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Dala Dollars

The City is excited to introduce Dala Dollars as an incentive to encourage customers to pay their city utility bill automatically. This ensures your utility payment is on time and allows for staff time to be allocated in other areas. Dala Dollars can be used for payment at participating local merchants.

How can I get Dala Dollars?

There is only one way to get Dala Dollars, and for the folks reading this, it is for a very limited time. Current utility customers can receive 10 Dala Dollars by coming into City Hall and signing up for ACH automatic bill pay between June 1st and July 31st.

I'm a merchant: how can I participate?

Merchants interested in participating will simply accept Dala Dollars for payment, fill out the back, and bring them into City Hall for exchange into U.S. currency.

Any questions about the program can be directed to Lucas Neece, Assistant City Administrator, at lucasn@lindsborgcity.org.

What security features do Dala Dollars have?

- The Dala Dollars are printed on security paper that will void the Dala Dollars if photocopied.
- They feature a serial number for tracking.
- The backside shows the dates they were issued, their expiration date (90 days from issuance), and to whom they were issued, along with the redeeming merchant.

OUTCOME - n.

- 1. a final product or end result; consequence; issue.
- 2. a conclusion reached through a process of logical thinking.

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Alma Swensson, the wife of wife of Dr. Carl A. Swensson, the founder of Bethany College, profoundly enjoyed music. She studied music since childhood and was equally moved as well as Dr. Swensson by Handel's Messiah when they heard it for the first time in Illinois. The Swenssons brought back to Lindsborg the idea that as a fundraiser for Bethany College, and a chance for pioneers who labored on the land to give them something beautiful, a production of the Messiah. She patiently taught the Smoky Valley Swedish immigrants, who did not speak any English or had ever heard a rendition of Handel's Messiah, how to sing with musical quality and spirit. Mrs. Swensson believed the hardships of the prairie could be lessened by music. The very first Messiah was not on a Palm or Easter Sunday, but March 28, 1882, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bethany Lutheran Church.

Bringing lovely music to the Kansas plains was not her only accomplishment. In 1892, she was the co-founder of the Augustana Woman's Missionary Society. As the Mission's Editor-In-Chief, Alma connected women around the world reaching a subscribership of 25,000 people. Alma also believed in equal rights. She took an emphatic stand for women suffragettes and took an interested in the rights of African-Americans, requesting the right to host them in her home with the style she learned in Sweden.



Example of Dala Dollar:

Front, shown left.

Back, pictured above.

CITY HALL - MAY 2019

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Visit our City web page at www.lindsborgcity.org

Bicycle Safety

Biking Rules and Safety Guidelines:

- *Always wear a bicycle helmet.
- *Stop at all Stop signs and before riding in the street.
- *Be aware of traffic from behind and when turning left.
- *Ride with the flow of traffic and follow the rules of the road.
- *Riding bicycles on downtown sidewalks IS NOT PERMITTED.
- *Watch for vehicles coming out of or turning into driveways.
- *Stop at corners of sidewalks and streets to look for cars and to make sure drivers see you before crossing.
- *Enter a street at a corner and not between parked cars.
- *Alert pedestrians that you are near by using a horn, or by saying... "Excuse me" or "Passing on your left."



Tornado Season Information

The Evangelical Covenant Church (located at the southwest corner of Lincoln and Washington) has once again agreed to open their storm shelter (located on the 100 block of South Washington Street, at the overhang driveway entrance) for use of community members or visitors who do not have shelters of their own. The shelter will be open during Tornado Warning periods. This effort is greatly appreciated and should be used for those in need.

From McPherson County 911 and Lindsborg Public Safety:

The first Wednesday of every month, we test the tornado sirens at 11 am. But what you may NOT know is that during the spring and summer months, we ALSO test them on the THIRD Wednesday of the month (at 11am).

We will NOT test the sirens if the skies are cloudy or if severe weather is impending.

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Good government is the outcome of private virtue. - John Jay Chapman

CITY HALL - MAY 2019

CONSIDER RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL





Currently serving on Lindsborg City Council are from L-R front row: Councilwoman Jodi Duncan, Mayor Becky Anderson, Councilwoman Betty Nelson, Councilman David Higbee, and Councilman Blaine Heble. Back Row L-R: Councilman Corey Peterson, Councilman Ed Radatz, Councilman Mark Friesen, and Councilman Rick Martin.

