Linden Hills Festival – May 20
Annual Tradition Promises Fun and Food for ALL Ages

Mark your calendars. The 44th Annual Linden Hills Festival returns to Linden Hills Park on Sunday, May 20 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The festival, organized by the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council, promises to offer all of the fan favorites from the bike parade to bouncy houses PLUS new, exciting additions, like a bocce ball and a beer garden. Read some highlights below, and check the Festival pullout for more details.

FARMERS MARKET – For the second year in a row, the Linden Hills Farmers’ Market will join the Festival at the park! Featuring 50 vendors, the market will set up near 43rd & Xerxes from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

FOOD & BEER GARDEN – An amazing selection of your neighborhood favorites will be serving up this year’s festival fare, including Clancy’s, Drew’s Donuts, Old Southern BBQ, Red Wagon Pizza, Tilia and Tinto Kitchen. Plus a Beer Garden sponsored by Red Wagon and Linden Hills Dentistry!

FAMILY STAGE – In addition to the traditional kids favorites - games, inflatables, face painting and more - LHINC is providing a family stage featuring Storytime by Mr. John of the Linden Hills Library, an interactive science show with the Bakken, Kids Yoga by YogaFit, and more!

BOCCE – The Linden Hills Bocce Club is unveiling its brand new bocce courts at LH Park the day of the festival. Club members will be on hand to demonstrate and teach this fun social game.

PLUS live music, silent auction, used book sale by the Friends of Linden Hills Library, the art fair and marketplace, cotton candy and MORE!

For more information, visit lindenhills.org/festival

Volunteers Still Needed
The success of the Festival depends on over 100 volunteers! Be part of this wonderful neighborhood tradition. Sign up with a friend to make it even more fun. Volunteers get a free t-shirt and $5 in festival tickets! Sign up online at: lindenhills.org/volunteer-registration.

LINDEN HILLS FESTIVAL WEEKEND

May 19
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Linden Hills Garage Sale

May 20
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Linden Hills Farmers Market at Linden Hills Park
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Linden Hills Festival at Linden Hills Park
11:00 a.m. Bike Parade – Festival Kick-off Led by the SWHS Marching Band. Kids, get to the park at 10:30 a.m. to decorate bikes.

LHiNC Loves our Sponsors!
Sending LOVE to our amazing supporters:

Lead Sponsor: Bremer Bank
Kinderberry Hill, Linden Hills Dentistry, Mint Orthodontics, Red Wagon Pizza, Prestige Cleaners, Team Larry at Lakes Area Realty, Wedge & Linden Hills Co-ops, and Wendy Ponte – Coldwell Banker Burnet

INSIDE: Festival Event Listing, Garage Sale Map, New Bocce Courts and Minneapolis 2040
Huge Used Book Sale at the Festival

The sale will be inside the park building at the festival on Saturday, May 20 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The sale benefits the Linden Hills Library and Hennepin County Libraries.

Have fun browsing the large selection of books, all at great prices for a terrific cause – our libraries!

There is still time to donate books for the sale. Used books are being accepted at the Linden Hills Co-op and Creative Kidstuff through May 18 (clean, good condition, no textbooks or magazines, please). If you have more than four bags of books, contact Joe Wolf at NovelTrader@aol.com. Sale organized by Friends of the Linden Hills Library, lindenhills@supporthclib.org.

Annual Pancake Breakfast & Garage Sale at Linden Hills UCC

Saturday, May 19, 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Linden Hills UCC, 4200 Upton Ave S.

Start the day off right with a pancake breakfast, then shop for treasures at the big garage sale. Breakfast choices include pancakes (with blueberry option), sausages and beverages. Cost is $6.50 / kids under 7 are FREE. Linden Hills UCC welcomes everyone!

