You Never Can Tell with Those City Chickens

By Pearl Vork-Zambory

Having been a part of this neighborhood for over a dozen years, I can tell you: Logan Park has many enviable features. There's the guy with the boom box at the tennis court offering admission-free studies in interpretive dance. There are the many fine food trucks parked outside our many fine brew pubs.

And there's the recent flurry of online activity regarding a rogue chicken.

Ladies and gentlemen, there's a feral chicken in our midst.

Facebook and Nextdoor Logan Park have been rife with speculation as to whom said chicken could belong. Is it the guy on Adams, over by Denny? Or maybe the guy on Washington? Maybe the chicken is branching out. Maybe it would like to spend some time with Bill, a man with other chickens to keep it company and a yearly Bloody Mary Art-A-Whirl Breakfast.

Maybe the chicken will move from house to house and then head south with the snow birds once winter comes.

Maybe it's Henny Penny and the sky is, finally, falling.

Who can tell?

Frankly, I know very little about chickens, their ability to tell the future or their migratory habits. Perhaps this sort of thing happens in all communities. Perhaps there are people in Chicago talking right now about the chicken in the alley, wondering where it came from, what it's doing there, how it would taste after a little time in a light brine and followed with a cornbread stuffing.

No, no, no. That's ridiculous, isn't it? I'm sure I'm overthinking this alley-chicken thing.

And everyone knows we're saving the brine for the wild turkeys in the neighborhood.

"And it's Root, Root, Root for the Home Team..."

Please turn in this puzzler with correct answers to the box at the front desk of Logan Park Community Center by 4 PM on Monday.

July 14th. A winner will be selected at random from all correct entries. The winner will receive a gift card from Maya Restaurant.

Let's play ball with a few questions to test your baseball knowledge.

What was the name of the Twins franchise before they moved to Minnesota?

What is one of the most famous baseball players to have a candy bar named after him?

Minneapolis once had a women's professional baseball team - what was the name of the team?

What year did Willie Mays play for the Minneapolis Millers?

In what years and at what venue did Minnesota host the MLB All-Star game (including this year)?

In what inning is the song "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" sung?

In 1994, what Twins player won the Silver Slugger Award?

What is the brand name for the official ball of Major League Baseball in 2014?

What are the names of the nine fielding positions on a baseball team?

Name			
Phone			
Email			

July/August 2014



LOGAN LEDGER —

LOGAN PARK NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Upcoming meeting Wednesday, July 16th, 2014 • 7:00 P.M We will not meet in August-See you in September! 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: Summer updates and looking at fall projects.

"Like" us at "Logan Park Neighborhood Association" on Facebook.





Call for Ideas

Project: Refresh/rework the garden at the 13th Ave. NE entrance to the Logan Recreation Center.

Positives: Change the look and feel of the entry to the building.

Opportunities: The Minneapolis Parks & Recreation Department is reaching out to the Logan Park neighborhood for ideas to consider for this refresh/rework.

Issues: Weeds, persistent thistles, current pattern of drought in July and August all point to the need for a garden that could grow in such as a way as to require minimal maintenance while being visually appealing.

Ideas: It would be appreciated if all suggestions keep in mind the concerns in the Issues.

While Garden Committees/Clubs or other current or future neighborhood commitments to help maintain, water, weed

and mulch this garden would be welcome the basics of the new garden should be considered as self-sufficient with occasional weeding, mulching and/or watering by Park & Rec personnel.

Deadline for suggestions is Friday, August 29th. All suggestions will be submitted to the Park & Rec Department which will follow up with our neighborhood at a future association meeting.

Please mail all suggestions to the Logan Park Neighbor Association office at:1330 Van Buren Street NE, 55413

Attn: Park Garden

Or email, Subject: Park Garden loganparkna@aol.com

"Movie-in-the- Park" Costume Contest

Despicable Me 2 is showing in Logan Park on Monday, July 21st at dusk. Come dressed as a minion or any of the other characters from the movie. The audience will be the judges and prizes will be awarded for best costumes.

Free Summer Lunches Cost: FREE Ages 1-18, Mon-Fri, June 9 - Aug 15, 11:30am-1pm

Free Summer Snack 3-4pm Logan is the place to go this summer for a delicious and well-balanced lunch and afternoon snack, both provided to you by the Minneapolis Public Schools. All food must be consumed on site from 11:30am-1pm. Ages 1 to 18 years old strictly enforced. Snack will be served from 3-4pm daily. No lunch July 4th. Open Streets July 27th from 10:00 AM to 4 PM 18 1/2 Ave NE to 26th Ave NE

Household Hazardous Waste

Aug. 21-23 340 27th Ave. NE Minneapolis, MN 55418 Check the Hennepin website for details www.hennepin.us

NNO is Tuesday August 5th

Have you thought about a street party this year for National Night Out?

