



The Linden Hills Line

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The Quarterly Newsletter of the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council

Fall 2021

Linden Hills Fall Festival - September 18

Celebrate Our Community with Food, Friends and Fun

Join the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council and all your friends and neighbors at Linden Hills Park for our Fall Festival on Saturday, **September 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Expect live music, delicious food, a beer garden and COVID-safe activities for kids and adults alike. Full event details can be found at lindenhills.org/festival.

SAFETY: To minimize public health risks and follow guidelines from the MN Department of Health, LHiNC requests that all non-vaccinated persons, including children, wear a mask if you cannot keep 6 feet away from people from other households. LHiNC will have free masks and hand sanitizer throughout the festival grounds.

ENTERTAINMENT & DINING: Get ready for a fun and exciting line-up of local musicians organized by The House of Music, and please bring your appetite! Nashville Coop, Old Southern BBQ, The Purple People Feeder, Taqueria Victor Hugo and Drews Donuts will serve up delicious festival fare with a beer garden sponsored by Red Wagon Pizza.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES: LHiNC has planned activities that will allow kids to have fun and stay safe, including arts and crafts with Heartfelt and Simply Jane, a Gaga Ball Pit from Lake Harriet United Methodist Church, a kids' yoga class from YogaFit, and storytime with Linden Hills Library, plus a festival-wide scavenger hunt with prizes!

FUN FOR ALL AGES: In addition to food & music, look forward to:

- **HISTORIC WALKING TOURS** - Linden Hills History Study Group will lead two tours (12:00 & 2:00 p.m.), leaving from its festival booth. Recommended donation: \$5. Pre-register at lindenhills.org/festival.
- **USED BOOK SALE** - Friends of Linden Hills Library are back with books for all ages; proceeds benefit Hennepin County Libraries.
- **FOOD DRIVE** - Simply Jane Studio is partnering with Mt. Olivet Church to support Joyce Uptown Food Shelf. Bring two or more non-perishable food items or \$10+ cash donation to their tent and receive a free canvas with Simply Jane designs to paint!
- **ENVIRONMENT SECTION** - Learn about planting native plants and pollinators, healthy soil, pesticide-free lawns, and how to go solar.
- **BOCCE DEMO** - The Linden Hills Bocce Ball Club will be on the park bocce courts to demonstrate and teach this fun game for all ages!



LHiNC Loves our Festival Sponsors!

Platinum Sponsors:

Bremer Bank, House of Music, Maggie Taylor Homes, Mint Orthodontics & Team Larry at Lakes Area Realty

Gold Sponsors:

Merrell, Wooden Ship Brewing & Xcel Energy

Silver: All Energy Solar, Edina Family Chiropractic, GoodThings, Harriet Brasserie, Heartfelt, Mad City Windows & Oliveri Real Estate **Bronze:** Cafe Ceres, Hope Psychology Practice and Linden Hills Dentistry

Want to Get Involved?

VOLUNTEER - The success of our festival depends on our terrific volunteers. It's a fun and easy way to give back to your community. Register for a two-hour shift at lindenhills.org/festival.

BE A SPONSOR - LHiNC has a new Individual Sponsor Level (\$50) for neighbors to support the event and the neighborhood. Individual sponsors will be acknowledged on our website and at the event. Become a sponsor at lindenhills.org/festival.

Election Update

Early Voting Starts September 17 for 2021 Municipal Elections

Any Minneapolis voter may choose to vote early, no reason needed. The Early Vote Center at 980 E. Hennepin Ave. opens at 8:00 a.m. Sept. 17 for voters who wish to cast their ballot early and in person. The last day for early voting is November 1.

Go to vote.minneapolismn.gov for early voting times, mail-in ballots requests, voter registration, polling locations and more.

What's on the ballot?

Offices on the ballot this year include: Mayor, City Council, Board of Estimate & Taxation, and Park & Recreation Board. For complete list of candidates: vote.minneapolismn.gov/run-for-office/candidate-filings/. There will also be three questions on the 2021 Minneapolis ballot that propose amendments to the City Charter: government structure, public safety and rent stabilization. Information about the ballot questions can be found at vote.minneapolismn.gov/voters/ballot/.

Candidate and Charter Forums

Minneapolis Park Board District 6

Tuesday, September 28, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Hybrid: Mt. Olivet Church and Live Stream

LHiNC is proud to sponsor this nonpartisan candidate forum, your chance to meet the candidates for District 6 of the Minneapolis Park Board. The League of Women Voters will be moderating and it will be offered both in person at Mount Olivet Church (5025 Knox Ave S) and virtually streamed and recorded. Please register to attend or get the link: bit.ly/mprbdist6.

Ward 13 City Council Candidates

Monday, October 4 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Hybrid: St. John's Episcopal Church and Live Stream

Organized by LHiNC and St. John's Episcopal Church, this Ward 13 Candidate Forum will be held in-person at St. John's (4201 Sheridan Ave S), as well as live-streamed and recorded. The event will be moderated by the League of Women Voters Minneapolis, a non-partisan organization. Register to attend (seats limited) and get the livestream link at linden hills.org/ward-13-forum.

