

The Messenger

News for Candler Park

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November 2004

MEETINGS*EVENTS

CPNO MEETING NOVEMBER 15 @ 7 PM

The Candler Park Neighborhood Organization is for all residents! We meet the third MONDAY of each month at Epworth United Methodist Church at 1561 McLendon Avenue. Please use the Mell Avenue entrance. Membership is FREE!

OCTOBER MEETING AGENDA:

- Officer Reports
- Discussion and Vote on Proposed Bylaws Amendment
- Announced Vote on 4-way Oakdale / Benning Stop
- Old Business
- New Business
- Announcements

TO SUBMIT AN AGENDA ITEM for the December meeting, contact any CPNO officer (see list on page 2). **NOTE **** Deadline This Month is November 23, 2004. ******

EVENTS CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2004

Monday, November 15 * 7 PM

CPNO General Meeting
Epworth United Methodist Church
1561 McLendon

Thursday, November 18 * 7 PM

NPU-N Meeting
Epworth United Methodist Church
1561 McLendon

NOVEMBER 2004

Note the earlier dates above for the NPU-N meeting and the deadline for Messenger submissions -- This month only.

CPNO Elections Coming Up

By the time you read this all of the exciting Candler Park events will have occurred. The Candler Park Tour Of Homes, 5K road race and FallFest will have all raised money for the CPNO to support the organization and our philanthropy. It was a lot of fun seeing everyone participate in one way or another. The weather even participated with a beautiful set of weekends. Now the hard part starts -- committing to another year of service to the neighborhood.

The common theme is that it's a thankless job but it's not supposed to be something done to get accolades and glory. It's supposed to be something done to better the neighborhood in which you and your children and your friends live. It's a gift that those that volunteer do for the enjoyment of giving. And as a gift should be, it's the intention that is appreciated. Many in the neighborhood give money or time on some weekend or advice in an email. It's all good and, whether expressed or not, should be known to be appreciated. To volunteer to be an officer is a commitment that demands time, patience,

perseverance and often sweat and then more time. The glory is their's and the accolade is the vibrance and character of the neighborhood.

This year's slate is missing 2 officers. There is no one running for President or VP of Environment. The slate of officers is as follows:

President -- OPEN

Vice President -- Julia Brooks

VP Communications -- Alonzo Church

Treasurer -- Mike Brandt

VP Safety -- Gregg Rinehardt

VP Special Events -- Mark Clement

VP Environment -- OPEN

VP Zoning -- Walt Weimar

Nominations will be taken from the floor just prior to the vote for any or all positions. Please plan on attending the meeting and voting for next year's officers.

The Messenger

The Messenger is published monthly by the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization. Deadline for articles is the 26th of the preceding month. Submit to:

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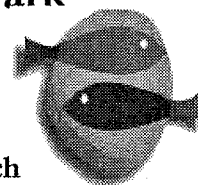
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Laughter in the Park by Deb Milbrath

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Help Thy Neighbor Oh Brother

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each month. If you do it slower you might meet the person who lives 3 houses away from you and it might make you smile.

Some people only pretend to deliver the Messenger each month. They get a packet of them dropped on their porch and they quickly (or slowly) take them inside and never deliver them. If you don't get the Messenger delivered to you, please let me know. If you would like to give up a route and let someone else have a chance, please let me know. If you get this

Messenger and would like to deliver, please let me know.

