

General Meeting: November 15th 2017 7pm 690 13th Ave Logan Park

LPNA General Community Meeting Agenda Childcare is provided

Speaker: Nick Juarez, a Crime Prevention Specialist from the Minneapolis Police Department Crime Prevention Specialists work with residents and businesses to recruit and train block leaders to get block clubs started, publish and distribute crime alerts and resolve complaints about problem properties.

Opportunities to give input on the City's 2040 Comprehensive Plan:

The Minneapolis Dept. of Community Planning and Economic Development wants to hear what **YOU** think of their ideas and goals for Minneapolis in 2040. Refreshments from local vendors will be served.

Tuesday, December 2nd Saturday, December 5th S:30pm-7:30pm Thursday, December 9th Saturday, December 11th S:30pm-7:30pm Saturday, December 11th S:30pm-7:30pm Van Cleve Park, 901-15th Ave SE Fairview Park Gym, 621 N 29th Ave Roosevelt High School Gym, 4029 S 28th Ave MLK Park Multi-Purpose Room, 4055 Nicollet Ave

Preserving Local History

Michael Tolan, Community Engagement Coordinator

In 2017, for the fifth consecutive year, Minneapolis topped the Trust for Public Land's list of Best Park Systems in the nation. The Trust calculates their ranking using a metric called ParkScore, which measures the size of a city's parks, the investment in them, and how many citizens can easily access them.

For anyone living in the city, it's not hard to understand the ranking. What it doesn't necessarily capture though, but perhaps reflects, is how residents value their urban greenspace. This is also easy to observe. Go to nearly any Minneapolis park and you'll find a flurry of activity—kids playing on playgrounds, kickball leagues, broomball tournaments, long walks, triathlons and road races—during every season. The recreation centers host community education classes, neighborhood meetings, basketball games, and political debates. This isn't the case for every city, even ones with great parks. Minneapolitans' relationship with their parks was built over many decades, and the result of calculated decisions to make the parks more than a natural relief in an urban landscape. It's undoubtedly an accumulated effect, but part of that for success can be found in one park in Northeast Minneapolis.

Logan Park, located in a neighborhood of the same name, is one of the city's oldest. Firmly situated on the 45th parallel—exactly halfway between the equator and the north pole—Logan Park has been the physical and social center for the neighborhood for well over a century. The Park Board acquired it in 1883—one of its first four—though it was originally called Ward 1 Park. Its pioneers fortunately had the foresight to rename it something catchier, and decided to honor Civil War general John Logan instead.

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Lights of Logan Annual Lighting Contest

Lights of Logan starts on Sunday December 17th and the judging will begin at 5:00 pm. Have your lights on in your yard or on your house to be considered for the contest.

1st place winner: December electric bill paid 100%

2nd place winner: December electric bill paid 75%

3rd place winner: December electric bill paid 50%

If you are a winner, please bring your electric bill to the January Community Meeting.

Logan Park Logo T-shirts

Logan Park logo t-shirts will be available for sale at the November 15th general meeting. Cost is \$10.00 and sizes range from XS to XXL.

Energy Savings Customized For Your Home

Logan Park Neighborhood Association is excited to be offering Home Energy Squad Enhanced visits for \$60 to neighborhood residents! Call 612-335-5874 to schedule a discounted visit.

The visit includes:

- A walk around your home with an energy expert that will Install energy saving materials at no extra cost.
- A blower door test to measure your home for air leaks and an insulation inspection will be performed.
- A safety test on your home's heating system and water heater
- Lastly the crew will review possible next steps, financing options, and available rebates. What a deal!

Northeast Farmers Market Winter Market

Third Sunday of the month from November-March 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Solar Arts by Chowgirls 711 15th avenue NE Mpls MN 55413 www.northeastmarket.org

Fare For All

Holiday Food Package available Friday, November 17, 2017 and December 15, 2017 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Sprinkler Fitters Union Hall 1404 Central Ave Mpls MN 55413 www.fareforall.org

Vote in the 2017 Municipal Elections

Vote on Tuesday November 7th. Logan Park is in Ward 1

http://vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/register

The John Servaty Memorial Toy Drive

October 20th through December 18th 2017 Your donations are greatly appreciated! elsa.sergura@hennepin.us, 612-348-8078

