

# THE CANDLER PARK MESSENGER

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

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## From the President:

Here's an update on what's happening in Candler Park in November

- Elections: At the November meeting we'll be nominating and electing officers of C.P.N.O. for 1998. Currently on the slate are:

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| President         | Dempsey          |
|                   | Herlihy Werthman |
| 1st VP            | Debra Snell      |
| VP Finance        | Jack Hammond     |
| VP Special Events | Dan Benefield    |
| VP Environment    | Bob Rowley       |
| VP Safety         | Bert Skellie     |
| VP Zoning         | OPEN             |
| VP Communications | OPEN             |

We are still searching for candidates for the open offices. VP of Zoning is responsible for helping residents with zoning variances and is the CPNO representative to the Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU). The VP of Communications is responsible for organizing the delivery of this fine periodical, taking and distributing minutes from Executive Board meetings, and coordinating any correspondence from CPNO. At the November meeting, the slate will be presented and nominations will be accepted from the floor for ALL offices. If there are no opponents to any of the nominees, the chair will ask for a motion to approve the slate by acclamation. For any office with more than one nominee, the vote will be by secret ballot. If you are interested in running for an office, please call me to throw your name into the hat - 377-1411 (or have someone nominate you at the meeting). (continued on pg. 2)

## Get Your Caps and T-Shirts

Candler Park baseball caps and T-shirts will be for sale at the next CPNO meeting. Support your neighborhood and wear them with pride!

## Calendar

MON., 11/10 - 7:30 CPNO Monthly Mtg.  
TUE., 11/18 - 7:30 CPNO Exec. Com. Mtg.  
Fri., 11/21 - *Messenger* Deadline  
Tue., 11/25 - N.P.U. Monthly Meeting

## CPNO Mtg., Nov. 10th

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

### *This month's agenda:*

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| 7:00-7:30 | - Refreshments  |
| 7:30 -    | - Officers' Reports   |
|           | - Officer Elections   |
|           | - Informational presentation of Special Public Interest (SPI) zoning guidelines (no vote) |

## CPNO Officers

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| President:          | Connie Weimar   |
| 1st Vice President: | Debra Snell     |
| VP Finances:        | Jack Hammond    |
| VP Special Events:  | Dempsey Herlihy |
| VP Communications:  | Larry Paul      |
| VP Zoning:          | Eric Dusenbury  |
| VP Environment:     | Bob Rowley      |
| VP Safety:          | Bert Skellie    |

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(From the President Continued)

- SPI - See article on pg. 5
- REACH, Inc.: Brian Riley, Executive Director of REACH, Inc. has asked me to inform you that pedestrians are still welcome to visit and stroll through the Cator-Woolford Gardens on S. Ponce de Leon. (Dogs, however, are now verboten). Confusion arose this summer over REACH's policies because recurrent theft and vandalism of their signs exposed old signs with conflicting information. So stroll and enjoy.  
- Connie Weimar

### Public Safety Report

For the latest five week period, there were two motor vehicle thefts, thirteen thefts from vehicles, three damage to vehicle reports, 15 burglaries, three other thefts and three robberies or attempts. This continues the high number of burglaries seen in the previous 10 weeks. Several break-ins have occurred while residents were at home, including one on Oakdale at 2:30 a.m., where the phone lines were cut. The resident screamed loud enough to be heard blocks away, and the burglar left without doing her any harm, fortunately. Don't leave tools and ladders around outside - two burglars used them to get in. Another burglar found it easy to enter a house on McLendon because the key was just inside an easily broken front door windowpane. We did have some good news - at least two arrests of burglars were made during the period.

The holidays are coming up - you can request a special patrol if you are away from home (forms available at our monthly meetings or from Zone 6 police)

Please let me know about any crimes I miss so I can report them in an update the next month. And do call me at 378-5883 after you make a police report so I will know to check for it before I go to the precinct. Please get in touch if you are interested in working together to make our neighborhood a safer place. Between Messenger reports, check the CPNO number (770-453-8225) for updates on crime. Send me an e-mail note and notify me if you want to be notified of any unusual activity - [bertskellie@mindspring.com](mailto:bertskellie@mindspring.com).