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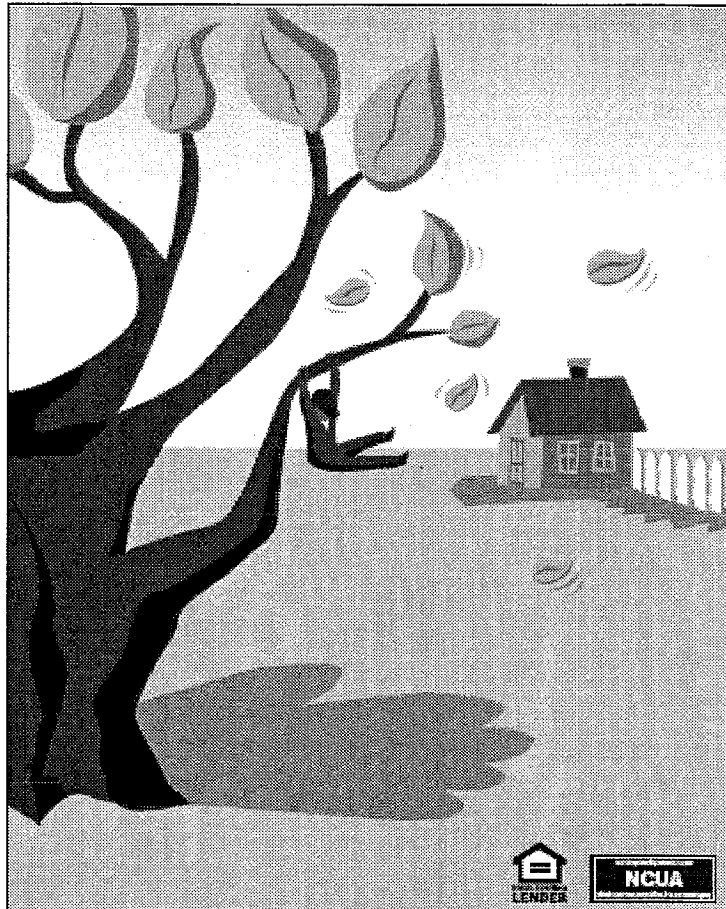
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Charis Circle Celebrates

There's a bright little jewel in Little Five Points that, although celebrating its 30th anniversary here, still seems to be a well-kept secret. It's Charis Books and More, the independent bookstore that resides in the yellow bungalow on Euclid Avenue behind the BrewHouse Café.

Charis has a wide array of books, music and gifts, including lots of consignment articles by neighborhood artists. Charis especially promotes independent voices, small presses and diversity, and it has the greatest child-affirming, diversity-celebrating children's book section around. Charis also can order any book in print for you. There are discounts for book groups, frequent shoppers and on-line orders (charisbooksandmore.com).

A place you feel good walking into, Charis has comfortable space for perusing a magazine, meeting neighbors or nursing your baby. Sip a cup of tea while you browse the bulletin board and "free shelves" for housing, jobs, classes and goings on. Ask the helpful staff of book-lovers for their latest recommendations.

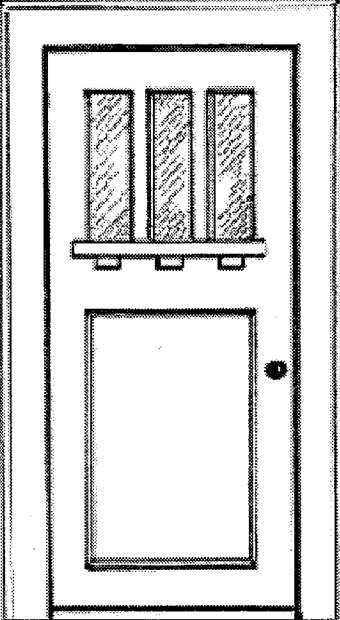
They'll offer you a flyer announcing upcoming Charis events. These are free, community programs that have always been a part of Charis but for the past 10 years have been produced under the auspices of the separate nonprofit organization, Charis Circle. There's a weekly group for high school women writers; there's an educational or cultural program every Thursday night for the community at-large; and there are several ongoing groups for women. For programs, the bookshelves are neatly rolled aside to create a larger gathering space within the store. For larger programs other venues are used, such as the First Existentialist Congregation on Candler Park Drive.

As part of Charis' 30th birthday celebrations, there have been parties, concerts, and many special author readings throughout the year. If you missed asha bandele and Alexis Gumbs, Shay Youngblood and Tayari Jones, or Dorothy Allison and Elizabeth

Anderson, stay tuned: favorite authors to come will include Pearl Cleage, Kay Hagan and bell hooks. Programs are posted on both the Charis Books and Charis Circle (chariscircle.org) web sites.

