

June 1988

# LOGAN PARK

## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

### SUMMER NEWSLETTER

NEWS RELEASE FROM THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS-

The City of Minneapolis' 1988 house-to-house checks for deterioration will include the Logan Park Neighborhood.

Inspectors will comb the Logan Park Neighborhood for general disrepair, graffiti, weeds and brush, junk cars, garbage and housing hygiene problems. Inspectors also will look for unlicensed businesses (such as residential car repairs or body work shops) and suspected criminal activities. Inspectors will issue orders for any violations of code and ensure that the residents correct the problems.

The check, or "sweep" will improve neighborhood safety and attractiveness. The sweeps are a coordinated effort of the City's Housing Inspections, Health Inspections, Licenses and Consumer Services, Police and Community Crime Prevention departments.

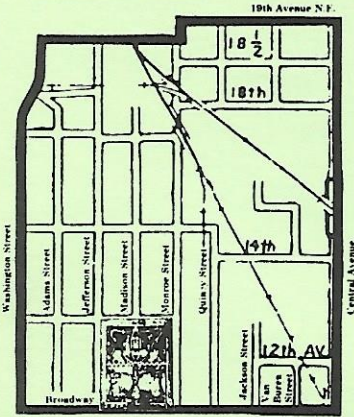
"Northeast had the first neighborhood sweep project in Minneapolis a few years ago," said Council Member Walt Dziedzic. "The neighborhood will have equally positive results."

Logan Park residents have received materials which describe common violations and resources available for correcting them.

Last year, the City conducted sweeps in the Regina-Field and Hawthorne neighborhoods. The sweeps identified many easily correctable problems, such as unpainted garages, litter and junk cars. Residents worked with the inspectors and used the sweeps to improve their neighborhoods. The neighborhoods' improvements in safety and attractiveness led to the City's decision to expand the pilot project in 1988 and 1989.

Neighborhoods besides Logan Park which will be swept in 1988 are King Field, Bottineau, Whittier, Marcy-Holmes, Bryant, McKinley and Powderhorn. Tentative plans for 1989 include sweeps of the Cleveland, Jordan, Sheridan, Harrison, Lyndale, Central, Longfellow, Hawthorne and Bancroft neighborhoods.

"Everywhere I go around the world, people talk to me about their visits to Minneapolis and what a clean city we have," said Mayor Donald M. Fraser. "It's important that we keep it that way! Every little bit helps to build our civic pride."





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We elected our new Board of Directors for 1988. The new members are:

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| Becky Freeman        | Faith Lindell             |
| Mike Hoen, Secretary | Jeanne Pielow, Treasurer  |
| Juanita Kaufman      | Larry Roschen, Vice Chair |
| Marianne Klinzing    | Leonard Sandell, Chair    |
| Jim LeClaire         | Dale Sonier               |

The alternate Directors are:

Betty Blixt  
 Bill Jacobson, Jr.  
 Steve Jacobson  
 Don Baumann

The 1988 Officers would like to thank Marianne Klinzing, the outgoing Chair, and Faith Lindell, the outgoing Secretary for all the work they have done this past year.

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\*\*\* NEW LPNA ADDRESS \*\*\*

Beginning this spring, LPNA has been renting office space from one of our local business supporters, Jacobson Transfer. We have added a desk and files and hope to have enough LPNA business to keep the office well used. Hopefully in the future, we can also add a paid staff person to handle office work.

New office address: Logan Park Neighborhood Association  
 1330 Van Buren St. N.E.  
 Minneapolis, MN 55413

New telephone: 781-0700

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!!! !!! SURVEY NEWS !!! !!!

Remember the survey we sent out last year? All of the responses were tabulated and then put on a graph by one of our members, Becky Freeman. The answers basically show that people in our area are comfortable with our surroundings. There was concern about upkeep of yards and houses, especially the issue of absentee landlords. Hopefully the City Sweep will help with some of these.

Sixty-one percent of the respondents said they would like to be living in the Logan Park area three years from now. A whopping 80% said they would recommend our neighborhood as a good place to live.

