



# The Linden Hills Line

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## Taste of Linden Hills

*Fundraiser for LHiNC Community Grants on Sept. 26*

Linden Hills Neighborhood Council and Rose Street Patisserie invite you to join us for an upscale night of culinary creations brought to you by the amazing chefs of Linden Hills. All proceeds go toward the Council's grants program, which funds groups and projects that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work.



**WHEN:** September 26, 2017

7:00PM to 9:00PM

**WHERE:** Rose Street Patisserie

2811 W 43rd Street, Minneapolis

**Tickets:** \$75

Available at [lindenhills.org/TasteofLH](http://lindenhills.org/TasteofLH)

Experience tastes from the diverse and delicious local restaurants that make Linden Hills unique – including Rose Street Patisserie, Tilia, Naviya's Thai Brasserie, Harriet's Brasserie, Clancey's, Zumbro, Old Southern BBQ, Great Harvest and Coffee and Tea, Ltd. Plus entertainment by local musicians and the fantastic company of your Linden Hills neighbors, all to raise money for our neighborhood.

**Why:** All proceeds from the event will support LHiNC grants, which are available to organizations or projects that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work. Past grants have funded:

- scholarships for Southwest High School students,
- tutoring program at the elementary school,
- the Linden Hills Chamber Orchestra,
- camping supplies for the Boy Scouts,
- building the dugouts at Linden Hills Park,
- Southwest High School's music and theater programs,
- Downtown bike racks and more.

Please join us to support the community, celebrate with your neighbors, and eat some amazing food! Questions? Email [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org)

## Apply for a LHiNC Grant

*Deadline: October 15, 2017*

Twice a year, LHiNC provides funding for Linden Hills projects, programs and organizations that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work. Our fall grant cycle deadline is October 15.

What is the Council looking for? The level of LHiNC's support will depend partly on the following:

How does the organization or program

- relate to or affect Linden Hills,
- involve participants in shaping its work,
- draw on participants' strengths,
- encourage people and institutions within the community to support one another, and
- support flexible, responsive, and respectful relationships among people in the community?

Also, if applicable, how will the project be sustained beyond the life of LHiNC's grant?

Last year's grant winners included: the Rubies – a Southwest High School all-female Robotics Team, the Linden Hills Chamber Orchestra, Southwest High School's STRUT guitar program, college scholarships for area high school grads, and more.

For more information and application details, please visit

[lindenhills.org/grants](http://lindenhills.org/grants).

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# Fall Fest & LHiNC Election

*Thursday, October 12, 6 - 8 p.m. at Linden Hills Park*

Spend an evening with neighbors and celebrate fall at the park. Enjoy toasty bonfires with smores, games, for the kids, a bouncy house, and a food truck.

While you're there, please stop into the park building to cast a ballot for board candidates for the upcoming term. Learn about current LHiNC activities and meet your current LHiNC board members, and enjoy free cocoa, coffee, and cookies.

The awards for 2017 Linden Hills Treasures will be presented at 6:45 p.m.

## Join the Council!

If you love Linden Hills and want to contribute to this great neighborhood, consider running for the LHiNC board. Applications are accepted online at [lindenhills.org/lhinc-board-application](http://lindenhills.org/lhinc-board-application), or pick up an application form at Linden Hills Park. Completed applications are due Wednesday, October 4.

LHiNC is a group of 15 board members elected by the community at the annual meeting. Board members serve a 2-year term (11/2017 to 10/2019).

## What we do:

It's fun! Board members participate in monthly meetings, typically the first Tuesday of each month from 7-9 p.m. at Linden Hills Park, and commit to an average of 6 to 10 hours per month, including committee work. And all board members get involved with planning the annual Festival.

LHiNC exists to promote the quality of life and long-term sustainability of our great neighborhood. Learn more about LHiNC's mission at [lindenhills.org/mission](http://lindenhills.org/mission).



## Fall Fest Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with the event on October 12, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Specific duties include: assisting children with roasting marshmallows, hanging signs, and directing people to the ballots.

If you can help, please contact [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org), and let us know which volunteer job you prefer. Thank you!

## Celebrate our Neighborhood Treasures

Do you know a Linden Hills resident or business owner who enhances the quality of our neighborhood through volunteer efforts or a strong sense of giving back to the community?

LHiNC is accepting nominations for Linden Hills Treasures. Submit information about your special neighbor at [lindenhills.org/treasure-nomination](http://lindenhills.org/treasure-nomination), or contact [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org) with the following information:

1. Name of the person you are nominating.
2. Your name (as nominator).
3. Nominee's email address or phone number.
4. Reasons why the nominee should be recognized as a Linden Hills treasure.

