



# The Linden Hills Line

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## Frozen Art Festival Debuts on Lake Harriet

*Saturdays & Sundays, January 20 – February 11, 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

*Open regardless of weather - On Lake Harriet, north side near the Band Shell*



Art Shanty Projects, the uniquely Minnesotan festival created each year atop a frozen lake, will occur for the first time in Minneapolis on Lake Harriet. The move was accomplished with the support of the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council and the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board.

For over a decade, Art Shanty Projects has organized a month-long transformation of an ice-covered body of water into an artist-designed village filled with creative structures, interactive activities and lively performances.

The On-Ice Program is free and open to the public 10 a.m. -4 p.m., every Saturday and Sunday from January 20 through February 11, regardless of weather. This event is estimated to attract more than 25,000 visitors during its four-week run. The shanty village will be located either on the frozen lake or on shore near the bandshell, depending on ice conditions.

For more information on the organization and a list of participating artists and performers, visit [artshantyprompts.org](http://artshantyprompts.org).

### LOCAL SHANTIES

**“Rocky Sea Shanty”** – A shanty designed by Twin Cities Sailing Club (TCSC) and Lake Harriet Yacht Club (LHYC). It is a boat replica, which you may board and rock on the ice. Learn about and bid to own “Rocky” at <http://www.tcsailing.org/rocky/>.

**Linden Hills Shanty** – Designed and built by LHiNC Board members and volunteers, this shanty shares some history of Linden Hills and provides a place to sit and observe all the exciting activity on the lake.

**Art Shanty Projects needs volunteers** to help artists run their shanty and help visitors of all abilities access the many shanties on the lake. Volunteers are scheduled in two-hour shifts (with warm-up breaks). More info at: [www.artshantyprompts.org/volunteer](http://www.artshantyprompts.org/volunteer).

**INSIDE:** Annual Kite Festival, Call for Spring Grant Applications, Discounted Home Energy Audits

## Linden Hills Winter Fest

Friday, January 26, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Linden Hills Park

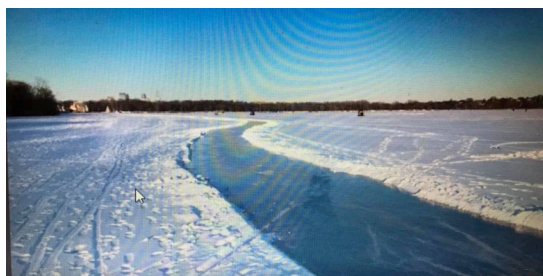
*Another great neighborhood event!*



Celebrate the season with your neighbors at the annual Linden Hills Winter Fest. Festivities at the park will include horse-drawn wagon rides, ice skating under the stars, music, sledding, and roasting marshmallows by the fire, along with hot refreshments to keep your hands toasty warm.

Face painting and the exciting medallion hunt are a few other activities you won't want to miss! The park will also sell food at the event; all other activities are free. Hope to see you all there!

## Help Maintain Skating Path on Lake Harriet



Kudos to the dedicated neighbors who have been working to create a skating path around Lake Harriet. Thanks to them the path extends from the Band Shell south to a hockey rink at the SW corner of the lake, then east to South Beach.

Any willing volunteers are invited to join the efforts, either clearing new snow from the existing path or extending the path eastward from the Band Shell or northward from South Beach.

On a recent Sunday, Linden Hills Neighborhood Council handed out free cocoa and cookies to everyone who came out to shovel. We hope to continue to support this fun community effort throughout the winter!

## More Fun on the Lake - Kite Festival 2018

Saturday, January 27, Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Lake Harriet, near Band Shell

The annual Lake Harriet Kite Festival is a FREE family-oriented outdoor event great for all ages and abilities.

Bring your own kite or buy one at the festival. Enjoy music, horse and wagon rides, arts and crafts and more free family fun. Assorted food trucks will be onsite to serve hot food and beverages for purchase. And if you get cold, cozy up to a fire pit or take a break in the warming tent.



Other Kite Festival activities include:

- Ice fishing for all ages
- FREE s'mores to roast at the fire pits
- Snowshoeing led by Minneapolis Park Board naturalists – equipment provided
- Fat tire bike riding provided by Farmstead Bike Shop and Surly Bikes
- Wintery nature hikes offered by Minneapolis Park Board naturalists
- Special appearance by Wild Rumpus Book Store offering "Tail Time" at 1:30 and 2:30 pm

The Kite Festival is organized by the Minneapolis Parks & Recreation Board along with Linden Hills Neighborhood Council and East Harriet Neighborhood Association.