Minneapolis 2040: The City Wants YOUR Feedback

The City of Minneapolis recently released a "draft" of Minneapolis 2040, the city's comprehensive growth plan that shapes how the city will grow and change. This plan covers a wide variety of topics, such as housing, job access, the design of new buildings and how we use our streets.

The city wants your feedback. You can review the plan at minneapolis2040.com and provide feedback online.

You can also provide feedback in-person. On May 20, The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council will have a Minneapolis 2040 information display at the Linden Hills Festival. Please come by the table to ask questions and make comments.

In addition, Councilmember Linea Palmisano is planning a 2040 Open House for Ward 13 on May 23 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Southwest High School Commons Area.

Bocce Ball Arrives in Linden Hills – Festival Debut

Several long time Linden Hills residents are building a neighborhood bocce ball court in Linden Hills Park, in partnership with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB). The court will be debuted at the May 20th Linden Hills Festival.

Dale Mulfinger, Rick Polanski, Marc Burgett and Steve Benson plan to raise the $12,000-$14,000 necessary to build the two-lane regulation sized court. So far, MPRB has allocated $5,000 of the neighborhood’s park dedication fees to the project, Linden Hills Neighborhood Council has awarded the group a $1000 grant, plus $2,000 has been raised through private fundraising.

How can you help?

• Join a work crew to prepare courts for May 20th debut.
• Get info on becoming a Linden Hills Bocce Ball Club member.
• Make a tax free donation.

For details, contact: Steve Benson, benso006@umn.edu; Dale Mulfinger, dmulfinger@salaarc.com; Rick Polanski, rpolanski@comcast.net; or Marc Burgett: marcburgett@msn.com.
Linden Hills Power & Light Has a New Name

Minneapolis Climate Action

LHP&L is now Minneapolis Climate Action. They will continue their work on organics, Boomerang Bags and solar gardens but will be expanding their reach to the rest of the city, working with various city programs to promote positive climate change in or area.

One example is their new partnership with Hennepin County Green Partners, encouraging peer-to-peer outreach in Minneapolis neighborhoods.

Trailer Trash Bash – May 19 at 7:00 p.m.
The 3rd annual fundraiser for Minneapolis Climate Action (formerly LHP&L) features dancing, live music from Trailer Trash, food, libations, and a huge Silent Auction. Tickets are $40. For tickets and more info: mplscclimate.org.

Art Shanty Projects at LH Festival

LHiNC is excited about our continued partnership with Art Shanty Projects – helping to bring their winter arts festival to Lake Harriet. We hope you were one of the 40,000 visitors who experienced this winter’s Art Shanty Projects on our frozen lake, featuring 20 artist-created, interactive shanties, along with a variety of performances, parades, and activities.

Art Shanty Projects will have a table at this year’s Linden Hills Festival on May 20. Please stop by to find out about the work they do, share your memories, and learn about their membership program that keeps fans connected to artists year-round. Also, learn more about volunteering or submitting a proposal for a shanty of your own.

Do you have a vision for the parks in Linden Hills?

Minneapolis Parks & Recreation Board has formed a Community Advisory Committee (CAC) to create a 20-year Southwest Service Area Master Plan. The Southwest Service Area contains 42 neighborhood parks and 13 recreation centers south of I-394 and west of I-35W.

The CAC will draft improvement plans that specifically address the needs of each neighborhood park asset. These improvements will be implemented over the next 20 years.

Our Linden Hills neighborhood has 1 recreation center and 4 parks. One goal of the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council is to create a walking and bike path that follows the Historic Trolley Path from Waveland Triangle to Lake Harriet.

Linden Hills residents Jana Griffin and Shaelyn Crutchley have both been appointed to the CAC and will represent Linden Hills, CIDNA and West Calhoun neighborhoods and their respective park assets. If you have ideas for improving our parks, please connect with Jana or Shaelyn via LHiNC’s email address: info@lindenhills.org

And please take a quick survey to express your vision for Linden Hills’ parks! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/swcommunityinput

LHiNC Spring Grant Winners

Every fall and spring, the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council awards grants to people, projects and programs that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work. A special thank you to all the restaurants, sponsors and guests from this fall’s Taste of Linden Hills fundraiser - the funds raised that evening provide the funding for these grants.

