

# The Breeze

Of  
Park Point  
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## Calendar

**Park Point Community  
Club Meeting**  
Lafayette Square  
September 15, 7PM

**Buoys and Gulls Club  
Membership Luncheon**  
Oct. 4, 1PM  
At The Pickwick  
Call Jackie Mantay for  
reservations 720-6555  
Bingo every Thursday  
Bring your lunch  
Coffee is served

**3rd Annual All Point  
Picnic and Softball Game**  
Sunday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>  
1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Beach Sweep 2005**  
September 18

## 12th St. Beach – A Project for the Community?



A project has been proposed for a dramatic remake of the public beach access at 12<sup>th</sup> street, pictured above. The intent of the project would be to control beach erosion and blowing sand, provide better access, and make the area both more attractive and secure. The project would be paid for by a \$10,000 grant from St. Louis County, which must be matched by a \$10,000 donation from the Park Point Community Club. Flush from a successful Art Fair and strong cookbook sales, the club has the money available. An informal committee has been formed to pursue the project, and it will be brought before the community club at the September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. But of course the committee will need help – and at this stage, they are looking for a very specific kind of help. In order to design a project that would meet the approval of not only the community, but also the city and county agencies involved, they are seeking someone – perhaps a contractor or architect, with a knowledge of ADA requirements and environmental rules – who could help us produce a plan and drawing of the project. This person need not be a member of the Community Club. They don't even have to attend the meeting, though of course all are welcome. If you have some experience in this area, and are willing to donate just a little of your time and expertise, simply contact me, Alan Dartanyan, at 726-0110, or [breezeditor@msn.com](mailto:breezeditor@msn.com).

The mission of the Breeze is to serve the community by:

- 1) Publishing the minutes and financial statements of the Park Point Community Club
- 2) Informing the community of upcoming meetings, events, happenings and projects
- 3) Providing a forum for Park Point residents to air their concerns
- 4) Sharing the history, stories and anecdotes that make Park Point a unique place to live

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726-0110

## **Submissions**

The deadline is September 30th for the October 2005 issue. Please send submissions to Alan Dartanyan at [breezeditor@msn.com](mailto:breezeditor@msn.com) by e-mail or deliver to 1540 Minnesota Ave.

## **Park Point Community Club Officers:**

President: Dick Gould  
3003 Minnesota Ave  
727-4067

Vice President: Dave Poulin  
3101 S. Lake Ave.  
722-1511

Secretaries: Rory Strange and  
Deb Turner  
733-0491

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1511 Minnesota Ave.  
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SUNSHINE  
Carl Isadore, 727-5281  
[www.parkpointcommunityclub.org](http://www.parkpointcommunityclub.org)

## **From The President**

Thanks to all who attended the August meeting, it was a good one, thanks to Dennis Fink our county commissioner, Russ Stewart our city councilor and Bob Hansen candidate for councilor at large. Quite a lively discussion was triggered by a question and answer session involving all three. It was very interesting to hear all the sides of the issues raised. A special thank you to Dennis, Russ and Bob for coming, they should get a medal for bravery.

Cook books continue to sell faster than the printer can print them thanks to Diane and Mary. If you want them for gifts or just to have one, get them before they are all gone. We will soon be sold out. The 12th street project is moving forward with both the county and city behind the project. We need volunteers for the committee. If you want to see this project happen, help!

The club now has a new address, P.O. box 13626, Duluth, MN  
There were a few complaints about low flying aircraft. If you have a problem with this call 911 and or the Federal Aviation Administration.

Lafayette was burglarized early in the AM on Saturday the 19th by an apparent person looking for a place to sleep and something to eat. If you see people camped on the beach or anything else that looks suspicious, call 911.

Some of the old growth White Pines in the pine forest at the end have been uprooted and blown over in the area where the Duluth Airport Authority cut the supporting vegetation away when the the fence was constructed. This was predicted by our environmental committee but ignored by the airport.

Poison Ivy abounds this year. Be careful. DO NOT TRY TO BURN IT, the fumes can be very harmful if inhaled.

