



The Breeze

Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

**Lafayette Community
Edible Garden Potluck
Monday, September
9th, 6PM
at Lafayette**

**PPCC Family Fall Fest
Softball game, Supper
and Bingo
September 15th at
Lafayette. 3PM – or
whenever the Vikings
game is over!**

**Duluth Rowing Club
Death Row
September 15th
On the Bay and up the
River!**

**Park Point
Community Club
Meeting
September 17th
Social at 6:30
Meeting at 7PM
at Lafayette**

**Park Point Garden
Club Thursday,
September 26th
Contact: Kathy Jacobs
722-2375
All are Welcome**

**Made it through
another Summer!**

PPCC is sponsoring our second

FAMILY FALL FEST!

September 15th, 2019

On September 24th of 2017 "Pointers" of all ages came together to resurrect an old Park Point tradition of friendly competition and camaraderie! The "Lakers" battled the "Baysiders" in a great game of softball (although the final score has yet to be decided!).

How better to bring our community together than with a hearty bowl of homemade soup and crusty bread following a sweaty, competitive game of softball!



**SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2019
LAFAYETTE COMMUNITY CLUB
3:30 PM TO**

**VOLUNTEERS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!!
PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING TO HELP OUT**

- SET UP/CLEAN UP TEAM: JUDY 218-213-7643
- GREETERS: CHARLENE 218-269-0787
- FOOD TEAM: MARY 218-213-4077
- SOFTBALL: "Baysiders" MARK 218-340-6453
"Lakers" DAWN 218-525-1764
- BINGO: OPEN! If you are interested in leading this team please contact Mary for details 213-4077

Ball Game starts at 4pm!

Soup is on at 5pm

Bingo

We hope this can be a zero waste "Green" event, so please bring your own bowl, silverware and cup from home - and of course your baseball mitt!

So rain or shine come to connect with your neighborhood and get acquainted with your neighbors!

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President's Report

Hi Neighbors,

What a wonderful neighborhood gathering at St. Andrews By the Lake on August 6th for National Night Out! A big thank you to everyone who organized and supported this fun event! We had a chance to check-in with officers from the police and fire departments and express our gratitude for their work in our community. The music definitely added to this year's festivities, thanks Lois and Len.

The 2019 Park Point Summer Youth Program led by Kevin Chederquist, Karen Boynton and Chris Chederquist wrapped up on August 8th with a play, an awards program and a picnic. This joyful kids program has expanded and improved under the leadership provided by the PPCC Youth Program Committee members Sally Buck and Rhonda Strum and the dedicated staff who ran the program. Parent Kari Speer will also be assisting with and planning for next year's program. Please contact me if you are interested in joining the youth program committee - next summer is right around the corner! Here is link to the end of year PPSYP video on youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=liEFaOEnVD0>

The Park Point Erosion and High Water Committee has been meeting and crafting a survey for our community. I appreciate the efforts of neighbors who volunteer to gather and share ideas and information with the rest of us. Rising water levels, storms & surges, infrastructure concerns drive many conversations up and down the Point. You might be interested in attending this meeting of the **International Joint Commission-Public Meeting: "Step In and Speak Out for the Great Lakes: Lake Superior"** (<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/step-in-and-speak-out-for-the-great-lakes-lake-superior-tickets-61303042049>) Tuesday, September 24, 2019, Pier B Resort, Ballroom, 800 West Railroad Street, Duluth, MN 55802, Doors open at 6:30p, Program 7:00 to 9:00pm.

At this time of the summer, it's tempting to start thinking about the things we didn't get a chance to do since the "real" start of summer in late June. It's a late August ritual for me to open up the Photos library on the computer or scroll through pics on my phone and marvel at the beauty of the water and the beach and see all of the people down on Park Point having a great time. Watching kids, dogs and families fiddling with sand, logs and boats on the water is something that brings me a lot of joy. Memories & pictures of those glorious days of summer help keep me sane when the frigid polar vortex spins down upon us. I always come to the conclusion that we really did a lot, laughed a lot, saw a lot. The other annual conclusions - summer passed by far too quickly & I am really glad that we took a lot of pictures.

Hoping to see you on September 15th at Lafayette for Family Fall Fest and hear about your fantastic summer!