Below are the winners from the latest round of grants, as voted on by LHiNC.

**Eric Peterson scholarships** - Each spring, LHiNC awards a $1000 scholarship to two SWHS seniors selected by the school for their dedication to community service, in memory of a past board member who dedicated his life to serving others.

**Lake Harriet Lower and the STEAM program**: To support the elementary school’s library/media classroom in its transition to a "Makerspace model", an approach that allows students to develop skills in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math).

**Midwest Food Connection**: To support this organization’s work providing interactive lessons on local and global cuisine to elementary school students in the Linden Hills neighborhood. This group educates students on topics such as nutrition, agriculture and gardening, and the historical and cultural context of food.

**SW Robotics**: In support of this group’s goal to make robotics more broadly available to local middle school students. Through this program, students design, build, and program a robot for competition; they gain valuable experience in technology, teamwork, marketing, public speaking, and community outreach.

LHiNC’s fall grant deadline will be September 15th. For more info on how to apply, visit lindenhills.org/grants.
The Trolleys are Running!
The Como-Harriet Streetcar Line is now open for business from 12:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Weekday evening service begins Friday, May 25; and there will be special early bird service on Memorial Day (May 28), beginning at 9:30 a.m. The fare is $2. Children 3 and under are free.

Free Rides for Mom and Dad
Treat Mom to a free ride on Mothers’ Day, Sunday, May 13. Then give Dad his turn on Fathers’ Day, Sunday, June 17.

Visit TrolleyRide.org for more about special events like Owl Service - ride from 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., starting June 30.

Linden Hills Business Association UPDATE

THE OUTDOOR PIANO IS COMING BACK!
After a three-year hiatus, the outdoor piano is returning to downtown Linden Hills. Look for it in its NEW location on the sidewalk outside of Heartfelt. Sponsored by the Linden Hills Business Association, it will be available for anyone to play from 10AM to 9PM from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Come and enjoy!

SUMMER WINE & STROLL – JUNE 21
Great wine, great shopping! Mark your calendars for the Linden Hills Business Association’s Summer Wine and Stroll on Thursday, June 21st, from 5pm to 9pm. Sip and learn about different wine varieties and enjoy outdoor music, as you wander among participating shops and businesses, and take advantage of in-store specials.

Midnight-to-Dawn Metro Bike Tour
Saturday, June 30 – Sunday, July 1
Insomniacs and bicycling lovers unite! Enjoy a 42- or 28-mile ride through the metro; make stops at late-night shops like Mel-O-Glaze Bakery and the Grand Ol’ Creamery, or bike straight through the night to the sunrise finish. A gourmet breakfast will follow the ride. Registration deadline is June 15. Cost is $20 and includes breakfast and t-shirt. Register at mplscommunityed.com or call 612-668-3100.

Southwest Minneapolis 1930: From the Air
Wednesday, May 23, 7:00 p.m.
St. John’s Episcopal Church, 4201 Sheridan Ave S
$5 suggested donation for non-members of LHHS. Everyone is welcome.

In the late 1920s and early 1930s, pioneer aerial photographer Joe Quigley was hired to take images of all Minneapolis schools. These remarkable high-resolution photos have been in the school district files for 80 years. Join local historians Michael Wilson and Tom Balcom to view the Southwest neighborhoods circa 1930.

Please stop by the Linden Hills History Study Group’s history table at the Linden Hills Festival on Sunday May 20 to learn about other upcoming events. Questions? Visit lindenhillshistory.org, call (612) 926-0646, or email contact@lindenhillshistory.org.

Celebrate Memorial Day at Lakewood Cemetery
Monday, May 28, 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Lakewood Cemetery, 3600 Hennepin Ave.