Come to the meeting if you have an issue to address, or better yet come to the meeting, bring a friend and have a cookie.

## **PRIMARY ELECTION**

THERE WILL BE NO PRIMARY ELECTION ON PARK POINT THIS SEPTEMBER 13. THE REASON IS THERE WERE NOT ENOUGH CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR CITY OFFICES .

YOU MAY ALREADY SEE SIGNS UP ON PARK POINT, THOSE CANDIDATE NAMES WILL APPEAR ON THE BALLOT IN THE GENERAL ELECTION , NOVEMBER 8TH.

THERE WILL BE PRIMARY ELECTIONS IN THE 2ND COUNCIL DISTRICT AND 4TH COUNCIL DISTRICT .

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 8TH.

CHARLENE SHIMMIN  
CHAIRPERSON PRECINCT 20.

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**Sunday School begins** -- September 11th. Classes for  
children ages 4-17. Nursery care for infant to 3 years  
**Men's Group** -- September 22, October 6, 13 at Jitters,  
6:45 a.m.

**Women's Group** - First Saturday of the Month,  
beginning Oct. 1, 9:30 a.m.

**Friday Prayer Group** - Second Friday each month,  
9:00 a.m.

**Adult Education** - September 14, 21, 28 5:45 - 7:30  
(supper provided) Health Care Directives/Living Wills,  
Financial Planning, Grief Issues and How I want to be  
remembered.

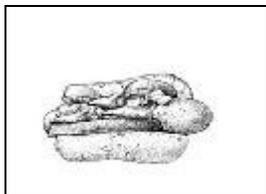
**Adult Education** - Oct 6, 13, 20 Book discussion on  
"God's Politics" 5:45-7:30 p.m. Supper provided  
Call the church for more details. All are welcome  
whether you are a church member or not.

"Know that we are eager to share our gifts, in the name  
of love"

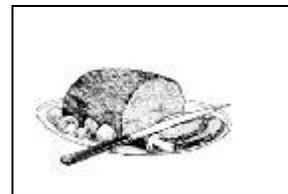
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**Park Point Community Club Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday August 18<sup>th</sup> 2005**

The meeting was called to order by President Dick Gould at 7:00P.M.

There were no formal committee reports from any standing committees.

Dick informed the membership that there is a need to form a committee for involvement in the 12<sup>th</sup> Street project that has received the go-ahead from various Departments within the city. Please contact Dick or Alan if you wish to be involved. New signage, painting and some work on the retaining wall are just a few of the items that need to be done. This will be a high profile project for our community and our time and effort is needed.

The community club has a post office box for any correspondence that needs to be brought to our attention. Please address mail to the Park Point Community Club P.O. Box 16326, Duluth MN. 55802.

The Park Point Art Fair needs a chairperson to work with the fair coordinator. Please contact Dick if interested.

There were several guests at this month's meeting and they engaged in an open dialog with members and themselves at the end of the meeting. Commissioner Dennis Fink Councilor Russ Stewart and Bob Hansen who is running for a city council at large seat this fall. The meeting was adjourned to allow an open forum.

Respectfully submitted;

Rory Strange  
Deb Turner

## **Comprehensive Planning**

Your Long Range Planning committee is meeting to review certain items in the Park Point Comprehensive Plan Component that was done in 2003. There were some items in the plan that were not complete or were not supported by most people on the Point. We will write revisions and bring them to the Club for a vote prior to submitting them to the City in February or so.

We will be meeting at 7PM on Tuesday each month at LaFayette with the following agenda items.

September 13	– Bike Lanes
	7 <sup>th</sup> –13 <sup>th</sup> street roadway
October 18	Zoning
November 15	Street ends

All of the items we will discuss have been discussed and researched many times over the years but we have not been very good in putting pen to paper and times are changing, maybe the old words are not appropriate today. In some cases the laws or legal opinions are in conflict and some of it is just what Pointers want. You are encouraged to attend and bring with you your ideas for long range planning or any documents that might help; we are not meeting to discuss individual cases, but what is good for the Point, in general over the long haul.

