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# LINDSAY’S COMMUNITY SPIRIT SOARS WITH AWARDS, SPORTS, AND CLEANUP EFFORTS



Lindsay is alive with community pride, as the March 11, 2025, City Council meeting showcased a city united by volunteerism, athletic triumphs, and collective action. From heartfelt recognitions to championship games and a call to clean up Mariposa Park, the meeting painted a vibrant picture of a town rallying together.

The evening began with applause for Virginia Loya and Junior, two Lindsay volunteers honored at the District 7 Recreation Awards in Selma. Their dedication to improving the city earned them well-deserved accolades, with Amara, the event's organizer, also thanked for her role. "It was really cool to see our own recognized," a council member remarked. During public comment, a resident echoed this sentiment, saying, "It's inspiring to see how much our volunteers do to make Lindsay better," highlighting the community's gratitude. These awards, hosted by the California Parks & Recreation Society, drew attendees from Fresno, Kings, and Madera counties, underscoring Lindsay's regional presence.

Safety took center stage too, with the recent Step Up for Safety event at Lincoln earning praise. Councilmember Nave demonstrated proper car seat installation, a hands-on lesson in child safety that left an impression. "It's so cool to see the [community and kids out there,](#)" [a council](#) attendee noted, adding that free resources made it even more impactful. A resident



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during public comment reinforced this, stating, "I thank the council for organizing safety events like Step Up—it's so valuable for families." The council expressed hope for more such initiatives, with Nave's involvement showcasing the city's proactive stance on safety education.

Sports fever gripped the room as updates rolled in. The girls' varsity basketball team, under first-year Coach Castro, is set to battle for the Valley Championship this Friday at Salon Arena. "She's moving on to win Valley Flights," a proud council member said of Castro, a former player turned coach. The boys' soccer team faces San Luis Obispo tomorrow at 5:00 PM for their own Valley title, with an officer assigned for security—a precaution, not an expectation of trouble. The girls' soccer team, though falling short recently, was lauded for a stellar season. "Lindsay's doing super good with sports," a speaker enthused, urging residents to pack the stands. Public comment amplified this pride, with one attendee noting, "It's inspiring to see young athletes representing Lindsay on a larger stage."

The council also rallied the community for a cleanup day on March 15, running 7:00 AM to 2:30 PM at Mariposa Park. Billed as a chance to beautify shared spaces, the event will be promoted on Facebook. "Every hand helps," a council member said, encouraging residents to join in and take pride in their city. Public comments reflected appreciation for these efforts, tying the cleanup to the broader theme of community involvement celebrated throughout the meeting.

Beyond the meeting, recreation updates added to the optimism. A Rotary tequila tasting fundraiser is slated for May 2 at the Wellness Center (\$50 tickets), and a pickleball league kicks off Monday with six co-ed teams. Grants of \$4,000 and \$4,750 will fund summer programs and disc golf, respectively, showing Lindsay's investment in leisure and youth.

What's your favorite way to show Lindsay pride—cheering at games, volunteering, or pitching in at the cleanup? Let us know in the comments! If you enjoyed this in-depth look at Lindsay's spirit, please share, follow, and leave your thoughts to keep the conversation thriving.



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