

The Breeze

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May 2012

Calendar

Park Point Community Club Meeting and Election of Officers
May 17th 7PM
at Lafayette

Duluth Rowing Club Open House
May 19th, 10AM

Lafayette Edible Garden Potluck
May 21st, 6-8PM
at Lafayette

Park Point Rummage Sale
June 8 & 9

Park Point Art Fair
June 23 & 24

Park Point 5-miler
July 20th

Meeting Held at Lafayette on Closing of Fire Hall #5

WOW - what a turnout with only 24 hour notice!!! Wonder what it would have been like with more notice! The residents led a good discussion with Sharla Gardner and certainly gave her an earful re their concerns about the Mayor yanking the Park Point Fire Hall. The consensus is the residents are MAD!! Looks like we will have one more meeting to discuss attending the City Council meeting on Monday, May 14. We would like residents to speak and also just to sit in the audience as support to keep the Fire Hall open. In order to speak at the meeting you must sign up prior to the 7:00 PM meeting at least 10 - 20 minutes prior to the meeting (and take into consideration the bridge may be up). The Fire Hall is scheduled to be closed in less than a month on June 1, 2012. If it is closed you can expect the City to quickly dispose of the building and sell the property to the highest bidder. Urge residents to contact the Mayor and City Councilors plus **SHOW UP FOR THE 5/14/12 CITY COUNCIL MEETING to show them the residents of Park Point care for their Fire Hall!**

(Sign on-line petition to save fire hall #5 at change.org)



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

Was it just a Coincidence.....

.....That barely 24 hours after the smelt queen made her appearance in Canal Park, Park Point saw one of it's best nights of smelting in years? I don't think so. After all, it was Park Pointer Jim Ouray, who, in the guise of Neptune, King of the Seas, kicked off this celebration and parade "In Honor of Smelt". And the smelt came, gathering off the shores of Park Point and filling the seines of smelters. While up the North Shore, in the streams that once teemed with running smelt, the pickings remained slim.

I can only imagine that smelt, like all creatures, want to go where they're appreciated. And the welcome extended to them in Canal Park drew them here. My hope is that the smelt – and the smelt parade – return for many years to come.
(photos by Ken Jackson)

The Breeze

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Submissions

The deadline is June 1st for the June 2012 issue. Please send submissions to Alan Dartanyan at breezeditor@msn.com by e-mail or deliver to 1540 Minnesota Ave.

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727-4067

Vice President: Liz Mackay
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Secretary: Sheryl Robins
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Treasurer: Al Robins
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Park Point Community Club Elections

"Slate of Candidates"

The majority of the 2012 Nominating Committee (Bruce Rutherford, Dennis Hoelsher, Dave Lavamki) submits the following list of candidates to the PPCC to be voted on at the May PPCC meeting.

Officers:

President - Dawn Buck

Vice President - Jake Kaspner

Secretary - Sheryl Robins

Treasurer - Al Robins

Breeze Editor - Alan Dartanyan

Art Fair - (Contract position) Carla Tamburro

Standing Committee Chairs:

Rummage Sale - Charlene Shimmin

Environmental - Kinnan Stauber

Hospitality - Diane Gould

Lafayette Rentals - Missy Steichen

The Postcard - Dave Johnson

Sunshine - Pam Griggs

Additional nominations may be taken from the floor at the May 17th meeting

Thanks to the city

And the city plumber, for repairing the poorly working, constantly running toilets at Lafayette. In what amounted to a total rebuild of these ancient thrones, the entire inner workings of all the toilets at Lafayette were replaced by city workers. Can't say the city doesn't do anything for us on Park Point.

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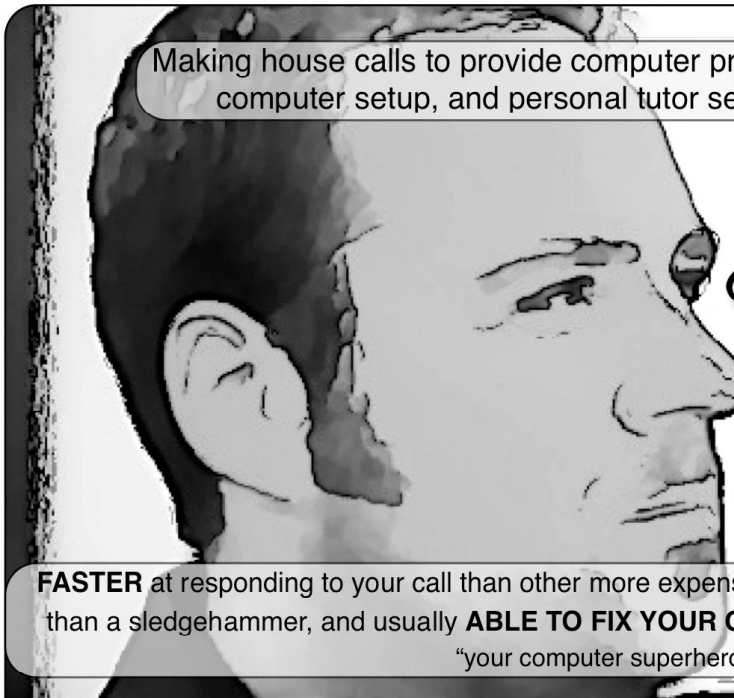
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A small boy, playing outdoors, was using his mother's broom as a horse. When it got dark, he left the broom in the yard and ran inside the house. His mother, searching for the broom, asked where it was. When he told her it was outside in the yard, she asked him to get it. The boy admitted he was afraid of the dark and didn't want to go out. "The Lord is out there, too" the mother assured him. "Don't be afraid" The boy opened the door cautiously and yelled, "Lord, if you're out there, please hand me the broom."

