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Linden Hills Neighborhood Council E-News

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Lake Creature's Origins Revealed

If You'd Been Wondering...

The Loch Ness Monster lookalike now in residence in Lake Harriet is the work of the Minneapolis Parks Foundation.



Created by local artist Cameron Gainer, the sculpture is a demonstration of the Parks Foundation goal of enhancing quality of life and building community through unique art projects.

And the community is invited to offer ideas for a suitable nickname, as well as read imaginative accounts of its life and times, at www.lakecreature.com.

Summertime In LH Park

Outdoor Movie
Tuesday Aug 4th *Back to the Future*
Starting at dusk.
Come down after your National Night Out Block Party!

The Big Cornfeed
Live music, kids' activities, and a whole lot of roasted corn. Other food's available, too.
It's **Thursday evening August 13 from 6:00 to 8:00.**

And No One Wants To Think About Fall Quite

National Night Out Coming August Fourth Party for a Good Cause

The goal is to strengthen communities and encourage neighbors to look out for each other. But it's also a good excuse for a summer block party.

Plans are already under way by neighborhood block clubs throughout Linden Hills for everything from informal get-togethers to potluck dinners to outdoor games and other activities.

For information about arranging street closings and other activities that need cooperation from the city of Minneapolis, [click here](#).

*And see below for tips on how to make your Night Out a zero-waste event.

What Are You Hungry For At Lake Harriet?

If you'd like to weigh in on what kind of future concessions might be sold at the bandshell, here's your chance.

There's a community forum for Linden Hills residents to get information and give feedback on the Park Board's plans for the bandshell area.

It's **Thursday July 30 from 7:00 to 8:30pm** at St. John's Episcopal Church, 4201 Sheridan Ave South. Park staff and members of the Citizen's Advisory Council will be there give information and receive comments. You can find out more by contacting Bruce Wadman at 822-1164.

Yet, But...

Fall Park Program Registration
It opens **Monday, August 10 at 6:00 PM**. Programs will be available Friday July 31 for viewing [online](#) and at Linden Hills Park (370-4913).

SWAC Fall Sports Registration
You can sign up **now** for Soccer (Grades K-12 in fall) and Volleyball (Grades 4-9 in fall) at Linden Hills Park or [online](#).

Neighborhood Happenings

LINDEN HILLS LIVE
Thursday Evening July 16
43rd & Upton
6:30 to 9:00

Music by Trace Remington
Alt-country cover music.

La Vida Local Salsa Contest
Sponsored by Linden Hills Co-Op.
Celebrity judges will award prizes, but judge yourself how well your neighbors put sizzle in their salsa.

WILD RUMPUS

Bunny Clogs
Saturday, August 1, 2PM
Bunny Clogs is a live music event featuring Adam Levy.
Shel Silverstein-meets-Prince surreal dance fun.

Author Tim Mason
Saturday, August 8, 2PM
The author of *The Last Synapsid* will read, answer questions, sign, and discuss his tales about creatures from the ancient past who travel through time to fight with each to save or destroy human kind.

Women Leaders of the Future
Saturday, August 15, 2PM
Grace Baltich and Chelsea Zimmerman, two of the future leaders from the new book *SHE'S OUT THERE! 35 Women Who Aspire to Lead the Nation: The Next Generation of Presidential Candidates*, will join us to talk about their aspirations, women in politics, and to give advice to young women.

Lake Harriet Spiritual Community

August 9 @ 1 - 4 pm
Australian Didgeridoo Workshop with Australian sound therapist Phil Jones.
\$20/25. [Click for information.](#)

Adopt a Trolley Path Or Part of One, Anyway

Volunteer to give some TLC to part of the Old Trolley Path running from Xerxes to just south of 44th.
Your adoption responsibilities would be to rake, weed, water, and perhaps plant.
Guidance is provided and no long term commitment is required. Contact Chris High at 44thpath@gmail.com or 612-927-6373.

*Making Your National Night Out a Zero Waste Event

Six Simple Suggestions from LH Power and Light for a Trash-free Party

1. Instead of using disposable plastic plates or cups, use paper plates and cups that can be composted or reusable dishes and cups that can be taken home and washed.
2. Encourage attendees to use reusable containers with lids rather than plastic wrap.
3. Feel elegant as you use real silverware rather than plastic knives and forks!
4. Juice boxes and juice pouches are not recyclable or compostable in Minneapolis' recycling program, so how about bringing a few gallons of lemonade and reusable or compostable cups.
5. Be sure to have paper bags or your regular recycling bins on hand for regular curbside recyclables -- cans, plastic bottles, aluminum foil, glass, etc.
6. Have one person bring their green organics cart to collect food waste, and soiled paper products such as paper towels, napkins and paper plates. You can also collect soiled cardboard such as pizza boxes and waxed beverage containers.

Happy National Night Out!

Reminder

Get Help Getting Rid of Buckthorn

You've got until August 15 to take advantage of a specially-reduced rate for having professionals remove buckthorn trees, shrubs, and hedges from your property.

For information on how to sign up, [e-mail](#) Kathy Urberg or call her at 612-929-0273.

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