### PARKING AND SHUTTLE INFO

Free lot parking is available on site, as well as free, on-street parking throughout the neighborhood. Parking fills up quickly. This year a shuttle sponsored by Bremer Bank will be available. Free shuttles to the Lake Harriet Band Shell will leave from Linden Hills Park (3100 W 43rd St.) from 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Need Funding for a Linden Hills Project or Group? Apply for LHiNC Neighborhood Grants

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:

- Linden Hills Bocce Club
- Linden Hills UCC
- Minneapolis Pops Orchestra
- The RUBIES – All-female robotics team at Southwest High School
- STRUT Guitar Festival at Southwest High School

If you are interested in applying, please visit [lindenhills.org/grants](http://lindenhills.org/grants) for grant guidelines and information about the application process. The deadline to apply for the Spring grant cycle is March 15. Please contact [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org), if you have any questions.



## Make Your Home More Energy Efficient

Would you like to find a way to keep your heating bills down and eliminate energy waste? Consider getting a home energy audit.

Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC) has partnered with the Center for Energy and Environment (CEE) to provide Linden Hills residents with a 50% discount for a Home Energy Squad Enhanced visit, a program provided by CenterPoint Energy and Xcel Energy.

When you make an appointment with the Home Energy Squad, technicians will come and assess opportunities for increased efficiency. The visit includes a test to measure air leaks, infrared imaging, an insulation inspection, a heating system and water heater safety test, and installation of energy and money-saving materials.



Upon completion of the inspection, homeowners receive a customized report that includes an efficiency score, summary of the findings, and specific recommendations for next steps. The Home Energy Squad also provides quotes and can schedule a meeting with a contractor for homeowners that want to get started on energy projects right away.

If you've been dealing with persistent problems like ice dams and drafts, or if you are a new homeowner curious about having your home's efficiency assessed, the Home Energy Squad can help.

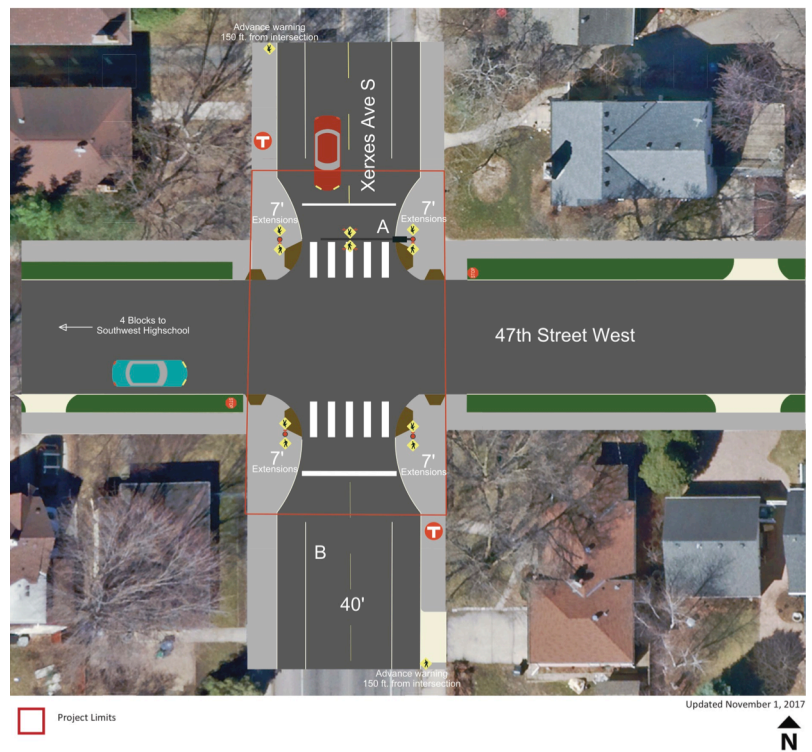
The Home Energy Squad Enhanced visit is normally offered at a cost of \$100. But Linden Hills residents pay just \$50. To schedule an appointment, please call (651) 328-6220 or visit [mncee.org/hes/minneapolis](http://mncee.org/hes/minneapolis).

## City Plans Pedestrian Safety Upgrade at 47<sup>th</sup> & Xerxes

Public Works has selected Southwest High School for its 2018 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project. The SRTS program provides strategic planning, funding and other support for infrastructure projects that encourage more children to travel to school using active forms of transportation, such as walking and bicycling.