Yes, the Lord is with you. You can't see him or touch him, nor will he hand you the broom, but He is with you.

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother. To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen
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Park Point Community Club Minutes

April 19, 2012

April, 2012 monthly meeting of the Park Point Community Club was called to order at 7:05 pm by club vice president, Liz Mackay. Donald Freimuth made a motion to accept the April, 2012 minutes. Julie Calligure seconded the motion. There were 36 members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance as of March 1, 2012	\$27,862
Expenses	\$ 3,740
Income	\$ 1,870
Ending balance as of March 31, 2012	\$ 25,992

William Boomer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.
Thomas Griggs seconded the motion.

Communications Report Liz Mackay read a letter from Tari Rayala, facility project specialist, for the Parks and Rec. Dept. The letter was in regards to the landscaping at the S turn which a permit had previously been approved by the city. The letter rescinded their previous approval for the landscaping. The stones have been removed from the S turn and they are not approved to be used at that location.

Lafayette Square Rentals Missy Streichen, the rental coordinator for Lafayette Square, said the Waldon School inquired about renting the hall for 1 year for a fee of \$2000 per month. Details were vague and the attending Park Point members felt a written proposal would be a good idea before the membership should consider the usage of the building.

Sunshine Committee Pam Griggs was in attendance from the Sunshine Committee. She said several cards had been sent out over the last month.

Audit Committee An audit committee was formed to audit the treasurers' book. Those assigned to the committee were David Poulin, Heidi Harrison, and Pam Griggs.

Hospitality Committee Nothing new to report

Art Fair Committee No one in attendance

Breeze Committee Alan Dartanyan asked if people would submit Breeze information in a more timely fashion. Articles were being submitted at the last moment which put added stress on his getting the paper ready for print.

Summer Youth Program Last year's expenses were \$8700. A second vote is needed at next meeting to approve budget.

Rummage Sale Sale to be held 6/8/12 and 6/9/12. David Lavamaki said the plans are all set and ready to go. A formal proposal was requested in order to receive payment for expenses.

Membership Committee Liz Mackay reported 306 members have signed up this year. This is an increase of 36 members over last year.

Nominating Committee David Lavamaki read the slate of persons running for offices for the Park Point Community Club. They are as follows:

President	Dawn Buck
Vice President	Jake Kapsner
Treasurer	Al Robins
Secretary	Sheryl Robins

It was noted by Liz Mackay that all ad hoc committee chair persons must reapply for their positions that end this year.

New Business

The Park Point fire department is due to close 6/1/2012. Tom Mackay spoke about how even though Park Point is a unique situation, the one man fire station has worked for decades without a problem. People asked about what, if anything, could be done to stop the closing. It was recommended the residents contact the Mayor and Fire Dept. Chief. These contacts should be in letter form and a copy of the letter kept in order to have in writing our opposition to the fire hall closure. There was an unanimous approval to send letters. One member spoke out about the residents of Park Point getting fired up and letting people know how much we oppose the city's decision to close the fire hall. He felt we should demand a flow test for water pressure. There are 1282 people on Park Point and yet the city still feels a fire hall is not necessary. A suggestion was brought up to hire an independent engineering firm to do the flow rate test.

Residents of the Point should attend council meetings on Monday @ 7:00pm.

Rick Lyle brought up the possibility of Congdon hockey group using the ice rink on Park Point this winter. Congdon has lost their skating rinks due to renovation of Congdon School. This idea was proposed as information only. A spokesperson from the Congdon hockey group would present the club with the particulars if they want to consider the Point rinks.

The recently purchased stones are not able to be used on the S turn due to the city revoking the permit. Dick Gould made a motion to give the stones to the 'Edible Garden' group. The motion was seconded by Pam Griggs. Dawn Buck asked the decision be postponed until the person who obtained the original permit to place the stones at the S turn could speak his side. A motion was made to postpone the vote until next meeting with a vote of 12 for the motion and 11 against the motion.

Dick and Diane Gould attended the April, 2012 Parks and Recreation meeting. Among many items, the city may allocate \$250,000 for summer youth programs & \$150,000 for Americorp workers. This could possibly be an outlet for workers for the Park Point youth program to work with director Joy Foucts.

Dick Gould volunteered to purchase 200 trees for planting on the Point. Al made a motion to authorize up to \$300 to make this purchase. Bruce Rutherford seconded the motion. All ayes for approval.

The Harbor Cove hotel is set up to be 3 stories and should start construction around 6/1/2012. The second hotel @ Lakehead Boat Basin in on hold at present.