Crime Report for 9/18/97 - 10/23/97 (includes earlier dates recently reported):

| Date    | Approx. Time      | Incident Block  |
|---------|-------------------|---|
| 8/22-25 | ?                 | Construction materials stolen from site 600 Clifton Rd.       |
| 9/17    | 6 a.m.            | Theft from vehicle 1400 Benning Pl.                           |
| 9/18    | 10 p.m.           | Theft from auto 400 Moreland Ave.                             |
| 9/18-19 | 6pm-2pm           | Vehicle door lock damaged 400 Oakdale Rd.                     |
| 9/18-19 | 7 p.m. - 9 a.m.   | Motor vehicle theft 600 Oakdale Rd                            |
| 9/19    | 3 a.m. - 8 a.m.   | Car title stolen from vehicle 300 Clifton Rd.                 |
| 9/19    | 9 p.m.            | Residence forcibly entered, property taken 1300 Iverson St.   |
| 9/19    | 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.   | Residence forcibly entered, property taken 400 Oakdale Rd.    |
| 9/19-20 | 11 p.m. - 1 a.m.  | Apartment forcibly entered, VCR taken 500 Clifton Rd.         |
| 9/20    | 10:20 p.m.        | Victim robbed at gunpoint 1200 McLendon Ave.                  |
| 9/21    | 9 a.m.            | Driver DUI, possessing crack pipe 1300 Iverson St.            |
| 9/21    | 10 a.m. - 11 p.m. | Apartment entered, jewelry stolen 1400 North Ave.             |
| 9/21-28 | ?                 | Lawnmower taken from crawl space 300 Mell Ave.                |
| 9/22    | 3 a.m.            | Woman's belongings taken at gunpoint 200 Moreland Ave.        |
| 9/22    | 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.   | Residence forcibly entered, property taken 1400 McLendon Ave. |
| 9/23    | 9:10 p.m.         | House entered, bike stolen, arrest made 600 Clifton Rd.       |
| 9/25    | 10:30 p.m.        | Theft from auto 300 Candler Park Dr.                          |

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|---------|------------------|---|----------|----------|--|
| 9/25-26 | 8 p.m. - 11 a.m. | Speakers stolen from vehicle<br>400 Euclid Terrace          | 10/14-15 | 6pm-11am | Vehicle entered, items stolen<br>1200 Euclid Ave.                        |
| 9/25-26 | 9 p.m. - 9 a.m.  | Vehicle damaged (driver window)<br>500 Goldsboro Rd.        | 10/15-16 | 5pm-11am | Vehicle entered, items stolen<br>500 Goldsboro Rd.                       |
| 9/26    | 2:30 a.m.        | House entered, property taken<br>300 Oakdale Rd.            | 10/15-16 | 10pm-7am | Vehicle broken into, items stolen<br>400 Page Ave.                       |
| 9/26    | 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.  | Residence forcibly entered, bike stolen<br>300 Mell Ave.    | 10/18    | 2 pm     | Juvenile arrested after attempted bike theft<br>500 Oakdale Rd.          |
| 9/26    | 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. | Vehicle vandalized (windows broken)<br>400 Terrace Ave.     | 10/18-20 | ?        | Subject arrested for suspected marijuana (road block)<br>1400 North Ave. |
| 9/27    | 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.  | House broken into, property taken<br>300 Goldsboro Rd.      | 10/20    | 6:30pm   | Vehicle vandalized, stereo taken<br>1200 McLendon Ave.                   |
| 9/27    | 3 p.m. - 10 p.m. | Motor vehicle theft (unauthorized use)<br>1300 DeKalb Ave.  | 10/23    | Midnight | Residence forcibly entered, property taken<br>1200 Euclid Ave.           |
| 9/27-28 | 6 p.m. - 1 a.m.  | Theft from vehicle<br>400 Clifton Rd.                       |          |          | Woman hit with bottle outside bar, robbery attempt<br>400 Moreland Ave.  |
| 9/28    | 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. | House entered, items taken<br>1200 DeKalb Ave.              |          |          | - Bert Skellie, 378-5883   |
| 9/29    | 1 p.m.           | Theft from vehicle (cell phone)<br>1500 McLendon Ave.       |          |          |  |
| 9/30    | 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.  | House entered, items taken<br>1300 Hooper Ave.              |          |          |  |
| 10/2    | 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.  | House entered, items taken<br>1300 McLendon Ave.            |          |          |  |
| 10/5-6  | 10 p.m. - 8 a.m. | Theft from vehicle<br>1400 Miller Ave.                      |          |          |  |
| 10/5-6  | 11 p.m. - 8 a.m. | Vehicle broken into, coins stolen<br>500 Candler Park Dr.   |          |          |  |
| 10/6    | 1 p.m.           | Juvenile victim robbed & shot in finger<br>1400 Iverson St. |          |          |  |
| 10/9    | 3 p.m.           | Possession of stolen property (arrest)<br>300 Sterling St.  |          |          |  |
| 10/10   | 6 p.m.           | Man found dead in wooded area<br>600 Moreland Ave.          |          |          |  |
| 10/14   | 5-6 p.m.         | House entered, cash & earrings taken<br>1200 McLendon Ave.  |          |          |  |
| 10/14   | 8 a.m.           | Urinating in public<br>400 Moreland Ave.                    |          |          | - press release  |

