**LOGAN PARK NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING**

**Wednesday, September 19, 2012 • 7:00 P.M.**

Logan Park Community Center at 13th and Monroe Street

This is an accessible event, all requests for accommodation are welcome.

If you live, work, or own property between Central, Broadway, Washington St. and 19th Ave. NE, you are a member of Logan Park Neighborhood Association.

**Agenda:** Updates on neighborhood issues, events, and voter registration.

**VOTER REGISTRATION**

Puede cumplir su inscripción de la elección otoñal durante de la junta comunitaria el 19 de septiembre, 2012, ubicado en el Centro Comunitario de Logan Park (690 13th Ave NE). También, vamos a dar mapas con las nuevas ubicaciones de votar a todos los residentes. Algunas de las ubicaciones han cambiado. Inscripción de votantes empieza a 6:30 de la tarde y la junta de la comunidad empieza a las 7.

Otras cosas de interés que vamos a discutir incluyen las estadísticas de crimen en nuestra área, el cierre de la Avenida Central NE en el año 2013 por 6 meses, y el desarrollo del edificio educativo de administración en 807 Broadway NE, con mucho más para discutir.

**FALL FINE ARTS SHOW SOLAR ARTS BUILDING**

Sponsored by the Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association (NEMAA), the Fall Fine Arts Show is an exhibit of more than 130 of our members’ work. It’s a great opportunity to view and purchase a vast collection of painting, photography, sculpture, mixed-media art, and much more — all in one location.

The 2012 Fall Fine Arts Show will be held at the newly remodeled Solar Arts Building’s 3rd floor gallery.

711 15th Ave. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413

Exhibit Dates: September 21 – October 20

(open to the public during weekends)

Opening Reception: Friday, September 21, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m., Free

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**CRIME REPORT FOR LOGAN PARK**

Crime is up in Logan Park Neighborhood compared to the same period of time in 2011. Overall an increase of part one crimes (major crimes) is 16% and part two crimes (not so major crimes) increase is 27%. That being said Logan Park remains very safe as there have been no homicides in the past two years, no arsons in two years and robbery has remained constant at 5 each year. Burglary as also remained even at 19 per year but there have been 9 new incidents since 7-18-12. (One way to remember the difference between a robbery and a burglary is to recall buildings are burglarized, people are robbed.)

The part one crimes that have caused the increase over last year are: aggravated assault, larceny, auto theft, and rape. There have been two rapes in 2012 versus one in 2011. Crime dot maps will be available at the September 19th meeting for review by the community. If you wish to start a block club contact, our crime prevention specialist Nick Juarez at Nicholas.Juarez@minneapolis.mn.gov or call him at 612-673-2797.

807 Broadway Task Force Update

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807 Broadway Task Force Update

**ACTIVITIES AT LOGAN PARK**

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Please register at your local Park. Proof of age is required at registration.

**OTHER ACTIVITIES AT THE PARK**

**Tai Chi**

Tuesday, Sept 18-October 23 6:30-7:30pm $50 This program is at Logan Park

**Paint & Play**

Friday, September 21-October 12 10am-12pm ages 3-6 $28 This program is at Logan Park

**Parent & Tot Music & Dance**

Saturday September 15-October 20 9:15-9:45am Ages 0-3 $42 This program is at Logan Park

**Creative Dance**

Saturday, September 15-October 20 10-10:45am ages 3-5 $45 This program is at Logan Park
The Task Force has created an email for questions or comments: 807BroadwayTaskForce@gmail.com.
There is also a Facebook page (807BroadwayTaskForce) for posting ideas for 807 Broadway. Or tell us in person – the next 807 Task Force meeting is Thursday 9/6 at 7pm at Logan Park.
Email us or check the Facebook page for future meetings.

