

The Linden Hills Line

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Linden Hills Festival Attracts Crowds, Despite Weather



The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council wants to thank all the volunteers, sponsors and festival goers who came out to Linden Hills Park on Sunday, May 21 to celebrate the 43rd Annual Linden Hills Festival. The cool, rainy weather didn't stop more than a

thousand people from flocking to the park to experience all the food, music and fun that the celebration is known for.

A very special thanks goes out to the Linden Hills Farmers Market, which joined the festivities for the first time this year; to Red Wagon Pizza, which sponsored the event's first ever beer garden; and to all the amazing volunteers who braved the weather and made our festival possible!

The Linden Hills Festival is organized by the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC). Funds raised through the festival are invested back into the Linden Hills Neighborhood with emphasis on building community, protecting the environment, and supporting arts and education.

Taste of Linden Hills Returns This Fall Tuesday, September 26 @ Rose Street Patisserie

Mark your calendar for LHiNC's second annual Taste of Linden Hills. This cocktail-style event brings together our amazing local chefs and dedicated community members to raise money for LHiNC Grants. We are especially excited to announce that Rose Street Patisserie has generously offered to host this year's event!

You will be treated to tastes from the diverse and delicious local restaurants that make Linden Hills unique, plus drinks, entertainment and the fantastic company of your Linden Hills neighbors. All proceeds will support LHiNC grants, which are available to organizations or projects that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work.

Tickets go on sale in August! Learn more at lindenhills.org/tasteofLH

National Night Out is August 1

Gather your neighbors for the biggest block party night of the year!

Registration is free if you register your block by July 18. You will need permission from 75% of your neighbors to be approved for street closure. Registration deadline is July 26 - after then you won't be able to block off your street. FYI, when you register your event, you will get free Mystery Point Passes for Nickelodeon Universe at the Mall of America. Register online at minneapolismn.gov/nno

Thank you, Christy

The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council wishes to express our deepest gratitude to Christy Prediger, as she departs as LHINC



Coordinator. Christy has supported the neighborhood tirelessly for the past five years. Her contributions far exceeded her title, and her personality and willingness to listen and act are what made her so

special. Events like the Linden Hills Festival. coordination with the city on funding efforts for neighborhood programs and the daily life and interactions of our community only happen because of people like Christy. She is one of the reasons that Linden Hills is considered a top neighborhood in the city. Christy put the neighborhood first, and we are all the better because of it.

Thank you, Christy! We will miss you, and wish you all the best!

City Holds Public Hearing on Upton 43 Liquor License



On July 6, more than a dozen people gathered at the Linden Hills Park building for a public hearing to gather public opinion regarding the application of Upton 43 and Dirty Bird to modify the restaurants' current liquor license. If the application is approved, Upton 43 and Dirty Bird will be allowed to sell cocktails and mixed drinks, along with the wine and strong beer that their current license to allows.

According to the City licensing inspector at the hearing, Upton 43 has held its current liquor license without incident for approximately 18 months. The restaurant is seeking to expand its license in order to support its business by allowing different beverages; it is not seeking a change in hours or to operate a nightclub.

Concerns were raised about how this would impact other businesses in downtown Linden Hills. It was noted that this was specific to the Upton 43 and Dirty Bird; any other business that wanted to offer distilled spirits would have to go through the same approval process, which starts at the state level. Other concerns included the negative impact of increased traffic and delivery vehicles. The City noted that zoning had addressed the parking issue and was satisfied by the arrangements between Upton 43 and St. Thomas the Apostle Church for off-street parking. Council Member Linea Palmisano said she would look into the concerns about deliveries.

Overall, the comments were positive and supportive of the application. Next, the application and summary of the public hearing will be considered by the Public Safety Committee on July 12, with full consideration by the City Council on July 21. If approved, the license will go into effect shortly thereafter. Comments may still be submitted to Inspector Julie Casey at 612-673-3905 or Julie.casey@minneapolismn.gov.

No Primary Election This Year

2017 is a municipal election year. In Minneapolis, all city officials – mayor, council members, and members of the Park Board and the Board of Estimate and Taxation – are elected at the same time every four years.

That means all those city offices will be up for election in November. Minneapolis voters passed a City Charter Amendment in 2006 to use ranked-choice voting in city elections, so there is no primary this year. Instead, every candidate who files to be on the ballot will be in the Nov. 7 General Election, and voters will have an opportunity to rank up to three choices for each office.