Candidate filing for Mayor and City Council is open until noon, June 3, 2019. The Mayoral position is a 2 year term and is at-large. City Council is a 4 year term with 4 positions to fill, 1 from each Ward. File for office at the McPherson County Courthouse, City Clerk's office.

If more than 3 people file for a position(s), a primary election for that position(s) will be held August 6, 2019. The general election will be held November 5, 2019.

For more information on City Government, please visit www.lindsborgcity.org.

CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CITY-WIDE CLEANUP DAY IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2019

City-wide clean up day is scheduled for Saturday, September 21st from 8 AM to noon at 1111 E. Swensson (formerly the Lindsborg Tree Station). Clean up includes general trash items and small construction items.

Items **NOT** accepted during the cleanup day include:

- *Tires
- *Ammunition
- *Items that contain or did contain Freon
- *Batteries
- *Yard Waste (grass clippings, dirt, leaves, limbs, weeds, straw, etc.)
- *Hazardous Waste
- *Large Appliances

For Lindsborg Residents Only.

Please call City Hall at 785-227-3355 if more information is needed.





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - MAY 2019

BUILDING PERMITS AND SAFETY

Safety is a basic reason why building permits are required for construction work in Lindsborg. Building codes were created to protect the people that live, work or visit homes and businesses in our community. They help ensure that structures will meet standards against collapse, fire and other potential dangers. It is also possible that if buildings are not built or maintained to code, insurance companies may not pay damage claims and property owners can be liable if someone is injured in an accident caused by substandard design or workmanship.

Homeowners and business operators should find out if a building permit is required prior to work. The list below is not necessarily a complete list of projects that may need plan review or permitting. A call to City Hall at 785-227-3355 or Public Works at 785-227-3428 will provide the answer.

Applications for building permits are processed at City Hall, 101 S. Main Street. The complexity of the job will determine whether the project requires fees or drawings. New construction and remodeling projects with structural changes will go through the plan review process. The process will delay the issuance of a permit by about a week.

Examples of projects requiring building permits:

- 1. New residential housing
- 2. New commercial buildings
- 3. Additions or structural changes
- 4. Accessory buildings greater than 120 square feet
- 5. Decks
- 6. Electrical service changes
- 7. Fences (no charge)
- 8. Swimming pools (in-ground only)

Frequently Asked Questions

Is a permit required to install/construct a deck?

If the walking surface of the deck is more than 30 inches above grade and/or will be covered, a building permit is required.

Is a permit required to put up a fence?

Yes, but there is no charge for a fence permit. The main purpose of a fence permit is to make sure that owners are aware of zoning regulations such as placement near or on property lines, fence height limitations (6-1/2 feet) and front yard restrictions. Line of sight on corner lots is also a major concern.

Is a permit required to replace a roof?

No. Lindsborg does not require roofing permits, nor does it license roofing contractors performing work within the city limits. Always check references and look for an established, reputable company.

Is a permit required to replace my water heater, furnace or air conditioner?

Not unless additional wiring to the panel or structural changes to walls or ceilings are required.

Are garden sheds subject to permitting?

A permit is required to build or install any detached storage structure larger than 120 square feet. If a permit is not required, the structure must still meet all building and zoning codes, including being tied down to prevent wind displacement, f(or example, carports).

Can a homeowner do work on his or her home?

If a person is the owner/occupant of a single family dwelling, he or she may do any work on that dwelling that would otherwise require a licensed or registered contractor. The owner-occupant is still required to obtain permits, inspections, and comply with the applicable codes.

CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU - MAY 2019



What do Lisbon, Bali, Montevideo, and Lindsborg have in common? Television host and world traveler Matt Landau.

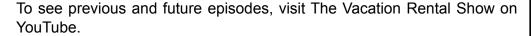
Starting Friday, April 19, the latest episode of The Vacation Rental Show with Matt Landau features Lindsborg, one of ten colorful, entertaining and educational locations from around the world. This popular hospitality show documents Landau's visits to vacation rentals and provides plentiful opportunities to experience a sense of place, a feeling impossible to find when staying at resorts or hotels. While the show is built around Landau, each destination proves that guests who choose to stay in a vacation rental can "live like a local."

