



The Linden Hills Line

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LH Healthy Soil Project Keeps Growing



On Sunday, August 11, the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council's Environment and Sustainability Committee will hold its second in a series of Soil Restoration Workshops. Funded by LHiNC, this healthy soil initiative aims to educate the community on carbon sequestration and its impact on climate change.

Did you know your yard could offset your Carbon Footprint?

Carbon sequestration helps to reverse climate change by pulling CO₂ out of the atmosphere. It also helps the environment by making lawns less susceptible to drought and in need of watering, reduces fertilizer runoff into our lakes and rivers, and helps pollinators thrive.

Get Started Now

Can't make it to the event? Ginny Halloran has put together "12 Easy Steps to Carbon Rich Soil". *The Linden Hills Line* will feature a few steps in each issue (see page 2). Full list is available at lindenhills.org/about/other-committees/

Questions? Contact gkhalloran@gmail.com or 612.210.7177. The committee will also be at the LHiNC booth at the Linden Hills Farmers Market on July 28.

The project is headed up by Linden Hills resident and LHiNC Environmental Committee member Ginny Halloran and Kassie Brown from Renaissance Soil. It began in the spring, when Halloran, Brown and dozens of neighbors converted a section of the Linden Hills Trolley Path into a demonstration site, showing residents how to create healthy carbon-rich soil lawns through aeration, composting and planting cover crops.

The second event is **August 11 at 1:00 p.m. on the Trolley Path near 44th and York Ave.** Kassie Brown will demonstrate how to interpret soil tests and plant no-mow fescue grasses and other great carbon sequestering perennials. Attendees will get free compost with microbes, so bring containers.

Taste of Linden Hills Returns Oct 1

Save the date for this fun, upscale evening that celebrates the amazing food in this neighborhood and benefits a great local cause.

LHiNC's Taste of Linden Hills is returning on October 1 for a fourth year. Thanks to our generous co-hosts – Rose Street Patisserie – the fundraiser will again be held in Rose Street's tented parking lot, patio and indoor space.

You will be treated to tastes from the diverse and delicious restaurants of Linden Hills, plus drinks, entertainment and the fantastic company of your neighbors.



All proceeds support LHiNC neighborhood grants, which are available to groups and projects that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work. (Read more about our grants program and past winners on page 2).

Tickets go on sale in August! Learn more at lindenhills.org/tasteofLH.

Get Involved

Join LHiNC's Environment and Sustainability Committee! They meet the third Tuesday of every month, and all Linden Hills residents are encouraged to join. More info at lindenhills.org, or contact Co-Chair Leah Fish at lpklemmt@gmail.com.

INSIDE: Apply for LHiNC Grants, Tour Fort Snelling w/ LHSG, Community Ed Summer Musical and more!

Apply for LHiNC Neighborhood Grants By September 15

Twice a year, LHiNC awards grants of up to \$1,000 to organizations or projects that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work.

Recent grant recipients include:

- Kairos Alive!
- Midwest Food Connection
- Minneapolis Pops Orchestra
- MPS Study Buddies Program
- The Neighborhood Choir
- The Wildling
- Scholarships for SWHS Seniors

If you are interested in applying, please visit linden hills.org/grants for grant guidelines and information about the application process. The deadline to apply for the fall grant cycle is September 15. Questions? Please email info@linden hills.org.

Want to support our grants program? Save the date for the annual Taste of Linden Hills on October 1! All proceeds go towards LHiNC Neighborhood Grants.

Stop by the new and improved Pocket Park



Next time you're walking through downtown Linden Hills, be sure to stop by the pocket park at 43rd & Sheridan (in front of Linden43). Enjoy the new umbrellas and seating donated by the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council. Also, the community piano is back! The public is welcome and encouraged to stop by and play anytime; the piano is covered each night at 8:30pm.

A special thank you to the sponsors of this year's piano: Linden Hills Business Association, Linden Hills Dentistry, Linden Hills Neighborhood Council, and Team Larry of Lakes Area Realty.

From the LHiNC Environment & Sustainability Committee:

Easy Steps to Support Healthy Carbon Rich Soils

Ginny Halloran of LHiNC's Environment and Sustainability Committee has compiled "12 Easy Steps to Support Healthy Carbon Rich Soils". The Line plans to feature a few of these helpful steps each issue. For the entire list, please visit linden hills.org/other-committees/.



