

THE CANDLER PARK MESSENGER

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CANDLER PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION

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From The President

As we begin a new year of neighborhood activity, I would like to invite each and every resident of Candler Park to put the monthly CPNO meeting on their agenda. The meeting always falls on the second Monday of each month, and is held in the basement of the Epworth United Methodist Church on McLendon Ave. across from Candler Park. The door to the basement is found by walking around the side of the church on Mell Ave. There is a social gathering, with refreshments, from 7:00 to 7:30, then the meeting begins.

The meetings are a great way to find out what's going on in your community and to have input into the very important decisions that affect us all, i.e. zoning issues, safety, park facilities, etc. I especially urge all new parents in the neighborhood to get involved so that we can make Candler Park an even better place for families. Personally, I would like to make some progress with our dilapidated sidewalks and our pool facilities in the park.

As I write this I can almost hear the complaints that I have heard so many times about these monthly meetings. I would like to address a few of these issues by pledging to keep the meetings to one hour by keeping reports and comments to five minutes or less, and keeping our guest speakers on a time limit of ten minutes when possible. Sometimes the major issues need a little more time. Also, I realize that in the past we have been guilty of speaking in acronyms, often losing the people who aren't up-to-date on issues and organizations. The goal of the meeting is to keep all neighbors informed and involved. Please let me know if we aren't being clear.

For those of you who do already attend meetings, I urge you to bring a few people with you who haven't been before.

So, I hope to see you on the second Monday of February at 7:00.

- Dempsey Herlihy-Werthman

Calendar

MON., 2/9 - 7:30 CPNO Monthly Mtg.
TUE., 2/17 - 7:30 CPNO Exec. Com. Mtg.
Fri., 2/20 - *Messenger* Deadline
Thur., 2/26 - N.P.U. Monthly Meeting

CPNO Mtg., Feb. 9th

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 PM:	Refreshments
7:30 -	- Officers' Reports
	- Vote on up to \$250 expenditure on signs (see article)
	- Vote to support the Livable Regions Campaign (see article)

CPNO Officers

President:	Dempsey Herlihy-Werthman
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Public Safety

Thankfully, crime incidents slowed as the year began. In the latest four week period, there were two motor vehicle thefts, 7 thefts from vehicles, four damage to vehicle reports, six burglaries, two other thefts, one robbery and one purse snatching. Three teenage boys were robbed by two armed men on New Year's eve near Little Five Points, apparently because the men suspected the teens of having cash from the sale of marijuana. The boys were on their way home to Oakdale after picking up a video.

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 (770-453-8255) for updates on crime. Or send me an e-mail note to notify me or if you want to be notified of any unusual activity - bertskellie@mindspring.com.

Crime Report for 12/16/97- 1/15/98 (includes earlier dates recently reported):

Date	Approx. Time	Incident
12/1-5	?	Block Checks stolen after sent to old address 400 Candler Park Dr.
12/17	10-11 p.m.	Person damaged business property 1600 Dekalb Ave.
12/18	9 a.m.	Wanted person located based on tip 1400 Iverson St.
12/19	8 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Person(s) damaged business building 500 Candler Park Dr.
12/20	?	Criminal trespass (vehicle entered?) McLendon Ave.
12/22	4 - 4:50 a.m.	Theft from auto & broken window 300 Candler St.
12/22	8:15 a.m.	Apartment entered w/o permission by ex friend 200 Elmira Pl.
12/23	5:20 a.m.	Hole cut in roof of convertible 400 Candler Park Dr.

12/23	11:40 p.m.	Domestic dispute; simple battery by man & woman 1300 McLendon Ave.
12/25-6	3 p.m.-9 a.m.	Business broken into 1200 DeKalb Ave.
12/30-31	Noon-9 a.m.	Vehicle vandalized, cell phone taken 400 Page Ave.
12/30-31	10 p.-5:30 a.	Vehicle broken into, wallet stolen 400 Callan Cir.
12/31	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Residence forcibly entered, property taken 1100 Euclid Ave.
12/31	11 p.m.	Three 14 year old boys robbed at gunpoint 1100 McLendon Ave.
12/31-1/2	?	Bullet found in roof of vehicle 1200 Druid Place
1/1	7 p.m.	Lost wallet 200 Elmira Pl.
1/2	1:30 a.m.	Cell phone stolen after set down Moreland/Euclid
1/3	3 p.m.-4:30 a.m.	Theft from vehicle & window broken Moreland / Mansfield
1/3-4	10 p.m.-10 a.m.	Motor vehicle theft Elmira / Moreland
1-4/5	8 p.m. - 8 a.m.	Car broken into 489 Sterling St.
1/5	Noon	Purse snatched, resulting in some injuries 1200 McLendon Ave.
1/6	10:45 a.m.	Suspect in possession of VCR, marijuana pipe 1300 Benning Pl.
1/7	8 a.m.-5 p.m.	Residence forcibly entered, property taken 400 Terrace Ave.
1/7	7 p.m.	Theft from building 1600 Clifton Terr.
1/7-8	9 p.m.-7 a.m.	Vehicle tires slashed 400 Sterling St.
1/8-9	9 p.m.-1 a.m.	Vehicle broken into, items stolen Euclid / Moreland
1/9	6 p.m.	Recovered Gwinnett stolen vehicle 400 Page Ave.