The Lindsborg episode can be seen at: https://www.vrmb.com/the-vacation-rental-show/. The show's sponsor, Booking.com, is also offering the episode on its webpage: http://book.i.ng/6003TE4wX

Landau and his video crew visited Lindsborg for a full week in August 2018. Landau and Lindsborg Vacation Rentals owner Jim Prugh, who owns three vacation rental properties in the City of Lindsborg, have been

communicating professionally for a few years. Prugh advocates that vacation rentals and local experiences in small towns are just as exciting, if not more so, than those in popular destinations in metropolitan areas. Landau was delighted to create this episode showcasing a tiny town in a largely rural state.

Prugh worked with the Lindsborg Convention and Visitors Bureau to prepare for Landau a list of local and area attractions, people and activities most enjoyed by visitors and locals alike. Landau took an early-morning run with the Bethany College cross country team. He viewed stars, planets and galaxies from atop Coronado Heights through telescopes provided by the Kansas Cosmosphere. Among other planned and spur-of-the-moment experiences, Landau danced along during a Lindsborg Swedish Folk Dancers practice and participated in the annual community water fight. Landau is pictured with a young competitor, at right.











Using Google to find your next destination? In 2018, the CVB office requested a 360 camera from Google to use on loan to capture local businesses and favorite travel stops, all with 360 degree views! Google provided this camera for a 6 week window giving CVB staff time to capture 156 photos that were then uploaded to Google for use by those searching for all things Lindsborg. More than 136,000 views of these photos have taken place since they were uploaded to Google in early September 2018. Top viewing scores go to Bethany College's campus, closely followed by the Old Mill Museum.



LINDSBORG RECYCLING CENTER IS ALWAYS IN USE

The Lindsborg Recycling Center is located at 401 E. McPherson Street and is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The facility features singlestream (there is no need to sort the material)

containers for the disposal of common recyclable materials. Mixed paper can be placed in the bin loosely or tied in bundles. Plastic containers, jars, bottles and tin cans can be placed in paper bags. Please do not use plastic trash bags for disposal. All containers should be rinsed and remove caps and rings from plastic bottles. Several cardboard-only dumpsters are also located at the facility. Flatten or cut the cardboard before placing in the bins. For convenience two brown poly carts are available for items which may be mixed with some non-recyclable trash. For example, plastic bags used to carry recyclables can be placed in poly carts. Please do not use the Recycle Center for trash because it fills up fast enough with minimal use! Containers are emptied once a week. If they are full, please wait to dispose of your material; don't pile it on top of lids or leave it on the ground.

Please be considerate when dropping off items at the Lindsborg Recycling Center. If there are any concerns, please call City Hall at 785-227-3355.



Recyclable material accepted

Aluminum cans



• Office paper =



Phone books



- Plastics #1-7
- Glass of all colors



- Magazines
- Milk Jugs
- Newspaper \









Materials NOT accepted

• Milk cartons [



- Automotive product bottles 🚫
- Construction paper
- Gift wrap
- Hanging folders
- Hardback books
- Scrap metal
- Tissue paper

- Trash
- Drink boxes/pouches
- Styrofoam
- PVC
- Plastic bags
- Paper plates or cups
- Paper towels



PARKS - MAY 2019

DISTRICT WINNING TREE POSTER WINS A TREE TO PLANT FOR ARBOR DAY **CONGRATULATIONS MAGDALENE RIEDEL!**





Far left, Magdalene Riedel helps plant the honorary tree with Tim McDonnell. Members of the Tree Board gather around Magdalene Riedel, District winner of this year's Tree Poster Contest. Joined by 5th Grade Teacher Jennifer Burgardt and Middle School **Principal Garrett** Scritchfield.

The Tree Board celebrated Arbor Day by participating in the commemorative tree planting at Lindsborg Middle School. A Caddo maple was planted in front of the main entrance by Tim McDonnell, Community Forester for the State of Kansas. The tree was planted in honor of Magdalene Riedel's District winning tree poster.

