

LBNA Calendar

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LBNA Meetings: Are free and open to the public.

Meetings held at Shingle Creek Commons Bldg, 4600 Humboldt Ave N. unless otherwise specified. Any requests for special accommodations are welcome. Contact LBNA staff seven days prior to date of meeting.

Thursday, April 1, LBNA Board Meeting 7pm
Saturday, April 17, SCNA hosted Shingle Creek Cleanup at Creekview Park 9am-Noon

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**Attention Residents!
LBNA's Walking Group Starting Up Again April 15th!**

The Lind-Bohanon Neighborhood Association started a walking group last summer that was a huge success!

We want to meet to talk about the upcoming year and then take a stroll. The first meeting of the season will be held April 15th at 6:30pm at 42nd Ave N Station Coffee shop at the corner of 42nd and Lyndale Ave N. Got questions? Call 612-588-7641 or email lindbohanonna@aol.com



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Help Minneapolis' Urban Forest



Order an inexpensive tree to enjoy in your yard! More than 1,000 trees are being made available to Minneapolis residents for planting this spring. Since 2006, the City of Minneapolis has funded the City Trees program, a low-cost way for folks to help build the city's tree canopy. The trees cost \$25 each, residents can order one tree per household, and all trees are available first-come, first-served.

Varieties of trees available are Fat Albert spruce, pagoda dogwood, Kentucky coffee tree, blue beech, Merrill magnolia, regal prince oak, Canada select chokecherry, Redmond linden and burgundy belle maple.

Orders for trees can be placed at www.treetrust.org. You can also order a tree by calling (651) 644-5800. In previous years, the trees have sold quickly, so place your order early. cont'd on pg 3.....



Shingle Creek Clean-up Saturday April 17
The Raptors are Coming!
The Raptors are Coming to the SCNA 16th Annual Shingle Creek Clean-up Saturday, April 17! 9-Noon

Mark your calendars for this family fun-filled day! We'll spend a couple hours in the morning picking up trash from the banks of Shingle Creek, eating some food, and this year we'll also have the University of MN RaptorCenter swooping in to lend a hand! Come help out and then stick around to see the live rapture show! Prizes! Food! Fun for the whole family! Questions? Go to www.scna-mpls.org.

**Facing Foreclosure?
Want more information?
Check out
Minnesota Home
Ownership Center at:
www.hocmn.org.
Act early.
You do have choices.
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April, 2010

Attention Gardeners!
LBNA's Lind Community Garden (at 51st and Dupont Aves N) is planning for this spring and upcoming growing season! We are now taking applications through Did we say—~~March 15th?~~ **What a mistake! April 25th!** for those interested in gardening this year at the Lind Community Garden!

If you are interested in learning more about the garden, how to apply for an application to garden in 2010, go to our website at www.lindbohanon.org or contact us at 612-588-7641, or by email at lindbohanonna@aol.com!



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Protect your home against spring break-ins

As Spring warms up to summer, many people are busy planning their vacations and preparing to leave Minneapolis for sunnier places. Minneapolis Police want to remind vacationers that it's important to take time to prepare their homes for vacation too. An empty home is a tempting target for a burglar, so use these tips as a checklist to help protect your home against break-ins and theft while you're away.

- § Install good locks on windows and doors and be sure to use to them.
- § Avoid leaving a spare key outside your home.
- § Make arrangements to suspend mail, newspaper and package deliveries or ask a neighbor to pick them up.
- § Arm your home security alarm if owned.
- § Set up timers around your home to turn TVs, lamps and radios on and off at appropriate hours; install motion detectors around your home.
- § Turn the ringer volume on your phone to low to avoid having someone hear it go unanswered.
- § Keep blinds, shades or curtains the way they are when you are home.
- § Close and lock garage doors and windows; secure storage sheds.
- § Tell a few trusted neighbors to keep an eye on your home during your vacation, but generally keep travel plans to yourself—don't announce your absence on voicemail; tell your co-workers not to give out your travel plans.
- § Mark your property: record make, model and serial numbers and take pictures of electronic equipment and valuables; use the free national police program Operation ID to mark and inventory your valuables. Just call (612) 673-2749 to request an information packet. Should your property be stolen, this simple step will make it more difficult for thieves to sell it and easier for police to return it to you.