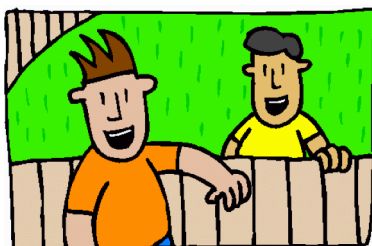
The awards will be presented at Fall Fest at Linden Hills Park on October 12, at 6:45 p.m. inside the park building.

For photos and more information about past Linden Hills Treasures, visit our website [lindenhills.org/linden-hills-treasures](http://lindenhills.org/linden-hills-treasures).

## Nice Neighbors Day is Back – October 7

*Calling all the nice neighbors in Linden Hills!*

Linden Hills Neighborhood Council is organizing another day of community volunteering. Nice Neighbors Day is a great chance to get out and meet your neighbors and lend a hand to keep Linden Hills a beautiful place to live.



**When: Saturday, October 7, 9:00-11:00 a.m.**

**Projects include:** sprucing up neighborhood parks and gardens, organizing books at Linden Hills Library, and pulling invasive plants in William Berry Woods.

Please follow the instructions below to sign up and join us. If you have any questions, please contact Ginny Halloran at [gkhalloran@gmail.com](mailto:gkhalloran@gmail.com).

Here's how to sign up in 3 easy steps:

1. Visit [lindenhills.org/nice-neighbors-day-2017](http://lindenhills.org/nice-neighbors-day-2017)
2. Link to the SignUp.com page, and enter your email address.
3. Choose your project, and SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders.

# Make Sure You're "Election Ready" This Year



On November 7, Minneapolis voters will have the opportunity to make their voices heard by ranking their choices for all municipal races; that includes: Mayor, City Council, Park & Recreation Board of Commissioners, and Board of Estimate & Taxation.

Remember, there are several ways to cast your ballot.

## Early Voting

Since 2014, Minnesota voters have benefitted from "no-excuse" absentee balloting, which means any voter has early access to their official ballot. The absentee voting period this year begins September 22 and runs through November 6. That relates to Vote-By-Mail options as well as early in-person voting (see below).

### Early Voting – In Person

This year, Elections & Voter Services will support in-person early voting at its Downtown Early Vote Center, located one block north of City Hall, at 217 S. Third Street. The Early Vote Center will be sufficiently staffed to ensure curbside support, translation and language assistance, and information to assure a smooth process for everyone choosing to take advantage of this voter convenience. The City will also offer extended in-person service hours in the two weeks leading to Election Day. That includes service hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the two Saturdays (Oct. 28 and Nov. 4) and from 12 to 5 p.m. on the two Sundays (Oct. 29 and Nov. 5), as well as extended weekday service hours from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, Oct. 30 to Nov. 3, and then 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 6, the day before Election Day.

### Early Voting – By Mail

Voting by mail is one of the greatest conveniences because it allows voters to cast their ballots from any location, with all the same security protections, without the hassles and pressures that can be associated with the narrow window of time on Election Day. Vote-by-Mail options also ensure voters who are actively deployed in the military, who are overseas and away from home, or who otherwise cannot participate in-person—for any reason—can still participate in the election. The City's elections website has helpful instructions on how to request and complete an absentee ballot by mail.

## Election Day – At The Polls

And, of course, voters can opt to go to their assigned polling place on Election Day (November 7) to cast their ballot. Polls will be open on Election Day from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Check the EVS website for information about poll locations and other voter resources - [vote.minneapolumn.gov](http://vote.minneapolumn.gov).

No matter which option you choose, be sure to get involved, get informed, and participate in this year's municipal election. Your voice is your vote, and every vote counts!



## Rank Your Choices: Easy As 1-2-3

2017 is a municipal election year, and that means time for Ranked-Choice Voting. RCV is easy as 1-2-3.

You have the option of ranking the candidates in each race on the ballot as your first, second, and third choice (including the ability to include a write-in candidate).

With RCV, voters choose the candidate they prefer, just like they would with a traditional ballot. However, they also have the ability to rank other candidates in the same race, if they wish.

If a candidate receives a majority of first-place choices, that candidate wins. If not, the least popular candidate(s) is/are eliminated and the ballots for that candidate are divided among the remaining candidates based on a voter's subsequent choices. That process continues until one candidate gains a majority of support. Or, in the case of multi-winner elections, until all seats are filled.