Flood Awareness Reminders

1.) Know your flood hazard.

• Call Gary Shogren at 785-227-3355 to find out the flood hazard for your property.

2.) Insure your property for your flood hazard.

- Ask your insurance agent if you are covered for flood damage.
- There is a 30-day waiting period before a flood insurance policy takes effect so call your insurance agent now.

3.) Protect people from the hazard.

- Turn around, don't drown!
- Do not attempt to walk or drive in flooded areas. Six inches of floodwater is enough to knock you off your feet, two feet of water will float your car.

4.) Protect property from the hazard.

- Sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber can be used to temporarily protect property.
- Moving furniture and other possessions to higher floors, if available, can reduce losses.

5.) Build responsibly.

Any development in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) requires a permit.

6.) Protect natural floodplain functions.

Keep lawn debris and trash out of drainage channels.



PETS, HOMES, and LICENSES





Many have inquired as to the regulations surrounding the number of dogs/cats that a residence can legally have. City ordinance states the owner must have a Kennel license if there are more than five dogs of six months of age or older, more than one litter of

pups, more than five cats of more than six months of age, more than one litter of kittens, or more than a total of five dogs and cats six months of age and older in any combination. If you engage in the commercial business of breeding, buying, selling, trading, training, or boarding cats, dogs or both, you are required to have a kennel license. A kennel license can only be issued if your building is zoned for it. Kennels are not allowed in residential areas. If you have any questions, or know of anyone in violation of this ordinance, please contact the Lindsborg Police Department.

CODE VIOLATION

It is a Hyllningsfest year and that time of year when we all need to look at our properties and start sprucing things up. The Lindsborg Police Department is actively identifying those properties that need trash, limbs and other debris removed from their properties. To avoid enforcement action, please take the time to clean up, haul away debris and keep grass and weeds mown. Properties in violation are unslightly and can have an adverse effect on property values for the offending property as well as those of neighbors.



Winning and losing isn't everything; sometimes, the journey is just as important as the outcome. - Alex Morgan

PUBLIC WORKS - MAY 2019

INTRODUCING STREET SWEEPER TYMCO 600

In case you hadn't noticed over the last month or so, there is a new street sweeper sweeping the streets of Lindsborg. At the March 4 City Council Meeting, the City Council approved the purchase of a new Tymco Model 600 Regenerative Air sweeper.



The role of the street sweeper is very important and misunderstood by many. The main purpose of the street sweeper is to clean debris from the gutters. Clear gutters can properly direct water into storm drains and drainage channels. Without the street sweeper, unsightly debris would build up, causing drainage problems. Street sweeping helps keep hazardous particles and trash from flowing into streams and drinking water supplies, which reduces pollution. Clean streets are the result that gets noticed due to of the work of the street sweeper, however, cleaning the streets for cosmetic purposes is at the bottom of the priority list of what the sweeper is out to accomplish.

When it was time to look at replacing the old sweeper, it was obvious that staff needed to look at options other than the same style mechanical street sweeper that has been used in the past. A mechanical sweeper has its place, but Lindsborg needed a sweeper that could do a better job with all of the varying street surfaces. City staff did extensive research to find the best solution for our community. Staff consulted with other municipalities, comparing manufacturers and weighing many options. After much deliberation, the regenerative air sweeper was chosen.

The basic operation of this machine is simple, the regenerative air system uses the force of high velocity air created by a blower wheel to blast air down and across a pickup head onto the pavement. This blast forces debris and fine dust particles into the air stream which is then pulled into a large hopper where the air loses velocity and the debris then falls to the bottom of the hopper. A screen at the top of the hopper prevents any lighter weight debris such as leaves and paper from getting into the fan. The air then goes back through the fan and is again blasted down to the pickup head and the cycle is continued. Because this is a closed-loop system, very little air and particles are exhausted into the environment. Once the hopper is full, the operator simply backs up to a debris pile, opens the rear gate, dumps the collected debris and goes back to sweeping.