Sports and Programs at the Park

Children Programs

My Friends Preschool at Logan Park

Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9:30am to 12:00pm Dates are:

Nov. 1- Nov. 30 Dec. 5- Dec. 21

Ages 3 through 5, Cost is \$75-110 *Must be potty trained*

Indoor Playground at Logan Park

October 2nd through December 15th from 10:00 am to 12:00 on Mondays and Fridays
Ages 1 through 6, *Must be accompanied by Adult*

\$3 Resident, \$4.50 Non-resident

Indoor Playground

Monday & Fridays 10-Noon Ages –Under 6

\$3 per family

Naturalist Round Up

Wednesdays 5-6pm

Naturalist will "round up" available kids for fun, hands-on activities and games. Topics will vary based on the kids interest and age.

NO need to register, just stop on by.

FREE

Adult Programs

Pickleball at Logan Park

September 8th through December 29th on Fridays from 1:00 to 3:00pm

\$4 a session

Zumba at Logan Park

September 2nd through December 30th on Saturdays from 10:00am to 11:00am

Cost is \$20, *pre-register*

\$20 registration fee will allow you to participate in Zumba at Bottineau, Windom & Logan until the end of December.

Tai Chi-Session 2 at Logan Park

Oct 31st through December 19th on Tuesdays from 6:15pm to 7:15 Ages 18+, Cost is \$42, *Pre register*

Sports at Logan Park

Registrations start November 1st for Winter Sports

11U Girls Basketball

Birth dates 9-1-06 – 9-1-08 Practices will start mid-November Games will be Saturday starting January 6th WE HAVE A COACH Cost \$40

6U-14U Wrestling

Birth dates 9-1-12- 9-1-03

Practices will start Monday, November 27th Monday practices at Logan 6:30-8pm Tuesday practices at Columbia Heights 6:30-8pm Meets will be Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursdays Starting January 9th Some Saturday Tournaments Cost \$40

6U Basketball

Ages 5 & 6 Practice Thursday 6-7pm Games Friday, January Cost \$30 NEED A COACH

8U Basketball

Ages 7 & 8 Practice Thursday 7-8pm Games Friday, January Cost \$30 NEED A COACH

Youth Hockey

As requested!

Logan also offers many other programs including Preschool, Free Yoga, Tai Chi, Self Defense, Ceramics, Pickleball, Teen Open Gym.
Check out our many offerings at www.minneapolisparks.org

Just because the hockey boards are up...doesn't mean the ice is ready. Weather permitting, we are scheduled to open December 17th. Please be patient, Mother Nature must cooperate with us for that to happen. The rink will be open Monday – Friday 3-9pm, Saturday 10-9pm and Sunday noon-6pm.

Speed Limit Signs for Alleyways Proposal We need your help!

The Logan Park neighborhood has been changing for several decades. More business, more artists, more restaurants, and microbreweries have all moved into our neighborhood. When I first moved into Logan Park over thirty years ago, most of the families that lived around me had raised their families and had retired. Our children at the time were young and they had very few kids to play with. In time alleys changed too. Many people who started to move into the neighborhood never grew up around alleys so they treated them much like they did the streets. However if you travel down our narrow alleys at the same speed you do on residential streets you will eventually hit something living. We are seeing more children now in our neighborhood and we do not want to see tragedy strike simply because we aren't paying attention to the alley speed limits.



Many years ago, there were posted signs at each end of the alley to remind drivers that the speed limit is 10 mph. Today those reminders are gone and the Logan Park Neighborhood association wants to bring them back. The board agreed that they would pay for the signs and we had a team of people ready to attach them to the light poles in our alleys, but when we checked with Excel Energy about attaching signs to their poles, they denied our requests. We appealed to their sense of safety for the neighborhood, but they were concerned about their liability. So we are appealing to the neighborhood to allow us to attach a metal sign to an alley fence or garage at strategic sites at the beginning of each alley in the Logan Park District. We have about 40 professionally made signs that are waiting for a place to be attached. If you would give us permission to attach a sign to your property reminding drivers of the speed limit in our alleys, it would be a step closer in making our neighborhood safer for everyone.

Larry Kutzler, Logan Park Neighborhood Association Board Member