Charter Amendments Forum

Saturday, October 16 from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Hybrid: Mayflower Church and Live Stream

A partnership of Southwest Minneapolis neighborhood organizations will host a public forum about three amendments on the ballot: government structure, public safety and rent stabilization. Advocates in favor of and opposed to each charter amendment will make their case. The forum will be moderated by The League of Women Voters of the White Bear Lake Area. Register to attend or receive the link at bit.ly/charter-forum.



Join Your Neighborhood Council

If you love Linden Hills and want to contribute to your community, consider running for the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council. LHiNC is a group of 15 board members elected by the community at an annual meeting in October. Board members serve a 2-year term with half the seats filled each year.

Why join the LHiNC Board? You will:

- Learn more about your neighborhood
- Work with others who are invested in Linden Hills
- Engage with decision makers from across the city
- Have fun and benefit your community

Our goal is to have a board that represents everyone who lives in Linden Hills; we encourage all who are interested to apply. The only requirement: you must be a neighborhood resident who is 18 years of age or older. Applications are due by October 4. Learn more and apply at linden hills.org/get-involved/.

LHiNC Virtual Annual Meeting

October 11, 2021 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Join LHiNC online to learn about your council and celebrate your community. We will award Linden Hills Treasure awards to neighbors who go above and beyond. You will meet and vote for LHiNC Board candidates and hear about what's next for LHiNC and how you can get involved. Registration required. Register online today: linden hills.org/connect2021.

Nominate a Linden Hills Treasure

Do you know a Linden Hills resident or business owner who has made an impact on our community? Each year at our Annual Meeting, LHiNC honors these true neighborhood treasures. If you know someone who fits that description, please nominate them by October 1 at linden hills.org/treasure-of-linden-hills.

Apply for Neighborhood Grant

Every fall and spring, LHiNC awards grants of up to \$1,000 to people, projects and programs that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work. This spring, LHiNC awarded \$1,000 to the following organizations:

- Carondelet Catholic School to purchase diverse and antiracism books for both campuses to put more books featuring diverse characters into the hands of children.
- Minneapolis Pops Orchestra to support its 2021 Summer Concert Season at Lake Harriet Bandshell.

LHiNC's fall grant cycle deadline is October 15, 2021. Learn more at linden hills.org/grants.

Fall in Linden Hills

Streetcar Line Turns Fifty

On August 28, 1971, the Minnesota Streetcar Museum offered the first trips on its restored Como-Harriet Streetcar Line. This August, fifty years later, volunteers and neighbors gathered, despite pouring rain, to celebrate the milestone (see photo). The museum acknowledged its volunteers, some of whom were there fifty years ago, and Linden Hills neighbors for their ridership and support.



Upcoming Trolley Events include:

- Autumn Rides: Wednesday - Sunday until October 10
- Pumpkin Patch: October 16 and 17, 12:30 to 4:00 p.m.
- Transylvania Trolley: October 23, 12:30 to 4:00 p.m.
- Trick 'r Trolley: October 24, 1:00, 2:00, and 3:00 p.m.
- The Late Show: October 29, 7:00 and 8:30 p.m.
- Holly Trolley: Nov. 29-30 & Dec. 5-6, 12:00 to 3:30 p.m.
- Vinternatt: December 5, 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.

More events and information at www.trolleyride.org.

TRUCKSPLOration: Big Rig Vehicle Fair

Saturday, October 2, 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. Free

Hosted at Lake Harriet Upper Campus by Southwest Community Education, this free event allows children of all ages to climb on, learn about and explore big trucks and vehicles. Sit in a fire engine, snowplow or helicopter. Talk with a construction worker or firefighter. Fire helmets will be given to the first 150 children. Concessions available for purchase.

Glow Up at The Bakken

Thursday, September 20 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Join The Bakken Museum for Glow Up, a 21+ event inspired by the museum's transformation. Explore all the ways innovators glow up ideas to improve existing technologies and ways of doing things. Glow Up will include pop-up science theatre performances and activities. Enjoy a full bar and Taqueria El Victor while you tinker. Tickets to Glow Up are \$15, \$12 for members. thebakken.org/calendar/glow-up.

Linden Hills Farmers Market

Sundays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Join farmers, food makers, artisans and musicians every Sunday until October 31 in Settergren's parking lot (2813 W 43rd St.). It's family and dog-friendly, so bring your whole crew and enjoy the good food and even better community. Settergren's generously donates their space, so be sure to stop by and support their small business! Starting November 6, the market will move to Wagner's greenhouse on Saturday and Sunday mornings. lindenhillsfarmersmarket.org

Sidewalk Music Series Continues

Hosted by Everett & Charlie Gallery and Harriet Brasserie, local musicians will provide live entertainment in downtown Linden Hills through October, weather permitting. Music begins around 5:30 p.m. every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and Sundays at 11:00 a.m. In addition, Everett & Charlie will host artist trunk shows & demonstrations thru December. Details at everettandcharlie.com. everettandcharlie.com.