NORTHERN METAL RECYCLING UPDATE

Northern Metal Recycling, NMR, is located at 2800 Pacific St N and is home to the giant metal shredder. NMR has applied for a permit to shred cars at that site across the Mississippi. LPNA sent a letter asking for an environmental review of the car shredding proposal. A public information meeting was held August 9th at the Park Board headquarters at 2117 W. River Rd. N. Over 50 people attended. Many asked questions or voiced concerns regarding the car shredding proposal. Currently, the MPCA (MN Pollution Control Agency) staff is preparing an Environmental Assessment Worksheet, EAW, for review at a MPCA citizen board meeting. It is unclear right now if that EAW will be presented at the next regularly scheduled board meeting the September 25th or if a special meeting to deal with Northern Metal’s proposal will be held separately. The MPCA citizen board will determine if an Environmental Impact Statement, EIS, will be required before permits for the car shredding can be given. An EIS would take 3-18 months and would determine the effects of car shredding at that site. Impacts on the river, noise levels, soils and many other factors would be measured if an EIS is granted by the MPCA citizen board. Apparently a Chinese firm has purchased Northern Metal Recycling and the shredded vehicles will be shipped down river and overseas. If you wish to be informed of the MPCA schedule to review this project contact the neighborhood office at loganparkna@aol.com or call 612-516-5762 and leave a message or you can contact the MPCA directly and get on their notification list.

BUSINESS BEAT

Logan Park Neighborhood Association testified at City Hall on behalf of all businesses on August 20th 2012 that the 3% across the board business licensing fee increases were going to be a burden on business formation and rental property owners in the neighborhood. LPNA encouraged the city council to reconsider the rate increase. It was pointed out that fees have not kept pace with the cost of inspections in many cases but city staff did not have a break down by inspection fee costs by type available at the meeting. This information will be provided before the next hearing in September.

There is a new restaurant at 1840 Central Ave NE called Maya Cuisine. There is a salsa buffet bar for those who eat in and a great take out service. The food is reasonably priced with most entrees costing 6.75 for more than a generous portion. The tortillas are hand-made are as the tostaditas. There are specialty soups featuring authentic Mexican fare like tripe and hominy. There are tasty vegetarian options available. Please support our local independently owned businesses whenever you are able.

The grand opening of the Solar Arts Building, located at 15th Ave NE and Quincy St NE was September 6th. The space is home to artists on the second floor, community event space on the third floor and Indeed Brewery on the first floor. A coffee shop is also planned for the first floor. This green building is available for rent for both events and art studios. If interested contact mike@solarartsbuilding.com or call 612-670-6715.

Indeed Brewery held it’s first tasting and launch party on August 15th and people showed up from all over the Twin Cities and beyond to taste Shanenigans Summer Ale. People were lined up twenty deep to get at the beer. A good time was had by all.

MISSISSIPPI WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION

MWMO, located at 2522 Marshall St NE sponsored two educational events in the past month reaching out to neighborhood and community organizations.

On July 31 MWMO sponsored a workshop on the river boat Mississippi Queen. The training was called, A View from the Big River: a Workshop on Land Use and Water Quality. LPNA sent two representatives to the training. Participants learned how to prevent erosion and how to keep the river healthy with proper storm water separation. The monitoring stations visible from on deck were pointed out along the river. MWMO monitors all the run off that enters the river and uses the data to determine how to best remediate the problems that are causing the river to be compromised. A feature of the training was also an explanation of the burial of Basset Creek that flows into the Mississippi by Boom Island from west of the river. What used to be marches and cranberry bogs is now Target Field.

MWMO trained interested groups on August 29th regarding grant programs available to neighborhoods, community groups or businesses. There are three types of grants, mini grants up to $2000.00 for small projects like rain gardens, planning grants up to $10,000.00 that are for assessing a large project and getting it shoved ready. A planning grant, for example, could be used to determine the best resolution to the lack storm water separation east of Monroe St NE to Central Ave NE from Broadway St NE to 18th Ave NE. A volunteer engineer or landscape architect is needed to help LPNA write such a grant application as a detailed assessment of water flows and technical expertise is required for all proposals. Action grants up to $50,000.00 are the largest grants available and they result from a planning grant that is succeeds in identifying a solution to an existing watershed problem.

Contact loganparkna@aol.com if you will lend us your expertise for this project.