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The Breeze Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

DRC
Death Row
September 16th
On the bay and
Up the river!

Community Edible
Garden Club
Meeting and
Potluck
Monday,
September 17th
6PM At Lafayette

PPCC Meeting September 18 at Lafayette Social at 6:30 Meeting at 7:00

Park Point Garden Club September 27, 7PM Contact: Liz Mackay 722-1834

September! The beach is ours!

Bag it Duluth



This summer my wife and I went on one of our favorite Duluth walks, the trail at the end of Park Point. After heading out past the airport and as we always do, circled back on the beach. As we approached the beach house I had one of those, "stop me in my tracks moments" when I looked down and saw six or so straws. Looking further, I counted about two dozen in the space of fifteen feet. As Bag it Duluth Coordinator I am up to speed on many of the statistics about plastics, their life cycle impacts, economic cost and more.

However, seeing these straws took me aback and made it even more real. And, it made me sad about what we crazy humans have done and the legacy we have left for our children. I know we can do better. Last month, Park Pointer and Bag it Duluth colleague Sherry Williams counted sixty-four pieces of plastic in a twenty-foot stretch of beach.

What allows me to hold this grief is the incredible response we have seen to the Bag it Duluth Campaign. Since the Park Point Community Club added its name in support last summer, we now have nearly 90 businesses and organizations that are part of the effort. They include the NAACP, the Great Lakes Aquarium, Va Benne, Lake Superior Art Glass and many more. Together we are calling on our Mayor and City Council to follow the lead of the thousands of cities that have passed an ordinance to encourage reuse and move away from single use straws, Styrofoam to-go containers and single use bags. This September, Duluth will host Great Lakes Clean-up's and while Bag it Duluth will encourage everyone to participate, we also are asking everyone to take personal responsibility and to ask our Mayor and other elected officials to help us turn off the flow of single use plastics. When the bathtub is overflowing the first thing you do is turn off the tap. To learn more and to show your individual support please join the hundreds of Duluthians' that have added their names to the Bag it Duluth Pledge at http://www.bagitduluth.org/pledge.html (you can see who has added their name). If you have a business or organization please add your support as well.

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Bag it Duluth Coordinator
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due by 9/27/18

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President's Report

Hi Neighbors,

Hoping to see you at the September meeting on the 18th. Last month's abridged meeting was held during the National Night Out Potluck; nice to see a lot of neighbors gathering for quite the feast. Thanks to everyone who participated; I'll post a few pictures on the website.

The Park Point Summer Youth Program wrapped up on August 9th with a talent show, awards celebration and a delicious bbq and potluck. The kids had the opportunity to hold an Olympic gold medal and visit with skip John Shuster, Olympic Curler. He shared his own experiences of as a youngster in Chisholm attending a summer youth program. What an experience for the kids! A huge thank you to Kevin Chederquist and Karen Boynton for leading the 2018 program and to the many volunteers and community partners who contributed to a wonderful experience for the kids and families. A huge thank you to City workers Joe Miller and Bryan Thoreson who facilitated the new floor in lower Lafayette- the space was so much brighter and easier to tidy up.

Here is my adventure report on Clough Island- finally made it out there two weekends ago to check out the remnants of the Whiteside farm and the Killjoy lodge. You might have heard that a Duluth family besides the Whitesides had owned ten acres of Clough. That other family had ties to the Confederate Army and the Watergate Scandal. The owner of the Killjoy Lodge went on to die tragically in a bathrobe fire, don't hear about that too often. Anyway, the outing was a mixed bag, the island was like a jungle, quite overgrown so we plan on returning in late spring to actually see the ruins. We used our gadgets to find the picnic table we had seen on Google earth. The day was mostly calm and very humid and for a moment I thought of paddling into Riverside marina and calling an Uber to go and pick up the truck and trailer in Superior. We saw eagles, several large fish, one frog on Clough. A low point of the adventure was stepping in a load of dog poop on the trail leading from the picnic table to the area of the farm ruins. We look forward to heading back for chapter two, stay tuned. There are several good stories about Clough Island online. There are several new signs with beach rules and rip current warnings posted at the accesses to the beach. Thanks to Park Pointers working on safety and signage needs. Also, I have received emails from neighbors who are concerned about traffic dangers at 19th and the terrible condition of the street near the bridge. These neighbors have contacted City officials and have gotten replies that I will share at the meeting on the 18th. Once again, I am impressed by the number of Park Pointers who "do things" and who take the time to make calls and send letters and emails for the betterment of our community.

I am feeling sad to see the summer end and now must transition to the back to school mode.

Hoping you all had a chance to get out and enjoy our extraordinary island! Kind regards,

Dawn and Klaus, canine companion

Park Point Community Club Minutes

The August 7th, 2018 Park Point Community Club meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Dawn Buck, President. The Park Point Community Club meeting was held

Concurrently with the National Night Out on the lawn at Lafayette Square.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the July 16th, 2018 minutes as they appeared in the Breeze.

Treasurer's report – Al Robins

Beginning Balance July 1st, 2018 \$42,426 Ending Balance July 31st, 2018 \$31,915

A final report on the Art Fair will be available by the September, 2018 PPCC meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report as given by Al Robins.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Art Fair – Carla Tamburro

Carla Tamburro presented a brief thank you and wrap up on the successful Art Fair. She reported that holding the banquet at the beach house was well received except for the acoustics. Comments and suggestions will be taken into consideration for next year.

