



**Little Bohemia Neighborhood Association
Meeting notes, July 9 2019**

**Meeting hosted at Clutch Brewing
Company, Keg and Case Market, 928
West Seventh Street, 7:00 PM.**

Co-chaired by Lam and Mike.

AGENDA:

Introductions!

National Night Out Planning (Lam and Mike).

We will not have an LBNA business meeting in August—instead, we'll do National Night Out together!

- Scheduled for Tuesday, August 6, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in Pleasant Place, at the intersection of Harrison Avenue, Garfield Street and Forbes Avenue. (Hint: it's the corner without a house on it.)
- Come to National Night Out! It's neighbors getting to know each other, sharing a fun evening, meeting police officers and firefighters, and celebrating our neighborhood.
- Food will be donated by our friends at DeGidio's Restaurant and Bar. However, neighbors are encouraged (nay, asked) to please bring the following:
 - Additional sides and desserts to share
 - Beverages
 - Chairs
 - Bug spray
- We have registered with National Night Out. Hopefully, the police and fire departments will make it out. We are also receiving a pack that includes: a large banner, apron for the cook, chalk, paper products, balloons and helium, and more.
- We have flyers to distribute advertising this event. If you're willing to hand some out to your neighbors and need copies, please get in touch with Lam (612.805.1729, nlam5974@gmail.com). He'll deliver to you!

Trash Can at Pleasant Place (Mike). We have been in contact with the city regarding a replacement. They have not yet responded. We may have to get a combination lock (we'd share the combination with those who volunteer to empty the trash). Sadly, as a followup,

Jessica reports that the wiring in the base of our bike path street lights has been stolen and needs replacement. Neighbors, you can use this phone number to call the City about nuisance problems: 651.266.8989

Housing Updates.

- **412 Goodrich**, the John Lewis House (Sharon). The official Sharon has been calling is really hard to nail down. The last word was that the developer has 180 days to complete the rehab or lose their license to do so. The developer may also have to post a performance bond.
- **47 Douglas** and **69 Garfield** (Lam). Lam has contacted Dionne Alkamoonah with Neighborworks Home Partners. No response has been given. Jessica has another name for a person who may know something about 69 Garfield—she'll look for that and share with Lam.

Jim Sazevich Lecture Series (Lam).

- Lam has reached out to Jim. He is interested in giving a lecture series on the history of the homes and the people in Little Bohemia, on which he is an expert. However, Jim is working through some issues right now and wants to revisit this idea in August before committing to lecturing. Lam will follow up with Jim.
- Lam also reached out to Dave Stepan (President of Sokol Hall) and Pat Slabor (Education Chair). They are interested in discussing the idea further. Their space is used frequently so availability of dates is limited.

Progressive Happy Hour (Lam). Date confirmed: **Friday August 16.**

- Join friends and neighbors for a progressive happy hour. This is a BYOB event, however, each host will provide light snacks and mini-cocktails.
- Here is a complete schedule of the hosts and their addresses. If you cannot make it to all the venues, meet up with your neighbors and friends when you can.
 - Lam/Meredith & Mark/Lindsey (4:30 to 6:00 PM): 459 & 455 Banfil St.
 - Ericka Hazlett (6:00 - 7:30 PM): 528 Harrison Ave.
 - Nicki Nolan (7:30 to 9:00 PM): 73 Western Ave. S.
- For those who still want to hang out after the last home stop, we can proceed to Bad Weather Brewing or Waldmann Brewery.

Journeys School Shared Space Project (Lam).

- We forwarded 4 priority projects to Dan, Principal at Journeys. He took it to the SPSD to see if they would even entertain any of these ideas. They are:
 1. Nature-based playground
 2. Shed for storing tools to help clean and maintain the playground space
 3. Open space for neighborhood gatherings (i.e. National Night Out)
 4. Soccer field
- SPSD response:
 - The Shed is a non-starter. The other three are great ideas that they can support and bring some staff resources. Here is a website to reference as we move forward.
<https://www.spps.org/Page/31529>

- The idea of a nature-based playground appeals to many of us, but it would require significant fund-raising. Lam and Mike will discuss this with the leadership committee. We may want to reach out to local corporations for grants/partnership.

Planting/gardening upkeep day. Weeding mostly, tying up the hops, cutting back excessive growth. Meet at Pleasant Place, 6:00 to 8:00 PM on the third Thursday of the month (July 18, August 15, September 19). Jessica is the point person: 612.210.3229, puckyjess@gmail.com.

Current Problem Properties/Safety Concerns. We've mentioned the copper-wire vandalism that has put our bike path lights out of commission. Call the City, people.

Remember to call 266-8989, and report nuisance properties to the City!

The next LBNA business meeting will be held September 3, hosted by Jeremy and Kendra Foss, at the newly-renovated 292 West Sturgis Avenue. Send agenda ideas to info@littlebohemiaspaul.org. If you find glaring errors in these notes, please send corrections to dwsisk@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events:

- **Grand Oak Opry Presents the Akie Bermis Trio w/ Candice Corbin.** Saturday, July 20 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. Grand Oak Opry, 273 Goodhue St. <https://www.facebook.com/events/2325418944392250/>
- **National Night Out.** Tuesday, August 6 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Pleasant Place. <https://www.facebook.com/events/606184719866291/>
- **West 7th Community Block Party.** Thursday, August 8 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. United Family Medicine, 1026 7th Street W. <https://www.facebook.com/events/462857317855549/>
- **Safe Summer Nights.** Thursday, August 15 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Palace Community Center, 781 Palace Ave. <https://www.facebook.com/events/2316616711956584/>
- **Progressive Happy Hour.** Friday, August 16 from 4:30 to 9:00 PM. Various locations (see above).
- **Grand Oak Opry Presents The OK Factor.** Saturday, August 24 from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. Grand Oak Opry, 273 Goodhue St. <https://www.facebook.com/events/355872898394967/>
- **LBNA Planting Day.** Saturday, September 7 at 9 AM until ? LBNA Bike Path/Pleasant Place. <https://www.facebook.com/events/296171254649006/>