

The Linden Hills Line



A BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE LINDEN HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (LHiNC)

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Help Secure the Future of NRP

Comment on the City's Community Engagement Report

The Minneapolis City Council and the Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Policy Board have called for public discussion of the Community Engagement Report submitted recently by the City Coordinator. The report outlines the City's current community engagement process as well as recommendations for improving the process in the future. Community Engagement is defined in the report as *empowering people to influence decisions that shape their city and their lives.*

For the past 15 years, NRP has been doing just that and has been instrumental in allowing Linden Hills to engage in City decisions; deliver programs and services; make important improvements and build relationships within the neighborhood and with other neighborhoods.

If you want this level of engagement to continue and to make it even better, the City needs to hear from you.

Linden Hills Neighborhood Council has received more than \$2 million of NRP funds over the last 14 years. **And, with these funds, LHiNC was able to leverage over an additional \$2 million dollars in improvements to our neighborhood.** More importantly, *how* these dollars were spent was not decided upon by the City Council or City staff. Instead, residents like you wrote the plan and guided its implementation ... now that is empowerment!

Linden Hills residents benefit from NRP every day. **Without continuation of NRP funds, the following are in jeopardy:** production and delivery of this newsletter six times per year; support of the LHiNC Coordinator, who



organizes, recruits and supports volunteers, writes grants, answers the phone and updates the website; continuation of www.lindenhills.org and production of the monthly e-newsletter; along with the community building, volunteering and awareness that these efforts provide. **Every day you benefit from NRP funds as you live and drive through Linden Hills.** Over 1000 boulevard trees have been planted along Linden Hills streets; the playground equipment at Linden Hills Park and Lake Harriet Community School Upper and Lower Campus was paid for with NRP funds. These funds were also the impetus for the streetscape improvements at 43rd & Upton and on 44th St. Linden Hills NRP funds

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Annual Community Potluck March 6

Take this opportunity to learn more about LHiNC

The LHiNC board invites you to attend its fifth annual community potluck, open house and board meeting. **Share a meal, meet board members and learn more about the activities of LHiNC.**

Does it seem overwhelming to attend a LHiNC board meeting? Ever wonder what the board does? If so, consider attending this meeting. Board members will introduce themselves, answer your questions and give background for each agenda item.

The potluck dinner will begin at 6:00pm, followed by a board meeting at 7:00. Families are encouraged to attend. Children can enjoy craft activities and entertainment while adults learn about neighborhood governance and ways they can get involved. Even if you can't stay for the board meeting, come join your neighbors for some great food and conversation. ♦

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32nd Annual Linden Hills Festival Saturday & Sunday May 19-20

Join a Festival Committee

Volunteer to help plan this fun annual event

Every year the Linden Hills Festival draws thousands of people from around the neighborhood for a weekend filled with fun and festivities. **Join members of the LHiNC board to plan this year's festival.**

Give as much or as little time as you can. Committee chairs are already identified so you won't be responsible for leading an effort, just helping carry out tasks. If you are interested, contact Jen Yates Borger, Festival Chair, at 929-0980 or Jennifer.Yates@rbccm.com. ♦

Artists Wanted for Festival Art Fair

Registration for the Art Fair space fills up quickly

Are you an artist looking to sell your wares in Linden Hills? Over a thousand neighbors and Minneapolis residents will attend the Linden Hills Festival Art Fair on Sunday, May 20. The cost for a booth is \$50. A few free booths are available for artists ages 12 and under. Space is limited and fills quickly so register soon.

Register at www.linden hills.org or complete the form below. For more information contact Nancy at 929-2923 or nnelson9@mn.rr.com. ♦

Have Talent?

Entertain at the Festival

Are you an entertainer who would like to perform for a friendly community audience? If so, the Linden Hills Festival Entertainment Committee would like to hear from you.

The committee is looking for family-oriented acts, including musicians, singers, dancers, magicians, etc. For more information, contact John Reinan at 920-0401 or jreinan@mn.rr.com. ♦



Linden Hills Festival Art Fair Application

Mail check payable to LHiNC:
LHiNC Art Fair, PO Box 24049,
Minneapolis, MN 55424

Name _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____ Items for sale _____

In addition to the \$50 fee, I would like to rent : Banquet table (\$20 extra) Card table (\$15 extra)

I would like to promote my work, and support LHiNC, by donating an item to the Linden Hills Festival Silent Auction. I understand there will be a prominent sign next to my donation directing customers to my booth and that LHiNC is a 501(c)(3), so my donation is tax deductible.

