education with adequate and reliable funding for universities like
Northeastern.
o The temporary University shutdown and furlough program are
necessary in order to continue operations through the summer and
fall when Northeastern expects to receive its next infusion of cash
through student tuition payments. The University does not intend to
shut down permanently, and it is looking forward to welcoming
students during the summer and fall semesters for which class
registration is currently taking place.
o During Spring Break, all University services will be shut down with
the exception of minimal staffing for University Police and engineers.
This means that services and amenities that have been open during
Spring Break in the past – like the Campus Recreation Center, the
Library and computer labs – will be closed to students and neighbors.
The Child Care Center will also be closed during Spring Break as well.
 RESIDENCE HALLS: The Nest, Northeastern’s first residence hall, continues
to do well as it has met the goals for first-year occupancy. This fall, the
University expects occupancy to be near or at full capacity. Northeastern will
pursue the building of a second residence hall as planned on the nearby block
of Bryn Mawr.
o In early summer and pending approval from its Board of Trustees, the
University plans to release a Request For Proposal (RFP) to find a
partner to build and manage the second residence hall. President
Helldobler said that he expects this process – from RFP to doors
opening – to take approximately two-and-a-half to three years.
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department to the Bryn Mawr block, the University can save
roughly $70,000 it pays in rent to WTTW.  Community Music Program: The University’s popular
Community Music Program has been unable to provide lessons
throughout the week and grow its programming due to the
lack of space. Moving the program to the Bryn Mawr block

 Plots are still available for those who would like to participate in the
Peterson Garden Project. More information can be found here:
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/neiu-ground-garden-membership-2017-6-
tickets-32656661955
 For the past several years, members of the University Community have
participated in community service events on Cesar Chavez Day. Plans are still
being worked out, and a volunteer event is tentatively scheduled for
Saturday afternoon, April 1.
 On Saturday, June 10, Swedish Covenant Hospital will sponsor a bike-helmet
giveaway as part of its efforts to support community health.
 Northeastern continues its work as a part of a city-wide collaborative called
ChicagoCHEC, Chicago Cancer Health Equity Collaborative, which finds ways
to solve issues in the city’s underserved communities regarding cancer
research, education and training. Other participating universities include
Northwestern and UIC.
 The Albany Park Chamber of Commerce will host its Restaurant Crawl on
May 24.

NEIGHBORHOOD INFO / OPEN DISCUSSION

 During a roundtable discussion, NNN members shared the following updates:
o Jack Smith of the North Park Village Advisory Council said that the
Village has been experiencing issues with graffiti and asked the NEIU
Police Chief and the rest of NNN if anyone has noticed the problem in
their areas as well. He mentioned that the restaurant on site now
provides visitor parking. He added that Maple Fest will take place on
March 18.
o Carmen Rodriguez, the HNPCA representative, said that the
Association is going through a revisioning process that has involved
monthly meetings with its members and the community. She expects
the group to be ready to present to the community a revised mission
and organizational structure that would address community needs
such as parks / environment, advocacy and a chamber of commerce.
She also added that efforts to bring a food truck stand on the 3600
block of Bryn Mawr is in the works and have so far been successcET
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