The \$10,000 that was transferred from the Park Point Community Club treasury to the Minnesota Point Preservation Society will be considered a grant to the MPPS. Liz Mackay made the motion to accept this. All ayes for approval.

Diane Gould made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm.
Bruce Rutherford seconded the motion.

News from the Lafayette Community Garden

At our Sunday, April 15, potluck supper, Beet Ambassador Michael Gabler, from the Duluth Community Garden Program, filled us in on the Vegetable of the Year mission. This year's veggie is beets. Now that we have our beet seeds, we can get growing. For beet recipes, visit the Duluth Community Garden Program website, DuluthCommunityGarden.org.

Seed & Transplant Sale

Your Park Point community gardeners spent Earth Day weekend (April 22) readying the garden's 48 beds; now they are ready to shop for seeds and transplants. Join them at the Duluth Community Garden Program Seed and Transplant Sale on May 18 (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and May 19 (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.) at the Damiano Center Auditorium (3rd floor). This annual sale has proven to be a great source of plant materials for the community garden and its proceeds supports other community gardens in Duluth.

Yard Waste Wanted

As you clean out your garden beds this spring, consider bagging the unwanted leaves and pine needles and donate them to the community garden. Bag them separately and drop off the bags inside the gate to the community garden. We'll compost the leaves and use the pine needles to line the walkways. Thanks.

Upcoming events:

Monday, May 21, 6 to 8pm potluck supper. Experienced container gardener, Scott Vesterstein, will share tips on his area of expertise. All Park Pointer are welcome, you don't have to be members of the community garden. For more information, contact Coral 727-6455.

Saturday, May 26, 9 to 11 a.m., the Permaculture Research Institute is offering a class on using pest management tools in the garden. For more information, visit pricoldclimate.org/events/living-systems-series.

**Park point Community Club
2012 membership List**

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Anderson, Lyle & Rose	4112 Minnesota Ave	Gleeson, Liz & Ed	1731 Minnesota Ave
Ault, Susan	1701 Minnesota Ave	Goldish, Bob & Selma	1902 St Louis Ave #311
Baker, Doug & Kay	728 Lake Ave So	Goldish, Melanie	2716 Minnesota Ave
Ball, Lee	1902 St Louis Ave #110	Gooder, Bill & Katie	1426 Minnesota Ave
Beechler, Lynn	2130 Minnesota Ave	Dick & Diane Gould	3003 Minnesota Ave
Bentfield, Lynn & Bill	1902 St Louis Ave #402	Graham, Cheryl	3501 Lake Ave So
Bernick, Charles	POBox 16419	Gregoire, Rogier	1701 Minnesota Ave
Blevins, Kerrienne	1939 Lake Ave So	Griggs, Tom & Pam	3429 Minnesota Ave
Bohlmann, Dick & Bunny	3605 Minnesota Ave	Gruba, Jim	2525 Minnesota Ave
Boit, Ian Kiprono	2929 Lake Ave. So	Haavik, Dave	2202 Minnesota Ave
Borg, Kathryn	2315 Lake Ave So	Hadland, Jerry	1119 Minnesota Ave
Boynton, Bob & Sandy	2939 Minnesota Ave	Hales, Marcia	3739 Lake Ave So
Brown, Barbara	1902 St Louis Ave #415	Hall, Beth	4136 Minnesota Ave