IMPORTANT DATES

- Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2017
- Absentee ballots will be available starting Friday, Sept. 22, 2017
- Pre-registration deadline is Tuesday, October 17, 2017

Visit **vote.minneapolismn.gov** for all election-related information.

Community Members Flock to Local Health Care Forum

On Thursday, June 29th, Linden Hills state legislators Senator Scott Dibble and Representative Frank Hornstein, along with neighboring Representative Paul Thissen, hosted a packed health care forum at the Bakken Museum. The forum outlined current health legislation and policy and connected people to local health advocacy organizations active in health care policy.

USEFUL HEALTH POLICY RESOURCES

If you missed the meeting, here is a list of the organizations that attended:

- Children's Defense Fund: http://www.cdf-mn.org
- Health Care for All Minnesota: http://healthcareforallmn.org/
- NAMI Minnesota (mental health advocacy): http://www.namihelps.org/
- This is Medicaid Minnesota: https://www.facebook.com/ThisIsMedicaid/
- TakeAction Minnesota: http://www.takeactionminnesota.org/
- Compassion and Choices (end-of life advocacy): https://www.compassionandchoices.org/minnesota/
- Minnesota AIDS Project: https://www.mnaidsproject.org/
- NARAL: https://www.prochoiceminnesota.org/
- Planned Parenthood: https://www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthoodminnesota-north-dakota-south-dakota
- Physicians for a National Health Plan: http://www.pnhp.org/states/minnesota

DID YOU KNOW??

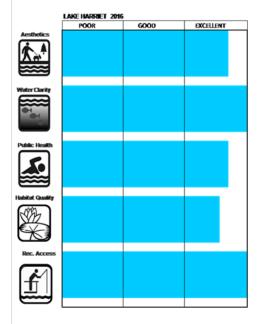
Lake Harriet Bandshell concerts take place daily Monday through Saturday (except Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:00 and 5:30 p.m. Find the schedule at lindenhills.org/lake-harriet-2017

Keeping Lake Harriet Healthy

The Linden Hills Environment Committee has noted recent neighborhood interest regarding the quality of Lake Harriet water. Because of this, the committee has decided to periodically report on the status of the quality of Lake Harriet, so we can monitor the efforts of the community to continue to improve the water quality.

Below is the 2016 LAURI reading, which we will report and compare when completed for 2017, as well as actions you can take to help.

Lake Aesthetic and User Recreation Index (LAURI)



What can we do individually?

Everyone can contribute. A lot of small moves will help reduce the pollution load. Overload of nitrates from lawn fertilizer is the #1 polluter of urban lakes. The fix? Stop spreading chemicals on your grass. Keep leaves and clippings out of storm sewers. Divert runoff into rain gardens and storage barrels. Stop spreading salt on walkways and driveways during winter.

What about Air Quality?

There is a website -

www.minneapolismn.gov/environment/air/airquality_index that displays various pollution levels in the air. As you will see, Linden Hills has great air quality, mainly due to low traffic congestion and our abundance of trees. Yea for walking, biking and planting trees!

What You Need to Know about EAB

The Linden Hills neighborhood of Minneapolis is starting to feel the pressure from Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). Three green ash trees were removed from Linden Hills Park last year because they were infested with EAB. That means EAB is in our neighborhood.

What to do? Trees can be protected from this pest using pesticides directly injected into the tree. It is important to treat a tree prior to seeing EAB-related health issues, such as thinning canopy, dieback, and woodpecker damage. Trees need to be treated every two years to maintain protection. The City of Minneapolis will allow you to treat a tree on the boulevard, but it needs to be in good condition. Untreated public trees will be removed by the city over the next few years.

So consider the value of your ash tree and decide if it is worth saving. This is a very destructive pest and we expect it to eventually kill off our unprotected ash trees. For more information, contact a professional arborist for advice and/or visit www.emeraldashborer.info.

Movie Night in Linden Hills Park: Finding Dory

Wed, August 2 - Movie begins at dusk



It's time for the annual movie night at Linden Hills Park. Pack your chairs, blankets, bug spray, and snacks, and enjoy a screening of the animated movie *Finding Dory* on the big screen. Start time is approximately 9:00 p.m. The movie is rated PG.

Biking Items of Note

The Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition is now Our Streets MPLS!

The Minneapolis Bicycle Coalition has expanded their work to include pedestrian advocacy, and recently updated their name to better fit with their expanded scope.

