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# The CANDLER PARK MESSENGER

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## **MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION**

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As many of you are aware, the Presidential Parkway and the associated park will be completed late this summer or early this fall. However, this project does not address any of the land east of Moreland, which includes all of Candler Park. This area will be considered once funding is in line, but no definite time frame is set.

At the most recent CAUTION meeting it was proposed that the neighborhood work with the DOT to clear this land of kudzu and other weeds. We hope that if the neighborhood clears the land the DOT will agree to keep it mowed so that it can serve as a passive park. We are looking into the cost and feasibility of this plan and will keep you informed of the process. Please leave Eric Dusenbury a phone mail message at 453-8255 if you have any questions or if you would like to help address this problem.

Speaking of CAUTION, it has been suggested that CPNO make its approval of the multi-use bridge over Moreland Avenue conditional upon further review of the plans. We will vote on this issue at the June meeting. Please note that the purpose of this vote is *not* to re-evaluate our position on the bridge. Rather, the purpose is to ensure that we remain informed of any changes in the plan and to reiterate that the neighborhood does not offer blanket support to just any type of bridge.

At the other end of Candler Park, we have formed a joint committee with Lake Claire to establish communication with the Clifton-McLendon business district. The purpose is to create a channel of communication between the neighborhood and the businesses and to provide a means of monitoring the area's development. It will also help us to present a united and coherent voice regarding concerns the neighborhoods may have.

## Calendar

Tues., 6/14 – 7:30 p.m. CPNO Monthly Mtg.  
Tues., 6/21 – 7:30 p.m. CPNO Exec. Com. Mtg.  
Tues., 6/21                            *Messenger* Deadline  
Thurs., 6/23 – 7:30 p.m. NPU-N Monthly Mtg.

CPNO Meeting June 14th

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

### *This month's agenda:*

7:00 – 7:30	— Refreshments
7:30 –	— Officer Reports
	— Release of house on Oakdale
	— Approval of camp money
	— Approval of appeal fee
	— Historic guidelines

## CPNO Officers

President:	Eric Dusenbury
1st Vice President:	Clifton Mack
VP Finances:	Christine Stanton
VP Special Events:	James Culton
VP Communications:	Matt Jordan
VP Zoning:	Michael Bishop
VP Environment:	Michael Lyman
VP Safety:	Matt Williams

Finally, I recently received a call regarding a boarding house being operated in the neighborhood. I talked with Mary Davis' office about the problem and learned that there have been a number of problems with boarding houses in Candler Park this year. Only grandfathered boarding houses may operate in our neighborhood. If you have a boarding house operating near you, please call councilperson Mary Davis at 330-6030 and let her know.

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## Co-op News

At the May meeting, the CPNO discussed the situation at the housing Co-op located at the corner of McLendon and Candler Park Drive. The Co-op was recently created to provide low income housing. It is not public housing. Rather, it is run by a private management company selected by the members of the Co-op. The Candler Park Neighborhood Association was granted four of the eleven board positions when the Co-op was created. Unfortunately, the relationship between the CPNO representatives and some of the co-op members deteriorated to the point where all the CPNO reps have resigned. Also, several members of the co-op have requested that we (CPNO) relinquish our positions on the board.

At the meeting, we decided that the CPNO is 100% supportive of the success of the co-operative and voted to not relinquish representation on the co-op board. While we will retain these positions, we will not fill them until necessary.

## Park Improvement

The April Golf Tournament raised over \$1900 towards renovation of the park. Initial planning of improvements has begun and volunteers are needed both to help plan the changes and implement them. Current designs call for stairs to be built on the slope between the parking lot and the athletic fields. This slope and the area around the main entrance will be landscaped to improve appearance and reduce maintenance. Additional plans call for planters around the pool area and aesthetically pleasing trash bins throughout the park. For more information, to make suggestions or to volunteer, please call Christine Stanton at 584-7878.

## Candler Park Renaissance Tour of Homes

This spring was packed with Tours of Homes in the Inman Park and Lake Claire neighborhoods. Since Candler Park has not held a home tour for two years, we are planning to make this year's event the most spectacular ever. The new Freedom Parkway is bringing fresh emphasis to the area and our neighborhood Historical Guideline procedure is almost complete. It's time to put our best foot forward!

We are currently planning a Festival, either in the Park or at the McLendon-Page intersection, to celebrate the rebirth of Candler Park. Other tentative plans include a road race and, of course, a Tour of Homes. We welcome and need your input. Without neighborhood support, this Festival will not happen. Please plan on attending our next meeting or call James Culton at 659-5021 with any ideas or to volunteer your time.

## D.O.T. House on Oakdale

At the February CPNO meeting, we discussed releasing the D.O.T. house on Oakdale for sale. This is the first house south of North Avenue on the west side of Oakdale. At that meeting, we voted to wait until the Special Public Interest Zoning for the parkland was put into place before releasing the house for sale.

In response to a request to the executive board, this issue will be considered again at the June monthly meeting. The reason for re-addressing this issue is two-fold. First, the neighbors of the property continue to have recurring problems with vagrants and skinheads living in the house. The second reason is that, due to the February meeting's excessive length, it was felt that this issue was not given the attention it deserved.

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## **Yard and Bake Sale**

The Annual Candler Park Yard and Bake Sale is upon us once again. Since the CPNO does not charge a membership fee (as so many neighbor groups have started doing), we are always looking for ways to raise money. The Yard & Bake Sale is an annual money raiser, and we need the entire neighborhood's support to make it happen.

I know everyone has been storing away wonderful treasures, just waiting for an opportunity to bring them forth. If you have just cleaned out your treasure trove and have nothing to donate, please consider cooking some delicious food for the bake sale. If you have any questions and would like to volunteer your time to help make this event a success, call James Culton at 659-5021. See you next month.

## **Subdivision at Dekalb & Oakdale**

A group that has purchased the land along Dekalb Avenue between Oakdale and Ferguson is planning to build thirteen units on the property with access from Dekalb Avenue. This plan requires that the lot be subdivided into seven lots instead of the current eight. The neighborhood was supposed to review and vote on the plan before it was approved. However, the developer misrepresented our position to the City and received permission to subdivide to eight lots after stating that they had received the go-ahead from the neighborhood.

The CPNO has appealed this decision. Please note that we do not necessarily object to the plan (indeed, we have not even seen it), but rather that we object to the disregard of due process and the misrepresentation of the neighborhood's position in the developer's application to the City. Unfortunately, we may be required to pay a \$250 fee to process the appeal. We will vote on this issue at the next CPNO monthly meeting.

## **Historic Preservation Guidelines**

After several months of review and discussion at the monthly CPNO meetings, the Historic Guidelines Committee seeks to bring closure to this phase of the guidelines deliberations. Suggestions have been recorded from statements of concern or queries made during the monthly meetings or sent to the committee. A summary of recommended changes will be available at the June meeting in order to finalize the document for a vote. To those who contributed, we offer thanks, and we encourage everyone to support the improved Historic Guidelines document.

## **Send a Kid to Camp**

As noted in the March issue of the *Messenger*, the CPNO offered to match donations to send one or more of the neighborhood's troubled kids to camp. However, no money was donated to this cause. In the absence of private donations, it is proposed that we allocate \$175 to cover the cost of sending one kid to summer camp. We will vote on this proposal at the June monthly meeting.

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