The Linden Hills Line


Linden Hills Festival – May 19

Celebrate Our Community with Food, Friends & Fun

Kick off festival season at the 45th Annual Linden Hills Festival on Sunday, May 19 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Linden Hills Park. Organized by the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council, the festival will feature all the fan favorites from the bike parade to bouncy houses PLUS new exciting traditions, like the beer garden and the farmers market. Check out highlights below, as well as the Festival pullout for more details.

New! ADVANCED TICKET PURCHASE – Cut down your wait at the ticket booth by purchasing festival tickets (food/drink) and wristbands (kids activities) online. Available now at lindenhills.org/festival.

New! FOOD DRIVE - Simply Jane Studio is partnering with Lake Harriet United Methodist Church to support Joyce Uptown Foodshelf. Bring two or more non-perishable food items or $5+ cash donation to the festival. In exchange, Simply Jane Studio will supply materials and canvas boards to paint at the festival.

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

FOOD & BEER GARDEN– Delicious festival fare served up by your neighborhood favorites, including Clancey’s, Drew’s Donuts, Old Southern BBQ, Red Wagon Pizza, Tilia and Tinto Kitchen. Plus a Beer Garden sponsored by Red Wagon featuring Fulton Beer!

FAMILY STAGE – In addition to games, inflatables, face painting and more, our Family Stage will feature Storytime by Linden Hills Library, an interactive science show, kids yoga and more!

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

LINDEN HILLS FESTIVAL WEEKEND

May 18
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Linden Hills Garage Sale

May 19
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

LHiNC Loves our Festival Sponsors!
We couldn’t do this without your support.

Lead Sponsor: Bremer Bank
Linden Hills Dentistry
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Team Larry at Lakes Area Realty

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/festival-volunteer-registration.

For more information, visit lindenhills.org/festival

INSIDE: Festival Event Listing, Garage Sale Map, New Kids Concert Series and Bike to Work Day
LHiNC Soil Regeneration Project Update

As part of a year-long healthy soil initiative, LHiNC’s Environment and Sustainability Committee welcomed neighbors to a Healthy Soil Demonstration on April 28th on the Linden Hills Trolley Path near York & 44th St. Kassie Brown from Renaissance Soil talked about how we can increase the health of the soil in our yards in a way that will maximally absorb CO2 and help with climate change.

After the talk, a dozen or more attendees helped begin the process toward soil regeneration on the Trolley Path. They aerated compacted dirt, incorporated enriched compost that holds various added nutrients, and then covered with crop seeds that will begin feeding the life in the soil.

Another information/work day will be held in August, when native plants and permanent grasses are incorporated into this trolley path plot.

This project is sponsored by the Linden Hills Environment & Sustainability Committee, which meets every third Tuesday of the month at Bremer Bank in Linden Hills. Anyone is welcome to attend or become a member of our committee. For more information, contact Leah Fish (lpklemmt@gmail.com).

LHiNC Launches New Website

LHiNC is excited to announce the launch of its new website at lindenhills.org. A huge thank you to Linda McConley of website design firm Code and Content for her expertise in creating the site. We also want to thank LHiNC’s Communications Committee lead by Committee Chair Wendy Ponte for all their hard work.

We hope the community will find this new site to be an informative, easy-to-use resource that will help people feel more connected to our neighborhood. We invite you to check it out today!

LHiNC Awards Spring Community Grants

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, 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.

- **Kairos Alive** - Awarded $500 to fund an Intergenerational Dance Hall™ in the Linden Hills neighborhood. The mission of Kairos Alive is to transform lives through dance and story.

- **Midwest Food Connection** - Awarded $800 to support the organization’s work providing culinary, nutrition, and gardening education to elementary school students in the Linden Hills neighborhood.

- **Minneapolis Pops Orchestra** - Awarded $500 to support the orchestra’s 70th Summer Concert Season at the Bandshell.

- **The Neighborhood Choir** - Awarded $600 to fund scholarships to choir members who cannot afford membership. The Choir’s mission is to provide choir members with a welcoming environment and an opportunity to develop and improve musical and performance skills, and to enrich the community.

- **Study Buddies** - Awarded $500 to fund after-school snacks for the Southwest High School student tutors for the “Study Buddies” tutoring program that pairs SWHS students with grade school students at Lake Harriet Lower campus.

LHiNC’s fall grant deadline is September 15th. For more information on how to apply, visit lindenhills.org/grants.

LHiNC Funds New Playground Equipment

At LHiNC’s April meeting, board members unanimously voted to support funding the purchase and installation of two new pieces of playground equipment for the Lake Harriet Community School Lower Campus, totaling just over $6000.

After a damaging fire on the school’s playground last summer, LHiNC reached out to the school to see how the council could help. The school received insurance money for the damaged equipment but requested support to replace some outdated equipment.