Immerse yourself in history and honor lives lost at Lakewood’s annual Memorial Day Celebration. A ceremony honoring veterans begins at 10:30 a.m. followed by an afternoon (12 p.m. – 3 p.m.) of WWI-era inspired activities - community sings, a make-and-take planting activity, guided walking tours, and more - all to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I.

Other Memorial Day activities taking place from 12:00-3:00 p.m. include: trolley tours of Lakewood’s history, art and gardens; horse-and-carriage rides; historic streetcar rides from Lakewood’s streetcar gate to Lake Harriet and back provided by the Minnesota Streetcar Museum, 9:30 a.m. to dusk, $2 round-trip (age 3 & under free); self-guided tours of famous memorials, memorial symbolism, art and architecture; and coffee, cookies and lemonade. More info at lakewoodcemetery.org.

Art in the Garden at The Bakken
Thursday, June 21, 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Join the Bakken Museum for a creative evening and chance to discover the natural beauty of the museum’s garden spaces. With beer and wine to sip on and food from Gastrotruck and Olivia’s Organic Café, you can have your own picnic on the green roof as you create artsy items inspired by the flora on the museum grounds! Art activities will include plant stamp postcards, native plant-inspired window art, watercolors, origami and hanging botanical pieces. PLUS the Chalk Art Car and watercolor bots from the Science Museum of Minnesota will be there! Tickets available soon at thebakken.org.
The Linden Hills Festival Silent Auction

Did you know that the annual Linden Hills Festival includes a Silent Auction? Stop inside the park building to stock up on exciting prizes from businesses in the neighborhood and across the Twin Cities. Funds raised support the work of LHiNC in the community.

We have exciting auction prizes in all categories that will give you a reason to get out, enjoy the city, and support local businesses this summer. Everything from Twins tickets to electronics for gaming, from Guthrie theater tickets to a family portrait session, from a Super Southwest Camp for the kids to a week of classes at MXE for you, and, of course, gift certificates for all your favorite local restaurants and stores.

To check out all the LHiNC Silent Auction prizes – and place some early bids – visit our online auction at www.biddingowl.com/LHFestival. Online bidding begins May 14!

THANK YOU TO ALL SILENT AUCTION DONORS
LHiNC would like to thank all the generous local businesses and people who have donated prizes to this year’s Silent Auction. Through your gifts, LHiNC will be able to keep serving the residents and business owners of Linden Hills.

At Home & Company  Gear Running Store  Magers & Quinn Booksellers  Southwest Community Education
Bakken Museum  Grace & Co  Mark Lellman/studio D potters  Southwest Fi restone
Brown & Greene Floral  Great Harvest  MXE  Sunnyside Gardens
Calhoun Beach Framing  Grethen House  Needle & Skein  The Bibelot Shops
Calhoun Beach Club  Gustola Granola  New Gild Jewelers  The Heathersmith
CBS Radio  Guthrie Theater  Old Southern BBQ Smokehouse  The Little Gym of Edina
Center for Purposeful Leadership  Harriet Brasserie  On the Spot Services  Trolley Car Press
Clancy's Meats & Fish  Heartfelt  Owl Optical  Tutor Doctor
Clear Health Chiropractic  Hugrogate Foods  Peekaboo Sisters Children's Clothes  Wedge & Linden Hills Co-ops
Coffee & Tea Ltd  House of Music  Poppy  Wendy Ponte Real Estate
College Nannies+Sitters+Tutors  iHeart Media  Rehkamp Larson Architects  Xfactor Sales
Dale Studios  Jessica Lourey, Author  R. F. Moeller Jeweler  Yoga Fit Linden Hills
Doug Wilhide  Jimmy Wilson Gallery  Root Salon  Eric Hansen, Architect
Dunn Brothers Coffee  L Guthrie Arts  Ryan the Handyman  Needle & Skein
Ed Bell  Lake Harriet Law Office  Science Museum of Minnesota  Grace & Co
Energy Express  Landscapes in Fabric  Simply Jane Studio  Grace & Co
Eric Hansen, Architect  Lifetime Fitness  Soderberg Painting  southwest
Fundamental Strength  Linden Hills Yoga and Massage  South