Charis Books and More and Charis Circle share a vision of a world where racism, sexism, classism, homophobia and all other forms of oppression no longer exist. Out of this feminist vision that honors the earth and people of every identity and distinction, they work independently and collaboratively to nurture inclusive community, value and promote independent thought and expression, support self-directed personal transformation, and facilitate collective action toward wholeness in the world.

Check it out! You can reach Charis at 404-524-0304, or just drop in! Support this and all the local, independent businesses that help give intown Atlanta living the welcoming, community-focused feeling we enjoy as residents of 30307.



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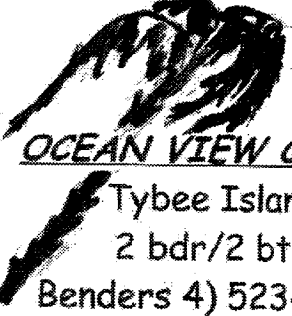


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Mary Lin Tours....

In the last year, Mary Lin has served as a national Core Knowledge visitation site, received several democratic learning grants, created a standing mural in conjunction with the Freedom Park Conservancy, and significantly increased both Georgia Criterion Reference Competency Test (CRCT) and Iowa Test of Basic Skills

(ITBS) scores in all grade levels. You may have most recently seen them at the Candler Park Fall Fest, celebrating children in the community by organizing the Children's Area. Now, you have opportunities to come and see Mary Lin.

Regularly-scheduled parent/community tours offer a time for you to hear from the principal of Mary Lin, Dr. Ginger Vail, and to tour the school. Each tour begins at 9:00 am in the office and lasts approximately 45 minutes. Dates for this year are as follows: November 10, January 13, February 15, March 25, and April 28.

Also, on November 16 at 6:30 pm in the media center, Dr. Vail will provide an overview of Mary Lin. Recent kindergarten parents will also be there to talk informally about what to expect in kindergarten.

For all events, please call 404.371.7158 and press 224 to RSVP. For additional information, you can also visit their new website at www.marylinelementary.com.

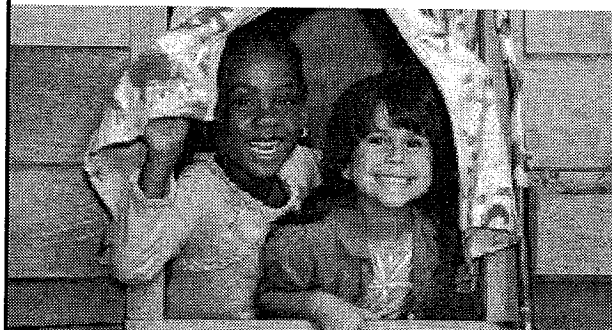
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LAND USE ISSUES

The following land use issues are scheduled to be heard and voted on at the November CPNO meeting. Land use issues to be voted on at the December meeting must be submitted prior to November 23.

1610 DeKalb Avenue - (V-04-298) - Randy Pimsler, agent for Shea Embry, owner of property at 1610 DeKalb Avenue, seeks (1) a variance to reduce the front yard to 0' in order to expand a non-conforming existing commercial structure, and (2) a special exception to allow for a shared driveway from adjacent property on Glendale Avenue. Applicant has advised that a 20' easement for ingress and egress has been filed of record in DeKalb County in Deed Book 12790, Page 312. This matter will be heard by Neighborhood Planning Unit "N" at 7PM at its November meeting (schedule TBA), and by the Atlanta Board of Zoning Adjustment at its regularly scheduled meeting at 1PM on Friday December 3rd at Atlanta City Hall, 2nd Floor Council Chambers.