The scope of the project predominantly includes the intersection located at 47th Street West and Xerxes Avenue South. Public Works has developed a preliminary design that includes:

- Curb extensions, with new ADA pedestrian ramps, extending into Xerxes Avenue South at all four corners of the intersection;
- A push-activated overhead pedestrian flasher with four Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons; and
- New pavement markings including "zebra" crosswalks and a stop bar.



Minor enhancements are also proposed at the intersection located at 47th Street West and Beard Avenue South. These elements include:

- Pedestrian crossing signage and
- New "zebra" crosswalks.

The proposed project is scheduled to occur over the course of the 2018 construction season. Public Works is currently in the preliminary stages of planning and design for the project, which will be accompanied by community outreach activities that will help inform and guide design concepts.

If you have questions or comments about the project, a Public Works representative will be at the next Linden Hills Neighborhood Council meeting on February 6 from 7-9pm at the Linden Hills Park Building to present the project and address any community concerns.

## Hey love birds, love birds?

Wednesday, February 14, 5 - 6 p.m.

Roberts Bird Sanctuary



The Friends of Roberts Bird Sanctuary invite you to join them on Valentine's Day for a stroll at dusk through the Sanctuary, enjoying all the love in this wonderful and sacred space reserved for birds and wildlife. Guests will munch on cookies and sip hot cocoa, as they walk and listen for the calls of owls!

This free event is for singles, couples and families, to celebrate our love of birds. Meet at the visitors shelter at the east entrance. Bring a flashlight, and be prepared for winter trail conditions--wear layers and boots.

Refreshments are free, and please bring your own cup for the hot cocoa.

## Discovery Days: Women in Science

Saturday, March 10

The Bakken Museum, 3537 Zenith Ave S



Discovery Days: Women in Science is a day of entertaining, informal learning and fun at The Bakken Museum. The day features hands-on activities and a chance to meet women working in the STEM field that do everything from saving butterflies or building robots to inventing new yogurt!

This event is free with admission; members always get in free. More info available at [thebakken.org](http://thebakken.org).

## Linden Hills History Study Group

### ***Pothole Confidential: My Life as Mayor of Minneapolis with R.T. Rybak***

Monday, February 19, 7:00 p.m.

St. John's Episcopal Church, 4201 Sheridan Ave. S.

Join the Linden Hills History Study Group – Everyone is welcome



In a memoir that is at once a political coming-of-age story and a behind-the-scenes look at the running of a great city, three-term Minneapolis mayor R.T. Rybak takes readers into the highs and lows and the daily drama of a life inextricably linked with the city over the past fifty years. *Pothole Confidential* is that rare document from a politician: one more concerned with the people he served and the issues of his time than with burnishing his own credentials. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Suggested donation is \$5 for non- members of LHHSg.

Visit [www.lindenhillshistory.org](http://www.lindenhillshistory.org) for information about upcoming events. If you have questions, please call 612-926-0646 or email [contact@lindenhillshistory.org](mailto:contact@lindenhillshistory.org).

## Support the Arts at Southwest High School



### **Hot Notes on a Cold Night**

#### **Gala Fundraiser for Performing Arts**

Saturday, January 20, 6:30 - 11:00 p.m.

St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church

*Hot Notes on a Cold Night* is THE gala fundraiser for the Theater, Dance, Choral, Orchestra and Guitar programs. It is the primary fundraiser for these programs.

Besides having a great time and grabbing some elite swag, you'll also be supporting our kids, our school and our community. So please join (and bring) all your Southwest friends for food, drinks, awesome student performances, plus the silent and live auctions. Get your tickets today and have fun, while you do good!

<https://hotnotes2018.auction-bid.org/microsite/register-tickets>



## Southwest Community Education Annual Events

### “Tin Chef” Cook Off

Wednesday, February 21, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.  
Southwest High School, 3414 W. 47th St.  
\$5 per person includes food tasting

Calling all food enthusiasts! You're invited to the sixth annual Tin Chef cooking competition, inspired by popular cooking competition shows *Top Chef* and *Chopped*. The Southwest cafeteria is transformed into contest central as teams battle it out to prepare the winning dishes. The teams prepare two dishes from scratch, complete with the chaos of surprise ingredients, celebrity judges, outlandish comedy, and entertainment throughout.

If you plan to attend, please register at [mplscommunityed.com](http://mplscommunityed.com).



Photo by Heather Borgma. Contestants describe their dishes to WCCO TV's Liz Collin and the audience before heading to the judges' table at the 2016 Tin Chef Contest.

