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**SPRING/SUMMER 2023**



# LINDSTRÖM LEDGER

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## Utility Bills

Bills are *mailed* quarterly, the first week of January, April, July, & October. The *due date* is the beginning of the following month. The exact due date is on your bill.

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## Karl Oskar Days: July 5-8, 2023



We have another great year of festivities planned for [Karl Oskar Days!](#)

~ **Marketplace, Info Booths & Food Vendors:** All vendors will be located at Memorial Park,

with some at Beach Park. The downtown parking lot will not be a separate marketplace this year.

~ **The Kid's Activity Zone** will be at Beach Park again, and will have a ninja course, bounce houses, and more!

~ **A Lumberjack show** will take place on Saturday at Beach Park, with mini events and a couple of main shows.

~ **The fireworks show** will be Friday night, and a DJ will be at Beach Park before the show! While you're waiting for fireworks, watch or participate in the new KOD boat parade.

~ **The KOD Car Show** will once again be at the St. Bridget of Sweden Catholic Church parking lot. Last year saw record-breaking attendance! **(continued on page 3)**

## Lindström Fire Hall Nearly Complete

**Lindström's new Fire Hall is almost ready!** The Lindström Fire Department's new home is located at the corner of Akerson & Newlander, just 1 block south of Lindström City Hall.

A few punch list items and some concrete issues need to be addressed before the LFD will be able to move in. Supply chain issues contributed to the

delay in completion. The good news is the project has come in just slightly **under budget.**

This new facility will provide ample space to meet their modern day needs, with some room to grow for future needs.

Improved safety features and pull-through truck bays, which helps to prevent truck damage,

are a few of the highlights of the new facility.

**Follow the Lindström Fire Department on Facebook!**  
[www.facebook.com/lindstromfire](http://www.facebook.com/lindstromfire)



## Grease & Wipes Causing Sewer Backups

**Please do not flush** "flushable" wipes or other so-called "flushable" hygiene products down the toilet. Although these items are advertised as flushable, **they are not.** Dispose of these "flushable" items in the trash.

Even **small amounts** of grease and cooking oil accumulate in

pipes over time, and often ends up a giant ball of sludge in the sewer line. **Please do not dump any grease or cooking oil** down your drain or toilet. Pour into a sealed, 1-gallon or smaller container and **put in the garbage.**

Grease, cooking oil, and so-

called "flushable" products eventually clog pipes, and **have been the culprit in multiple sewer backups this year.** These repairs are costly. Clogs can also cause sewage to back up into your home or other homes in your neighborhood. Please do your part to prevent these issues.  
**Thank you!**

# Harmony In the Park

## 2023 Summer Concert Series

Scan the QR code for our [Harmony In The Park](#) website page



Come out for another summer of great music!

The concerts are FREE to the public, and take place at the Band Shell at Lions Park (next to City Hall) on Wednesday nights. Events start at 6:30pm and the band starts at 7pm.

Food will be available for purchase from a variety of local food vendors.

In the event of inclement weather, the concerts will move next door to the community center.

Stay up to date on our [Facebook page](#) or our [website](#). See you there!



DATE	BAND (Starts at 7:00)	EVENT (Starts at 6:30)
June 7	<b>The White Sidewalls</b> 50s & 60s Doo-Wop / Rock & Roll	American Legion Opening Ceremony Joe Wisly Memorial Car Show
June 14	<b>A Hard Day's Night</b> Beatles Tribute Band	Public Safety Night
June 21	<b>Transit Authority</b> Chicago Tribute Band	Chisago Lakes Lions Night
June 28	<b>Songs of the South</b> Alabama Tribute Band	CLHS Marching Band- Starts @6:15pm CL Rotary Night- 25th Anniversary
July 5	<b>Bob &amp; the Beachcombers</b> Surfin' the 60s & Rockin' the 70s	Karl Oskar Days Kickoff Night Lakes Appreciation Night
July 12	<b>Jonah &amp; The Whales</b> Rock/Variety	Non-Profit Night Craft Show Night
July 19	<b>Monroe Crossing</b> Bluegrass / Classic Country	Faith Community Night Unexpected Company Chorale Group
July 26	<b>The Dweebs</b> Top Hits from the 60s thru Today	Family Pathways Night
Aug. 2	<b>Todd Anderson presents Absolutely Elvis</b>	Health Fair & Age Well Night Sweet Adeline's Lakes Country Chorus
Aug. 9	<b>Rockin' Hollywoods</b> 50s-80s Rock	Chisago Lakes Lions Com Feed River City Cloggers