For a vigorous garden that improves your soil, cleans the air, and lessens climate change, follow these easy steps. As the health of your soil improves, your plants will flourish and pull more carbon dioxide from the air while storing carbon in the ground—building richer, darker, more fertile soil.

DON'T DIG UP OR TILL

Don't dig up or till your garden. This disturbs or kills soil fungi, worms, and other beneficial microbes while unnecessarily releasing carbon dioxide into the air. Dig a sufficient hole only to plant something. Placing compost on top of your soil, covered by mulch, and following the other tips noted here will begin building the living soil your plants need.

DON'T USE HERBICIDES AND PESTICIDES

Fertile soil depends on healthy soil life forms. Herbicides and pesticides kill not only "bad" bugs like aphids, snails, and slugs but also "good" bugs like earthworms, ladybugs, and bees, not to mention butterflies, birds, lizards, and other creatures. The more life forms in your soil, the more vigorous your garden, and the more resistant your plants are to blight and disease.

DON'T USE SYNTHETIC FERTILIZERS

Synthetic fertilizers kill life in the soil. Plus, they are basically made from fossil fuels. As plant roots begin to rely on synthetic fertilizer for nourishment, the roots stop working with natural soil life forms, which causes them to die off. Salts from synthetic fertilizers also harm or kill soil microbes. This weakens and destroys soil life forms, making plants increasingly dependent on manmade chemicals.

DON'T COMPACT YOUR SOIL

Stick to designated paths. Walking on soil causes compaction and hurts and kills soil life forms, which require small underground pockets of air and water. Healthy, "living" soil is spongy, because beneficial soil life forms have built tiny pockets to capture air and water. Healthy soil absorbs and holds at least 30% more water than weak or dead soil. Indeed, this productive, spongy soil makes your garden virtually drought resistant. If your soil is compacted, aerate it with a pitchfork or shovel being careful to disturb the soil structure as little as possible. A machine can also be rented that puts air holes in the soil.

Ward 13 Update

From Council Member Linea Palmisano



Dear Neighbor,
I hope this note finds you healthy, happy and enjoying summer! I'm writing to you on vacation to give you a quick update on a couple of big items being led by the 13th Ward here at City Hall. The first is the Biennial Budget Charter Amendment. This is something I have been

working on for almost two years now, and I am excited to announce that our City's Charter Commission approved it earlier this month. The amendment would come with transformative impacts on the City's budgeting process. The next step is a public hearing in the Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) Committee on July 24th with an approximate start time of 2:00 p.m.

The second item I am proud to be leading is a set of worker protections that I'm working on with Council Members Fletcher and Cunningham. Introduced as a Wage Theft Prevention Ordinance, including concerns for freelance workers, this work was shaped by the Minneapolis Workplace Advisory Committee (WAC), which is made up of representatives from small and large businesses and labor. In March, a presentation on the widespread issue was given to the Public Health, Environment, Civil Rights, and Engagement (PECE) Committee, which is also where the public hearing on the ordinance will be held at the end of July.

This ordinance will allow the City to enforce the newly in effect (July 1) state law to ensure every worker gets paid for the work they do in Minneapolis.

For more information, to provide feedback on either of the items, or to learn more about participating in a public hearing, please do not hesitate to reach out at **(612) 673-2213** or linea.palmisano@minneapolismn.gov.

Warm regards,

Linea

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Summer Events for All Ages @ LH Library



DISCOVER. SUMMER. HERE. June 8 – August 25
Kids and teens: read a book, visit the library, and pick out a free prize book!

KIDS

Story Strolls

Stroll and read along the trail as you "step" into the pages of these great books. Also create a craft inspired by the book.

July 17, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. – "Red – A Crayon's Story"

August 17, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. – "I Love Bugs!"

LEGO® Lab

July 20 & Aug 17, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Calling all future engineers and architects! We've got the bricks, but we need you to bring your imagination.

Play and Make

Aug 7 & 21, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Drop in for some summer fun: get artistic, play games, make crafts and more!

Stuffed Animal Sleepover - NEW!

August 27, 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. For children up to 10 years old and their caregivers. Wear your jammies and bring a stuffed animal. We will give your animal an "owner's tag," tell them a bedtime story and do a craft. Leave your stuffed animal overnight. Pick them up the next day, and see pictures of the fun they had!

TEENS

Slacklining - NEW!

July 23, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Entering grades 7-12. Build balance and confidence as you learn to walk on a narrow, flexible piece of webbing set low to the ground. Sponsor: MELSA (Metropolitan Library Service Agency). Collaborator: Three Rivers Park District.