If you have any questions or if you cannot attend but want to submit input, contact Lloyd at 727-2024 or fax 727-4825 or e-mail at [Vienneau1@prodigy.net](mailto:Vienneau1@prodigy.net)

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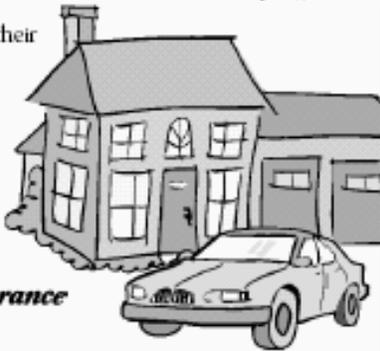
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### **Editor's Corner**

It's time to choose sides!

There's no room for middle ground. I'm not talking any petty Red State/Blue State stuff here. This is serious! Are you a Lakeside Whitecap or a Dockside Duck?

Yes, it's time for the Annual All Park Point Picnic and Softball Game. And I mean now: The date is September 11<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. And if the Breeze comes out on schedule (doesn't it always?) that's this weekend. So hurry and dig out that softball glove, and of course your favorite recipes from the "We Get Bridged" Cookbook, and come on down to the end of the point.

I'm joking about the choosing sides, of course. If there's anything this event is not supposed to be, it is contentious. This is all about getting together with our neighbors and having fun. Whether you can play softball or not, whether you're a lifetime pointer or just moved in, whether you have a big new house or rent a tiny apartment, even if you're one of those condo-dwellers, you're welcome. Coast Guard member, Seasonal resident, living on your boat at the marina? Come on down. Meet your neighbors, have a good meal, have some fun. We're expecting you.

### **New "Bridged" cookbooks**

(same great recipes, new cover) are in and sold 140 the first day. Any corrections (or to order) contact Diane Gould at 727-4067

### **New Mailing Address**

Due to security concerns with the mailbox at Lafayette, the community club has rented a post office box for billing and correspondence. The new address is:

Park Point Community Club  
P.O. 13625  
Duluth, MN..55802

### **Officer on Duty**

. Hello. Well, we made it through another summer. The police department is still working on beach parties, investigations, and traffic related problems. Soon, the extra officers that are assigned to this area for the summer will return to their assigned positions elsewhere in the city. The number of 911 calls for service should start to decline as the summer winds down. I will be planning a police/community meeting sometime this fall to discuss better ways to address some of the problems on Park Point and to talk about crime prevention. I should have more details for you in the next Breeze. If you have any questions, please call me at 390-2863. Remember, if it is an emergency or you need immediate police, fire, or ems response, dial 911. If I am working, 911 communications will dispatch me to your call. Thank you.

### **Open Mic for Hurrican Relief**

St. Andrew's by the Lake is holding an open mic event to raise funds for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. The event is scheduled for September 30<sup>th</sup>, at the church, with doors opening at 6:30 p.m., and entertainment running from 7 – 9. Suggested donation is \$5 for students and children, \$10 for adults. Food will also be available. The stage will be open to all performers; please bring your own instrument. Call St. Andrew's for more information. 727-1262

You can also make a direct donation through the church. The Diocese is doing a matching grant. For every \$4 raised, they will add another \$1. If you would like to donate, make a check to: ERD (Episcopal Relief and Development) and send it to St. Andrews by the Lake, 2802 Minnesota Ave, 55802. They will be collecting during the month of September.

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Duluth, MN 55802



## Park Point Resident

### Parks Maintenance Numbers

If you see a problem such as overflowing trash cans or porta-potties, or any issue concerning our park facilities, you can contact the Parks Maintenance Division of the Public Works Department at 723-3425, Monday thru Friday from 7 AM to 3 PM. Weekends and after hours call 723-3333



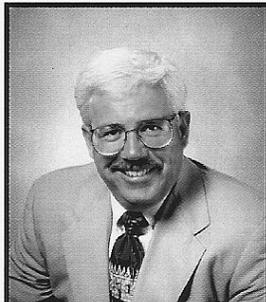
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