1642 Clifton Terrace -- Druid Hills Civic Association has advised that a "border" issue may exist at 1642 Clifton Terrace, where there appears to be a non-conforming use that may be expanded in the near future. Briefly, this property, situated on the north side of Clifton Terrace just west of the Paradiso condominium development, appears to be zoned RG-3 (medium density multi-family), but the structure on the property is more consistent with the structure on a lot with R-4 zoning to the west. DHCA has concerns about expansion of the structure if developed in a manner inconsistent with the adjoining Druid Hills Landmark District standards. If any Candler Park residents along Clifton Terrace, Page Avenue, Clifton Road or Terrace Avenue have additional information or concerns about this possible redevelopment, please contact Walt Weimar.

NPU-N ISSUES

NPU-N meetings are held at 7PM, on the 4th Thursday of every month -- except this month when they'll be the 3rd Thursday -- 11/18 at Epworth Methodist Church. Candler Park residents are welcome to attend. Contact NPU-N representative Walt Weimar regarding any regularly-scheduled voting or agenda matters.

Text amendment to the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances considered by NPU-N -- A text amendment will be considered by NPU-N at its November meeting, and will be considered by ZRB at 6PM on December 2nd or 9th is Z-04-119 (to create R-2B as a new residential zoning classification).

2005-2020 Comprehensive Development Plan Public Workshops -- will be held in Old City Council Chamber at 55 Trinity Avenue, 10 AM to 12 Noon on various issues: November 6 - Parks and Greenspace; December 11 - Economic Development; January 22 - Transportation and Land Use; February 5 - Housing

CRIME REPORT

Reported 9/13-10/22, 2004, Zone 6 police records.

This month's crime report appears longer than recent months, but consider that it spans 6 weeks.

Please pay special not to the pedestrian armed hold-up on Iverson. There was no detailed description of the assailants or the vehicle they were driving. Be cautious when you have to go out late at night, especially when you are by yourself.

Expect for break-ins and burglaries to increase as we approach the holiday season. Remove valuables from your car. Consider double keyed deadbolts for your house, especially on doors near a window or in the rear of the house. Trim bushes close to the house that can provide a hiding place.

2100 block Moreland Ave, 9/10, home burglary.

1500 block Moreland Ave, 9/12, 12a, a man was found breaking into victim's car, as the perpetrator ran, he dropped some of the items.

1900 block Moreland Ave, 9/14, home burglary.

1100 block Euclid Ave, 9/28, home burglary.

400 block Oakdale Rd, 9/27, stolen car, Honda Accord.

200 block Elmira Place, 10/5, home burglary.

1100 block Euclid Ave, 10/5, office burglary.

400 block Oakdale Rd, 10/7, auto broken into, items stolen.

1300 block Iverson St, 10/10, 2a, man riding bicycle was hit by 2 B/M driving in their car. The passenger then pointed a small revolver at the him. The victim ran, heard 2 shots fired, but he wasn't hurt. He hid until police arrived. No descriptions available.

300 block Mell Ave, 10/10, shed broken into, lawnmower stolen.

300 block Glendale Ave, 10/10, political sign post pulled up from yard and used to vandalize screened porch.

600 block Page Ave, 10/11, attempted auto theft, steering column was broken.

300 block Moreland Ave, 10/16, auto broken into, items stolen.

400 block Candler Park Dr, 10/16, auto broken into, stereo system stolen.

1700 block Marlbrook Dr, 10/18, home burglary.

1700 block Marlbrook Dr, 10/20, home broken into, no items appeared to be stolen.

1800 block Marlbrook Dr, 10/22, home burglary.

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Proposed Amendments to the Candler Park Neighborhood Organization Bylaws

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Additions are underlined and in italics.