I agree to participate in the Linden Hills Festival Art Fair on Sunday, May 20, 2007. I understand the display hours are 11:00-5:00pm, no vehicles are allowed into or parked in the display area during festival hours, no electric power is available, no insurance coverage is provided, and I am responsible for collecting any applicable sales tax on any items sold.

Signature _____

Date _____

Southwest Community Education Programs

Contact Southwest Community Education at 668-3100 or tneiman@mpls.k12.mn.us

- **ACT & SAT Prep Courses.** The SAT and ACT prep courses are designed for students who wish to improve their test-taking skills and overall scores on college entrance exams. Tuition for each course is \$99 or both for only \$175.
- **Drivers Education Courses.** This quality, dependable and cost effective program with certified teachers is available for students 14 years and older after school. Cost is \$275 for classroom, simulation and behind-the-wheel training.
- **Free Self-Defense Workshop for Women & Girls—January 16 or 17, 7:00-8:15pm.** Sponsored by the Southwest Community Ed. Advisory Council in an on-going effort to promote community wellness and security, karate/self-defense teachers will conduct the demonstration workshop. Registration is required due to space limits.
- **Family Sock Hop—Friday, March 23, 7:00-9:00pm.** Join SW Community Ed. for an evening of great music, games, treats and prizes for rock-n-rollers of all ages! Have your picture taken in front of a '57 Chevrolet and buy snacks at "Porky's Drive-In". Cost is \$5 per family.



To register contact Southwest Community Education at tneiman@mpls.k12.mn.us

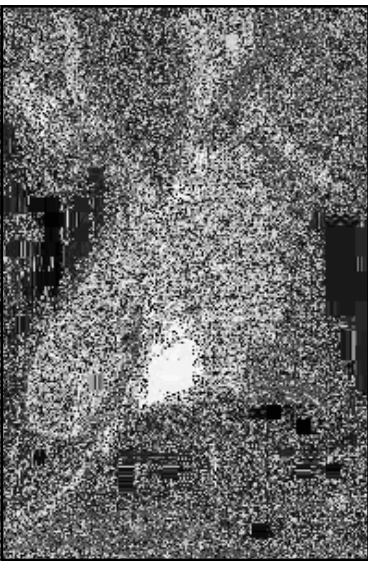
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Winter Opportunities

Get out and have some fun at local parks

Linden Hills Park contact www.minneapolisparcs.org or call 370-4913

Registration is open for winter programs for infants, preschool children, and all the way up to adulthood. Go to www.minneapolisparcs.org or stop by the Linden Hills Park Building, at 43rd & Xerxes, to pick up a brochure and register.

Ice Skating Rink. With the winter being a bit mild, the rink's availability has been sporadic. Call 313-7708 to learn about ice conditions before you strap on your blades!



Minneapolis Parks contact www.minneapolisparcs.org or call 230-6400

Cross Country Skiing. Passes are required for ages 12 and older to ski on all groomed trails. Daily passes are \$3; annual passes are \$10.

Wirth Regional Park. Three trails at beginner, intermediate and difficult levels.

Equipment rental, concessions and lessons. Call 763-522-4584 for information.

Columbia Golf Club. An 8 km trail, equipment rental and concessions. Call 789-2627 for information.

Hiawatha Golf Club. A 3.1 km trail, equipment rental, warming area and concessions. Call 724-7715 for information.

Gross Golf Course. A 3.7 km trail. Call 789-2542 for information.

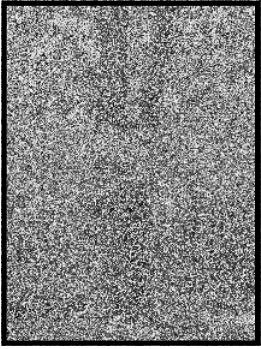
Snowboarding. The first inner-city snowboard program, at Wirth Regional Park, offers snowboarding to the public at a low cost, with snowmaking capabilities, lessons, a tow rope, beginner box rails and lighted hills. The chalet offers snowboard equipment for purchase or rental, along with concessions. Season passes are \$70. Call (763) 522-4584 for information.