### Holiday Auction

The Inman Park Cooperative Preschool will hold its 13th annual Holiday Sale on November 23rd from 12:30 to 5PM at the Trolley Barn at 963 Edgewood Ave. Admission is free.

The live auction will feature a 1986 Turbo diesel BMW and hotel and condo packages in Orlando, St. Simon's Island and Jacksonville Beach.

Among the silent auction items are great deals on museum and theater passes, restaurant certificates, fine art and professional services. The silent auction begins 12:30 and ends at 3PM. The live auction begins at 3:15PM.

Children's books, new clothing, specialty foods and small gifts are favorites each year in the retail sale area. The event also features an International Cafe with lunch, dessert and gourmet coffees.

Inman Park Cooperative School is parent-owned and operated institution. 'We want to give our children a great start in a caring environment' (Nena Peltin - parent). All proceeds of the sale will benefit the preschool. A portion will help launch the school's capital campaign to raise funds for a new playground and building renovations. For more information, please call 404-827-9796

- press release



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## Looking Back on the Tour of Homes

The 1997 Tour of Renovated Homes was an enormous success. So successful in fact, that my husband, Ted, and I were running between the first house and the last house recycling Tour Books because we started running out around 3PM! There were a few ruffled feathers when our book supply was depleted and people had to accept last minute photocopies of the map from Mr. Lee's store, but most folks were pretty understanding of the situation and offered to share a book or return one when they finished. All in all, I'll take that kind of trouble any day.

I would like to send out my thanks to all of you who volunteered your time and energy for the Tour. It is truly an act of love for your neighborhood. Having worked on the Tour for the past three years (chairing the last two), I have seen the vast amount of work and commitment that must be present to pull this event together. With the exception of printing costs, all the work was donated: Advertising sales, public relations, home recruiting, graphic design, canvassing, house sitting, etc. And of course there are the homeowners who so generously invite 300 plus people into their homes.

The Tour grossed over five thousand dollars this year. By the November meeting we should have a net figure on the amount raised for our parks. Additionally, we will be adding the total throughout the year as we sell more caps which were designed with a general neighborhood logo; they are not specific to the Tour or dated. This year's proceeds are to be split evenly between the Freedom Park East Conservancy and our own Candler Park. As a neighborhood in the last meeting we voted to give \$5000 to the Conservancy; the tour money will help fund that promise. Concerning Candler Park, we on the CPNO executive board welcome any suggestions on how that money should be spent. Some of our initial thoughts have been to make improvements around the pool, tennis courts and other areas by landscaping, painting and lighting. Our goal is to vote on these expenditures and have them implemented by the spring.