Bruno, Fred	2501 Lake Ave So	Hanna, Lorri	3315 Minnesota Ave
Buck, Dawn, Ted & Courtney	3105 Minnesota Ave	Hanson, Lori	927 Lake Ave So
Buck, Sally	3314 Minnesota Ave	Harrison, Heidi	3516 Minnesota Ave
Burns, Pat & Bill	3332 Minnesota Ave	Hausauer, Candace Jo	2201-1/2 Lake Ave So
Bushey, Ron & Tahirih	4050 Minnesota Ave	Hill, Carol	2834 Minnesota Ave
Bye, Douglas & Lynn	1700 Minnesota Ave	Hoelscher, Dennis	3023 Minnesota Ave
Calligure, Julie	1615 Lake Ave So	Holliday, Mary	1629 Lake Ave So
Cameron, John	1919 Minnesota Ave #5	Hooper, Elizabeth	1717 Minnesota Ave
Cantoni, Georgina	2502 Minnesota Ave	Hopp, Gary	1437 Lake Ave So
Catanzarite, Kathy	2940 Minnesota Ave	Jacobs, Chip & Kathy	3831 Lake Ave So
Caywood, Sandra	1902 St Louis Ave	Jackson, Ken	1900 St Louis Ave #207
Cervenka, Debbie	4200 Minnesota Ave	Jaros, Mike	3108 Minnesota Ave
Chadwick, James	3536 Minnesota Ave	Johnson, Dave	2920 Minnesota Ave
Christensen, Evonne	1900 St Louis Ave #413	Johnson, Denny & Sue	4019 Lake Ave So
Clemetsen, Ruby	3640 Lake Ave So	Johnson, Steve	3236 Minnesota Ave
Clure, Pete	1616 Minnesota Ave	Johnston, David	2302 Minnesota Ave
Cooper, John & Pat	819 Lake Ave So	Johnston, Nancy L	1902 St Louis Ave
Crain, John	1902 St Louis Ave #215	Juntune, Ruth	1902 St Louis Ave #217
Crain, Marylou	1902 St Louis Ave #215	Kaim, Ethelyn	2832 Minnesota Ave
Curran, Tom & Linda	1331 Lake Ave So	Karas, Tom	1900 Minnesota Ave #5
Curtis, J C	3302 Minnesota Ave	Kassel, Ayuko	2114 Minnesota Ave
Dacey, Cornelia	3818 Lake Ave So	Katchuba, Jeremy	2818 Minnesota Ave
Dartanyan, Alan & Cheryl	1540 Minnesota Ave	Kelleher, Dianne & Kevin	939 Lake Ave So
DeNoble, Michele	1437 Lake Ave So	Kellner, Paul & Deb	2729 Lake Ave So
Dorr, Neil & Danae	3701 Minnesota Ave	Kellner, Ralph & Mary	2722 Minnesota Ave
Dunlap, Ellen	2908 Minnesota Ave	Kendall, Alden	3626 Minnesota Ave
Dunleavy, Pat & Gloria	1534 Minnesota Ave	Kerns, Gale, & Gordon	714 Lake Ave So
Dwyer, Judy Anne	2627 Minnesota Ave	Kerns, Carolyn	706 Lake Ave So
Eastman, Joan	1601 St Louis Ave	Kerpe, Rom & Mary	4056 Minnesota Ave
Elden, Mark	1239 Minnesota Ave	King, Steve & Anita	1316 Minnesota Ave
Ellison, Tom & Joanne	4030 Minnesota Av	Kollodge, Ken & Kathy	1409 Minnesota Ave
Erickson, Sue & Mark	4015 Lake Ave So	Komrska, Roberta	4242 Minnesota Ave
Feiro, Bob & Mary	905 Lake Ave So	Kondrath, Carol	3236 Minnesota Av
Feiro, Dolores	1900 St Louis Ave #408	Krenelka, Glen & Rene'	3720 Minnesota Ave
Feyen, Ann & Bob	2602 Minnesota Ave	Krieger, Peter	2109 Minnesota Ave
Fisher, Harry & Pat	216 - 26 th St So	Krizan, Jeanne	1919 Minnesota Ave #5
Forrest, Barbara	1902 St Louis Ave #211	Kronzer, Dick & Terri	1235 Minnesota Ave
Fortier, Susan	1902 St Louis Ave #216	Larson, Donn & Donna	3925 Lake Ave So
Foster, Scherrie	3435 Lake Ave So	Larson, Les & Shari	1626 Minnesota Ave
Freimuth, Don & Gita	1900 St Louis Ave #306	Lavamaki, Dave & Diane	315 Harbor Point Circle
Gaidis, Mike & Mary	3820 Minnesota Ave	Lent, Bob & Carole	3635 Lake Ave So
Gallice, Ritch & JuAnn	2612 Minnesota Ave	Lindskog, Mr Lynn & Lois	2040 Minnesota Ave
Gardner, Tom	1629 Lake Ave So	Litvinoff, Arlene	4200 Minnesota Ave