Sledding and Tubing Hills. There are two designated hills within the park system. *Wirth Regional Park* offers a popular sledding and tubing hill in a clear, wide-open area. The hill includes a tow rope at no fee. Bring your own sled or inner tube; inner tube rentals are also available. A chalet with concessions is available. Call 763-522-4584 for information. The *Columbia Golf Course* has one of the steepest sledding and tubing hills in Northeast Minneapolis. Bring your own sled; inner tubes rentals are also available. Concessions in the golf club. Call 724-7715 for information.

Walking Trails. The park maintains almost 50 miles of groomed designated walking trails along the Grand Rounds Byway District. ♦

The Trees Say Thanks

Linden Hills raises \$14,000 for the urban forest



Neighborhood residents and local businesses contributed \$14,000 to LHINC for trees, more than enough to meet the \$12,000 Hendry Family Fund Matching Challenge. As a result, the neighborhood has \$26,000 to plant boulevard and park trees, treat trees for Dutch Elm Disease, educate neighborhood residents about tree care and keep Linden Hills looking green and beautiful.

Trees do so much for the neighborhood. Mature trees add to the beauty and value of homes, cut air conditioning bills in the summer, absorb carbon dioxide and slow global warming.

A big thank you to all those who contributed to the Hendry Family Fund Matching Challenge to help the neighborhood expand and care for Linden Hills' urban forest. And a huge thank you to Kathy Urberg, LHINC Environment Committee Chair, who took on the Challenge and made this effort an extraordinary success ♦

Business Contributors

Let these businesses know how much you appreciate their Hendry Match Challenge donations.

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LHiNC Fall 2006 Grant Recipients

Four local groups receive \$5,750

At LHiNC's October 2006 board meeting, four organizations were awarded grants from funds raised during the Linden Hills Festival.

The *Linden Hills Orchestra* received \$750 for its library and to pay a soloist. *People for Parks* received \$750 for long-term renovation of the Lake Harriet Bandshell. *North Country Development Fund* received \$4,000, of which \$2,500 was given in the form of a matching grant, for the installation of solar panels on the Linden Hills Co-op roof. The *9-11 Tribute* received \$250 for graphic design work. ♦

LHiNC Seeks Volunteer Bookkeeper

Consider donating your time

LHiNC is looking for a volunteer to help with the financial record keeping of the organization. **The person would work with the Treasurer in financial record keeping and processing of check requests.** The work can be done from your home and would take approximately 10 to 15 hours per month.

Since LHiNC is a 501(c)(3) organization, your time would be considered a donation of services. For more information, contact Bill Idzorek, LHiNC Treasurer, at 924-4099 or idzowest2@msn.com. ♦

LHiNC Spring 2007 Grants Available

Applications due February 15

LHiNC generates revenue from the annual Linden Hills Festival and donates most of this revenue back to the community in the form of grants to organizations or projects that make Linden Hills a better place to live and work. If your organization is looking for funds for a specific project, consider applying.

Applications for the Spring 2007 grant cycle are due by February 15.

For an application go to www.lindenhills.org or call 926-2906. LHiNC prefers to award grants to tax exempt, nonprofit organizations. Grants cannot be used for planning, operations or capital expenses, nor are they provided to promote religious or partisan political purposes. ♦

Take the Minnesota Energy Challenge today

Don't let the Fulton neighborhood show us up!

This is good, clean rivalry. If you subscribe to LHiNC's e-newsletter, you know that the last few issues have encouraged the use of compact fluorescent light bulbs to benefit the environment. But if you change a light bulb in your home and no one is there, does it really matter? LHiNC believes it *does* matter and wants the world to know how Linden Hills residents are fighting global warming. **LHiNC encourages you to take the Minnesota Energy Challenge.**



The Center for Energy and Environment (CEE), a nonprofit organization that works to promote the responsible and efficient use of natural and economic resources, has created the Minnesota Energy Challenge. **The goal of the Minnesota Energy Challenge is to empower Minnesotans to take simple steps to reduce their energy use and Minnesota's CO₂ emissions.** The Energy Challenge is a fun, brief, online "quiz" where you enter your current energy habits and then commit to a number of actions to reduce the amount of CO₂ you produce. **Once completed, it tells you exactly how many pounds of CO₂ and how much money you'll save by carrying out those actions.**

Residents can commit to change lighting to high efficiency bulbs, unplug a second refrigerator, use a set-back thermostat or drive a little slower. Small steps to you, but it makes a big impact on the environment and your pocket book.