1. Article VI, 2.A shall be amended as follows:

A. President. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Organization and the Executive Committee, except at any such meeting at which his or her removal from office is to be considered as provided herein. Subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, the President shall prepare an agenda for each meeting of the Organization and of the Executive Committee. The President shall assemble a list of all proposed agenda issues, topics, ideas, votes, reports, and proposals to be placed before the Organization that were received by any or all members of the Executive Committee and/or the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger by the 26th of the month prior to the scheduled meeting. The President shall forward such list of proposed agenda items to the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger to be published in the Candler Park Messenger prior to the regularly scheduled meeting in which they are to be discussed. The President shall prepare or have prepared programs for the meeting of the Organization. The President shall see to it that the expressed will of the Organization is carried out. The President shall represent the Organization in all respects not reserved to other officers, committees or other persons.

2. Article VI, 2.E shall be amended as follows:

E. Vice President for Communications/ Secretary. The Vice President for Communications, who shall also be the Secretary of the Organization, shall keep minutes of the meetings of the Executive Committee and the Organization. The Vice President for Communications shall be responsible for providing a copy of the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization to the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger. The responsibilities of the Vice President for Communications regarding publication of minutes are defined in Article VIII, 5.A.

In the event that the Vice President for Communication is unable to appear at the Executive Committee meeting and/or the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization. The Vice President shall designate another Executive Committee member and/or a resident of the Organization to appear at the meeting, or meetings, in order to take the minutes of said Executive Committee or Organization meeting. This designate shall then forward all such minutes to the Vice President for Communications who shall in turn forward them to the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger. In the event that the Vice President of Communications continues to be unable to perform the duties of this office, the designate shall forward the minutes to the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger as well as the Organization Webmaster for publication on the Organization website. The designate shall follow the responsibilities as defined in Article VIII, 5.A.

The Vice President for Communications shall coordinate the production and distribution of the organization's newsletter and membership directory, and shall develop and implement programs designed to welcome new residents of the neighborhood and new members of the Organization. The responsibilities of the Vice President for Communications regarding distribution of the Candler Park Messenger are defined in Article VIII, 5.B. The Vice President for Communications shall maintain the neighborhood communication system through a network of street representatives.

3. Article VII, 1 shall be amended as follows:

1. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee of the Organization shall be composed of the Officers of the Organization. At the beginning of each year, the Executive Committee shall develop a proposed budget and program of activities for the Organization for that year, and shall announce its schedule of Executive Committee meetings for that year. ~~The Executive Committee shall approve the agenda for each meeting of the Organization.~~ The Executive Committee may act on behalf of the Organization between meetings of the membership of the Organization where it deems it to be appropriate, except in matters of major questions as defined in Article VIII.5. Any actions taken by the Executive Committee between meetings of the membership of the Organization must be reported as part of the agenda at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization. The Executive Committee may create such additional committees as it deems appropriate. The Executive Committee has such other powers and duties as may be set forth herein. Meetings of the Executive Committee are open to all members of the Organization and to such other guests as the Executive Committee may invite.

5. Article VIII, 5 shall be amended as follows:

5. All major questions before the Organization requiring a vote of the Organization (zoning issues and any expenditure of funds in excess of \$300.00) shall be advertised in the issue of the Candler Park Messenger immediately preceding such meeting. (Note: the original bylaws had the maximum expenditure set at \$100, this was amended to \$300 in 1999).

5. The explicit proposed agenda for the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization shall be published in the Candler Park Messenger, (under the Events Calendar on p.1), in the month in which the meeting is to be held. The proposed agenda shall have been received by the deadline set forth in Article VI.2.A. Publication of this agenda in the Candler Park Messenger shall constitute official, formal notice of the agenda to the Organization. The explicit agenda will contain a bulleted title list as follows:

- Officers reports
- Old business
- New business
- Scheduled votes
- Zoning and variance issues
- Announcements
- Issues from the floor

Under each bullet point there will be a description of each proposed agenda item that falls under the particular title.

