SPRING 2007

LOGAN PARK NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Wednesday, March 21, 2007 • 7:00 p.m. Logan Park Community Center at 13th and Monroe Street

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

Agenda

How can we be proactive on summer disturbances? The new website for LPNA. Update on community projects. Beer and wine license for Diamonds Coffee Shop. What's happening in our part of the Arts District.

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. We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month to act as a forum for what is going on in the neighborhood.

CLEAN SWEEP IS COMING

Logan Park is not scheduled for the Inspection Sweeps until later this year, but LPNA is offering our annual spring cleaning event, the Clean Sweep, coming on

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY

5TH. This is where neighbors get together to work with one or two

regular city packer trash trucks to do an extra run. Because we the neighborhood supply the labor, some of the requirements are loosened....one good one is that if you are throwing out carpet, you don't have to slice it into narrow strips.

If we get lots of volunteers, it only takes a couple of hours. Our NRP funds have paid for the trucks



and drivers. Place items at your regular trash pick-up site, and label it for "Clean Sweep". Save anything that can be recycled for your regular recycling day, and yard waste needs to wait for regular city pick-up,

to be taken to their own special drop area due to safety concerns. We are not allowed to take construction waste, so sorry, you still need to get a dumpster for those big projects. Look for more info next month, and plan to join the crew. We start before 9, and meet for a breakfast when we are done. It's a great way to see your neighborhood from the alleys.

Questions? Call Christine at 788-7863.

The next LPNA meetings are: March 21st, April 18th, and May 16th.

Board elections are in May, let us know in April if you could lend your ideas and a few hours a month for our community.

AT THE PARK: SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Ages 11-17 Monday nights 5:00-6:00 Learn different techniques from a local HIP HOP ARTIST

Thursday is Youthline Kitchen Club...you like to eat, right? Cook with friends from 6:30-7:30

Ages 5-12 Tues, Wed, and Thurs Art classes 4:30-6:30 with Renatta. Pottery on some of the Wednesdays!

There will be Egg decorating, Sewing, Nature drawing and planting personal gardens to take home.

Note to the current pottery class.... Renatta found an electric wheel. Hurray!

NEIGHBORHOOD LIVABILITY CONNECTIONS

The *Minneapolis Defender* is a free newspaper that you will see once a month, it will be a source of safety and livability issues that concern our community. You can also check online at www. MinneapolisDefender.com

Many of you already are connected to the Northeast Patrol, groups of neighbors who regularly walk the NE area, to reclaim the streets back from criminals. They also are responsible for keeping us posted on crime stats, names and addresses of those arrested in the 2nd precinct, and updates on livability issues. Check them out at info@nepatrol. Some good folks have been putting in countless hours in our behalf.

GRAFFITI: Minneapolis code states that the owner of any property must remove graffiti within 20 days of its appearance, and quick removal seems to be the best tool to use against it. Dail 911 to report graffiti in progress. To report tags that are not in progress, call 311 or 612-673-3000, or email your report to www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/graffiti. Don't be afraid to ask neighbors for help removing it. With the warm weather coming on, we can expect an increase in graffiti.

SPRING BREAK ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

MONDAY

1:30-3:00 art projects 3:00-5:00 board games 6:00-7:00 baking cookies 7:30-8:30 card games

TUESDAY

1:30-4:00 Bowling field trip (you must sign up) 6:00-8:00 art projects 6:30-8:30 talent show

WEDNESDAY

1:00-3:00 Bingo for prizes 3:00-5:00 baking brownies 7:30-8:30 dodgeball

THURSDAY

1:30-3:00 cooking with "Chef D" 3:00-5:00 hooping in the gym 6:00-8:00 movies

FRIDAY

1:30-3:00 relay races 3:00-4:00 Scooter Ooter time 6:00-9:00 open gym

Youthline, call Sarah 612-230-6486 Logan Park Arts, call Renatta 612-781-3735

TINY TOTS

Tiny tots Pot Luck Brunch Monday April 2nd, 9:30-11:30

If you are a senior who lives in the Logan Park neighborhood and need a ride to weekly appointments, call the North East Senior Citizen Resource Center RIDES program at 612-781-5096.