Lombardi, Richard	3401 Lake Ave So	Renken, Arlene	3407 Minnesota Ave
Lovestrand, Jim & Karen	4226 Minnesota Ave	Reyelts, Steve & Barbara	3939 Lake Ave So
Lundgren, Muriel	1900 St Louis Ave #404	Robins, Al & Sheryl	722 Minnesota Ave
Lunning, Bruce & Stephanie	2831 Minnesota Ave	Rolle, Phil & Sharon	4040 Minnesota Ave
Lyle, Rick & Heidi	3017 Minnesota Ave	Roseen, Clarice	1834 Minnesota Ave
Lyle, Tom & Gloria	3009 Minnesota Ave	Ross, Dan & Mary	2733 Minnesota Ave
Lyons, Rev J C		Rutherford, Bruce & LeAnne	3205 Minnesota Ave
Mackay, Tom & Liz	2233 Minnesota Ave	Rys, Jim, Nancy & Joe	3515 Minnesota Ave
Malyuk, E George	3502 Minnesota Ave	Sabo, Doug	3315 Minnesota Ave
Mancuso, Tony & Mariann	2805 Minnesota Ave	Sahlberg, Kathy	3536 Minnesota Ave
Mantay, Don & Jackie	1902 St Louis Ave #308	Schmidt, Carolyn Agin	2501 Lake Ave So
Margitan, Marie	3501 Lake Ave So	Schmidt, Susan	1119 Minnesota Ave
Maynard, Carleen	2709 Minnesota Ave	Shabatura, Lois	2833 Lake Ave So
Maynard, Joel	1125 Lake Ave So	Schmidt, John	2330 Minnesota Ave
McDonnell, Coral	2939 Lake Ave So	Sedgwick, John & Nancy	3427 Minnesota Ave
McKhann, Lisa	2109 Minnesota Ave	Shaw, Dick & Nancy	3518 Minnesota Ave
McMillan, Jheri	2502 Minnesota Ave	Shimmin, Charlene	2801 Minnesota Ave
McNabney, Vicki	1123 Minnesota Ave	Shimmin, Dale	2832 Minnesota Ave
Meagher, Jerry & Harriet	3239 Minnesota Ave	Silver, Bill & Barbara	4240 Minnesota Ave
Medlin, Joe	928 Lake Ave So	Sobczak, Tim & Liz	3301 Lake Ave So
Miller, Gina	2818 Minnesota Ave	Soderstrom, John	2034 Minnesota Ave
Mimm, Beverly	829 Lake Ave So	Soetebier, John & Virginia	1720 Minnesota Ave
Mock, Rachel	1014 Lake Ave So	Solon, David & Heather	2129 Minnesota Ave
Monicken, Audrey	1902 St Louis Ave #310	Solon, Yvonne	1919 Minnesota Ave #9
Neinstadt, Anita	1902 St Louis Ave #306	Stauber, Keith, Kinnan & Nate	4139 Lake Ave So
Nelson, Brian & Marcia	3702 Minnesota Ave	Strange, Rory & Deb	3632 Minnesota Ave
Nelson, Gary & Laura	1710 Minnesota Ave	Strum, Scott & Rhonda	3224 Minnesota Ave
Nelson, Gilbert & Janice	1900 St Louis Ave #107	Stuermer, Jeff & Laura	931 Lake Ave So
Nelson, Glorian	3421 Minnesota Ave	Swanson, Bob	3101 Minnesota Ave
Nelson, Mark & Mona	3529 Minnesota Ave	Thums, Dawn	3401 Lake Ave So
Olson, Nancy	1140 Minnesota Ave	Timm, Evelyn	3626 Minnesota Ave
Olson, Rod, Pat & Tricia	2925 Minnesota Ave	Townsend, Rochelle	2330 Minnesota Ave
O'Neill, Dan	2929 Lake Ave So	Treuer, Paul & Mary	2700 Minnesota Ave
Ouellette, Bob & Val	702 Lake Ave So	Troiani, Elisa	1924 Minnesota Ave
Ouray, Jim	1014 Lake Ave So	Trolander, Judy	3934 Minnesota Ave
Parks, Patricia	1900 St Louis Ave #412	VanDyken, Peter	3435 Lake Ave So
Paull, Bobbie	2730 Minnesota Ave	Wagner, Rachel	2302 Minnesota Ave
Paulson, Jeanette	3532 Minnesota Ave	Wallerstein, Dan & Michele	2240 Minnesota Ave
Pederson, Doug	1902 St Louis Ave #407	Walstrom, Michael	1939 Lake Ave So
Pederson, Jane	3716 Lake Ave So	Warnygora, Betsy	1108 Lake Ave So
Pegg, Lyn Clark	1335 Minnesota Ave	Ward, Tom	1919 Minnesota Ave #4
Perrault, Rosemary	1938 Minnesota Ave	Watts, Howard	1834 Minnesota Ave
Peters, Susan & Bob	2901 Lake Ave So	Wedge, Lora	1814 Minnesota Ave
Peterson, Greg & Jenny	2121 Minnesota Ave	Wegner, Mr Lynn	2615 Minnesota Ave
Petrovic, Betty	2221 Minnesota Ave	Werner, Berni	3712 Minnesota Ave
Peyton, Beryl	1919 Minnesota Ave #4	Welles, Mac	3439 Minnesota Ave
Pietrowski, Walt & Geri	3702 Lake Ave So	Wicklund, Mae	1900 St Louis Ave #406
Pitschka, Heather	2440 Lake Ave So	Wickstrom, David & Beverly	3524 Minnesota Ave
Poulin, Dave	3101 Lake Ave So	Witrak, Gudrun & Geof	2223 Lake Ave So
Presley, Betsy	3221 Minnesota Ave	Wolff, Scott	4136 Minnesota Ave
Price, Jack & Ann	3839 Lake Ave So		
Puglisi, Frank & Marian	3240 Minnesota Ave		
Quackenbush, Mary Anne	3730 Minnesota Ave		
Ralph, Charlene & Chuck	3535 Minnesota Ave		
Rauschenfels, Tom & Kris	3711 Minnesota Ave		
Redman, Tracy & Blaine	2524 Minnesota Ave		
Reierson, Shirley	2525 Minnesota Ave		
Remer, Dennis & Lora	2201 Lake Ave So		
		4/26/12 (311 members)	