*Bring a lawn chair and come check out these talented musicians!*

## More Upcoming Events



### Gravel Bed Tree Work

Wednesday, May 24th, 4:30pm - 7pm

[Allemansrätt Park](#)  
[31316 Olinda Trail N., Lindström](#)

**Volunteers needed!** Join Great River Greening to assist with planting oak trees into the gravel beds at Allemansrätt Park.

**For questions, please contact:**

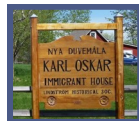
Jessica Drummond at 651-272-3989 or [jdrummond@greatrivergreening.org](mailto:jdrummond@greatrivergreening.org)

### Karl Oskar House Tours

Sundays, May - Fall

1pm - 4pm

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)



Watch for the spring reopening of the Karl Oskar House in May 2023. To schedule a tour or visit contact [friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofkarloskarhouse@gmail.com)

### Memorial Day Paddle

Monday, May 29th

9am launch:

[Ojiketa Regional Park Launch, 27500 Kirby Ave, Chisago City](#)

No registration necessary.

For paddle route and additional event details, stop by City Hall or the Chisago Lakes Chamber for the event flyer.

**Questions?**

**Contact Bill Mack at:**

[macklandscaping@gmail.com](mailto:macklandscaping@gmail.com)



### Nordic Folk Music Jam

Sunday, June 4th

1:30pm - 3:30pm

[29101 Glader Blvd., Lindström](#)

Watch talented musicians

play at the Karl Oskar House in Ki Chi Saga Park.

**Questions?**

[nyaduvemalamusic@gmail.com](mailto:nyaduvemalamusic@gmail.com)



### Chisago Lakes Triathlon

Sunday, July 30th

All Day (click above for website)

**Transition/Headquarters:**

[Paradise Park](#)

[11031 Stinson Ave., Chisago City](#)

Attracts over 1,000 participants. Sprint, Olympic and Half Triathlon distances are offered. Online registration required.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

**Volunteers are needed!** To find out more, call 651-257-1177 or email

[info@chisagolakeschamber.com](mailto:info@chisagolakeschamber.com)

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# City Hall Staffing & City Council Changes

2023 has been a year of change at Lindström City Hall.

## **City Administrator Vacancy**

In December of 2022, City Administrator John Olinger resigned. At a Special City Council meeting on 1/12/23, City Council appointed Lindström's Deputy Clerk/Office Manager, Melissa (Missy) Glenna, as the Interim City Administrator.

The City Council chose to hire a recruiting firm to handle the search for a permanent City Administrator. The search is now in the next phase, as the job opening closed on April 17th. The final pool of candidates will be interviewed sometime in May. The City anticipates having our new City Administrator in place in late June or early July, depending upon the

candidate's relocation needs.

We greatly appreciate your patience in this time of transition, and look forward to introducing Lindström's new City Administrator this summer!

## **City Council Vacancies**

In January of 2023, Mayor Stenson and Council Member Burington resigned from the City Council. The vacant Council seats were filled by appointment, which is the typical course of action in such instances. If the City Council had chosen to conduct a Special Election this year rather than choosing the appointment process, the earliest the City could have conducted a Special Election would have been August of 2023 due to filing and posting requirements.

Council Member Judy Chartrand was appointed to the vacant Mayor seat, and EDA Member Greg Krueger and former Council Member David Waldoch were appointed to the vacant Council Member seats in March. **Congratulations, Mayor Chartrand, Council Member Krueger, and Council Member Waldoch!**

## **Learn More**

To learn more about the resignations and appointments, read the January through April editions of the Lindström Ledger E-Newsletter. Meet Lindström's City Council in the April edition of the Lindström Ledger E-Newsletter.

[www.cityoflindstrom.us/resident-information](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/resident-information)



# Karl Oskar Days

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Check out the wide variety of vintage and antique cars and trucks at this popular event.



## **FREE admission for spectators.**

Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Don't forget to shop the Farmer's Market, which will be taking place simultaneously on the southeast corner of the church parking lot.

