

Linden Hills July Newsletter

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This is Bragging Week in Minneapolis

Did you know that this is "The Best Week of Bragging About Minneapolis Ever?" Through July 20 residents are encouraged to brag about a different

theme each day. Here's the schedule:

Monday, July 14	Innovative Minneapolis
Tuesday, July 15	Move Minneapolis
Wednesday, July 16	Creative Minneapolis
Thursday, July 17	One Minneapolis
Friday, July 18	Sustainable Minneapolis
Saturday, July 19	City by Nature
Sunday, July 20	Bikes!

Mayor Hodges wants to know what YOU think we should brag about. Follow the conversation on [Facebook](#) or at Twitter #bragMPLS.

For an example of hyper-local bragging, check out one neighbor's ode to the innovators of Linden Hills [here](#) (Innovative Minneapolis was Monday's theme).

Announcing the Toolkit for Neighbors of New Construction

Council Member Linea Palmisano's office, in conjunction with the City's Department of Community Planning & Economic Development (CPED), is pleased to announce the release of "The Toolkit for Neighbors of New Construction." This document is designed to equip neighbors with the information needed to prepare for and handle any issues that may arise during the course of residential infill construction.

Sections include:

- * Who's who in City government when it comes to construction?
- * Steps recommended to prepare for construction
- * Handling common construction management issues
- * What to do if you experience property damage

While the Toolkit was put together by the Ward 13 office, it is intended to be useful to all Minneapolis residents.

Please visit minneapolismn.gov/mdr/new/index.htm to download the Toolkit.

Linden Crossing News

An application was recently filed with the Minneapolis Community Planning & Economic Development amending the [Linden Crossing](#) project plans for the 43rd & Upton location, where Famous Dave's now sits.

The Linden Crossing project was granted clearance to build last year. The developer has now amended the plans for the project to include a 4th floor that is set back approximately 12 feet on each side, and thus is now

applying for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the additional height. Read the Linden Corner proposal.

At a July 14 public hearing the City Planning Commission voted 6-2 to approve the Linden Crossing application. An appeal may be filed within 10 days.

On July 9, the LHINC Zoning Committee held a special informational meeting to share details of the project. Residents were encouraged to attend and to share their views. Read about the meeting and see the developer's handouts [here](#).

Como-Harriet Streetcar Events

On Track for Murder, a Streetcar Murder Mystery July 18 - 20, and 25 - 27, at 9:00 p.m. Como-Harriet Streetcar Line

There's been a murder on the streetcar - and you're a witness! Who did it and why? Help solve the crime. This is the fourth season of Streetcar Murder Mysteries on the Como-Harriet Streetcar Line. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Linden Hills station or online at TrolleyRide.org. Special two-for-one student rush tickets go on sale at the station 10 minutes before each performance (if available).

Streetcar Camp for Kids Thursday, August 14, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Do you have kids 7 to 11 who love streetcars? Send them to Streetcar Camp. Kids will spend the morning learning all about the track, motors, and controls, and will see how the crew does their jobs. Then each child will have the unique opportunity to climb into the Motorman's seat and run the car down the line. Tuition for the day camp is \$47. Enrollment is limited to about a dozen children. You'll find more information and enrollment information at TrolleyRide.org.

Pollinator Party: A Celebration of Bees

Thursday, July 25, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Lyndale Park Gardens

Have you heard the buzz? Honey bees and wild bees play a major role in the productivity of American agriculture through the pollination of fruits, vegetables, nuts and seeds.

The Pollinator Party brings together bees, scientists, beekeepers, food, and live music. This annual event also provides an opportunity for people of all ages to celebrate the life and work of honey bees and native bees.

The party will be on the open lawn just north of the Peace Garden. Enjoy a picnic in the park - food and beverage will be available for purchase from La Loma Tomales.

At dusk, enjoy the Disney movie "Wings of Life" which offers an intimate and unprecedented look at butterflies, hummingbirds, bees, bats and flowers.

Event details:

- * Learn about honey bees and urban bee keeping
- * Discover the life cycles of honey bees and wild bees - and sample Minnesota honey
- * Mother Earth Gardens will be on hand with native plants and information about making your own backyard bee-hospitable.
- * Earn a cone of ice-cream made with honey
- * Discover the wild bees of the park - help catch, identify, and release bees
- * Engage in Art in the Park with the Minneapolis Institute of Arts
- * Meet Elena Hoffman, the 2014 American Honey Princess
- * Make seed bombs with Eggplant Urban Farm Supply
- * Learn about native bee nests with the Xerces Society
- * Get arty with Bee Swell
- * Learn about skin care from bee products with Worker B
- * Book signing for "Pollinators of Native Plants" with author Heather Holm
- * Learn about monarchs with Monarch Joint Venture
- * Get honey recipes from MN Honey Company
- * Play the pollination game with the MN DNR's Biological Survey
- * Learn how to protect bees and other beneficial insects with Pollinator Revival
- * Listen to live music from: Pop Wagner, Dreamland Faces and the Brass Messengers

Event partners include the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, University of Minnesota Bee Lab and Bee Squad, the Bell Museum and the Beez Kneez. The 2014 Pollinator Party is sponsored by sponsored by KFAI 90.3 Fresh Air Radio.

