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The Breeze Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

Lafayette Community
Edible Garden
Monday, June 10,
5:30 p.m. swap-meet and
garden blessing, followed
by a potluck dinner and
program at 6 p.m.
at Lafayette

Park Point
Community Club
Meeting
June 18th
Social at 6:30
Meeting at 7
at Lafayette

Park Point Garden Club Thursday, June 27th 7 P.M. Contact: Kathy Jacobs 722-2375 All are Welcome

Park Point Rummage Sale June 14th &15th 8A.M. to 5P.M.

Park Point Art Fair June 29th & 30th 10 A.M to 5 P.M.

Duluth Women's Club Homes & Gardens Tour July 17th

> Park Point 5-Miler July 18th

49th Annual Park Point Art Fair!

Join an inspiring celebration of arts, community and environment THE PARK POINT ART FAIR returns June 29-30, 2019 in Duluth. It's an event that evolved from a neighborhood gathering 49 years ago into the region's premiere outdoor visual arts showcase. And it's coming to a sandbar near you. The 49th annual Park Point Art Fair returns June 29-30 to the Park Point Recreation Area in Duluth. Admission and parking are free at the nonprofit mostly volunteer-led event, which supports local ecological and civic initiatives. Featuring the juried fine art and craft of more than 115 premiere artists from the local area, upper Midwest and beyond, the Park Point Art Fair also offers live performances, music, food, children's activities and more—all in a stunning natural setting. An estimated 10,000 visitors have attended the annual weekend festival in recent years. Artists display and sell work in media such as clay, fiber, glass, painting, photography, jewelry, woodwork and sculpture. And while visual art is the showcase, there's more to experience during the fair, where you can stroll a pine-lined path tucked between Lake Superior and the Superior Bay and listen to music from local musicians. You can also grab a bite of food from one of seven food trucks offering Greek to Vietnamese and even gluten free fair food! The art fair is presented by the Park Point Community Club, a nonprofit volunteer organization "Each year, the art fair brings people together—as visitors, artists and volunteers—in a unique setting on the shores of Lake Superior. Artists and patrons of the arts praise the consistently high quality of this show, and appreciate that it's a grass-roots effort for a good cause," said Carla Tamburro, Park Point Art Fair coordinator. "Park Point is an inspiring setting. And as a community of volunteers giving back to sustain this environment, we welcome everyone to join us in celebrating this Duluth gem." This year the art fair is partnering with other like- minded organizations. The fair is being sponsored by Park Point's own Solglimt bed and breakfast, The Duluth Art Institute, KUMD, OMC Smokehouse, Hoops Brewing, Beaners, The Reader and Wilderness Wellness. Working together we are promoting the fair to support local artists.

When: 10 am to 5 pm, June 29 and 30, 2019

Where: Park Point Recreation Area in Duluth, Minn.

What: 115 regional and national artists. Food court. Live music. Children's

interactive art. Art demos. Free admission and parking. **Who**: Presented by the Park Point Community Club

The Breeze

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by 6/27/19

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President's Report

Dear neighbors,

Hoping you are gearing up for an extra busy month of hosting visitors to our beautiful community. When I find that I am feeling crabby about the hordes, the traffic and the messes on the beach, I must find the "reset" switch and rechannel the thoughts to how lucky am I to live here every day. The grandeur we experience daily is extraordinary; thanks to all who share well and care for our extraordinary resources... and btw, quiet winter days will be back before we know it.

Dog walkers in the Pine Forest may want to note that tickets will be written for off leash dogs during Piping Plover nesting dates. Best practice for walking dogs from the St. Louis River Alliance, "People are encouraged to (obey) leash laws for their pets, pick up garbage and walk on the wet sand near the shoreline to avoid stepping on any possible nests" on the drier sand above the normal wave line.

Also, Hearding Island is a State Wildlife Management Area and here are the rules about dogs from the DNR: Dogs are permitted on WMAs only when accompanied by or under the control of the owner. From April 16, through July 14, dogs must be on a leash. A person training a dog on a WMA may not use live ammunition or blank cartridges, including the use of blanks in dummy launchers or similar devices.

The PPCC Executive Committee is planning the launch of an initiative called Neighbors in Need. Treasurer Al Robins floated the idea a few years back and at last week's meeting the concept was well received by the membership. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out a neighbor or if you might know someone in need of some friendly, neighborly assistance. To get involved, email parkpointcc@gmail.com or give me a call at 218-525-1764.