The equipment will be installed at Lake Harriet’s Lower Campus this summer and be ready for the new school year. LHiNC utilized funding provided to it through the city’s Neighborhood Revitalization Program.
Neighborhood Elections for the NCEC

The Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission is seeking 8 commissioners to advise the City of Minneapolis on community engagement and the neighborhood organization system. One of the available commission seats is from our neighborhood district (District 2).

The vision for the NCEC is a city and community engagement process that increases inclusiveness, empowerment and greater opportunities for participation by all community members of the City of Minneapolis.

To learn more, please visit minneapolismn.gov/ncr/boards/ncec/

If you are interested in being considered for this seat, please send an email to info@lindenhills.org by May 24 with a short explanation of your interest in the position.

Weigh in on New Bus Rapid Transit Project

The METRO E Line is a bus rapid transit project that will provide faster and more reliable transit service along a large portion of Route 6. The E Line would follow the Hennepin Ave corridor in downtown Minneapolis and Uptown.

Based on a Metro Transit evaluation, they have narrowed down to three potential routing options on the south end. Metro Transit is holding several Open Houses (no formal presentation, come anytime) to learn more about the routing options and some early ideas about connecting bus service. The open house closest to Linden Hills will be:

- Monday, May 20, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- Southwest High School, Cafeteria
- 3414 West 47th Street, Minneapolis

For a full list of meetings, visit metrotransit.org/E-Line-Project.

Minneapolis Climate Action Events

Boomerang Bags Sewing Bees
Saturday May 18th and June 15th
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
2720 W 43rd St,
above Wild Rumpus bookstore

We make beautiful reusable bags that we drop off at local grocery stores and farmers markets. Don’t sew? Come and iron, make labels and join a community of your neighbors doing something about plastic waste.

More info at mplsclimate.org/boomerang-bags.html

Linden Hills Festival
Sunday, May 19; 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Come visit the Minneapolis Climate Action table at the Linden Hills Festival! Find out how you can get involved with us, plus pick up free compost - since healthy soil is a great way to capture carbon dioxide from the air. Make sure to bring a container.

Minneapolis Climate Action Fundraiser

Did you miss our fundraiser on May 11th? You can still give to grow the impact and reach of Minneapolis Climate Action at www.mplsclimate.org/donate.

Bike to Work with CM Palmisano

Friday, May 17th at 7:30 a.m.
Dunn Brothers (2814 W 43rd St)

Bike to Work with Council Member Palmisano during Minneapolis Bike Month! The ride will leave from Dunn Brothers in Downtown Linden Hills at 7:30 am on May 17th.

The ride will end at Government Plaza in Downtown Minneapolis, where the city and Our Streets Minneapolis will host a celebration to include a short program and free snacks and coffee before work!

We will ride as a group, and no one will be dropped. Each person is responsible for their own safety. Details at tcbiketoworkday.org

The Trolleys are Running!

The Como-Harriet Streetcar Line is now open from 12:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Weekday evening service begins Friday, May 24. The fare is $2.50. Children 3 and under are free. Or consider an Annual Family Pass for just $60.

Free Rides for Mom and Dad

Treat Mom to a free ride on Mothers’ Day, Sunday, May 12. Then give Dad his turn on Fathers’ Day, Sunday, June 16.

Visit TrolleyRide.org to purchase tickets online and for special events like Owl Service - ride from 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., starting June 8; ride all night on a $5 Owl Pass. It’s a different ride in the dark!

Recycle Smart – know what goes in your recycling cart

To raise awareness about the importance of recycling the right stuff, Hennepin County, in partnership with Minneapolis and St. Paul, has developed the a new Recycle Smart campaign. The campaign focuses on important items to keep out of your recycling cart, such as plastic bags, large plastic items, and random metal items. For more info, visit: hennepin.us/recycling#recycle-smart.
Two New Boutiques Land in Linden Hills

A big welcome to the Bibelot GoodThings boutique, a gift and home accents store which opened earlier this year in the former Poppy space (4301 S. Upton Ave); and to the GoodStyle clothing boutique, which opened five doors down in the former Bibelot space (4315 S. Upton Ave) and features women’s clothing and accessories.

The Bibelot GoodThings shop combines the best of Bibelot and the best of GoodThings to carry on the legacy founded by local businesswomen, Roxana Freese (Bibelot Shops) and Sharon Conrad (GoodThings).

Note for shoppers: GoodStyle will remain open while updating the interior and exterior of the shop over the next few months. For more information: shopgoodthings.com.

MPRB Debuts New Kids Concert Series at the Bandshell

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board is excited to announce a new Kids Concert Series every other Friday at the Lake Harriet Bandshell from June 14 - August 23 at 10 a.m.