Volunteer Opportunities
Festival Volunteers Needed
The Linden Hills Festival relies on the assistance of many neighborhood volunteers in order to be successful. Can you help? We are most in need of assistance with the Silent Auction, monitoring Zero Waste stations, and in the Cleanup/Tear-Down positions.

Volunteering is a great opportunity to meet new people, have fun, and win the admiration of your friends and neighbors! We especially encourage our school clubs and sports team, and faith-based communities to participate.

Volunteers get $5 in food/drink tickets AND a free Festival t-shirt!
And thanks to our generous neighborhood supporters, we provide coffee, bagels, and pastries to all volunteers.

Sign-up is easy. Visit lindehills.org/volunteer-registration to select your shift, or contact volunteers@lindenhills.org, if you have questions.

We Recycle! And Compost!
The Linden Hills Festival has been a Zero Waste event since 2008. This means that almost all waste generated at the Festival gets recycled or composted, so at the end of the day we have very little that goes into the landfill – typically just one small bag of trash.

Look for our Zero Waste stations at the Festival and help us in this effort!

Thank you to LHiNC
The annual Linden Hills Festival is organized by LHiNC Board members - a group of committed volunteers, who help make a difference in our special neighborhood. These are regular people with families and jobs, and somehow they make time to contribute.

Amazing feats performed by the LHiNC board:
• Navigating the City’s complex world of permit applications for food, tents, beer, and the parade (not as easy as you may think)
• Figuring out how much soda and cotton candy to order for a crowd of 3,000
• Counting and tracking an estimated 30,000 tickets sold
• Learning about the Minneapolis Health Department and how to pass the surprise health inspection on Festival day
• Planning for a beautiful day … and having a backup plan in case it rains

The Festival requires LOTs of time and planning, but the big payoff is carrying on the annual Festival tradition. It’s fun!
Linden Hills Park Update

Time to Sign Up for Summer Camp at LH Park
This summer, Linden Hills Park has a fun and exciting line-up of camps great for kids of all ages. Art, sports, science, drama, nature, and more – Linden Hills Park has a camp for all interests. Check out the full listing at minneapolisparks.org.

Lake Harriet Bandshell Concerts Kick-Off May 28
The summer concert season at the Lake Harriet Bandshell officially kicks off on Monday, May 28 with Beatles tribute band Rubber Soul at 5:30 p.m. Bandshell concerts are scheduled daily (except Wednesdays) from Memorial Day through Labor Day - Monday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m., Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Details at minneapolisparks.org/activities__events/music__movies

Protect Pollinators & Get Free Plants
Pollinator populations are in sharp decline. For planting season, the City is urging all Minneapolis gardeners, landscapers and farmers to avoid applying pesticides or buying plants that were already treated. ALSO, if you participate in a short, online pollinator survey, you can get free plants and seeds. The survey will be available May 14-18 at minneapolismn.gov/environment/bees.

Linden Hills Farmers
Market Open May 20
Linden Hills Park, 43rd & Xerxes
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Once again, the Farmers Market will kick off the season at the Linden Hills Festival. Then, the market will return to Settergren’s beginning May 28. Open Sundays through October.

Birds & Botany Walk
Roberts Bird Sanctuary
Sat., May 19, 10:00–11:15 a.m.
Join the Friends of Roberts on a guided walk to discover birds and botany! We will start with a short overview at the visitors shelter at the east entrance, and then stroll for an hour in the Sanctuary, as we learn about the plants that live there and the birds who love them! Free. Open to public.

NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR
Details at www.lindenhills.org

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