



— LOGAN LEDGER —

Next Meeting: April 15, 2015 7 p.m. 690 13th Avenue Logan Park

Now Who Left All This Out Here?

Pearl Vork-Zambory

I'm not naming names here – particularly since that would run counter to my desire to remain blame-free – but for the third day in a row, someone has forgotten to make my bed.

The bedspread is heaped at its foot, the sheet still thrown back as if I've just left, and there is an open book on my pillow.

This is not how it looks in the magazines.

People think I'm funny – for a variety of reasons that don't bear close inspection – but I've been known to take vacation days just to stay home and rearrange furniture.

And now look at my yard: sand encrusted at the edges and littered with the tightly rolled remnants of enthusiastically hurled circulars. There is a balled-up sock on the boulevard. A Chinese menu from another neighborhood featuring luridly colored photos of combination platters and promising free delivery lies next to the steps.

Whoever was supposed to be fixing my bed has been neglecting my yardwork as well.

Ah, well, spring is here, isn't it; and that's what it's for, for starting again, a reminder that while winter had thought, casually, of killing you for, oh, five or six months, she has changed her mind. April is proof that Mother Nature loves us again, and it won't be long now before there are bare feet and hormonally charged teenagers running hither and yon.

Spring: Minneapolis welcomes you.

Pearl Vork-Zambory writes the Mon-Fri blog "Pearl, Why You Little...", about mass transit, corporate cubicle-ism, and whether or not she should worry about her cat's gambling addiction.

SAVE THE DATE Saturday May 16, 2015 10 am - 1pm Logan Park Community Center

Logan Park will be a temporary post office for canceling letters and postcards with a special Logan Park pictorial postal cancellation. The cancellation will have our logo and will say Logan Park is the birthplace of Art a Whirl. We will also have special Logan Park logo first class postage stamps for sale. We hope this will be the first in a series of postal cancellations and collectable stamp events in Northeast Minneapolis.

The Minneapolis Institute of Arts will be hosting a postcard making event at the same time and place . Bring your address book to send a special greeting to people you know.

What's happening in Logan Park

So what exactly does the Logan Park Neighborhood Organization do?

LPNA is your local source for community engagement and collective action. Getting involved means learning what's going on and having a voice in what happens in your neighborhood.

LPNA is the city-recognized organization to represent those who live and work in Logan Park Neighborhood.

LPNA receives city funding to provide community engagement.

LPNA has full non-profit (501c3) status. This means we can apply for grants and receive charitable contributions.

LPNA often collaborates with our Minneapolis park staff, but does not have authority or provide oversight over the actual park operation.

LPNA Board members are elected by the neighborhood to:

- Oversee LPNA's activities
- Ensure LPNA follows the city's rules and guidelines for expenditures and reporting
- Promote & develop the neighborhood and LPNA

If this sounds like fun, come to the April 15th meeting and nominate yourself for the board!

We have openings for both members and alternates. Election will be at the May 20th meeting.

But you don't have to be a board member to have all this fun. Attending the monthly LPNA meetings (3rd Wednesday of the month) will keep you well-informed. There is now free childcare provided at the park for the monthly LPNA meeting!

You can also help out on a committee or a project that you find interesting.

The Small Area Plan Committee is exploring doing such a plan and also the idea of a Conservation District (possibly the 1st one in Minneapolis)

Help develop an **Arts & Culture Project** – to be determined by the committee. We have the \$\$, we just need to figure out how to spend it!

Neighborhood Priority Planning – What would you like to see happen here in the next 3-5 years?

Plus there are volunteer opportunities working on ongoing LPNA activities: Communications, Finances and Outreach. - *See you on the 15th, join us!*

Pat Vogel Treasurer LPNA

At The Park

Congratulations to the Logan Park Wrestling Team & 11U Basketball Team for Winning the City Championship!

T-ball coach needed

Logan Park is in need of a T-ball Coach for 5-6 year olds.
Practices will be on Wednesday nights April 22-June 17th at Logan.
Games will be Thursday at Waite Park May 7-June 18th.
Must pass a background check.

Contact Heidi if you are interested 612-370-4927

Free T-ball

Thanks to a Generous Donation by the MN Twins T-ball will be free for 5 & 6 year olds.

Register now online at
www.minneapolisparcs.org

Activity # 48083
Practices are on Wednesdays starting April 22nd
Games on Thursdays Starting May 7th

Track & Field

Ages 9-18
Cost: \$30

Activity # 48264
Practices Tuesday April 28-June 23 & Thursday April 30-May 14 6-7:30 at Edison Track

Meets Thursdays April 30-June 25th 6-8:30pm at Roosevelt High School

Tai Chi

Tuesday April –May 19 6:30-7:30
\$50
Activity # 47549

Summer Programs Registration is going on now

There are still a limited number of opening for Camp NE Session 2 (Activity # 51512)

FREE Zumba

Ongoing, Saturdays, 10-11am

Are you ready to party yourself into shape? That's exactly what the Zumba program is all about. It's an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness- party that's moving millions of people toward joy and health.

Logan Park Past and Present Project

Do you or your family members have memories, photos, and/or stories to share about growing up and living in Logan Park? Does your house have a story? Do you know the stories of other houses in the neighborhood?

If so, please bring your stories and photos to the Logan Park Community Center or email them to reanne.viken@gmail.com.

Help us get to 150 members!

Next Door Logan Park is an online social network for residents of Logan Park. Find out what is happening here and in other North East Neighborhoods.

To join - go to:

<https://nextdoor.com>

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April 15th meeting agenda

- Metro blooms presentation about summer planting, upcoming rain barrel workshop
- NE Bike Ride
- NE Farmers Market
- New Distillery in the Thorp building
- Art A Whirl
- Clean Sweep

Logan Park Small Area Plan

The Small Area Plan Committee will be meeting the first two Mondays in May at 6pm at the Logan Park Community Center.

If you are interested in email updates, please contact Reanne.Viken@gmail.com.

Purchase compost bins or rain barrels

Start recycling your fruit and vegetable scraps, leaves and grass clippings into a nutrient-rich compost you can use in your yard or garden by purchasing a compost bin.

Hennepin County has compost bins for sale at the Hennepin County Drop-off Facility in Brooklyn Park. Compost bins are 3' x 3' x 3', made of cedar and wire mesh, and cost \$45. Bins are for sale during regular drop-off facility hours.

Capture rain water that you can reuse on your lawn or garden and reduce storm water runoff by installing a rain barrel. Order a rain barrel at a discounted rate through the Recycling Association of Minnesota for pick-up

<http://recycleminnesota.org/work/compost-bins-rain-barrels/>

CLEAN SWEEP APRIL 18TH

PLEASE PUT WASTE ITEMS OUT BY 9AM
SATURDAY APRIL 18

EXAMPLES: CARPET, AIR CONDITIONERS,
BEDSPRINGS, GARBAGE IN BAGS, LAWN
MOWERS, COMPUTERS, MONITORS & TIRES

CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR FULL LIST.

HAZARDOUS WASTE WILL NOT BE
COLLECTED. VOLUNTEERS MEET AT THE
PARK 9AM COFFEE AND LUNCH PROVIDED.