The non-profit [Outlaws Car Club MN](#) will once again operate the car show. For more information visit our website, [the Car Club's Facebook page](#), or call the Car Club President, Marcus Catlin, at (612) 432-8290.

~ **The Chisago Lakes Ambassador Program** will hold their coronation on Thursday (location TBD). For updates and more follow them on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/chisagolakesambassadors](http://www.facebook.com/chisagolakesambassadors)

~ **The MoJo Monks will be playing at the Street Dance on Saturday night!**



This high energy, super fun band features danceable party music, including classic rock, country, & pop. **Doors open 7:30pm, \$10 entry.**

~ **The KOD parade** and several other traditional events will be back. The final schedule will be available in June.

~ **Sponsorship Needed:** Please consider supporting this year's amazing events that will make for a

special & memorable festival. *Thank you!* [www.cityoflindstrom.us/karl-oskar-days/pages/be-sponsor](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/karl-oskar-days/pages/be-sponsor)

~ **Interested in being a vendor, having an information booth, or just have questions?**

Contact our Special Events Coordinator, Pauline Hinsch at: [phinsch@cityoflindstrom.us](mailto:phinsch@cityoflindstrom.us)

~ **Stay up to date!**

Visit our website for information and forms for participants, sponsors, Ambassadors, & the car show, and for event schedules & updates. [www.cityoflindstrom.us/karl-oskar-days](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/karl-oskar-days)



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## **Swedish Phrase: "Ska vi fika?" (skā vee fee-kā?)**

Use the above phrase to ask someone to fika! **Fika** is an important daily tradition in Swedish culture. It means making time for friends, family, and colleagues to share a cup of coffee and a treat.

For an **authentic apple and almond tart** recipe to enjoy for fika, scan the QR code or visit the website: <https://www.swedishfood.com/swedish-food-recipes-desserts/425-apple-and-almond-tart>



# Spring/Summer Reminders

## Area Compost Site

- Residents of Chisago City, Lindstrom, Wyoming, and Stacy can bring grass clippings, leaves, and brush up to 3” in diameter!
- Compost Site Hours (weather permitting):  
**Wednesdays 2:00-7:00 PM (or dusk, whichever is first)**  
**Saturdays 9:00 AM-4:00 PM**  
**Sundays 1:00-4:00 PM**
- Location: 31501 Lofton Avenue, Chisago City, MN 55013

[www.cityoflindstrom.us/  
public-works/pages/area-  
compost-site](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/public-works/pages/area-compost-site)



## Grass Clippings

- Grass clippings can wash into a storm drain and cause algae to grow in our lakes! Please keep those clippings off of the roads and other hard surfaces.
- Sweep grass clippings back into your yard or bring your clippings to the compost site.
- Thank you for helping to take care of our beautiful city and lakes!

For additional seasonal information, visit our website or scan the QR code:

[www.cityoflindstrom.us/  
public-works](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us/public-works)



## Outside Storage

In addition to spring cleaning, please keep in mind [city ordinances](#) regarding outside storage.

There are restrictions regarding the number of vehicles in your yard and their placement,

including recreational vehicles such as four-wheelers, boats, motor homes and campers.



For more information on the ordinances please visit our website: [www.cityoflindstrom.us](http://www.cityoflindstrom.us) or contact us at City Hall, 651-257-0620.

*You may also scan the QR code.*



## Minnesota Adopt-A-Drain Program

Want to make a big difference in our community? Sign up to Adopt-a-Drain! Just fifteen minutes twice a month makes a big impact on keeping our lakes clean.

Storm drains flow directly to local lakes, rivers, and wetlands, acting as a conduit for trash and organic pollutants. Adopt a storm drain in your neighborhood and keep it clear of leaves, trash, and other debris to reduce water pollution. Nearly 20,000 drains have been adopted in Minnesota!

To learn more and sign up, visit: <https://mn.adopt-a-drain.org/>

ADOPT  
A STORM  
DRAIN



## Fireworks– Stay Safe & Stay Legal

**Anything that flies or explodes is illegal in Minnesota.** Explosive and aerial fireworks are prohibited for public sale, possession, and use. Even legal fireworks, such as sparklers and novelty items like party poppers and snakes, can cause injuries, fires and worse.

**If you choose to use legal fireworks, please use them responsibly.**