You will need permission of 75% of your neighbors to be approved for street closure —keep their names and addresses handy in the event your permit application needs to be reviewed. If you register by July 22 you can block your street for free. If you register from July 23 through July 31, there is a \$100 fee. You will not be able to block off your street if registering after July 31. You can register on line at: http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno/nno_register

Remember to put your porch lights on at 6 PM that evening to put a light on crime. Neighbors working together make Logan Park safer.

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JOB OPENING for TUTORS

The Minnesota Reading Corps and Minnesota Math Corps are currently recruiting full-time Preschool and Elementary Literacy Tutors and Math Enrichment Tutors for the 2014-15 school year in schools across Minneapolis. Basic eligibility requirements are a high school diploma or GED and US citizenship or permanent residency. Positions are available in several Twin Cities area schools and full-time tutors are eligible for a biweekly living stipend of \$526, limited benefits including health coverage, and valuable training in research-based strategies. In addition, full-time tutors are eligible for an education award of \$5,645 that can be used to pay for college or other education expenses. Some part-time positions (20 hours per week, 4 hours per day) are also available. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis on www.minnesotareadingcorps.org and www.minnesotamathcorps.org.

LOGAN PARK SPORTS:

Fall sport registration is open

10U Football

Youth must have been born between 9/1/04 - 9/1/06 to be eligible for this league.

Cost: \$50

12U Football

Youth must have been born between 9/1/02 - 9/1/04 to be eligible for this league.

Cost: \$50

15U Volleyball

Youth must have been born between 9/1/99 - 9/1/01 to be eligible for this league.

Cost: \$30

13U Volleyball

Ages: Youth must have been born between 9/1/01 - 9/1/03 to be eligible for this league.

Cost: \$30

Fundamental Soccer Little Kickers

Ages 5-6 Cost: \$25

Fundamental Soccer Little Strikers

Ages 7-9 Cost: \$25

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GUIDELINES

- Follow the signs and stay in line.
- Be prepared to show your driver's license or other proof of county residence.
- Events will be shut down during inclement weather.
- Secure products so they don't tip over or leak.

MATERIALS ACCEPTED

Household, lawn and garden products

- Adhesives (flammable or petroleum based)
- Aerosols (pressurized or containing product)
- Batteries
- Cleaners
- Drain cleaner
- Driveway sealer
- Fire extinguishers
- Flammable products
- Gas cylinders propane less than 40 lbs.; specialty gases less than 59 lbs. will be evaluated; some may not be accepted due to management restrictions
- Paint (limit three 5-gallon pails; no limit on pails 1-gallon or smaller)
- Paint thinners, solvents and strippers
- PCB ballasts (must be removed from fixtures)
- Pesticides, insecticides and herbicides
- Photographic and hobby chemicals
- Pool chemicals
- Rechargeable tools
- Wood preservatives
- Fluorescent bulbs and HID lamps (limit 25)
- Thermometers
- Thermostats
- Diesel fuel
- Fuel additives
- Gasoline (containers will not be returned)
- Kerosene
- Starter fluid
- Vehicle lead-acid batteries
- Waxes
- NO motor oil

Not accepted

- Appliances
- Asbestos
- Electronics Explosives
- Garbage (food waste, furniture, carpet, lumber, empty paint cans, etc.)

- Gas cylinders propane greater than 40 lbs.; gases requiring special management and all gases greater than 59 lbs.
- Medicines or infectious wastes find medicine disposal drop boxes
- Motor oil and filters
- Photocopiers
- Radioactive wastes (i.e. smoke detectors)

Central Avenue Legal Help and Party

Two events are schedule in July and August to help the businesses, in the affected area, that are closed or detoured due to the bridge construction. The seminar will be in two sessions. First session goes from 2-3 PM and is for all businesses. The second session is for businesses who wish to have a oneon-one free consultation with Legal Corps lawyers who are volunteering their time to assist businesses. There are only 10 slots for the one-on-one session so register at loganparkna@aol.com prior to the event to get instructions on what paperwork to bring so the attorneys present can assist you. For example, items to bring could include leases, contract for deed documents, proof of business disruption or loss of income etc. etc. Depending on demand other legal help sessions may be arranged.

First the Legal Assistance Workshop will be held at 2 PM on Friday July 25th at the Nimbus Theatre 1517 Central Ave NE. All businesses are invited to attend irrespective of location. This free seminar will focus on three law topic areas to help local businesses affected by the infrastructure disruption. The topics are as follows: The MNDOT Construction Contractwhat does it say in plain English, Right-of-Way laws and ordinances, Real Estate and Property law in a infrastructure improvement zone.

Second a free street party will be held August 16th beginning at 4 PM with local bands playing a variety of music. There will be dancing in the street, children's games, artist pop-up sale booths, and three legged races and other fun. Residents are encouraged to come and boost the area revenue by purchasing food, materials and beverages from local businesses such as Ideal Diner, Diamonds Coffee Shoppe, Interior Gardens, Maya Cuisine, The Mill, Social Cider Werks, Indeed Brewery, 612 Brewery and many, many, others.