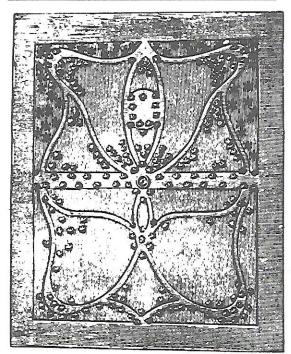
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### NEIGHBORHOOI ASSOCIATION



#### To Enhance and Preserve **Our Community**

To empower the residents to preserve, protect and improve the quality of life, while building a strong sense of community within our neighborhood.

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#### SUMMER/FALL 1994



Smiles were a big part of National Night Out activities. Photo by Kelsey Ciatti-Miller.

#### Clean Sweep

This year's clean-up day is in the Fall, Saturday, September 17. The city is promoting this neighborhood project by providing two packer trucks to accompany volunteers through alleys. They will pick up burnables (less than 50% metal) that are placed clearly at your regular trash pick-up area. Please be on hand for really heavy items. The volunteers will also have clippers and saws to help with brush and weed removal if requested. Overgrown alleys seem to collect more litter.

More volunteers make the job easier on everyone's back, so we're asking for help. Meet at the Logan Park Community Center parking lot at 8:00 a.m., and we'll be done before noon. If you can't volunteer, please mark that Saturday to clean up around your garage, or to move that junk out of your basement. Get a couple of neighbors to join you on a litter patrol of your alley.

For construction materials like sheetrock or shingles, call the city Solid Waste and Recycling Department at 673-2917 for a voucher to dump at the Lake and Hiawatha site. There is no fee, but advanced notice is required.

#### Fix and Paint

Just over half of the projects receiving grants through LPNA's \$230,000 NRP funds have been completed. The changes in the neighborhood are obvious as 62 homes are receiving matching grants of up to \$5000 for exterior improvements. The projects must be completed by September 30, so watch for



many projects to wrap up before winter.

A letter from one grantee, Mrs. Jeanette Stasica on 16th and Madison, explains positive effects the grants

have had on the neighborhood. "I have lived in our home for 30 years and we just paid the mortgage on it, but we were thinking of moving because of the decay that has been getting worse every year. We keep up our house the very best we can, but you get discouraged when others don't...the people on our block were very excited that our area got some help...maybe the help your committee is giving us will get things started and I can be proud of this neighborhood like I was 30 years ago."

The Logan Park Neighborhood Association would like to express our thanks to Kim Vohs for the excellent job he is doing as the administrator of our neighborhood's Fix and Paint Project.

#### Coming in December...

...the City Children's Nutcracker Project, December 8 - 12th, performed by and for area children. Call Donna Norberg, our MCDA Human Resource Specialist at 673-5115 for more information.

#### New on 13th & University

Just
down the
street from
Logan Park, on 13th and
University, the Modern
Grill (formerly Rabatin's)
joins the Mighty Fine Deli

Coffee House and Gallery. Good food, good prices, and we can get breakfast, lunch, and now dinner close to home. While you're there, check out the construction of the Neighborhood Early Learning Center, which will offer services to families with young children. Therre's Auto Repair Shop has moved across the street (enter at the alley, next to the old theatre).

#### New at Logan Park

Logan Park has a new director, Fran Dunning. Some of you may recognize her from Northeast Park. She has had over 30 years of experience in the park system, and enjoys getting to work with all the people-preschoolers, teens, adults and seniors. Stop in and meet her. Harry Harrison is now working out of downtown with the city athletics program.

Logan Park is on line for renovation. The building itself will see improvements first in the spring of 1995. The outside facilities will be done in 1996, but planning starts this winter. Fran says to check out Northeast Park, now in the midst of its own changes. Make a point of exploring other area parks for ideas on what we should (or shouldn't) do. Funding is in 20 year cycles, so we need to plan well.

Rec Plus at Logan Park offers sports programs for school aged kids, and the preschool program is Monday, Wednesday & Friday afternoons. For more variety, we'll need more volunteers. There will be a Halloween party October 31, from 6 to 8 pm.

## Shakespeare in the Park

LPNA sponsored an outdoor performance of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer's Night Dream on July 31. Over 50 people enjoyed the antics of Puck and his attempts to set love right. This event was funded by sales at the Home Tour treat stand, and the LPNA's Super Sale profits.

#### **Meeting Notice**

Logan Park Neighborhood Association's general membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21 at the Logan Park Community Center, 13th & Monroe. We invite anyone who lives, works, or owns property in the Logan Park neighborhood to attend. The agenda includes First Step \$\$\$, the planning needed for the program, and reviewing the revised by-laws of the organization, part of the process of being classified as a non-profit organization to that donations can be tax deductable. The new by-laws will be available to anyone interested in reviewing them. To review the by-laws you must either:

- 1) Leave a request for a copy on the LPNA answering machine (781-0700) with your address and phone number; or
- 2) Copies of the by-laws will be available at 6:30 pm before the general meeting on Wednesday, September 21. there will be discussion and voting on these by-laws at the meeting.

First Step is a program that represents opportunity for our neighborhood. We, as a group, will identify and prioritize neighborhood issues and develop plans to address these issues with funding through First Step. Neighborhood participation is required for this program to succeed. If you want to have a voice in your neighborhood's future, please plan to attend this important meeting with First Step representatives.

## Lights of Logan Sunday, December 4

Yes, we are doing it again - LPNA is sponsoring the Lights of Logan Family Festival and Lighting Contest. Look for outdoor decorations at garage sales and pre-season clearances. There will be prizes again.



We plan to expand the Family Festival on December 4 with activities for a broader range of children's ages and hope to expand the menu too. We need people with ideas, or who just want to be involved. Donations of prizes for children's games are an urgent need - let us know if you have items or connections to a source. Last year was a success - we want it bigger and better this year. Light up the neighborhood and get together for holiday cheer.

#### National Night Out

Neighbors shared food and fun on Tuesday, August 2, as almost 100 people participated in block parties held on Adams between Broadway and 13th, on Jefferson from 13th to 15th, and the 4th Annual Flashlight Walk through the neighborhood. National Night Out is a celebration of neighbors taking a stand against crime with fun events. Our cops-on-bikes were out, the CCP/SAFE representatives were there, a fire truck stopped at the parties, and people who, much of the time barely nod or wave at each other had a chance to meet. LPNA would like to thank the folks at Stop & Go at Adams and Broadway for providing popsicles for everyone at the end of the Flashlight Walk.

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Saturday, September 17, 1994 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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