If you are interested in seeing the results of the survey, leave a message on the LPNA phone and we will try to get a copy to you. Better yet, come to one of our meetings the 3rd Wednesday of each month and you can see one there. We meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Logan Park Community Center building.



THOUGHTS ON RECYCLING

by Leonard Sandell, Chair

Recycling will be one of the major priorities of the LPNA for this year. Improving communications will also be a priority, so we may work toward common goals with our elected officials.

Our goal is to have the LPNA area on record as having the largest percent of people recycling in the city of Minneapolis.

Recycling automatically lowers the garbage amount. I estimate my recycling has lowered my garbage by 75%. Working toward this goal could help stop the garbage burner being built downtown.

Buying only items that will recycle or are biodegradable will also help cut your percent of garbage output.

Pick up for our area is the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. Mark it on your calendar. Then simply put your recyclable containers in the alley the night before just like you do your garbage and they will come by and pick them up. Use paper or cardboard containers.

Complain to your local grocery stores that are changing to plastic grocery bags. They are not biodegradable and should not be used. It just adds to our problem.

For information--Minneapolis Recycling Program, 348-7564. Or feel free to call us and we'll be glad to help you plan your new recycling habits.

I use grocery bags to separate glass, metal, paper and cardboard. After awhile it becomes a habit to rinse and pull caps and labels.

It's a good feeling to know we are reversing pollution, thus doing something about the garbage problem. Also cutting costs in the process.

The LPNA will be having meetings on recycling and the garbage burner downtown, with guest speakers.

Please feel free to call us with your concerns and ideas. LPNA - 781-0700 or me, Leonard Sandell, 789-1007.

A few more notes on recycling:

1. Put newsprint in grocery bags, in closed cardboard boxes, or bundle with twine. Securely bag or bundle other types of paper.
2. Rinse cans and remove labels. Do not separate by type of metal. Clean foil and trays.
3. Remove all metal (caps, lids & rings) from glass. Rinse, **SEPARATE BY COLOR** and avoid breaking. Put in grocery bags or cardboard boxes. (Not in plastic garbage bags, please.)
4. Store oil in plastic containers with tight-fitting screw-on caps (not milk jugs). Batteries must be clean with caps on tight.
5. Flatten and tie cardboard together. Please make bundles 3' x 3' or less.
6. **DO NOT** recycle magazines, window pane glass, milk cartons, plastics, building materials and other non-reusable items.

If you received a new Minne-Cart from the City, consider using your old metal garbage cans for recycling. The Minneapolis Recycling Program will send, on request, big red and white stickers with the recycling logo on them. Put these on your old cans and the garbage haulers won't take them away. Call 348-7564 to get your stickers. They are also looking for people willing to put a sign in the alley or on your lawn to remind others of our recycling days.





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PROGRAMS FOR OWNER OCCUPIED HOMES

MHFA HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS

Maximum Income: \$37,600 Annual Gross Income  
Maximum Loan: \$15,000  
Loan Term: Up to 15 years.  
Interest Rate: 3% to 9.75% (variable with income)  
Eligible Properties: 1-4 Units  
Eligible Improvements: General repairs and remodeling; energy conservation and weatherization; garages; accessibility improvements for the handicapped.  
Available City-Wide: Call 348-7117

TWIN CITIES HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Maximum Income: \$42,460 after certain deductions  
Maximum Loan: \$90,000 - Loan includes refinancing of existing mortgage and/or contract for deed  
Loan Term: Up to 30 years.  
Interest Rate: 8.375%  
Eligible Properties: 1-4 Units  
Eligible Improvements: General repairs and remodeling; energy conservation and weatherization; garages; accessibility improvements for the handicapped.  
Available City-Wide: Call 348-7119

PROGRAMS FOR RENTAL PROPERTIES

MHFA RENTAL LOANS

Maximum Income: No Income Restrictions  
Maximum Loan: \$15,000 for single unit structure and \$8,000 per unit in multiple unit buildings \$40,000 maximum per building  
Loan Term: Up to 15 years.  
Interest Rate: 7.45%  
Eligible Improvements: General repairs and remodeling; energy conservation and weatherization; garages; accessibility improvements for the handicapped.  
Available City-Wide: Call 342-1309