RIVER DISTRICT EGG HUNT

North Mississippi Regional Park
4900 N. Mississippi Court
Saturday, March 31st • 10:30-noon
free for ages under 12 and their families
prizes, magic show, face painting,
farm animals, and games.
Bring an item for the food shelves.
Please R.S.V.P by
Thursday, March 29
by calling 612-230-6435



FOR THE GARDENERS PLANT SALES

Eastside Co-op Plant Sale May 12th and 13th, 9:00-6:00 at the Co-op parking lot, 2551 Central Ave. Check it out at eastsidefood. coop/springplantsale.htm

Another big plant sale that weekend:

Marcy Open School, located at 415 4th Avenue SE in Minneapolis, holds its 22nd annual plant sale fundraiser. The two day sale begins on Friday, May 11, 2007 from noon to 7:00 PM and continues on Saturday, May 12, 2007 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Master Gardeners will be on site to answer your gardening questions. Sale items include annuals, perennials, herbs, vegetables, and Endless Summer Hydrangeas. Apartment dwellers can purchase our special "Plant-in-a-Can" kit for \$5.00. For a complete list of plants, including color pictures, go to http://marcy.mpls.k12.mn.us/parent and look for the "plant sale" link. Order forms are also available by March 28, 2007 upon request by contacting the school. Proceeds go to support classroom instruction.

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BLOOMS DAY

MAY 5TH 9-2 AT THE NOKOMIS CENTER, 2401 E. MINNEHAHA PKWY Guest speaker is Rebecca Kolls. There will be Master Gardeners on hand.

RAIN GARDEN WORKSHOPS

There will be ten metro workshops on RAIN GARDENS. One will be at Logan Park, Tuesday April 24th, 6:30-8:30. You need to register in advance, the fee is \$15.00. Mail check or money order to Metro Blooms, c/o Pat Gill, 2223 7th St. NE, Mpls, MN 55418, note Workshop #7 for Logan Park, include your contact info. You can also go online http://www.MetroBlooms.org

ROLL OUT THE RAIN BARREL

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency awarded the City a \$100,000 grant to provide 2,000 rain barrels to Minneapolis households at a reduced price (\$45).



A rain barrel helps to manage storm water. It collects runoff from roofs when it rains. A downspout from a gutter on a roof's edge empties into the rain barrel, which is equipped with a spigot that connects to a standard garden hose. By storing water for later use, you can irrigate your lawn and gardens, reduce water consumption, and protect the water quality of our lakes and streams.

Starting in mid- to late March, Minneapolis residents will be able to order Rain Barrels on-line (or by phone for those who do not have internet access). Sales will be limited to one per household. When the online order-placing process is ready to go, Public Works will send a memo to neighborhood organizations and activate the online-ordering websites. To check for online ordering, to see what a rain barrel looks like, and to find answers to frequently asked questions about rain barrels, go to http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/cso/rain-barrel.asp.

FUN DATES TO REMEMBER

New Salvation Army building at 2727 Central Ave Open House March 31, 1-5 pm

North East Salon at Madison Lofts the evening of April 24, a creative discussion

Mpls/St.Paul Home Tour...April 28, 29th

Logan Park Neighborhood Clean Sweep early Saturday morning, May 5th

Art-a-Whirl May 18, 19, and 20

Dedication of the Central/Broadway Railing and Public Art Project May 18th

Northeast Parade June 19

LEAVE YOUR LEGACY: PLANT A TREE THIS SPRING

Planting a tree is the easiest way to improve the value of your property, reduce your energy needs, and improve our water air and water quality. This Spring, the City of Minneapolis and Tree Trust are providing 1,500 trees to Minneapolis property owners for less than the cost of a tank of gas. For \$15, you can purchase a tree for your yard. This year, starting the week of March 5th, you can order online: www. treetrust.org Order before April 15th. Pick-up dates are May 19 - 22 at the Soccer Field across from Lincoln Elementary School, 2131 -12th Avenue North.

Tree species include:

Cathedral Elm: resistant to Dutch elm disease

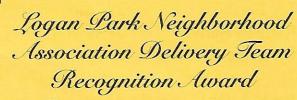
Bur Oak: this Minnesota native and king of the forest can leave your legacy for the next 100 to 200 years

River Birch: with exfoliating cinnamon bark provides winter interest, this tree grows as well along rivers as it does in your yard.

Austrian Pine: an evergreen that can help to provide a windbreak and energy savings

Cockspur Hawthorn: attracts birds and looks like a crabapple, but is more disease-resistant

Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry: the most popular tree in last year's tree sale. Birds love the red fruit, and you'll love the red fall color.





The March 2007 LPNA
Delivery Team Award goes
to 1430 Adams for their new
siding job, an attractive sage
green. Adams Street is getting
dressed up, very pretty!