LOGAN PARK
NEIGHBORHOOD
ASSOCIATION

To Enhance and Preserve Our Community

Newsletter
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Spring greetings from your neighborhood organization - Logan Park Neighborhood Association (LPNA). With the winter blahs behind, our neighborhood can look forward to a productive spring, summer and fall. We had a busy and active winter. The following items of interest were covered at our meetings:

- Pros and cons of a possible grocery store at 18th and Central Avenues Northeast.
- Organization of the Neighborhood Crime Watch block force.
- Investigation of any voiced complaints and notification of such to the necessary agent.
- Various speakers were brought in to address topics of concern in our neighborhood.
  - Neighborhood Revitalization Program
  - Congress of Neighborhoods
  - Bill Shaffer - SAFE Program
  - Dick Schupien - Senior Co-op Housing
  - Eric Natheson - Micro Loan Program

Spring has finally sprung and that means down to work. We can improve our neighborhood, but we'll need your help and input.

Again we hit the jackpot - the neighborhood will have another clean-up program on Saturday, September 21st. We will not be able to pick up appliances this year. The city does pick up two large appliances on their regular garbage day pick-up; just attach a "take me" note. More details about the program will follow.

Yard waste collection information was left in your garbage cart. Any questions - call 522-6644.

A very important topic concerning the neighborhood will be presented on May 4th at Logan Park Community Center. It will cover the Home Improvement Loans and Grants offered through MCDA. With this program, both owners and renters can improve our neighborhood.

A reason to be concerned about improving our homes is that the old homes here have been painted with lead paint. Lead poisoning can cause serious complications, especially with children. MCDA has a lead abatement program.
Logan Park Neighborhood Association (LPNA) meets monthly, on the 3rd Wednesday, at 7:00 pm, in the Logan Park Community Center, located at 13th and Monroe Streets Northeast. Child care is provided. Our next meeting is Wednesday, April 17th at 7:00 pm. It is our annual election of officers. Also on the agenda will be:

- Home improvement loans and grants through MCDA
  Ben Cooper and Pat Connor will discuss the organizational procedure to be conducted on the May 4th meeting.
- Clean-up program • Crime prevention program • Update on grocery site

The Logan Park Neighborhood (LPNA) has recently joined forces with the Sheridan neighborhood organization, S.T.A.Y., in applying for money from the Year of the City Fund to continue and expand the "Bicycle Cop Patrol" that was so successful last year.

If the money needed for this program is awarded again, it will include expanding the patrol into the Logan Park area all the way up to and including Monroe Street on the east and 18th Avenue on the north. It will also offer the opportunity for more people to become directly involved in the Community Crime Prevention network being established through the LPNA.

In order for this program of police bicycle patrols to work as well as it did last year, we will be looking to add at least ten “block coordinators” to assist the police in getting to know the Logan Park neighborhood and keeping them informed of any suspected criminal activities.

With the warm weather well on its way, we can all expect an increase in questionable activities throughout our area. This could prove to be an excellent chance for you to do something to help keep things under control.

Shed Some Light on the Problem

With just a flip of the switch, we can send a message of welcome to our friends and the opposite signal to those intending burglary or other crimes. Burning a 40 watt bulb for 12 hours cost 33¢ a month. With lighting at the front or rear entrance, we can reduce crime, give our streets and alleys a facelift and boost our image of a cheery, active and friendly neighborhood.

The Mpls Police Department is introducing the C.A.T. (Combat Auto Theft) program. It is an innovative new program designed to deter auto theft. There is an easy but comprehensive procedure to follow. It has been initiated in several states and it works. For more detailed information, call the 2nd precinct - 348-2391.

A "911" flyer is inclosed with this newsletter. Everyone should read over the information, especially children.
Important Items

The Minneapolis/St. Paul Home Tour will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 4th & 5th. This is the fourth year. The idea is to show off remodeled older homes. One of our own Logan Park Homes was in the event last year. We have a few beautiful homes in our locality. I wish we would show them off. It would show that we are a vibrant neighborhood. It's a fun event.

Another episode happening this fall is the Garden Tour & Tea Party. It also sounds like a fun event. We'll keep you posted on the development of this event.

What is this ozone loss? It has to do with our environment, which covers a multitude of factors - soil, climate and living things.

Pollution is everywhere. If we don't try to curtail the damage it is causing, our children and their children will end up with a planet not worth living in.

One method of combatting pollution is recycling. It is a sorry state of affairs when one half of the population recycles, and less than one quarter of those recycle paper. If all American households recycled newspapers, we could save a million trees every two weeks.

Celebrate Earth Day, April 22

Help beautify your home and keep Logan Park Neighborhood green. Remember that a healthy shade tree can add up to $2,000.00 to your property value. If your boulevard needs a tree, call the Minneapolis Forestry Department at 348-4448 to request one.

Arbor Day is April 26 and Arbor Month is May. Do something positive for the environment; plant a tree.

We hope that our notes in the "Northeaster" and our flyers and newsletters are keeping you informed about what is happening in the Logan Park neighborhood. If there is a concern you would like to see addressed at a future LPNA meeting, please leave a message at 782-0700.
Logan Park is the birthplace of Northrup King and Medtronics (started by a resident entrepreneur in his garage on 19th Avenue), the home of the Firefighters Memorial Museum, the Minneapolis Public Schools Educational Service Center, and the Northeast Senior Citizen Resource Center.

The Logan Park Neighborhood Association identity graphic is the original plan of the parkgrounds. It was submitted to the Minneapolis Board of Park Commissioners 100 years ago by Professor H.W.S. Cleveland, landscape architect. The plan, and then the park, featured a large central fountain and carefully designed walkways, shrubbery, and trees.