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1/10	4 p.m.	2 "friends" forced victim out of vehicle & stole it 1400 DeKalb Ave.
1/10-11	10 p.m-12 a.m.	Damage to & theft from vehicle 1300 Dekalb Ave.
1/11	2:30 - 8 a.m.	Theft from vehicle 300 Candler St.
1/13	3:15 p.m.	Subject trespassing on victim's back porch 300 Sterling St.
1/13	10-11 p.m.	Intoxicated in public 1300 Iverson St.
1/14	3 a.m.	Windows removed from business 1600 McLendon Ave.
1/14-15	4 p.m.-9 a.m.	House burglarized (ladder stolen)

- Bert Skellie

Are You Getting Your *Messenger*?

I have heard from many residents that they are not receiving their *Messenger*. Unfortunately, I haven't much of an answer to these people except to ask them to get involved in *Messenger* Delivery. Please remember that our very important little paper is a volunteer effort. Without volunteers it simply doesn't get out.

The way it works is this: Articles are submitted to Karin Dusenbury, who volunteers her time to get the contents together. Her deadline is the third Friday of each month. It then goes to the printer. There is a V.P. of Communications who picks up the *Messenger* and the *BOND Community Star*, sorts them and gets them to each of the five zone delivery people. These five people then distribute the papers to the street delivery people in their zone, who in turn deliver to the individual houses.

Right now we don't have a V.P. Communications to oversee this effort. Please consider this office if you are looking for a way to give back to your community. Also, we need a zone delivery person for zone 5, it takes about 45 minutes per month. Street delivery requires 10-15 minutes per month.

If you are interested or just want more information, please call me at (404)523-6758.

- Dempsey Herlihy Werthman

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

Livable Regions Campaign

CPNO has received a request from the Georgia Conservancy to support their Livable Regions Campaign.

The Livable Regions Campaign is an effort of the Georgia Conservancy to form a coalition of neighborhood groups that will fight for intelligent development within the Atlanta Metropolitan Area. Specifically, the campaign supports the reduction of suburban sprawl and the creation of transportation alternatives other than roads.

The Livable Regions Campaign believes that the current development pattern places costly demands (i.e. higher taxes) on our transportation facilities, sewer systems, schools, and natural resources.

It also believes that active regional management of land use, transportation, and water resources is needed to maintain and enhance the region's economic competitiveness.

Ironically, most of the organizations that have joined The Livable Regions Campaign are in the suburbs and are a product of the development that they are trying to fight. They now find themselves fighting road expansion and development that threaten their own neighborhoods. While there might be a tendency to take a 'serves them right' approach, I believe this offers a chance to develop new alliances and further beliefs that intown neighborhoods have had for years.

We will be voting to support this proposal at the next CPNO meeting. I encourage you to attend to find out more information about the campaign and to let your feelings be known.

- Eric Dusenbury

Please Rake Your Sidewalk

As we enter the month of February most deciduous trees have shed their leaves. Now is a great time to rake your sidewalk so you and your neighbors can enjoy a safe and leisurely walk through the neighborhood.

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Neighborhood Deputies Program

Many of you have noticed that some of the unmaintained houses in the neighborhood are now under renovation. Part of this is due to an increased effort by the city's code enforcement division.

Part of this effort includes the establishment of a Neighborhood Deputies Program. The purpose of the program is to educate the community on code enforcement, develop Code Enforcement teams within the community, and to create an alternative process for citizens to report code violations.

CPNO is looking for two volunteers for the neighborhood deputies program. Deputies will be required to take a four hour course from the city before they become certified. Once they become certified, the deputies will patrol neighborhoods and observe code violations. The deputies will send a "Community Notice" to the owner and occupant of any structure found to be in violation of city code. If the code violation is not corrected, the Neighborhood Deputy will notify the appropriate city authority and the problem will be corrected.

Please call Eric Dusenbury at 404/522-7130 if you are interested in becoming a deputy or if have any questions about the program.

- Eric Dusenbury

Get Out Your Running Shoes!

Planning is beginning for the 4th Annual Candler Park 5K. The race will be held on June 13th - rain or shine - hopefully shine this year! Volunteers are needed to help find sponsors, obtain prizes, distribute flyers, organize day-of-race volunteers, etc. If you are interested in helping, please call Karin & Eric Dusenbury at (404)522-7130. We are planning on having an organizational meeting near the end of February.

- Karin Dusenbury

Sign Expenditure

The CPNO will vote this month on whether to allocate up to \$250 to be spent on signs to advertise neighborhood meetings and events.



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-Advertising - How To -

Classified ads are \$2/line. One line equals 35 characters or spaces per line. The first two or three words will be capitalized and bold faced. Bold or all caps elsewhere in the ad are \$1 each place.

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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If you purchased a home in Candler Park during 1997, you will need to file for your Homestead Exemption from your property taxes between January 1 and March 1 of 1998. You must file in person for the City of Atlanta at the Fulton County Tax Assessors office, 141 Pryor Street, Room 1113 (404-730-6100). You may have received a form in the mail from DeKalb County. If not, apply at Room 110, The Callaway Building, 121 West Trinity St., Decatur (404-371-8297). Failure to apply in both places can result in a cost of up to \$1000 per year in property taxes.

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