Linden Hills History Study Group

Bryant Avenue Streetcar Line with Aaron Isaacs

November 8, 7:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church

From 1890 to 1953, the Bryant Avenue streetcar line served the Lyn-Lake and East Harriet neighborhoods, traveling from Lyndale Avenue to Lake Street, then east and south of Lake Harriet across Minnehaha Creek. Historian Aaron Isaacs will take us on a then-and-now photo tour of this storied streetcar line. All are welcome. Non-members: \$5 suggested donation. Details at www.lindenhillshistory.org.

Linden Hills Library

Fall Hours: Linden Hills Library will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday from 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. Visitors ages 5+ are required to wear face coverings.

Programs: No in-person events or programs. Visit hclib.org for full list of online events and available services.

- Dial-a-Story for Adults - Call 612.543.8851 and listen to a recording of staff reading a different short story each week. (Linden Hills Librarian Jessica is a regular reader).
- Mary Ann Key Book Club - Using reading as a catalyst for conversation to better understand past and current injustices – including systemic racism, other forms of discrimination, and bias. Fall title is "*Minor Feelings: An Asian American Reckoning*" by Cathy Park Hong. Borrow or download from the library, then join a virtual library program. Details at hclib.org/programs/books-reading.

Join New LHiNC Business Subcommittee

LHiNC's missions states that the council should "represent the interests of Linden Hills residents, property owners and business owners." After the dissolution of the Linden Hills Business Association, which LHiNC partnered with, the council plans to provide a new way to hear from local businesses and discover if and how LHiNC can better support these important members of our community. The LHiNC Business Subcommittee will meet quarterly and consist of board members, business owners and interested residents. Email info@linden hills.org, if interested.



LHiNC in Action

LHiNC has five committees; community members are welcome to attend meetings and to join. Below is a look at what each committee has been up to this summer. Please email info@linden hills.org, if you'd like to learn more.

Community Engagement meets the last Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Over the summer, the committee launched an interactive Community Calendar, so local groups can promote their events at linden hills.org/submit-event; supported National Night Out by providing a gift for kids to all interested block captains; partnered with St. John's Episcopal Church and League of Women Voters to organize a Ward 13 Candidates Forum; and started planning the launch of a Business Sub-Committee (see details above).

Environment and Sustainability meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. This summer, the committee partnered with Metro Blooms to bring five rain gardens to Linden Hills homeowners, continued planting and tending native plants and pollinators on the Trolley Path, funded and oversaw the installation of bike racks at Beard and 44th and outside Wooden Ship Brewing, and continued promoting its Pesticide-Free Campaign.

Equity meets the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. This summer, the committee organized three educational events: *How to Start (and Continue) Being an Anti-Racist* with Monique Walker and *Beyond What You See: Parts 1 and 2* with Andre Hudson and Michael Bratsch. They also partnered with Boys and Girls Clubs of the Twin Cities for a Back to School Supply Drive. Watch for details for the LHiNC Holiday Food and Toy Drive later this fall.

Events meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. The committee spent summer organizing Linden Hills Fall Festival scheduled for September 18, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Linden Hills Park. Hope to see you there! There's still time to volunteer. Details at linden hills.org/festival.

Zoning and Housing meets the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. This summer, the committee hosted neighbors and a developer to discuss a proposed apartment building at 44th and Abbott, hosted a table at Linden Hills Farmers Market to inform renters about the eviction moratorium and invited City of Lakes Community Land Trust to join them and promote their city-wide affordable housing programs. They also reviewed planned projects requiring variances in the neighborhood.

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Neighborhood Calendar

Details at linden hills.org

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- 20 Glow Up, 21+ Event at The Bakken
- 21 Environment & Sustainability Committee
- 27 Community Engagement Committee
- 28 MPRB District 6 Candidate Forum

October

- 2 Trucksploration
- 4 Ward 13 Candidate Forum
- 4 Deadline to apply to run for LHiNC Board
- 11 Zoning and Housing Committee
- 12 LHiNC Annual Meeting
- 14 Equity Committee Meeting
- 15 Deadline to apply for LHiNC Fall Grants
- 16 Charter Amendments Forum
- 19 Environment & Sustainability Committee
- 25 Community Engagement Committee

November

- 8 Zoning and Housing Committee
- 8 LHHS Event: Bryant Ave. Streetcar Line
- 9 LHiNC Board Meeting
- 11 Equity Committee Meeting
- 16 Environment & Sustainability Committee
- 29 Community Engagement Committee
- 30 Deadline for *Line* articles for Fall issue

December

- 7 LHiNC Board Meeting
- 16 Wine & Stroll in downtown Linden Hills

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