This new street sweeper, the Tymco 600, is a dramatic improvement over the sweepers Lindsborg has previously owned. It is a sweeper that will perform more efficiently with lower overall operation and maintenance costs because it has significantly fewer moving parts. It is a sweeper that is well designed, well-constructed and will be working hard to help keep the streets of Lindsborg clean.





RECREATION - MAY 2019



PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE LINDSBORG RECREATION

SIGN UP FOR 2019 CAMP DALA DAYS!

A fun week long camp that will keep your children busy and enjoying their summer! We will include outdoor and active activity time, arts and crafts, field trips, pool trips, and much, much more! Camp Shirt Included.

- •Registration deadline: June 24th
- •Cost: \$20.00 for Session 1 (3 to 5 year olds)
- •Cost: \$75.00 for Session 2 and 3 (8 AM 5:15 PM
- •Session 1: July 1st 3rd from 9 AM to Noon
- •Session 2: (ages 1st-3rd grade) July 15-19
- •Session 3: (4th 6th grade) July 22-26

Ages/grades as of 2019-2020 school year

LINDSBORG SWIMMING POOL **520 S. FIRST STREET** (785) 212-0071

The 2019 swim season begins with the pool opening on May 25th.

OPEN DAILY: 1:00 PM—7:00 PM

DAILY ADMISSION

\$3.00 (3 years and younger are free w/ paid

admission)

Season Pass: Family: \$150.00

(includes immediate family only, if more than 6 in a family, it will be an extra \$10.00 per

person.)

Single: \$70.00

Daily Swim Pass: 10—Swim Pass: \$25.00

20—Swim Pass: \$45.00

ART CLASS

Looking for a way to show your creative side? We have just the class for you! Come join our class of learning to work with clay and printmaking projects! Registration Deadline: May 28th Instructors: Gretchen Elliott &

> **Courtney Friesen** Grades: Pre K —8th Cost: \$20.00

Dates: June 3rd—June 5th

Times: 9:00—10:00 (1st—3rd Grade) 10:30—11:30 (4th—8th Grade) June 6th and 7th: Pre K—Kindergarten 9:00—10:00 AM (Cost: \$10.00)

> **Location: Smoky Valley High School**

Recreation Director Beth Ferguson • 101 S. Main Street • Lindsborg, KS 67456 • (785) 227-3333 bethf@lindsborgcity.org • www.lindsborgcity.org

RECREATION - MAY 2019





There is something for everyone to do this summer. Check out all the activities the Recreation Department is offering at www. lindsborgcity.org/ Recreation

JUNIOR GOLF

Get outside and enjoy the outdoors with a week of golf! Learn the rules and basics of the game!

Registration Deadline: July 1st

Instructor: Oliver Rubenstein, **Bethany College Head Coach**

Cost: \$30.00

Grades: 5 year old—8th Grade

Sign up for either session.

Dates:

(Session 1) July 8th—12th

(Session 2) July 15th—19th

Times: 9:30 AM-11:00 AM

Location: Lindsborg Golf Course

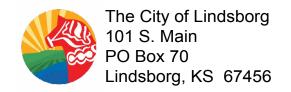
1541 Svensk Road, Lindsborg, KS





You can't bank on the outcome. - Daniel Berrigan

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

City Council Meetings – June 3 & 17, July 1 & 15, August 5 & 19 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting – June 18 & August 20 Midsummer Festival – June 15 – Riverside Park/Downtown Old Fashioned 4th – July 4 #LivingDala & ABBA Tribute band Dancing Dream – July 5 Stan Hays Operation BBQ event & Fireworks – July 6 Broadway RFD "Into the Woods" – July 19 & 20, 26 & 27 Smoky Valley Classic Car Show – August 3 Bethany Home Annual Ice Cream Social – August 11 Lindsborg Annual Downtown Street Dance – August 17



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Recycling Center – (Open 24/7) Be considerate please

For additional events, please view the calendars at www.visitlindsborg.com and www.lindsborgcity.org

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Police, Fire and Ambulance: 911

Police, Fire and Ambulance: 785.227.2988 (non-emergency)

Water, Sewer, Electric, Streets: 785.227.3428

Water, Sewer, Electric, Streets: 785.227.3469 (after hours, weekends and holidays)