A big thank you to John Harrison for repairing the club's p.a. system! John and Dorothy Harrison lived on Park Point for years, bayside. Gone is the annoying hum and static when making adjustments with the switches. Our vintage Italian sound system was in top form on the night of May 13th when attendance at the Edible Garden's potluck topped fifty for a terrific yet somewhat terrifying presentation by "tick warrior" Dr. Ben Clark. Thanks much, John, for repairing our highly prized pa system and improving the experience for the program participants. Also, thank you to Dr. Clark who says that prevention is the key to avoiding the dangers of Lyme's disease- apply tick repellent and do a very thorough tick check after being outside. Check out these resources: http://medlineplus.gov & http://z.umn.edu/ixodes and arm yourself with knowledge and strategies to avoid this serious disease.

Also, a big thank you to Dick Gould for leading the annual tree planting initiative. Dick estimates that volunteers have planted 11,000 trees on Park Point. If you planted a pack of trees, we appreciate your work and care of the park.

Volunteering at the Art Fair on June 29, 30 is a fun way to support the Club's mission while meeting and visiting with the artists. The Saturday evening banquet for volunteers and artists will be held at the Beach House on Saturday night and will be catered by OMC Smokehouse. Please call Diane Gould, 727-4067 for more information or to sign up for a slot.

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youth program starts on Monday, June 10th. Stop by and say hi to Kevin Karen, Chris and the kids!

See you out and about on our baymouth bar extraordinaire; thanks to all for patience while traveling to and from during the upcoming road construction. Take the tunnel!

Dawn & Klaus, canine companion

PPCC Minutes

The May 21st, 2019 Park Point Community Club meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by club president, Dawn Buck.

Business Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to approval the April, 2019 minutes at they appeared in the Breeze. Remaining membership votes were all ayes.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance as of 04/01/2019 \$21,062 Ending balance as of 04/30/2019 \$23,553

A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report as given by Al Robins. Remaining membership votes were all ayes.

Committee Reports

Art Fair – Carla Tamburro

Jake Kapsner showed the Art Fair advertising information that will be placed throughout the city. Diane Gould is signing people up for volunteer jobs associated with the Art Fair. There are many positions that need to be filled. If you would like to volunteer, please call Diane at 218-727-4067. The Art Fair is scheduled for June 29th and June 30th.

Breeze – Alan Dartanyan

Nothing to report

Environmental Committee - Dick Gould

The new trees are in the ground. Thanks to all who helped with the planting. Dick gave a small updated on the piping plover birds. Water level too high for nesting. Not too promising for this year. There are, however, plenty of wood ticks to beware of. Dick also noted 3 dens with foxes. There have not been coyotes spotted this year.

Hospitality Committee – Diane Gould and Ted Buck

Thank you for providing the treats for our meetings. They are good and appreciated.

Neighborhood Watch Committee – All Park Point Residents

The Park Point Community Club will be launching a program called 'Neighbors in Need.' We had a request to help clean up a yard and repair a fence for one of the residents. This will be our first project.

Program Committee – David Poulin

Dave Poulin gave several ideas for programs for upcoming meetings. Summer activities often override the need for activities and it is usually Fall before the programs begin again.

Rummage Sale – David Lavamaki

Rummage sale is ready to happen. The dates are June 14th and June 15th, 2019. The City of Duluth is aware of this event and have indicated the road work will not interfere with the sale. Have fun and enjoy.

Summer Youth Program – Sally Buck and Rhonda Strum

Dates for the Summer Youth Program is June 10, 2019. It runs for 9 weeks. Concludes the first week in August. Please see our website for contact information.

Sunshine Committee – Pam Griggs

One 'Welcome Back' card, one 'Sympathy" card and two 'Get Well' cards were sent out during the month of May.

New Business

No communications for the month of May.

The PPCC would like to thank John Harrison, Marine Electronics Systems, for his wonderful repair of our aging PA system. Your work left our last meeting with a quiet meeting, void of all humming. Thanks again.

Pam Paige, City of Duluth Parks and Rec. Dept., spoke on good news for the Parks and Rec summer programs. She addressed the problem of the new attached bathrooms located on the back side of Lafayette. The City has found the problem of these doors locking too early. The City has corrected the problem and the bathroom doors should stay open until 10:00 pm. Bad news for Park Point is the playground at the end of the Point. The wooden ship will need to be dismantled. The wood is damaged and with the water levels high, the playground equipment is sinking.

Dennis Johnson spoke about Husky Refinery's use of Hydrogen fluoride at their Superior, Wisconsin plant. This chemical turns into a toxic dense vapor that travels by wind. Husky Refinery studied the feasibility of replacing this chemical with a safer form and decided to continue with their current use of Hydrogen fluoride. Dennis left a list of government officials and their addresses to contact with questions or concerns. Please see PPCC website for addresses and telephone numbers.