HUD GRANTS FOR RENTAL PROPERTIES

Maximum Income: No Income Restrictions  
Maximum Grant: \$5,000 per unit, owner must match grant funds with cash or other financing (units must contain two or more bedrooms)  
Eligible Improvements: Correction of structural deficiencies; code violations; energy conservation and weatherization; lead base paint removal; Section 8 Quality Standards; accessibility improvements for the handicapped.  
Available in Certain Target Areas: Call 342-1309



## "GOING THE EXTRA MILE"

"Going the Extra Mile" was the theme of Minneapolis Week, April 30- May 6. This is a new happening in Minneapolis and is to recognize and honor our city and the quality of life found here. The week culminated with an Awards Dinner on May 5 at which 10 people who have made special contributions to the city were honored. Also mentioned were the people who had been nominated for these awards. A number of Northeast people were thus recognized. Three officers from the Logan Park Neighborhood Association attended: Leonard Sandell, Jeanne Pielow, and Faith Lindell.

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## JULY 20TH MEETING

Out of concern for our Northeast residents, the LPNA is sponsoring a workshop on Self-Awareness/Self-Defense. The program will have Scott Burgwin from Community Crime Prevention and Anita Bendickson from Midwest Karate Assoc.

Anita Bendickson has a black belt in karate and is a consultant with Community Crime Prevention, Sexual Offense Services, Ramsey County and the Sexual Violence Center in Minneapolis. WCCO television has been having segments on their evening news featuring some of her techniques and ideas.

"SELF-DEFENSE: Not Just Kicks and Punches--Option for Avoidance, De-escalation and Action" is a title that has been used for this class.

The workshop will present information on the psychology and general scenario of an attack situation. Participants learn to recognize a possible attack in the making as well as what roles body language, eye contact, tone of voice and assertiveness, etc., can play in averting potential trouble. The instructor will also present some basic information on target areas and simple self-defense strategies that are practical even for people who have little physical skill or ability.

People attending this meeting will have an opportunity to ask questions and to participate. It will last 1 1/2 to 2 hours. Everyone is welcome to bring friends and neighbors. It will start at 7:00 p.m. at the Logan Park Community Center.

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Our September 21 meeting will be an exciting debate, pro and con, on the downtown garbage burner. Minneapolis 13th Ward Council Member, Carol Johnson will be one of those speaking.

Hopefully this informative meeting will help to answer our questions on the garbage burner and future recycling plans.

Watch for more notices on this very important meeting in future issues of the Northeaster newspaper.

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----- NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY -----

Minneapolis Community Crime Prevention is looking for neighborhood residents to be Block Leaders or Block Contacts. Block Leaders would hold 2 block events a year (to get to know who your neighbors are) and distribute crime alerts when needed. The MPLS S.A.F.E. people send a quarterly mailing with crime statistics and a monthly update on crime in the neighborhood.

They are also looking for people to be McGruff Safe Houses. McGruff houses are to help young children who are locked out, lost, or for some reason feel threatened. You do not need to be a home-owner to be a McGruff house.

If you are interested in either one of these groups, please call the Community Crime Prevention Office, 348-6292. Scott Burgwin and Officer Gary Godfrey handle our Northeast area.

**ALSO-** Community Crime Prevention is sponsoring another "National Night Out". This year it will be on Tuesday, August 9th. This is "America's Night Out Against Crime" and communities across the country have activities to demonstrate their commitment and involvement in anti-crime efforts. In 1987, 6,104 communities and 17.5 million people participated.

Last year in Minneapolis, there were over 450 Block parties. This year there will also be a bicycle relay to connect as many block functions as possible.

Is anyone in our area interested in helping LPNA plan an event? We would need community support. If we have enough people interested, we could perhaps apply for a permit to block off one of our streets. If you would like to help, please call the LPNA number, 781-0700 as soon as possible.

Please be sure and leave Tuesday, August 9th open on your calendar.

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