Park Point.....Naturally!

THE EAGLE STRIKES AGAIN

It was early morning the day after our mid-April snowy, rainy, windy weather moved to the east. Wildlife on the bay was active again and quite hungry after hunkering down for the better part of two days. The Today Show had just begun when, from the corner of my eye, one of our resident bald eagle soaring on a north to south patrol came into view, flying very low above the sandy shore. Three angry crows were following slightly behind the big bird in a formation that reminded me of small fighter planes escorting a bomber but, in this case, the escorts were anything but friendly. They have claimed the air space into which the eagle was invading shortly after I moved into my apartment at 19th and Minnesota Avenue a dozen years ago.

Within a few seconds after spotting the formation, the eagle suddenly switched it wings from a level position to vertical, put on its "brakes" by lowering its tail feathers, made a side-slip maneuver and went into a rapid power dive. It landed on the beach close to the end of the fence the DNR erected to direct pedestrians to the bay. Two of the crows dropped onto the sand while the third made a high speed run just inches over the white head of its enemy.

In the air, eagles are the epitome of grace and beauty. On the ground their movement is almost comical. Their legs are widespread and they walk with a gait like that of a goose...sort of rocking from side to side. The one I was watching was only a couple of feet from a short bush and in seconds lunged at its prey. But at this point I still had no idea what the predator had seen and was determined to have for breakfast, the bush obscured my vision.

Moments later I had the answer as the five foot long wings were spread for the takeoff. With no hope of working free, a mink was locked into the talons in a horizontal position and its tail hanging straight down. The bird flew straight south, cleared the tops of the birches on Hearing Island and disappeared.

A flock of a dozen or so eagles was seen on April 18th circling high above the bay out from 41st by resident Lyle Anderson, an avid wildlife watcher and accomplished photographer. He said they were riding the thermal updrafts as they worked their way north. I've been watching for larger flocks of white pelicans than the pair that settle down in the bay for the night in mid-April. (A brown pelican, never before recorded in Minnesota, was seen near Red Wing on the Mississippi this spring)

HORNED GREBES (OFF COURSE) ACCEPT OUR HOSPITALITY

On Sunday, April 22nd, an otherwise dull day (weatherwise) was brightened for me when a flock of a dozen horned grebes swam past my viewing area, heading for Hearing Island, made a quick turnaround and then went past me a second time. This tiny diving duck, now in stunning breeding plumage, sports brilliant yellow "horns"---garish feathers on either side of its head but not entirely covering the top of it. Bird range maps do not show them breeding in the Great Lakes but they do appear in Minnesota periodically. They winter on the east and gulf coasts.

BRING ON THE BUTTERFLY PLANTS

As promised in the previous issue, here's some data on butterfly gardens courtesy of the U of M Extension service. It states you should choose a variety of nectar-producing plants with the aim of providing flowers in bloom throughout the summer and into fall. The agency suggests coneflowers, lilac, butterfly weed and asters because they are visited regularly by butterflies.

Other plant species you might want to consider are hollyhocks, Joe-Pye weed, yarrow, Queen Anne's lace, peony, nasturtium, goldenrod and, of course, milkweed. The latter plant grows in profusion at the end of Minnesota Avenue and provides food for the monarch young. Milkweeds survive transplanting very well. Good luck and I hope to see lots of butterflies this summer when driving the length of the Point.

By Glenn Maxham

A Bit of Park Point History (That Still Resonates)

I'm unsure if this delightful bit of 19th century boosterism from the **1889 Illustrated Annual Edition of the Duluth Daily News** has yet come to the attention of your readers since I have read "The Breeze" only for the past 6 months I have lived on "The Point".

I uncovered this Park Point Paean while researching the alignment of the original named streets of the 19th century to the more sterile numbered streets of the last century, certainly a bow to industrial efficiency but think of family interactions if we named our children according to birth order: 'Meet my daughter First, we call her Onesie' or 'My son, Second, just earned his real-estate license now when selling a house in our family we go number two'.

I realize 'The Breeze' previously published a list of the old Park Point Street names, but you need the following brief geography of named streets in 1889 to appreciate the reference to Pine Street.

According to an 1886 Duluth Map, "carefully compiled from official records and actual surveys by W. Baird Patton, Civil Engineer & Chas. H. Drew, Draughtsman", streets begin at the bridge with Fulton St. (7th) Dundee (12th) and Argyle (13th) edged Franklin Square while the new street car line transferred from Lake Avenue to Minnesota Avenue much farther down the point than modern drivers at Pine Street (19th) where THE STOP SIGN now resides, Minnesota Avenue makes its gentle little dogleg to the east and, in 1886, the traveler entered Lower Duluth from Upper Duluth, both towns on Park Point. Adams (30th) and Monroe (31st) bordered a somewhat smaller platted Lafayette Square just before named streets ended with St. Charles (37th).

Note, the 1886 map and several others suggest the famous dike to Connors Point intercepted Minnesota Point at Chambers (24th).

I quote at length from the **1889 Illustrated Annual Edition of the Duluth Daily News:** **Park Point**

"That Park Point is destined to take an important part in the development of the Zenith City needs not be stated. Stretching out across the water from Minnesota to the Wisconsin shore, bound on the one side by Lake Superior; on the other by the waters of the animated bay, its situation for health, beauty and convenience can scarcely be equaled. How much the new street car line just opened to travel will aid in its development can scarcely be imagined, but it will add greatly to those forces which are to accomplish great results for Park Point.

Already there are many points which attract the sightseer to Minnesota Point, and this street car line brings into easy reach all of them. The lovely groves of pine, so sweetly fragrant, the long beaches with their beautiful to lend a romantic beauty to the place, and promises to make of "the Point" one of the most attractive summer resorts in the Lake Superior, many colored stones, the clear waters of the lake, the fine sweep of the broad bay -- all conspire region. The street car line starts at the canal on Lake Avenue and for a mile and a half continues on that avenue which runs quite near the shores of the lake.