Roz Ramdorf who will be running for Duluth City Counselor spoke at our meeting with her objectives she would like to have worked on for the city council seat she is seeking. That seat is currently occupied by Em Westerlund.

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John McKinny spoke briefly about Parking in the Canal Park once the City begins the update for that area. John will be meeting with Jason Hale from the City of the Duluth, in June. John will keep the PPCC up to date after his meeting. Tom Raushenfels spoke about the happenings at the Rowing Club. June 10th, the club will begin teaching a program for learning how to row. If interested, please check their website for additional info. An Open House was held in May. On 7/12/2019, there will be a dedication of the entire facility at 6:30 PM.

The St. Louis River Alliance stated that due to nesting periods at the end of the Point and Herding Island, the leash law will be enforced during the period of mid-April to mid-July.

The encampment that began at the end of Park Point last summer is being discouraged from happening again this year. The beach inhabiters left tents, old clothing, garbage & etc. in the area. Volunteers cleaned up the area but will be letting people know they are unable to camp out all summer there.

A motion was made and seconded at 8:00pm to adjourn the meeting. Remaining membership votes were all ayes. Submitted by Sheryl Robins

Make an impact: Volunteers needed for PPAF 2019

Want an easy, engaging way to help your community? Volunteer a little time this June to promote or support the Park Point Art Fair, the signature event of the Park Point Community Club. The annual event has been our primary source of funding over the past 49 years. Volunteers say it's a fun way to explore new activities while meeting neighbors and artists. Here's how you can help:

Before the event in early June

- distribute posters and brochures
- post a lawn sign or recommend a Duluth/Superior location
- · spread the word via social media

To help, contact coordinator@parkpointartfair.org or jakekapsner@yahoo.com

During the event

- set up June 28 or clean up June 30
- be a greeter, booth sitter, garbage hauler June 29-30

To help, contact rgould@chartermi.net or coordinator@parkpointartfair.org

Volunteers make this amazing event happen You'll also be invited to our Artist-Volunteer Recognition Dinner on June 29 at the Park Point Recreation Area. Thank you!

Park Point Rummage Sale June 14 & 15, 2019

Please remember that the rummage sale is held separately from the Art Fair. Please support our "very important" Art Fair by not having any rummage sales Art Fair Weekend.

And a bit of good news from the City:

"At the April meeting, your group mentioned the rummage sale will take place on Friday June 14 from 8a – 5p. If the construction is still underway at that time, our crews will not work that Friday, and will clear out all equipment to make way for the rummage sale activities in the construction zone."

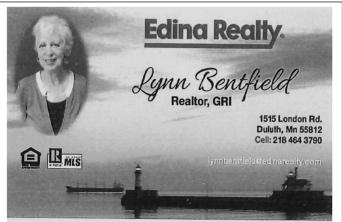
So get ready to Rummage!

Environmental Report

The trees are all planted and doing well due to the timely rain fall. Thanks to everyone who helped with the planting. This will be my last year as the tree person. If anyone wants to do the tree project next year I will help with it. The planting we have done since the mid- eighties has had a great effect on Park Point. The sand is not drifting in many areas, birds are nesting and the point looks better. Hearding island has seen a major change for the better and many of the White Pines are seeding and reproducing by themselves. Thanks again to everyone who participated, it's really working!

Dick Gould







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St. Andrew's Brat Sale

Cruising ... the Park Point Rummage Sale?

Stop by for a brat, hamburger or the ever popular breakfast brat at St. Andrew's on Friday and Saturday, June 14th and 15th.

There will be drinks and places to sit and rest your feet while you eat.

For your convenience restrooms will be available.

The Rev. Marta Maddy
Sunday Eucharist Service: 9:45 a.m.
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Kathy Jacobs, of the Park Point Flower Garden Club, helping to clean Lafayette garden in preparation for planting. It's looking good!

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Special thanks to John Harrison of Harrison Marine Electronics for fixing our ancient sound system at Lafayette!

Some updates from the City

There were some questions at the Community Club meeting about the sign at the S curve, as well as the playground at the beach house.

Some background on the S Curve sign. The Fire Dept. is the one that is actually in charge of the sign. I spoke to The Fire Dept. last week about the sign and messaging that is on it and he said that the company that installs the sign came out and installed the sign and placed messages on temporarily. Fire is working with our IT department to have the software installed on Fire's computers to be able to change the sign remotely. The way it looks currently, and the content on it is only temporary. The sign will be in actual operation starting June 1. Fire is hopeful that they would have access to the software early this week, but it is still unknown. Once they do have access to the software, they will program the sign to operate during specified hours, with specified messages. Please let us know if there is any feedback after it is up and operational that first week of June.