Learn more at www.ourstreetsmpls.org



Bike to Orchestra Hall & get 50% off tickets

- 1. Bike to Orchestra Hall
- 2. Show your bike helmet or gear at Box Office
- **3.** Mention/enter discount code when purchasing to receive 50% off tickets to select Minnesota Orchestra concerts. **www.minnesotaorchestra.org/bike**

Bicycle Benefits Sticker

Buy a sticker for \$5 (lifetime sticker) from a participating business and receive bicycle rewards/discounts for showing your sticker on your bike helmet when you shop by bike at participating businesses. Businesses such as Linden Hills Co-op, Hello Pizza and Gigi's Café offer Bicycle Benefits. More at

www.bb2.bicyclebenefits.org



Summer Events for all Ages @ Linden Hills Library

Story Strolls - Preschoolers & Toddlers Stroll and read along the trail as you "step" into the pages of classic children's books.

July 19, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., *One-Dog Canoe*

August 9, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., In the Trees, Honey Bees

Play and Make - Kids & Preschoolers
Drop in for some summer fun: get artistic,
play games, make crafts and more!

July 26, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. August 16, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Stories Together: Dance Party -

Kids, Preschoolers, & Toddlers
Bring the whole family for a dance party!
We'll break a sweat while grooving to some
fun music and action-oriented stories

August 2, 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

LEGO® Lab - Kids & Preschoolers Calling all future engineers and architects! We've got the bricks, but we need you to bring your imagination.

August 5, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

TAG Team (Teen Advisory Group)

Get together, have fun, and discuss teen programming & collection ideas.

July 20, August 3, August 17; 630-730p

Adult Book Club

3rd Tuesday of every month 6:45 p.m. – 8 p.m.

#Lingen Hills Library Used Book Sale

Linden Hills History Study Group

Walking Tour of Western Linden Hills Wednesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m.

Meet at NW Corner of 44th & Beard (kitty-corner from Turtle Bread) \$5 suggested donation for non-members of LHHSG.

Peter Sussman will lead a tour from Zenith Avenue to France Avenue, tracing the Grimes family's 1880s model community of Waveland. The history includes the first Lake Harriet School, as well as growth related to the 1905 streetcar extension along 44th Street to Morningside.



Questions? Visit lindenhillshistory.org, call (612) 926-0646, or email contact@lindenhillshistory.org.

Summer Theatre – *Urinetown, the Musical*July 21-23, Southwest High School, Main Stage Auditorium

Don't miss this summer's production by the Southwest Summer Theatre program, a unique "summer stock" collaboration for incoming high school juniors and seniors, current college students and young adults.

Urinetown, the Musical

- Music & Lyrics by Mark Hollman
- Book & Lyrics by Greg Kotis
- Directed by: Gene Larche
- Dates: July 21, 7 pm; July 22, 2 pm and 7 pm; July 23, 2 pm
- Tickets: \$5 students, \$12 seniors, \$15 adults

Buy tickets at the door or online: http://southwesttheatre.org/summer-theatre

THANKS to all who participated in Used Book Sale at the Linden Hills Festival!

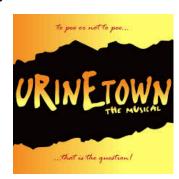
Friends of the Linden Hills Library is grateful to everyone who purchased books at the Festival and to LHiNC, Linden Hills Park, the Linden Hills Co-op, Creative Kidstuff, and all who donated time, energy and books to support our Linden Hills library. You made this most important book sale a success.

Announcing Two Late Summer Used Book Sales!

- Saturday, Sept. 9th. Woofstock (outside Linden Hills Library, 2900 W 43rd St)
- Fulton Fall Festival (Pershing Park, 3523 W 48th St).

As always, proceeds will benefit Linden Hills Library and Hennepin County Library. Questions?

lindenhills@supporthclibs.org



Call for Submissions for 2017 Blend Awards

"Distinguish yourself by blending in and going green!"

Submissions are open for the 2017 BLEND AWARDS, which recognizes builders, architects and designers whose projects respect existing neighborhood design aesthetics.



Eligible projects include new buildings and remodels, renovations or additions to existing buildings, and landscape projects that have been completed since July 1, 2012; projects must be located within the boundaries of the city of Minneapolis. A jury of professionals will select projects to be awarded.

SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE JULY 28, 2017 by 5 pm.

All submissions are encouraged to complete the EcoBLEND questionnaire and be considered for an EcoBLEND Badge. For more information and submission details, visit www.blendaward.org!