See you out & about glorious Park Point- which is soon to be a bit quieter,

Dawn

News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

What the Heck is Hemp!

At our September 9th potluck dinner meeting, we will explore hemp production in our area and the products produced by it. Our speaker, Nicolette Slagle, has grown hemp with Winona LaDuke of the White Earth Nation for several years. She is now a licensed hemp grower, and more recently, Nicolette has been making hemp products such as salves for friends and family and for personal use.

“What started out as a small operation has now grown into two locations of hemp crops.’ She [Slagle] estimates that she has fewer than 300 hemp plants growing in Minnesota. . . Her long-term hope is to launch a destination dispensary.” (Duluth News Tribune, 8/12/19)

Nicolette is the Research Director for Honor the Earth, and she is currently involved with promoting the Rights of Nature, a movement in the United States and abroad to recognize legally enforceable rights for ecosystems, such as the adoption of a rights of nature law within the City of Duluth that would protect wild rice (manoomin) and the St. Louis Estuary.

Coral McDonnell is the contact person for folks interested in our community garden and potluck dinners. She can be contacted at 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. Please bring your own plates, silverware, beverage and a dish to share.

Upcoming Events:

Monday, September 9, 6 p.m., Monthly potluck dinner and program about hemp production in Minnesota.

Monday, October 14, 6 p.m., Monthly potluck dinner and program, Liz Wilson will talk about the Essex Farm Institute in New York.

Tuesday, November 12, 6 p.m., Monthly potluck dinner and program. NOTE DATE CHANGE TO TUESDAY INSTEAD OF MONDAY.

-Lyn Pegg and Susan Peters

Environmental Report

The annual bird migration has started and will continue until November. Please mark your see thru windows with stickers that you can buy. Many of the birds going through have never seen a window and can fly right into them, killing themselves and some times breaking the windows. If you have questions please call me. 727-4067

Dick Gould

Be careful! There is a lot of Poison Ivy at its best right now.

Park Point community Club Minutes

The August, 2019 PPCC meeting was called to order at 6:45pm on August 6th, 2019. Meeting was held at St. Anthony's Church in conjunction with Neighborhood Night Out festivities.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the July, 2019 minutes as they appeared in the Breeze. Remaining membership votes were all ayes.

Due to the early in the month meeting date, there was no Treasurer's report available per Al Robins. The September, 2019 meeting will have two months of figures at that time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Art Fair – Carla Tamburro

Per Diane Gould, the 2019 Art Fair had great reviews. A final summary of the results of the Art Fair to be available shortly.

Breeze – Alan Dartanyan

No concerns at this time

Environmental Committee – Dick Gould

Dick reported bird migration has started. Beavers are chewing down trees on 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th Streets.

Hospitality Committee – Diane Gould and Ted Buck

We would like to thank St. Anthony's Church and their many members for hosting Neighborhood Night Out. The food was terrific and the event was well planned and carried out. Thank you!

Neighborhood Watch Committee – All present

There was an incident where a person was engaging in lewd activities on the Point. There has also been bicycles stolen from the Point.

Program Committee – David Poulin

No programs in the working right now. Fall will be the starting of new program season.

Rummage Sale – David Lavamaki

Nothing new to report. The sale this year was another success. Thanks Dave!

Summer Youth Program – Sally Buck and Rhonda Strum

The program wraps up on Thursday, August 8th. Any person is welcome to come to the event to see what the program accomplished and also to have lunch with the group. This takes place at 11:30 am. The program was a good success. Final figures will be available in September.

Sunshine Committee – Pam Griggs

One Thinking of You Card and one Get Well Card.

Old Business –

PPCC sponsored baseball game at Lafayette Square September 15, 2019 immediately following the Vikings Game. A light supper and Bingo will also be available. Any questions, call Charlene Shimmens.

New Business-

Hamilton Smith has come up with a four question survey. The survey will be distributed to the Park Point residents. Questions of concern are whether any action has been taken on the beach erosion and the high water levels of Lake Superior. More to follow about survey distribution & etc .

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 PM. Remaining membership votes were all ayes.

Need music? Call: (218) 606-1670



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*We are a people on the Way to
knowing, loving, and serving God
and neighbor!*

It was great seeing everyone at
Neighborhood Night Out in August. We
want to thank Len & Lois for enriching the
evening with their wonderful music and all
the people who attended our event.