The playground on Park Point near the Beach House will not be there for the Art Fair. The equipment needs to be taken out soon. The structural integrity has changed with the water table being higher than anticipated when installed. Our maintenance staff are certified playground inspectors, they do inspections each year. In their routine inspection this year, they determined that the wood had deteriorated and was no longer safe. This was a unforeseen issue that they did not expect. At this time we do not have a timeline for replacement or alternate park amenities.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions,

Thanks, Alicia Watts, Assistant Manager, City of Duluth Parks and Rec

News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

The mid-May spring snowstorms are behind us now and we look toward a warmer clime. Perhaps a celebration to welcome the summer solstice will warm our souls and encourage our garden plants to thrive. Join us on Monday, June 10, for our monthly potluck dinner meeting and SPECIAL PRE-DINNER EVENT IN THE GARDEN starting at 5:30 p.m., weather permitting. We call this evening the SUMMER SOLSTICE GARDEN STUFF SWAP-MEET.

Gather your unwanted, but still usable, garden implements, pots, and books and bring them to the Lafayette Community Garden gate to offer them to others who can use them. No money is to change hands – it's simply a chance to unburden yourself of stuff gathering dust in your garage. After the Swap-Meet, we will bless the garden and head indoors for our potluck dinner and program at 6 p.m.

The after-dinner program will be a series of brief videos by English Garden expert Charles Dowding on subjects such as No-Dig Gardening, Composting, and How to Plant Potatoes, sure to be popular with our tuber-loving gardeners. Bring a delicious dish to share and your own dishes, silverware and beverages.

------A special thanks goes to Dr. Ben Clarke, Associate Professor in the Biomedical Sciences Department at UMD Medical School. He was our speaker at our May 13 dinner and did a bang-up job of scaring us into protecting ourselves from ticks. Found in grassy areas, low brush and leaf litter, nearly 900 varieties of Ixodes ticks are out there waiting to attach themselves to our bodies and spend a day sucking our blood. While doing so, the Blacklegged Deer tick variety will also transmit the bacteria that causes Lyme disease into our blood. Perhaps you will get lucky and the tick on your body will not be the Deer tick variety. No worries, other ticks offer their own variety of torture, such as the Lonestar tick, whose bite can make you allergic to beef.

In any case, ticks are bad. Prepare yourself by wearing light colored clothes sprayed with peremethrin or DEET, take a shower a soon as you come inside, and inspect your body well, picking off any ticks with tweezers.

Early symptoms of Lyme disease include fever, nausea, aches, joint pain and a bull-eye rash. Left unchecked, the Lyme bacteria can cause heart and brain problems in humans. The main cause of death is depression that leads to suicide. For more info, check out http://z.umn.edu/ixodes or www.MedlinePlus.com.

-----If you are interested in learning more about our community garden or events, contact Coral 727-6455, coraljean@charter.net. Our monthly potluck dinners are FREE and open to all Park Pointers. They take place at the Lafayette Community Club.

Upcoming Events:

Monday, June 10, 5:30 p.m. swap-meet and garden blessing, followed by a potluck dinner and program at 6 p.m.

Monday, July 8, 6 p.m., monthly potluck dinner and program.

-Susan Peters



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Park Point Community Club P.O. Box 16326

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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 are some helpful contacts

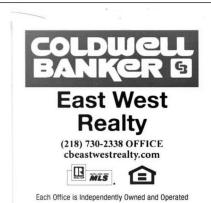
Public Works and Utilities 24 hr. emergency contact numbers: Natural Gas 730-4100, Streets, Water & Sewer 730-4000

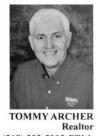
Lift Bridge Supervisor Dave Campbell 723-3387

Community Police Officer Ethan Roe 218-730- 5747 eroe@duluthmn.gov

Dog issues: clane@duluthmn.gov

City Councilor Em Westerlund (218) 355-1137 ewesterlund@duluthmn,gov





TOMMY ARCHER Realtor (218) 393-5995 CELL tommyarcher54@gmail.com 1732 London Road Duluth, MN 55812

ATTN:

A young fit 16 yr. old willing to do yard work.

Reasonable. References

Ethan: 218-340-6453 218-461-7898

"After a record-breaking winter, and after the snow and ice finally melted away, it became clear to residents, businesses, and the City of Duluth that South Lake Avenue in the vicinity of the Aerial Lift Bridge through the "S" curve and Thirteenth Street South, was in need of not just temporary pothole patching, but a more in-depth fix."

Truer words were never spoken. Thanks to the City for getting to work on this!