In order to prepare, the City's Elections & Voter Services Division encourages you to review the educational materials available at [vote.minneapolumn.gov](http://vote.minneapolumn.gov), and to use your sample ballot to practice making your choices in each race. You can bring your marked sample ballot to the polls with you to help complete your official ballot, too.



## Linden Hills is Building an Art Shanty, and We Need Your Help!

The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC) has partnered with the Art Shanty Project for the next three winters to showcase artist-built shanties on Lake Harriet.

**What is the Art Shanty Project?** It's an arts festival that will bring 20 artists and their creative, interactive shanties (think fish houses designed by artists – each with their own whimsical, original theme) onto Lake Harriet during the winter months for the next three years.

With this partnership, LHiNC will be building our own shanty that represents Linden Hills in a simple, yet creative way, to welcome the thousands of out-of-town guests onto our frozen Lake Harriet and into our warm village.

The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council is hoping to find members of our creative community to help implement, design, and construct our Linden Hills-themed shanty that will showcase our unique village.

If you're interested in joining the Linden Hills Shanty project, please email Becky Allen at [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org), subject: Art Shanty.

## Fun Opportunity to Meet New People, One Bag at a Time

The Boomerang Bag movement strives to replace single use plastic bags with reusable bags made by volunteers. We need people who can iron, measure, cut, stamp logos, or sew (somewhat) straight seams. Free bags are currently being distributed at Heartfelt, the LH Farmer's Market, and Midtown Global Market.



The more bags we make, the more places we can distribute them.

Our next bag-making session will be Thursday September 28th, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at 2720 W. 43rd St. (above Wild Rumpus).

Please RSVP at [www.lhpowerandlight.org/reusable-bag-coop.html](http://www.lhpowerandlight.org/reusable-bag-coop.html).

Can't attend? Email [info@lhpowerandlight.org](mailto:info@lhpowerandlight.org) about picking up pre-cut kits to sew at home on your own schedule.

## Linden Hills Blood Drive

October 12, 3:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.



**American Red Cross**

Please consider donating blood at the annual Linden Hills Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, October 12 at United Church of Christ, 4200 Upton Ave South.

With a year of weather-related and other tragedies, supplies are critically low nationally. Our timing is crucial. Linden Hills has always exceeded expectations by donating generously. Let's do it again.

Donors can pre-register on the Red Cross website or just drop in. A valid I.D. is required, and donors must be 18 years of age. If you think you may be ineligible for donation, please come find out, as this is not always the case. Hope to see you there!

## Help us with the new Linden Hills Welcome Packet!

One of the services that the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council provides is a Welcome Packet for any new residents within the Linden Hills neighborhood boundaries. We aim to let new folks know what's available and unique about Linden Hills, and to help make them feel a part of the community. One of LHiNC's fall projects is to update the packet— and we need your help!

We include information about services, from local businesses to places of worship, and recreational opportunities, such as the bandshell and the trolley. We also mention local clubs, such as gardening, poetry and other hobbies.

If you have any ideas on activities or services that you think new people should know about, please email us, with all the details, at [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org).

We appreciate your help!



## The Linden Hills History Study Group

### Power to the people: activism in the 1970s

Monday October 9, 7:00 p.m.  
St. John's Episcopal Church,  
4201 Sheridan Avenue South.

**Join the Linden Hills History Study Group. Everyone is welcome.**



The Civil Rights marches of the 1950s and early 1960s and the anti-war protests of the late 1960s and early 1970s may have been more dramatic, but a quieter kind of citizen activism in Linden Hills neighborhood during the 1970s caused residents to band together to make their voices heard by city and county governments.

A panel of local residents, led by Linda Lounsbury, will talk about how they “fought City Hall” and how they won or lost their causes.

- Carol Vaubel, one of the founders of the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council, organized meetings to get residents involved in changes to parks and streets.
- Mike Miller, a past PTA president advocated saving the Lake Harriet School.
- Don Hawkinson, a local business owner, was president of the Linden Hills Business Association and active in other causes.
- Tom Neiman founder of the Southwest Community Education Program grew up in a family that initiated numerous activities and organizations to improve their community.

Their commitment to community participation and causes helped make Linden Hills what it is today.

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

For more information visit our website at [www.lindenhillshistory.org](http://www.lindenhillshistory.org), call (612) 926-0646, or email [contact@lindenhillshistory.org](mailto:contact@lindenhillshistory.org).

