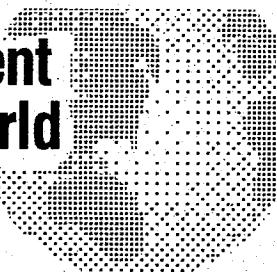


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SEPTEMBER CPNO MEETING AGENDA CHANGE

FULL CAUTION REPORT ON PRESIDENTIAL PARKWAY AGREEMENT TO BE PRESENTED

The Presidential Parkway issue reached a settlement in late August. The agreed upon settlements need to be explained to and ratified by the affected neighborhoods. Because of this the planned September Candler Park Neighborhood Organization meeting, dealing with Neighborhood Watch, has been moved to October. The September meeting will consist of a full CAUTION report concerning the Presidential Parkway settlement. Other business, as scheduled, will still take place.

It is important for neighbors to attend this meeting. CAUTION representatives will present the negotiated plan, explain what compromises occurred and answer questions on how Candler Park will or will not be affected.

Now that the "road" is stopped the land will probably be released to the city. The neighborhood will need to help formulate a plan for presentation to the city about what we want to happen to the open land originally cleared for the road.

During the September meeting a committee will be formed to immediately begin developing neighborhood requirements, requests and ideas for use of the open land. This includes all of the land along North Avenue and the block of property by Page Avenue. The first committee meeting will take place on September 18, 7:30 pm, at the Epworth Methodist Church. We need ideas, planners and workers to help create a questionnaire for the October Messenger and to create a recommendation document by the end of October. The recommendation document will be presented to the city planners.

If you are interested and want to make sure that there will be no unwanted development on the land which was fought so hard for, please come to the September CPNO meeting and the September 18th planning meeting.

ALSO !!!

Hip! Hip! Hooray!!! for the efforts of all the CAUTION folks! They deserve credit for this victory and accomplishment. Our future quality of life in Candler Park will be better because of them.