### Family Sock Hop

Friday, March 9, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Southwest High School Gymnasium,  
3414 W. 47th St.  
\$3 admission per person

Mark your calendar for the annual Family Sock Hop at Southwest High School, offering fun and festivities for folks of every generation! Enjoy an evening of great music from the 50's, 60's and 70's, fun games, treats and prizes, as well as lots of fond memories for rock-n-rollers of all ages.

Have your picture taken in front of the famous '57 Chevrolet, and buy some take-out snacks at the replica "Porky's Drive-In." The gym will be decorated for the occasion, and 45's will be spinning all night.

The entry fee is \$3.00 per person. Please bring a food donation for the Metro Food Shelf. Kids must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please wear soft-sole shoes or tennis shoes, or be prepared to wear stockings-only in the gym.



## Youth Group Needed for Delivery of Linden Hills Line

Attention all Linden Hills student clubs and groups - interested in earning \$500 for your club, team or group? We are looking for a group of at least 12 students to deliver the next issue of *The Linden Hills Line*. Delivery will be the weekend of March 16, 2018. Please email [info@linden hills.org](mailto:info@linden hills.org), if you are interested.

## New Bremer Location Offers Free Community Space



If you are looking for a location for your next committee meeting, a quiet place to work or a spot to relax and grab coffee, Bremer Linden Hills invites you to check out their new space at Sheridan and 43<sup>rd</sup>.

The location offers technology-forward banking and investment services. However, they also offer co-working and social space, two reservable conference rooms, and complimentary coffee and wi-fi. The space is available free of charge to anyone in the community.

Bremer is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. However, you can reserve space at almost any time, as long as you do so in advance. To learn more or reserve a space, call or email Elizabeth Weekly at 612-782-2860/ [erweekly@bremer.com](mailto:erweekly@bremer.com).

## Southwest Journal Spring Poetry Call for Submissions

Watch for the Spring Poetry issue of the Southwest Journal in early March. Deadline to submit poems is February 14 — Valentine's Day! Please send your best work to [wilhide@skypoint.com](mailto:wilhide@skypoint.com).

And don't forget our two books of local poetry — *Between the Lakes: The Poets of Linden Hills* and *SEASONS: Poems from the Southwest Journal Poetry Project* — both available at Linden Hills Bibelot and Settergren's.



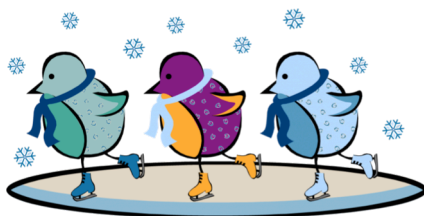
## Linden Hills Park Update

### Upcoming Events

Linden Hills **Winter Fest** is Friday, January 26, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Linden Hills Park. Join the fun at this annual neighborhood celebration of winter!

### Ice Skating at the Park

The ice is open for free skating as well as hockey. Bring your skates or find loaners at the park. The warming room is scheduled to be open through Presidents' Day, February 19, weather permitting. Warming room hours are Monday through Friday 3-9 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sundays noon to 6 p.m. Stop by to enjoy the ice before the season ends.



## We Love our Neighborhood Renters

All LHiNC meetings, committees, and events are open for the participation of our neighborhood renters as well as all homeowners.

If you are a renter and would like to learn more, please contact us at 612-926-2906 or [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org).

And don't forget to sign up for our monthly e-newsletter and get neighborhood news even faster!



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**Sign up for the Nextdoor neighborhood forum at [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com) and connect with your neighbors**

## NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

Details at [www.lindenhills.org](http://www.lindenhills.org)

### January

- 20-21 Art Shanty Projects Kick-Off
- 20 Hot Notes on a Cold Night Cabaret
- 21 Tin Chef Cook-off at Southwest
- 24 Communications Comm. Meeting\*\*
- 26 Winter Fest at Linden Hills Park
- 27-28 Art Shanty Projects
- 27 KiteFest at Lake Harriet

### February

- 3-4 Art Shanty Projects
- 6 LHiNC Board Meeting\*
- 10-11 Art Shanty Projects
- 14 Love Birds Tour of Roberts Bird Sanctuary
- 19 LHSBG: R.T. Rybak
- 19 Zoning Committee Meeting\*
- 21 Tin Chef Cook Off at SWHS
- 21 Environment & Sustainability Mtg\*
- 28 Communications Comm. Meeting\*\*

### March

- 6 LHiNC Board Meeting\*
- 9 Family Sock Hop at SWHS
- 10 Women in Science @ The Bakken
- 15 LHiNC Grant Application Deadline

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

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