### Trucksploration Returns to Lake Harriet Upper Saturday, September 23, 12:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M., FREE

You are invited are to Trucksploration 2017- our Big Rig Vehicle Fair held at Lake Harriet Upper Campus, 4912 Vincent Ave S.

Last year's event featured rigs from Minneapolis Fire, Police, and Public Works Departments. A Life Link helicopter was also on hand. Event Organizer Dave Premack says, “We are partnering with additional agencies this year and are excited to have even more apparatus for kids ages 1—99 to explore.

Lunch concessions will be sold. The rain date for the event is September 24.



### Volunteer for the Super Bowl

In February 2018, all eyes will be on Minnesota for Super Bowl LII. One of the most rewarding ways to make your own Super Bowl LII memory is to volunteer to be a part of Crew 52.

Crew 52 is our team of up to 10,000 kind-hearted volunteers who will be a central part of making our Super Bowl a success. Crew 52 volunteers will become the face of Minnesota as we host more than one million visitors during the 10-day festival.

The Host Committee is looking for bold, friendly people who are passionate about football, about Minnesota, about extending a warm welcome to all our visitors, and can commit to three or more shifts during Super Bowl LII week.

It is not too late to sign up to be interviewed as a volunteer and to show the world how great life is here in our city.

More info at [www.mnsuperbowl.com/get-involved/volunteer](http://www.mnsuperbowl.com/get-involved/volunteer)

### Fall Poetry Alert

The Southwest Journal's Fall Poetry Issue is scheduled to come out September 21. If you don't get the SWJ delivered, you can pick up free copies at area coffee shops and news boxes. Don't miss this transitional season's poems — many of them written by Linden Hills residents.

ALSO... don't forget about our two books of local poetry - *Between the Lakes: the Poets of Linden Hills* and *SEASONS: Poems from the Southwest Journal Poetry Project*. Find them at Linden Hills Bibelot, Gallery 360 and Settergren's Hardware, or contact [wilhide@skypoint.com](mailto:wilhide@skypoint.com).



## Linden Hills Park Events

### Halloween at the Hills

Tuesday, October 31, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Don't miss out on one of the best Halloween events in town. The annual theme party offers fun for all in a safe environment, perfect for the whole family. Treats will be provided. No registration required. FREE.



## Upcoming Events at the Como-Harriet Streetcar Line

### Farmer Ken & Jan's Pumpkin Patch

Saturday & Sunday, October 14-15, 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. Take a trolley ride and bring home a Halloween pumpkin. Riders get off the car at the "pumpkin patch" where they can search for just the right pumpkin. The fare is \$2; pumpkins are \$4.

### Ghost Trolley

Friday & Saturday, October 27-28, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Ride through the haunted glen during the Witches' Moon, when spirits sway and creatures croon. This event is suitable for most family members – there's no blood or gore – but may be frightening for the very young. \$4 per passenger.

### Transylvania Trolley

Saturday, October 28, 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. Count Karl the Vampire Motorman is your host for this fun Halloween ride. Not scary - just silly. Wear a costume and get a treat. The fare is \$2; kids under 3 are free.

### Late Show

Sunday, October 29, 8:00 and 9:00 p.m. This year the Late Show trolley will take you on "Séance on a Streetcar." This 45-minute journey is not recommended for children. Tickets are \$7.50 per passenger and are available in the Linden Hills Station or online at [TrolleyRide.org](http://TrolleyRide.org).

## Youth Group Needed for Delivery of the Linden Hills Line

Youth groups can earn \$500 by providing delivery of the newsletter to Linden Hills neighbors.

We have an opening for the delivery of the November / December issue, the weekend of November 17. If your youth group is interested, please contact [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org).



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## NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

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

### September

- 18 Zoning & Housing Meeting \*
- 20 Environment & Sustainability Committee Meeting\*
- 23 Trucksploration @ Lake Harriet Upper
- 26 Taste of Linden Hills

### October

- 9 LHHSG Program: Power to the People
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- 12 Linden Hills Red Cross Blood Drive
- 15 LHiNC Grant Application Deadline
- 16 Zoning Committee Meeting\*
- 18 Environment & Sustainability Committee Meeting\*
- 31 Halloween at the Hills

### November

- LHiNC Board Meeting\*
- 7 Election Day

\*7:00 pm at Linden Hills Park



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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 612-926-2906 or email [info@lindenhills.org](mailto:info@lindenhills.org). Article submissions for the November / December issue are due October 27.

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