For purposes of these Bylaws and the Agenda the following definitions shall be used:

- Officers Reports: such reports by officers of the Executive Committee as are to be made to the Organization at large, including but not limited to – the treasury balance, recent expenditures, news from the NPU-N and/or the city.
- Old Business: shall include but not be limited to – any and all issues, votes, discussions, ideas, major questions, topics, reports, proposals and/or announcements carried forward or deferred from previous meetings.
- New Business: shall include but not be limited to – any and all issues, votes, discussions, ideas, major questions, topics, reports, proposals and/or announcements brought before the Organization.
 - Major Question: any and all actions contemplated by the Organization, including but not be limited to – crime, safety, traffic, festivals, fund raisers, zoning issues, variances, land usage and development, preservation, committee requests and/or appointments, any expenditure of funds in excess of \$300, sidewalk repair/ construction/ obstruction, traffic calming measures, Candler Park Pool, Candler Park Golf Course, local parks usage, local parks design, and such issues as affect the neighborhood. (Note: the original bylaws had the maximum expenditure set at \$100, this was amended to \$300 in 1999).
- Scheduled votes: All major questions, as defined in Article VIII.5, before the Organization requiring a vote.
 - All major questions, as defined in Article VIII.5, before the Organization requiring a vote of the Organization shall be advertised in the issue of the Candler Park Messenger immediately preceding such meeting. This advertisement of the vote shall constitute official, formal notification of the vote to the Organization.
- Zoning and variance issues: all issues relating to the land usage, zoning, preservation, and/or variances of the Organization neighborhood. The boundaries of the neighborhood as defined in Article II.
- Announcements: any and all announcements that may be of interest to the Organization. Announcements may or may not be described in the agenda as the nature and timing of announcements is variable.
- Issues from the floor: any and all issues to be raised from the floor that have appeared after the agenda deadline set forth in Article VI.2.A. Issues to be raised from the floor will be noted as a list item but will not be described in the Candler Park Messenger as the nature and timing of these issues is variable.

The agenda for the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization shall also be published on the Organization website in order that the agenda shall be available to the Organization in electronic format. However this electronic publication shall not substitute for printed publication and shall not be considered official, formal notification. There will be a notice (with the web address, under the Events Calendar on p.1) in each issue of the Candler Park Messenger that the agenda is also available on the Organization website.

A. The Vice President for Communications shall be responsible for providing a copy of the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization to the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger, so that such minutes may be published in their entirety in the issue of the Candler Park Messenger immediately following the meeting at which the minutes were taken. The minutes from the previous month's regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization shall be published in each issue of the Candler Park Messenger in order that a record of each monthly meeting will be available to the neighborhood. This publication will constitute the official, formal minutes of the Organization meetings.

Such minutes of meetings shall include but not be limited to the following information – the disposition and vote tally of all votes taken (for, against, and abstain); amount of reported expenditures; treasury amount reported by the Vice President for Finance/Treasurer; news from NPU-N and/or the City of Atlanta; committee formations/appointments and contact information, and synopsis of all discussions held during the meeting.

The Vice President for Communications shall be responsible for providing a copy of the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization to the Organization Webmaster for publication on the Organization website at least 3 days prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization. The minutes from the previous month's regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization also be published on the Organization website in order that the minutes shall be available to the Organization in electronic format. However this electronic publication shall not substitute for printed publication and shall not be considered official formal publication. There will be a notice (with the web address, under the Events Calendar on p.1) in each issue of the Candler Park Messenger that a copy of the minutes is available on the Organization website. However, this electronic format publication shall not be the official minutes of the Organization meetings.

B. The Vice President for Communications shall coordinate the production and distribution of the Candler Park Messenger so that each household within the boundaries of the neighborhood, as defined in Article II, shall receive a copy no later than 3 days prior to the regularly scheduled meeting of the Organization. The Vice President for Communications shall also coordinate and arrange that copies of the Candler Park Messenger are available at the Candler Park Market and any other business or businesses deemed necessary. In the event that a print copy is unavailable, the Vice President for Communications, the Editor of the Candler Park Messenger and/or any other officer of the Executive Committee shall be available for contact by any resident of the neighborhood and shall coordinate delivery of a copy at the request of such resident.