St. Andrew's will hold our Harvest
Picnic Sunday, September 22.

The Blessing of the Animals service
will take place on October 6.

Services are Sundays at 9:45 a.m.
All are welcome!

The Rev. Marta Maddy
Sunday Eucharist Service: 9:45 a.m.
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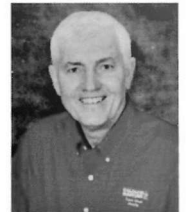
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Keeping sidewalks Clear

Just a friendly reminder to all Park Point
residents to keep their sidewalks clear of
obstructions, such as overhanging branches
and bushes. And though I hate to mention it,
remember that that branch that's just
overhead now will be hanging in our faces
once covered with the inevitable snow!

Park Point Summer Youth Program 2019

Year – end Summary

The Summer Youth Program held at Lafayette Square and sponsored by the Park Point Community Club ended on August 8 after nine weeks of summer activities. The returning staff included Program Co-Directors, Kevin and Karen with new Assistant Director Chris, who led the campers through an active and learning summer. This year 37 children (18 from Park Point) attended the Program. Many attended for a limited number of weeks while 23 attended full-time. The average age was eight. This year we had two full – time interns, Mallory and Edward, and volunteers, Isaac, Jack and Louisa, who assisted the staff allowing the group to divide into 3 (Sprouts, Tweeners and Cadets) by age groups for different activities. The interns and volunteers are former campers and donated over 700 hours while gaining experience in camp coordination.

The Program featured a variety of field trips including bowling, a movie, the Aquarium, Maker Space, the Trampoline Park, golfing, a tour of two organic farms in Wrenshall, the Zoo, the library, UMD Tweed Museum and Planetarium. Cadets had a few bike rides going to the Folk School, the Rose Garden and Maker Space. The campers enjoyed many beach days with the warm water this year and earned 2nd Place at the YMCA Sand building Contest. The kids held a beach sweep and played bingo at the Franciscan Nursing Home with residents. They enjoyed many veggies in the garden joining the Community Edible Garden Club on Mondays. On the Point they toured the airport, the rowing club, had a day of tubing, sailing and paddle boarding. They also learned Pickle Ball this year as well as played ‘water works’ at the playground, tennis, and tetherball. On cloudy days they built Lego structures, played Foosball, painted and made crafts. Science kits were a weekly educational feature from the Aquarium. The summer wrapped up with the Olympic competition offering campers a multitude of events. On the last day, scenes from Aladdin and Snow White were performed, unique Elite Camper Awards presented and a camp video during a family Bar B Que.

A survey of grandparents and parents indicated that the 2019 Program was positive with campers enjoying the varied experiences at PPSYP and parents supporting the communication and attention campers receive. The majority thought the fee was reasonable and 100% would or might register their camper next year.

Thank you to the Community Edible Garden Club and the Park Point Community Club, especially the officers for their support and assistance for a successful program. Thank you also to the parents and grandparents and children for participating and all the supporters who provided exciting field trips and activities.

Submitted by the Youth Committee.



The hardest part of being the Breeze editor is the actual, you know, umm - Editing! Deciding what goes in the Breeze, and what gets cut. Especially when I'm sent a lot of great pictures like I was this month. I could just cram them all in, but I decided to go with just these two. Above, the crew from the Summer Youth Program, on one of their many outings, this one to bounce on the trampolines at Planet 3. And below, a crew that (mostly) ran a bit older, gathering to meet, eat, and mingle with their neighbors at the National Neighborhood Night Out event hosted by St. Andrews. At any age, good times to be had on Park Point.



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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

NEWS FROM THE EROSION AND HIGH WATER COMMITTEE

Our committee had a meeting on Aug. 19th to finalize the Survey that is included in your copy of the Breeze. **We encourage all households to fill out the Survey and return it to Lafayette Square as indicated at the bottom of the Survey.** The purpose of the Survey is to help us better understand what the issues are and how many people are impacted by the Erosion and High Water levels of Lake Superior and ST. Louis Bay.

We are having our next monthly meeting on Sept. 9th, 6:30 at Lafayette. If you want to attend please do. There will be a time set aside for public questions and comments.

Hamilton Smith