To make things more interesting, the Energy Challenge allows a user to be a member of up to three "teams" that can be a neighborhood, congregation, school, etc. **At the time of this printing, the Fulton neighborhood had more residents that took the Challenge than Linden Hills.** If changing the world isn't enough incentive for you, how about challenging Fulton? Take the Energy Challenge at www.mnenergychallenge.org. ♦

Neighborhoods in Urban Life

Linden Hills History Study Group Program

Join the Linden Hills History Study Group on Tuesday, February 27, at 7:00pm, to hear Judith A. Martin, University of Minnesota Professor of Geography and Director of the University's Urban Studies Program, **talk about the roles neighborhoods have played in the development of the city, how they are adapting to changing economic and development trends and the enduring significance of neighborhoods in urban life.**

The event will be held in the lower level Fellowship Hall of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 4801 France Ave. There is a \$3 admission charge for non-members of the Linden Hills History Study Group.

For more information, email info@lindenhillshistory.org or call JoEllen at 926-0646. ♦

Kid's Poetry Deadline Extended

New Deadline is May 15

Linden Hills' Poet Laureate, Doug Wilhide, is compiling a collection of poetry written by young people, ages 6-18, who live in, or have connections to, Linden Hills.

Poems can be submitted through May to wilhide@skypoint.com or sent to Trolley Car Press, 3019 West 43rd St., Minneapolis, MN 55410. Please include name, age, school, phone and/or email of the student and parent. **There is currently a strong need for poetry by high school-age students.**



The goal is to complete the book by Fall 2007.

Between the Lakes: The Poets of Linden Hills is the first collection of poetry created by Wilhide, including poems by Linden Hills residents, and continues to prove popular with area residents and visitors. The book

has sold more than 360 copies in the first nine months. *Between the Lakes* is available at select local retailers or by contacting wilhide@skypoint.com. ♦

Valentine Poetry Salon

Warm your winter evening

Take part in Linden Hills' fourth annual Love Poetry Salon. **Linden Hills' Poet Laureate Doug Wilhide will host this event on Thursday, February 8, at 7:00pm**, at his home at 3019 West 43rd St.

If you enjoy poetry or just want to *join the love*, come to this popular gathering that includes candles, chocolate, champagne and favorite love poems. It's a good way to warm a winter evening. ♦



Linden Hills Love Fest

43rd & Upton - February 8-10

The Linden Hills Business Association (LHBA) is proud to announce it's first annual **Linden Hills Love Fest February 8-10**. Celebrate your love of Linden Hills and share a little winter warmth at 43rd and Upton.

On Thursday, February 8, from 5:00-8:00pm, stroll through unique shops on streets lined with hundreds of luminaries. Dine at fine restaurants, enjoy live music, watch jewelry-making demonstrations, make a valentine, join in a waltzing lesson and much more!

All day Friday and Saturday, the fun and festivities will continue with live music, special offers and live demonstrations. **The Love Fest ends with a dance** at Lake Harriet Spiritual Community Church Saturday evening at 7:30pm.

Pick up a full schedule of events at many of the 43rd & Upton LHBA businesses. ♦

Waste Reduction & Environmental Workshops

Learn how to reduce waste and keep your home healthier

Southwest Community Education will be sponsoring a variety of **environmental and waste reduction workshops** this winter, spring and summer funded from a Hennepin County Solid Waste Management Board grant and LHiNC Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) funds.

The workshops will include speakers, presentations and hands-on activities to familiarize attendees with techniques to reduce, reuse, recycle, *live a greener life* and minimize use of toxic substances in the home and workplace. Workshops are free, but registration is recommended. The goal of the workshops is to provide information to residents to keep homes and Linden Hills greener and healthier. In addition to the workshop, **a group of Southwest students, called *The Green Team*, will provide similar workshops to elementary school children in local neighborhoods.**



All workshops are from 7:00-8:00pm at Southwest High School, 3414 W. 47th St. Contact Southwest Community Education to register at 668-3100 or tneiman@mpls.k12.mn.us.