Help Linden Hills Build an Art Shanty

LHiNC is excited to partner with Art Shanty Projects to bring their winter arts festival to Lake Harriet beginning in January 2018. The event will bring 20 artist-created, interactive shanties (think fish houses designed by artists) to the frozen lake, along with a variety of performances, parades, and activities.



The Linden Hills Neighborhood Council is building a shanty/kiosk for the festival, so we can share more about our community with the thousands of visitors that visit Art Shanty Projects every year.

Do you have ideas? Want to help build? Just want to get involved? Join us! Email info@lindenhills.org with subject: Art Shanty.

Lake Harriet Trail Construction Update

Trail construction continues at Lake Harriet as part of the Calhoun/Bde Maka Ska-Harriet Trail and Access Improvements project.

New Project Impacts

- West Lake Harriet Parkway will be closed to motorized vehicles between 42nd and 44th Streets, just south of the Lake Harriet Bandshell. The closure will last until mid-July.
- Bicycle traffic will be detoured onto the parkway at 44th Street in order to perform work on the existing bicycle trail.
- The south entrance to the Lake Harriet Bandshell Parking Lot will be closed. The north entrance will remain open.
- . The pedestrian trail around southwest Lake Harriet reopens soon.

Bicycle, pedestrian and vehicle detours will all be signed through the affected area and park visitors are asked to proceed with caution around these congested areas. The Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board appreciates the public's patience while work is performed.



22nd Annual ArtCar + ArtBike

Parade - Saturday July 22, 6:00 p.m. at Lake Harriet

Pack a picnic and head down to the lake as the ArtCars and ArtBikes again bring whimsy and fun to the parkway. Gather at the Lake Harriet Rose Garden at 5:00 p.m. to meet the artists and see their vehicles before the parade, or grab a spot along the lake for prime parade route views. More info at artcarparade.com.

Save the Date for Woofstock

Saturday, September 9, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar for the annual festival of dogs and their people in downtown Linden Hills, featuring dog-friendly exhibitors, dog trick contests, live music, an all-dog fashion show, and more doggie indulgences. Fun for the whole family.



Summer at the Como-Harriet Line

Visit TrolleyRide.org for more details

Murder in G Minor – 9:00 p.m. on July 21, 22 and 23. \$15. The popular *Murder Mystery series continues*.

Owl Service – 9:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. on August 5. During the streetcar era, families with children might ride at night to help lull a child to sleep. Now you can experience Owl Service. Bring the kids, bring a pillow – it's a fun family adventure. One ride is \$2. An unlimited Owl pass is just \$5. Children 3 and under ride free.

Regular summer streetcar hours: Monday through Friday 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 12:30 to 8:30 p.m.



Linden Hills Park

Upcoming Events

Movie in the Park: Finding Dory

Wednesday, August 2 at dusk, approximately 9:00 p.m. Bring chairs and blankets for the free movie screening on the north end of the park.

Linden Hills Big Corn Feed, Thursday, August 10, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Bring the family to Linden Hills Park for this great annual neighborhood event, featuring roasted corn on the cob, local food truck vendors, live familyfriendly music, and activities for the whole family.



Fall Sports Registration

Registration is now open for SWAC fall soccer and volleyball. Register and find more information at www.swac.org.

Fall Program Registration

Visit minneapolisparks.org to view program details and to register. Call the park at 612 370-4913 with questions.

Linden Hills Dentistry Sponsors a Night at the Bandshell

Join Linden Hills Dentistry for a "Neighborhood and Patient Appreciation Night" in the park!

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, September 14th 6:00pm-9:00pm Lake Harriet Bandshell *FREE to attend

Enjoy the sounds of Rouge Valley on a perfect summer night. We have appreciated your loyalty and support for many years...See you there!



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NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

Details at www.lindenhills.org

<u>July</u>

- 17 Zoning & Housing Committee*
- 18 Communications Committee**
- 19 Environment & Sustainability Mtg*
- 22 ArtCar + ArtBike Parade

August

- 1 National Night Out
- 2 Movie at Linden Hills Park: Finding Dory
- 8 LHiNC Board Meeting*
- 10 Corn Feed at Linden Hills Park
- 15 Communications Committee**
- 16 Environment & Sustainability Mtg*
- 21 Zoning Committee Meeting*

September

- 9 Woofstock
- 12 LHiNC Board Meeting*
- 18 Zoning Committee Meeting*
- 19 Communications Committee**
- 20 Environment & Sustainability Mtg*
- 26 Taste of Linden Hills

*7:00 p.m. at Linden Hills Park **6:30 p.m. at Turtle Bread



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