June 14 - THE BIG EPIC SHOW: comical hip-hop for kids
June 28 - John Kerns: acoustic rock for energetic kids
July 12 - The OK Factor: new-classical crossover duo
July 26 - Siama’s Congo Music: feel-good sounds from Africa
August 9 - The Teapot Tempest: original americana and tasty covers
August 23 - Louis and Dan and the Invisible Band: catchy, intelligent, family-friendly music

Learn more about the six kid-friendly music shows at www.mplsmusicandmovies.com. If you are interested in getting in on the fun as a sponsor, please contact Erica Chua: echua@minneapolisparks.org/612-230-6479.

SWHS Band Head to National Convention

CONGRATULATIONS to Southwest High School’s 3 Strings Band! Out of more than 385 applicants, they were chosen to perform at the National Association for Music Education National Convention in Orlando, FL. The 3 Strings will perform at the Key Note Address as the featured ensemble demonstrating innovative music education regarding inclusion.

The methodology created by Director Ruth LeMay and Special Education Assistant Artisha Knight is titled UnLocKeD and will be available to music educators attending the conference in hopes that they will create their own 3 Strings program. Three Strings began at SWHS in the winter of 2015 as a pilot project for students with special needs to be included in guitar education.

To help fund their trip to Orlando contact: ruth.lemay@mpls.k12.mn.us

Linden Hills Library Launches “Mapping Prejudice” Series

From June 10-July 11, Linden Hills Library will host a new interactive exhibit entitled “Displaced”. The exhibit is based on the Mapping Prejudice Project, a cutting-edge University of Minnesota research project that documents, maps, and presents data on restrictive real estate covenants in Hennepin County. One section of the exhibit will be devoted to Linden Hills.

The library will also host several events related to the exhibit, including:

Mapping Prejudice: Transcription Event - June 25, 6:30 - 8:00 pm
Mapping Prejudice is looking for volunteers to help map racial covenants. Volunteers will read deeds and help create the database they need to plot these covenants. Participants are invited to bring their own laptops. Adults and teenagers welcome.

For a full listing of all events at Linden Hills Library in May & June, please visit: hclib.org/about/locations/linden-hills.

Sensory Friendly Programming at The Bakken Museum

Saturday, May 25, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Join The Bakken Museum for a special sensory friendly event with lowered volume on interactive exhibits, dimmed lights throughout the museum, additional sensory-friendly signage, therapy animals and music. The museum has partnered with the Autism Society of Minnesota to adjust the museum experience and develop programming with a focus on sensory processing differences. For more info, visit thebakken.org/accessibility.
We have exciting auction prizes in all categories. Everything from Twins tickets to a new kids bike, from Minneapolis Orchestra tickets to an Insider’s Tour of the State Capital hosted by State Senator Dibble and Representative Hornstein, and, of course, gift certificates for all your favorite local restaurants and stores.

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Visit our online auction at www.biddingowl.com/LHFestival. Get a sneak preview or BUY IT NOW, before festival day. Online bidding begins May 13!

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.

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Brown & Greene Floral
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Gear Running Store
Goodthings
Grace and Co
Gustola Granola
Heartfelt
Hello Pizza
Homegrown Foods
Hot Indian Foods
House of Music
iHeart Media
Ingrid Soderberg
Lifetime Fitness
Kingfield Pilates
Linden Hills Co-op
Linden Hills House of Music
Linden Hills Yoga and Massage
Martin
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Linden Hills Park Update

Lake Harriet Bandshell Concerts Kick-Off May 27
The summer concert season at the Bandshell officially kicks off on Monday, May 27 with Sawyer’s Dream 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/

Addams Family Auditions
Join the cast, pit or crew for the creepy and kooky Addams Family, playing July 12-20! Auditions are open for students entering 11th & 12th grade, college students and adults of all ages on Thursday, May 16 at Edison High School or Friday, May 17 at Page Middle School (callbacks Sat, May 18). Pit players and tech crew are also needed. More info: mplscommunityed.com/summermusical.

Summer Programs @ Linden Hills Library

Play and Make - June 12, July 3 & 10, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.; Get artistic, play games, make crafts & more!

Puppet Show: Ms. Marvel's
Sandbox Circus - June 19, 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.; Ms. Marvel, the cat, is the madcap, merry-maker that lives and prows in your neighborhood. Collaborator: Open Eye Theatre.

LEGO Lab - June 22, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.; Calling all future engineers and architects! We'll also have DUPLOS®, so all ages are welcome.

“Rainbow Stew” Story Stroll - June 26, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.; Step into the pages of Rainbow Stew by Cathryn Falwell. Also create a craft inspired by the book.

ALSO, Kids and teens: read a book, visit the library, and pick out a free prize book!

NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR
Details at www.lindenhills.org

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To submit articles, contact LHiNC at 612-926-2906 or email info@lindenhills.org. Article submissions for the July/August issue are due June 24.

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