Teen Focus Group - NEW!

August 8, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Are you entering grade 6-12? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! Join us to brainstorm & create. What should the library's teen space look like? What programs would be interesting & fun? YOUR VOICE MATTERS.

ADULTS

Adult Book Club

3rd Tuesday of every month, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

July 16: *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger

August 20: *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover

September 17: *Citizen: An American Lyric* by Claudia Rankine

Friends of Linden Hills Library

July 23 & Aug 27, 6:30 – 8:00 pm Interested in supporting the Linden Hills Library? Join us for the group's Monthly meeting.

Genealogy Drop-In

Saturday, August 3, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Are you interested in delving into your family history? Bring your questions and we can work together to try and find answers.

Minneapolis Community Ed Presents Summer Musical



Minneapolis Community Education is thrilled to present *The Addams Family*, a new musical by Andrew Lippa, at Southwest High School:

- July 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 & 20 at 7:00pm
- July 14 & 20 at 2:00pm.

The Addams Family opened on Broadway in 2010 to much acclaim & was nominated for a flurry of awards. You have eight chances to see your favorite creepy and kooky family. Buy tickets at the door before each performance, or purchase online at TicketLeap.com. For more information: mpls.k12.mn.us/summermusical or 612.668.3100.

This is Community Ed's second city-wide summer production, after staging *The Wizard of Oz* last summer. Their focus is to provide pre-professional theatre opportunities for students and adults studying acting, singing, dance, music and technical production.

Community Ed Coordinators Dave Premack and JoEllyn Jolstad, who are both theatre designers by trade, saw the need for more summer theatre for artists and audiences alike and are thrilled to bring this terrific show to the community.

Tickets Available for Bakkenalia: On Tap

Thursday, August 15
5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$20; Free for Members

Join The Bakken Museum on August 15 for an evening of revelry and exploration (dancing optional).



Learn about a multitude of ways beer and breweries are influencing science and helping us become more ecologically sound. Sample craft beer from Surly Brewing, Modist Brewing Company, Bauhaus Brew Labs, Tin Whiskers Brewing, Able Seedhouse + Brewing, and Pryes Brewing Company. Live music from Joseph Berg and Ar.birn, and delicious food from East Street Social.

Must be 21 years of age or older to attend. Tickets (\$20) are available online at thebakken.org/events; Bakken Members get in free with registration.

Movie Nights at Lake Harriet

Movies begin 15 minutes after sunset



Pack your chairs, blankets, bug spray, and snacks, and enjoy a family movie on the Bandshell's big screen.

- July 19: Captain Marvel (PG-13)
- Aug 2: Super Mario Bros (PG)
- Aug 9: Last Star Fighter (PG)
- August 16: Ready Player One (PG-13)
- August 23: Wreck It Ralph (PG)

More info at minneapolisparks.org/music_movies.

Join the Neighborhood Choir

Love to sing? Sign up to join the fourth session of The Neighborhood Choir! They are a fun, non-auditioned, mixed choir that sings a variety of styles and genres.

The choir is led by Nathan Knoll, who has 15 years of experience directing at high school and college levels and was the former director of Southwest High School's choral program.

They rehearse at the Friends Meetinghouse (4401 York Ave. S.) on Thursdays from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. The fall/winter session will run from Sept 19 to Jan 23 with a Friends and Family Concert on Jan 30, 2020. (We do not rehearse between Thanksgiving and New Years.)

The fee for the session is \$120. Scholarships are available, thanks to a generous grant from the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council.

Register online at form.jotform.com/kerenprice/fall-2019-the-neighborhood-choir. Questions? Please contact Keren Price at kprice@pro-ns.net or 612-296-7816.

Linden Hills Residents Qualify for New State Pollinator Protection Program



In May, the Minnesota legislature passed a new law to provide a cost share program for residents and cities to help in the protection of pollinators. Called Lawns to Legumes, the new program appropriated \$900,000 for grants or payments to plant residential lawns with native vegetation and pollinator-friendly flowers and legumes. Homeowners who take part in the program may be reimbursed for up to 75 percent of the costs.

Areas with a high potential for the presence of rusty patched bumble bees - recently named Minnesota's official bee - will be high priority areas for grants. Homeowners in those areas will be eligible for reimbursement of up to 90 percent of the costs of a project. Most of Linden Hills falls within this area.