Because I have decided not to run for this office next year, I would like to say a few parting words. My observation is that our neighborhood has become an incredibly popular place to live and visit. Our ticket sales increase 75% over last year, and a great many of those visitors were from places like Alpharetta, Marietta, Tucker and even a family from Anderson S.C. who specifically drove down for the Tour. We are in a hot area! So, it is time to make the Tour into what it has the potential to become. Based on my marketing background and my tenure in this position, I am confident that we can more than triple the size of this Tour. And that's just a start. The proof is in our surrounding neighborhoods. Look at the crowds they

draw and the money they make. We are in that league, we need only capitalize on our own people to make it happen.

I propose the following: To create a committee for the Tour of Homes rather than have one person responsible for the event. The committee would be comprised of four officers under the VP of Special Events. They would meet all year long on a monthly basis until closer to the Tour when more frequent meetings are necessary. The four officers would break down into: Advertising/Sponsorships Director, Public Relations Director, Home and Volunteer Recruiter/Liaison, Tour Book Director. The VP of Special Events would be a CPNO officer representative of the committee and would be responsible for running the committee meetings.

What we need to make this work is a group of dedicated individuals. That is easier said than done. This is a working neighborhood. Most people are working full time at their jobs as well as raising healthy families. I understand that it is difficult to squeeze out more time for volunteer work, but I think it is our responsibility as members of a community to give back to the neighborhood. It is what connects us to each other and makes Candler Park a desirable place to live. Obviously some simply can't commit the time due to a long list of responsibilities, but I know there are some like myself who despite working full-time can afford to dedicate some time each week to giving back. I urge each of you to do an honest evaluation of your schedules and see if you can work it in. Believe me, it comes back to you in ways you never would have dreamed, but that's another story.

- Dempsey Herlihy Werthman

### Land Disposition - SPI

Many of you are probably wondering what is going on with the land that was condemned for the Presidential Parkway. While most of the land is in the process of becoming a park, several sections will be disposed of as housing. The neighborhood has been working with the city to develop Special Public Interest (SPI) zoning to control what type development will occur in these areas. The areas include land on the south side of Druid Place, the north side of North Avenue, and on the east side of Terrace Avenue.

There will be a presentation at this month's meeting detailing what limitations will be placed on the development of the land and how the land will be disposed. The presentation will be followed with a question and answer session. Copies of the SPI will be available at the meeting and can also be obtained by calling Eric Dusenbury at 522-7130.

- Eric Dusenbury

### *Messenger Article*

Anyone can submit an article for publication in the *Messenger*. Editorials, announcements of events, stories of interest, etc. are welcome. Please drop your submission off with me at 1414 McLendon Ave or send them via E-Mail (compuserv@105164.472). Please include your name and phone number. If your article is not run in the next issue, it may be due to space constraints, but please feel free to call me about it.

- Karin Dusenbury

### *Messenger* Advertisement Prices

Currently the cost of display ads in the *Messenger* is \$10/one inch in height. Effective next month, this price will change to \$10/column inch. If you have any questions about this change, or if you would like to place an advertisement, please call Jack Hammond at 688-2916. For a full explanation of the advertisement procedures and costs, please see the last page of this *Messenger*.

- Jack Hammond

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Print or type your ads. Deliver ad and check made out to C.P.N.O. to Jack Hammond, 1429 McLendon Ave. (ph. 688-2916) no later than the 18th of the month for publication in the next edition. Include your name and phone number in case there are any questions.

Classified ads may not be phoned in or bought on credit. For multiple months, pay in advance or pay before each deadline.

Display Ads (those in boxes or with art) are \$10/column inch in height. Ads should be camera ready (desktop laser printer is OK). Help with ad preparation is at additional cost. To purchase this type of ad, contact Jack Hammond, 688-2916. Ads must be ready by the 18th of the month for the following months edition.

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