Aquatennial Beach Bash

Sunday, July 20, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thomas Beach, Lake Calhoun

Enjoy The Best Days of Summer on the beach at the 2014 Beach Bash. Relax in the sun and surf or participate in Aquatennial events along Lake Calhoun, including the Xcel Energy Sandcastle Competition and Aquatennial Milk Carton Boat Races!

More info at www.aquatennial.com.

ArtCar + ArtBike Parade

Saturday, July 26, 6:00 p.m.
Lake Harriet

Everyday is a parade for the ArtCars and ArtBikes when art comes out of the gallery and rolls into your neighborhood!

Stop down to the lake with family and friends to watch the parade and experience this fun, family event. The parade begins at the Rose Gardens and will go all the way around Lake Harriet.

Find more information at artcarparade.com.

Minnehaha Creek Cleanup

July 27, 9:00 a.m.
Lake Hiawatha Park, 28th Ave. S. & 46th St. E.

Event aims to collect 3 tons of trash!

High water and flooding have churned up a lot of trash and debris around Minnehaha Creek and nearby lakes -- all the more reason to attend the 8th Annual Minnehaha Creek Cleanup.

Last year, about 1,200 volunteers helped collect two tons of trash from around the creek and lakes.

Volunteers will receive a free t-shirt, water bottle, trash bags and gloves. Following the cleanup, Leinenkugel's will provide a free BBQ lunch at Lake Hiawatha Park and, for those 21 or older with a valid ID, free Leinenkugel's beer (limit of two per person). There will be prizes for kids and adults, music and fun!

- * WHAT: A major community cleanup around Minnehaha Creek
- * WHY: To protect and improve local water resources while having fun!
- * WHO: All are welcome at this family-friendly event
- * WHEN: Sunday, July 27, starting at 9 a.m.
- * WHERE: Mpls headquarters is Lake Hiawatha Park (28th Avenue S and 46th Street E in Minneapolis)
- * WHO MAKES IT POSSIBLE: The event is sponsored by the MCWD and the Jacob Leinenkugel Brewing Company's "Canoes for a Cause" campaign, in partnership with Metro Blooms. Additional support provided by Dick's Sanitation, REI and Target.

RSVP and learn more [here](#).

Public Hearing for Zoning Code Amendments July 28

Since March, a team of interdepartmental City planners have been researching the regulations that govern residential construction. The areas include (but are not limited to) site plan review standards, building height and floor area, required yard area, building coverage and impervious surface, and urban form and character. The first draft of proposed changes was presented to industry representatives, who offered constructive feedback. Review the draft document [here](#).

The input of Minneapolis residents is important in this process. Residents are invited to attend and comment at the City Planning Commission Public Hearing on **Monday, July 28, at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall, Room 317.**

On August 21, the Zoning & Planning Committee of the City Council will consider the recommendation of the City Planning Commission. City Council adoption is expected by late August/early September 2014.

Movie Night at Linden Hills Park

**Monday, August 4, at dusk
Linden Hills Park, north end**

Mark your calendar for August 4, when [Back to the Future](#) will be featured at Linden Hills Park, compliments of the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council. Pack a picnic and bring your lawn chairs and blankets, and enjoy this free movie on the big screen with your neighbors.

To add to the fun, a Twin Cities-based club of DeLorean collectors will bring their cars to the park prior to movie time. Stop by the park for this rare opportunity!



National Night Out is August 5

Residents are encouraged to host a block party. Permission of 75% of your neighbors to required for street closure and registration is free through July 22.

Register online at www.minneapolismn.gov/nno/nno_register.



Radon Education

LHiNC has partnered with the Minnesota Department of Health to offer free radon testing kits to neighborhood residents. If you are interested in receiving a radon testing kit, please email info@lindenhills.org.

Radon is a radioactive gas that is colorless and odorless. It comes from the natural decay of uranium that is found in nearly all soils. The gas typically moves up through the ground to the air above and into homes through cracks and other holes in the foundation. Radon is then trapped inside the structure where it can build up and cause health hazards. Learn more at <http://epa.gov/radon/pubs/citguide.html>.

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