For more ideas to secure your home while you're away or for information contact your police precinct's Crime Prevention Specialist by visiting <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/>. Click on Precinct Finder and CCP/SAFE Team links.

Your best protection is to make your home appear occupied and to make it difficult to break in to. And as always, remind your neighbors to call 911 immediately to report any suspicious activity.

Do You Want to Help Keep the Neighborhood a safe and livable place to live?

Can you spare 2 hours a month to meet with other neighborhood volunteers who meet to work on hosting community events, walking the neighborhood, garden, looking at crime and safety issues in the community, finding grants to partner with other groups, schools, to hold more events and programs in our community.

- ⇒ Do you have skills or talents you want to share with the community?
- ⇒ Are you concerned about maintaining our local housing stock?
- ⇒ Looking for work and want to network with a new crowd of people?
- ⇒ Do you have crime issues on your block and don't know who to talk to or how to get started being a block club leader?
- ⇒ Do you have a passion for youth and want to help us grow our CYEP program?

If one of these are your interest or passion, please consider attending our next LBNA Board meeting to learn more about who LBNA is and what we are doing for the community. We need your help to make LBNA work! Got questions? Give us a call at 612-588-7641. Or email us at lindbohanonna@aol.com.

**Interested in becoming a block club leader?
We can help get you started! Contact us!
Want a free "We Watch We call" sign?
Contact us! 612-588-7641!**

What's Happening at Webber Library Spotlight

Hmong Storytime

Saturday in April, 2 – 2:30 p.m.

April 3, 10, 17, 24

For children 2 years of age and older.

Enjoy stories together in Hmong and build language skills.

Girls Only Bookclub

Saturday, April 17 1:00-3:00 p.m. For girls in grades 4 - 6.

Join other girls to talk about a great book! Title TBD. Pick up a copy at the information desk.



The Camden Youth Engagement Project YOUth Leadership Summit had over seventy-five youth from across the metro and Camden attend their premiere summit. Ten special guest group speakers including Planned Parenthood, Sgt Deenen, Kappa's, Lady K and Class Act and Madd Dads, two motivational speakers Ferome Brown and Kenny Ray Morgan and the highlight guest performance by Legacy a Michael Jackson Tribute.

Trees cont'd from pg 1...

Folks who order trees will need to pick them up on one of three days at the Minneapolis Impound Lot, 51 Colfax Ave. N.

- Saturday, May 8, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Sunday, May 9, 8 a.m. to noon
- Monday, May 10, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Volunteers will be on hand to help load your new tree and complimentary bag of mulch into your vehicle.

Research has proven that trees are a valuable investment and improve urban quality of life. Healthy trees are beautiful, increase property values, help improve air quality, reduce greenhouse gases by absorbing carbon dioxide, save energy, keep the city cooler, provide homes for wildlife and help manage stormwater.

The City Trees program is a partnership between the City of Minneapolis and Tree Trust, a local non-profit that works to improve the community environment. For more information on how to order a tree, contact Tree Trust at 651-644-5800.

Want to save money this winter? Consider an improvement loan that gives back to your community!



The Lind-Bohanon Neighborhood Association has partnered with the Center for Energy and Environment to administer the neighborhood's home improvement programs. Repayment of LBNA Home Loans help create the opportunity for even more home loans and other LBNA activities! Thank you for considering an LBNA Home Loan for your next home improvement project!

LBNA's Revolving Loan Program

- *4% fixed rate financing
- *\$15,000 maximum loan
- *NO MAXIMUM Income Limit

Eligible improvements include: most interior and exterior maintenance and remodeling.

Qualifying Projects include:

- *Windows/doors, *Furnaces, *Roofs
- *Siding/painting,

- *Garage improvements/new garages,
- *Kitchens, *Driveways, *Electrical *Plumbing,
- *New additions/finishing of unused space,
- *Bathrooms and many more

MN Fix-up Fund Program

- *Below market fixed rate
- *\$35,000 maximum loan
- *Flexible terms

Eligible improvements include: windows, doors, siding, garages, kitchens, new additions, flooring and more!

CEE Home Energy Loan Program

- *Fixed rate
- *No MAXIMUM income limit
- *\$10,000 maximum loan

Eligible improvements include: windows, doors, furnaces, A/C, insulation, water heaters, and boilers.

For more information call 612-335-5884 or visit www.mncee.org.