At Pine Street the line turns down to Minnesota Avenue, and out along this avenue the company will build two and a half miles of track next summer. The company is now negotiating for the steel rails with which to do this work and will do all in its power to aid in the development of this beautiful and interesting suburb."

Ken Jackson

Read my list of Park Point Street Names matched to our numbered streets here: <http://goo.gl/F47Y0>
Retrieve the **1889 Illustrated Annual Edition of the Duluth Daily News** at <http://goo.gl/HDxDU>

Park Point Community Club Summer Youth Program 2012

Yippie Skippie spring has sprung and the **Lafayette Club House at 3026 Minnesota Ave.** is yearning to open its doors on **June 11th** at

10:00 am for another fun filled: action packed **Summer Youth Program for children 5 years old thru 12 years old.** If you can't make it on **June 11th**, no worries: we will be there **thru August 9: Monday thru Thursday: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. (closed July 4th).** The fee for the 9 week period is **\$100.00 for the first child per family: \$50.00 for each additional child.**

We will be keeping the bus drivers busy as we venture thru Duluth on our Tuesday and Thursday fieldtrips and picnics.....bowling, a movie, Playfront, Aquarium, Dairy Queen, Library (dig out your Library Card) and many more fun locations. **When you come, wear weather appropriate old clothing** as we are having too much fun to worry about staying clean. We will be busy gardening, playing ping pong, 4-square, T- Ball, kick ball, sand modeling, basket ball, tennis, bike riding (**helmets required for all riders**), waterworld, sand cities, beach baking, noodle races, tennis racket T Ball....and that's just a few of the outside activities. If your inside the club house you may want to do a little painting, ping pong, fooseball, loom weaving, bingo, coloring, gluing, glittering, poster makingunlimited arts and crafts projects not to mention all the board games, bingo tournaments, card games and special rainy day activities. We will be partnering up with our Edible Garden friends to do a little gardening, taste testing and other fun things. The scarecrows we will be making with our garden friends need new outfits so save your old clothing and we will put it to good use. No need to bring your electronics as we will have to many other things to keep us busy.

You will probably get SUPER hungry and will need to fill up your tummy tanks so **pack a BIG lunch** (we have a fridge), **lots of snacks, beverage and a water bottle** (we will have a water cooler but we do not have cups). When you pack your **backpack**, please remember to pack your **swim suit, towel and SUNSCREEN.** If you would like to keep a few changes of clothing at Lafayette its not a problem, you never know when you will need them. Space is **limited to 40 children, giving first priority to residents and relatives of Park Pointers.** If you have any questions please call **Joy @ 728-2424.....**looking forward to seeing you on the 11th of June.

*****Our first field trip is June 12th and we will be going to the Library, if you are coming that day to register, 9:30 a.m. is a great time to do all the paper work as we will take the early bus and we have many preparations for our first trip. Bring a lunch, snack, beverage, Library card and bus fare: **.75 cents TO the Library and .75 cent BACK**please remember to bring exact change for the bus as we do not have and neither does the bus. We should return to Lafayette around 2:30.

Just one more tidbit....as always we will gladly take any thing you are wanting to get rid of.....craft supplies, board games, sewing items, beads, wall paper books, magazines, glass jars with lids, old refrigerator magnets, straws, old clothing for our Popsicle stick dolls and doll house decorations, shoe boxes, decks of card, cloths pins, buttons, ribbon, toys, sports equipment, plastic containers for sand toys, old cooking items, paper, furniture to paint and use, etc.....no kidding, we will use it. We have some very imaginative crafters and we can find a use for just about anything. Thank You, Joy

Film with Park Point "Connections" to be shown at Duluth Superior Film Festival

You may remember when Ian Harvey, with support from the **Duluth Rowing Club**, set out from the Duluth harbor to row across Lake Superior. Connections made during that historic row resulted in the film described below:

When Ian Harvey set out to row across Lake Superior for charity in 2005, they called him 'The Crazy Irishman' crazy to row 400 miles in a single scull boat across the largest freshwater lake in the world. Lake Superior or Gitchie Gumie is so cold and deep it's said it never gives up its dead. It's where the 729 foot Edmund Fitzgerald was lost in a storm with all of her 29 crew, it's where the American poet Longfellow was inspired to write 'The Song of Hiawatha.'

The Chippewa or Ojibwa Indians who live around the lake followed Ian Harvey's dramatic row, which took 8 days and two nights. When Ian reached Grand Island, members of the Bear Clan went to meet him. On the jetty in Munising, Kris LeVeque felt an instant connection between Ian and her legendary ancestors who'd made a similar journey in the early 1800's to fight the Chippewa's deadly enemy The Sioux. The connection was so strong that the LeVeque family invited Ian to be adopted into their Bear Clan and become a blood brother. This film is an insight into the 21st century native American way of life and the relationship that grew from an heroic act.

THE CONNECTION which will screen on Saturday June 2nd at 5:30 PM in *The Sons Of Norway Hall* in downtown Duluth. A limited number of seats will be available for this **ONE-TIME-ONLY** screening.