- ***Reducing Toxicity in the Home & Workplace, Monday, January 29***
- ***Batteries, Paper & Garbage—Dangers, Challenges & Recycling, Monday, February 26***
- ***Organic Living—Consumer Choice in Eco-Friendly Food & Products, Monday, April 23***
- ***Organic Living—Recycling, Composting and Organic Yards & Gardens, Monday, May 14.*** ♦

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helped with the remodeling of the Linden Hills Library and the remodeling of the Linden Hills Park Building. Dozens and dozens of Linden Hills homes have benefited from NRP home improvement revolving loans. These loan funds continue to help those that may have difficulty securing loans or reasonable interest rates. This list could go on and on.

Not only does NRP give us funds to improve the neighborhood physically; **it has been instrumental in increasing local volunteerism and involvement.** Hundreds of thousands of volunteer hours have been given to this neighborhood, thanks to NRP as it empowers residents to get involved in the priority-setting process of the City and our neighborhood.

If you agree that NRP funds are critical to the vitality of Linden Hills and are an important method for engaging residents in City decisions, you need to go to one of the Community Meetings being held later this month; complete the community survey that you can find at NRP.org or get from LHiNC; and/or provide your thoughts to the City by February 28. Written comments should be submitted to Clara Perrin, Community Engagement Coordinator, at clara.perrin@ci.minneapolis.mn.us, or 301M City Hall, 350 S. 5th St., Minneapolis, MN 55415.

Every Linden Hills resident is encouraged to review the report and give feedback to the City. The report can be found at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/news/docs/>

CE_Report_final.pdf, by contacting the Community Engagement Coordinator by phone at 311, or by visiting the NRP's website at <http://www.NRP.org>.

Community Meetings are being held from 7:00-8:30pm to receive comments, on the following dates and at the following locations:

Monday, January 29

Van Dusen Conference Ctr. & Burroughs School

Tuesday, January 30

Plaza Verde & Minnehaha United Methodist Church

Wednesday, January 31

Marcy Open School & Firefighters Hall & Museum

Thursday, February 1

North Regional Library

Monday, February 5

Mill City Museum

If you want more information about these meetings or their locations, go to the NRP website at nrp.org or call 673-5140. ♦

The involvement of residents and the support that LHiNC has received from NRP have been critical to the positive changes that we have been able to achieve over the past 15 years. If we are to continue to move forward, we need you to get involved and have your say now. ♦

NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

Details at www.linden hills.org

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- 6 LHiNC Board Meeting (pg 1)*
- 19 Zoning Committee Meeting*
- 20 CSC Committee Meeting*
- 20 Housing Committee*
- 27 Environment Committee*

CSC=Creating Sustainable Community

* 7:00pm Linden Hills Park

For details contact LHiNC.

Sign Up for LHiNC's Monthly E-newsletter

Go to www.linden hills.org & click

'Sign up for our Email Newsletter'

Board Member Needed for Seven Months

Consider running for a vacant seat on the LHiNC Board

A LHiNC Board member, whose term ends in October 2007, has recently resigned. This position will be filled at the March 6 LHiNC board meeting. Consider applying and getting your feet wet with LHiNC during this seven month commitment.

Board positions are open to Linden Hills residents age 18 and over and require a commitment of 8-10 hours per month including serving on two committees and working on the May Festival. **You can apply until Thursday, March 1, at 7:00pm, online at www.linden hills.org or by calling 926-2906.**



Welcome New Residents

Get your Welcome Packet

If you are a new renter or a new homeowner, contact LHiNC to receive a Linden Hills Welcome Packet. It's filled with great information regarding local shops, community resources, schools and more! It also has valuable coupons for local businesses. Call 926-2906 or go to info@linden hills.org. ♦



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Linden Hills Line welcomes and encourages contributions from residents. Submissions may be edited for length, clarity and relevance to the coverage area. Anonymous contributions and advertising are not accepted.

To submit articles contact LHiNC at 926-2906 or info@linden hills.org. The next newsletter deadline is February 20, with delivery the weekend of March 18.

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