Funding to homeowners will be ready for projects planted in the spring and summer of 2020. The MN Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) will be implementing the program. Check the BWSR website for updates: bwsr.state.mn.us

Linden Hills History Study Group

Fort Snelling at Bdote: 200 Years of History Saturday, July 20, 10:00 a.m., Fort Snelling

Meet at the Visitor Center Auditorium.

\$5 suggested donation for non-members of LHHSG. Everyone welcome.



For millennia the place where the Minnesota River joins the Mississippi has been a crossroads, a place of strategic power. But that symbolism is complicated. The fort is a powerful reminder that most Minnesotans today are descendants of immigrants, living on conquered land.

Peter DeCarlo, author of *Fort Snelling at Bdote*, shares the story of the power of place and its people. He introduces us to key people who lived in the area. Their lives demonstrate a complicated story laden with the brutal realities of how peoples were treated, the government and those chosen as leaders, and the landscape.

Peter DeCarlo is a historian whose research centers on the history of colonialism in Minnesota. He works at the Minnesota Historical Society. DeCarlo will lead a tour of the Fort following the program.

Usual MHS admission fees will apply for the tour. If interested in carpooling or for more information, visit lindenhillshistory.org, call (612) 926-0646, or email contact@lindenhillshistory.org.

LHiNC at the Farmers Market

This summer, look for the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council booth at the Linden Hills Farmers Market on the following dates: July 14 & 28; August 11 & 25.

We will be selling Linden Hills t-shirts and yard signs, promoting neighborhood events and answering any questions about how you can get involved in this great neighborhood!



National Night Out is August 6



Gather your neighbors for the biggest block party night of the year! Registration is free, if you register your block by July 23. The fee is

\$100 until the registration deadline on July 29.

You will need permission from 75% of your neighbors to be approved for street closure.

Register online at minneapolismn.gov/nno

Used Book Sale for Friends of Linden Hills Library



SAVE THESE DATES!

Aug. 5 through Sept. 13

Donate Books for our Fall Book Sale. Drop off up to 3 bags of books during open hours in the Pershing Park building, 3523 W 48th St.

The proceeds benefit the Linden Hills Library and Hennepin County Libraries.

We need your used books in good condition; no textbooks or magazines. THANKS!!!

BOOK SALES will be at Woofstock, Sept 7 and Fulton Fall Festival, Sept. 14. Contact Joe Wolf for pick up of 4+ bags of books: NovelTrader@aol.com



Linden Hills Park

Linden Hills Corn Feed,

Thursday, August 8, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Bring the family to Linden Hills Park for this great annual neighborhood event, featuring roasted corn on the cob, local food truck vendors, live music, and family-friendly activities.

Youth Group Needed for Delivery of Linden Hills Line

Attention all Linden Hills student clubs/groups - interested in earning \$500 for your club, team or group? We are looking for groups of at least 12 students (plus 1-2 adults) to deliver the next two issues of *The Linden Hills Line*. Delivery will be the weekends of September 13 and November 15, 2019. Please email info@lindenhills.org, if you are interested.

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And remember...

Linden Hills Farmers Market

Sundays, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Rain or Shine

Shop 50+ vendors every Sunday at Settergren's Ace Hardware parking lot – now with Minneapolis Craft Market.

Each week, different demos, music and special events.

Details at

lindenhillfarmersmarket.org

Music at the Bandshell

Lake Harriet Bandshell concerts take place daily Monday through Saturday (except Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:00 and 5:30 p.m.

Find the full schedule at mplsmusicandmovies.com



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The Linden Hills Line welcomes contributions from residents. Submissions may be edited for length, clarity, and relevance. Advertising and anonymous editorial contributions are not accepted.

To submit articles, contact LHINC at info@lindenhills.org. Article submissions for the Sept/Oct issue are due August 30.

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NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

Details at www.lindenhills.org

July

- 12-20 *The Addams Family* at SWHS
- 15 Zoning & Housing Committee*
- 16 Environment & Sustainability Mtg**
- 20 LHHSG, Fort Snelling at Bdote

August

- 6 National Night Out
- 8 Corn Feed at Linden Hills Park
- 11 Soil Restoration Workshop
- 15 Bakkenalia: On Tap
- 19 Zoning & Housing Committee*
- 20 Environment & Sustainability Mtg**
- 16 LHHSG Program, Bde Maka Ska
- 20 Zoning Committee Meeting*

September

- 3 LHINC Board Meeting*
- 7 Woofstock
- 15 LHINC Grant Application Deadline

*7:00 p.m. at Linden Hills Park

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Linden Hills