Duluth Rowing Club News

Spring has sprung and the boat house was opened On April 21st . Under the mentoring of the Masters, roughly 30 people anxious to get back on the water finished in record time. Included were a great group of young, strong Juniors with whom this writer credits with saving my back from several weeks of excruciating pain. Energy replenishment provided by brownies (compliments of Chris Rauschenfels) Rowing is one of Park Point's oldest and most venerated activities and we thank everyone who supports this great program for our city's youth. It continues to be a lifetime sport for anyone who wants to participate in a great physical and social sport.

Most people who have lived on the Point for any length of time have rowed, and this year we would like to focus on bringing you back. Any friends or other recruits are also welcome. Here are some important dates:

Open House May 19, 2012 10:00am

Learn to Row #1 June 18, 2012 6-8pm

Learn to Row #2 July 9, 2012 6-8pm

Learn to Row #3 July 23, 2012 6-8pm

Learn to Row sessions are two weeks Monday thru Thursday. For more information, come to the Open House or google the Duluth Rowing Club.

A Fundraising Reminder Thanks for bringing your magazine slicks to the dumpster in front of the boat house. Computer copy paper is also accepted. This continues to be an important source of funding for the program.



PP Garden Club suggests it is not too late to fertilize trees and shrubs. For early flowering deciduous shrubs such as Forsythia, Spirea (Bridal Wreath), Weigela (pictured) use the "gradual renovation pruning" method. When they have finished blooming, remove all dead branches. Remember "thirds." Cut back one third of the oldest canes to ground level, then cut back one third of the remaining branches by one third of their height and keep the shape of the bush like a cone (taller in the middle but spreading out going towards the ground) so all branches can get the sun. Our next meeting is May 24, 5:30pm at Lafayette Community Club. New members and visitors are welcomed. Pam Griggs, President, 727-2158

Editor's Corner

At 14 pages, this will be the largest Breeze I've ever printed. There's so much going on here on Park Point right now, and I just didn't feel I could leave anything out. The front page article, on the hastily called meeting concerning the closing of the fire hall, was a last minute insertion – but it was important enough that it had to get prominent play. And I couldn't not print the membership list one more time. This was outgoing vice president and membership chair Liz Mackay's last big push, and at 311 members and counting, she has set the bar high for future officers. And numbers are important. Even if only a small fraction of the membership regularly shows up for meetings, the numbers show that the Park Point Community Club has widespread support in the community. And that gives us weight, on issues such as the fire hall! Then there were submissions from the Summer Youth program, the Rummage Sale, the Edible Garden Club, the Flower Garden Club, the Rowing Club....I could go on and on....

Park Point Rummage Sale

Friday, June 8th and Sat. June 9th approx. times 8 AM to 5 PM.

It is hard believe the Park Point Garage Sale is only weeks away. Sale goes on in any kind of weather. Let's all hope for sunshine for both days.

Even if you have just a few items, please put it out. The shoppers come from many miles away including Canada for this event. Many from Thunder Bay came last year.

Suggestions:

Start early to price items. If you haven't used the stuff for years you most likely you won't use it. More room in your place.

One life long resident of Park Point, now in her 90's, said "don't leave stuff for someone else to get rid for you."

You will be amazed at what goes at the Garage Sale:

One residents TRUE GARAGE SALE STORY: They wanted for get rid of a garage because they were building another garage. Sure enough they found someone to take the old garage.

Porta Pots located at: 8th Street Pumping Station, Parking Lot at the curve, 19th Street formerly Bayside Market, 31st Street past Lafayette.

Any questions please feel free to call the Garage Sale Committee:

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Hockey to Return to Lafayette?

An informal meeting with the Congdon Park Hockey Association was held on 1 May at Lafayette. As most know, the Congdon club is losing their location due to construction as part of the "Red Plan" project and they are looking for alternate locations for their program. Since many of our kids are part of the Congdon program, Lafayette is of interest to them as a possible temporary or permanent location for their program. No commitments of any kind have been made by anybody as this will involve PPCC, City Parks and Rec, and Congdon Club input. They are looking to find a site soon as there is a good deal of planning that would need to be done in advance of the hockey season. A short list of issues follows and is certainly going to be expanded upon via PPCC members input. These are just to get the thought process going.

1. They would like to put up "seasonal" hockey boards where the pleasure rink is normally located.
2. They have a "Bobcat" with snow removal and sweeping attachments, which need covered storage (Rick Lyles garage came up).
3. They would adhere to city guidelines on operating hours for skating but would need to flood and maintain the rink as needed. They would utilize and maintain the lower level at Lafayette during the season.
4. They would work to establish a schedule that would allow for general open skating times.

These are just a few things to ponder and there are certainly others that can be brought up and discussed. My personal feeling is that this is a very positive project for the PPCC to be a part of. Please jot down your thoughts and present them to the club.

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Park Point Resident

Numbers you can use

Got (non-emergency) issues you'd like to discuss, but don't know whom to call? Here's some numbers you can use: Community Police Officer Nick Lukovsky 730-5646. Nlukovsky@duluth.mn.gov. Parks Maintenance Division: 730-4491 (after hours 730-4150) Fire station #5 (Park Point): 723-3215 City Councilor Sharla Gardner: 724-4701 sharla.gardner@gmail.com



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