Breeze – Alan Dartanyan

The Lents, who have delivered the Breeze for years, are retiring from their route. Carol Kondrath volunteered to take on their blocks. Thank You Carol.

Neighborhood Watch Committee

There were reports of drug related activities near the bridge. Duluth Police are working with residents. Traffic delays might be expected on August 8th, 2018 on Park Point and in the Canal Park area as the Vice President attends a fundraiser. Note the posted DPD, no parking signs, for a several block stretch.

Rummage Sale – David Lavamaki

No reports from David tonight. Please start collecting for the June 2019 sale.

Sunshine Committee – Pam Griggs

Three sympathy cards and one get well card was mailed out in July.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 PM. Thank You Park Pointers for gathering on the perfect Park Point evening.

Submitted by Sheryl Robins

Pop-up in Canal Park

An Imagine Canal Park initiative will create a temporary interactive park/play space in Canal Park by Buchanan Street and the Lighthouse Parking Lot. The road and parking lot changes start August 29.

The activities and events start Sept. 4 and run through the end of month of September. Although, the Light house parking lot will still have handicap parking and will reopen to all parking after Sept. 17. Once in Canal Park you will see sidewalk decals and new wayfinding signs as well. The website, http://imagineduluth.com/canalpark2/ has a diagram of amenities that will be installed for the public in the parking lot and on Buchanan Street. We appreciate your partnership and hope you will also

The original press release about this new space is available

at http://imagineduluth.com/media/WebSubscriptions/31/20180810-31-5081.pdf

We are excited to be able to offer these spaces for the public and hope you are able to participate and help us test it out. Please let me know if you have questions.

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come down to check out the temporary space.

Duluth Rowing Club News

The Duluth Rowing Club placed fourth at the Northwest International Rowing Association's Championship Regatta held Aug 10-11 in Kenora, Ontario. Ten teams competed from midwestern Canada and Minnesota.

Duluth had 56 members competing in masters, open, and junior events. The crews earning first place medals were:

- Masters Men's Quad (T. Rauschenfels, T. Griggs, A. Brekke, G. Peterson)
- Masters Mixed Quad (T. Rauschenfels, B. Fuller-Kask, J. Peterson, G. Peterson)
- Masters Women's Pair (J. Peterson, B. Fuller-Kask)
- Masters Men's Pair (T. Rauschenfels, G. Peterson)

Second Place

- Junior Men's B Quad (N. Han, J. Thomas, E. Leonidas, S. Javaherian)
- Men's Dash 8 (N. Han, I. Defraud, J. Thomas, . Keller, C. Feyen, R. Lyle, E. Leonidas, S Javaherian, cox-S.Morehouse)
- Masters Men's Double (T. Rauschenfels, G. Peterson)
- Junior Men's B Double (N. Han, J. Thomas)
- Junior Women's 4 (M. Helmer, J. Jordon, K. Thickens, H. Feyen, cox-S. Morehouse)
- Junior Men's 8 (N. Han, I. Derauf, J. Thomas, M. Graham, J. Juten, E. Leonidas, C. Feyen, S. Javaherian, cox-B. Kask)

Third Place

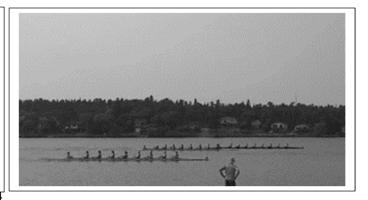
- Junior Women's Pair (M. Helmer, J. Jordon)
- Junior Men's 4 (J. Thomas, C. Meintz, M. Graham, C. Feyen, cox-S. Morehouse)
- Junior Men's B Double (E. Leonidas, S. Javaherian)
- -Masters Men's Double (T. Griggs, A. Brekke)
- Woman's Dash 8 (J. Peterson, B. Fuller-Kask, J. Jordon, A. LaFountain, H. Feyen, K. Thickens, B. Kask, E. Carrillo, cox- S. Morehouse)

The Duluth Rowing Club's next regatta is Death Row on September 16. The event is 25 kilometers upstream on the St. Louis River. Rowers and paddlers in kayaks and canoes are invited to participate. Further information is available at <u>duluthrowing.org</u>. If interested in spectating, Death Row starts at the new DRC Rowing Center at 39th and Minnesota Ave, at 8:00 am with a "shotgun" start. The start has all rowing shell competitors pointing to the northwest, from the Boathouse, stretching across the Superior Front Channel towards Superior, with a dash to the Blatnik Bridge, then a left-hand turn up the St. Louis River. Canoe and kayak competitors start earlier, with the plan of finishing together with the rowing shells at Fond du Lac between 10:00 and 11:00 am.

The Duluth rowers will also compete at the Head of the Mississippi 5k race, which is October 6, sponsored by the Minneapolis Rowing Club. DRC crews are also hoping to enter the Head of the Charles Regatta (Boston) October 20, 21, and the Head of the Schuylkill (Philadelphia) October 27, 28.

Anyone still interested in an engraved brick that are part of the new DRC patio area, please check <u>duluthrowing.org</u> for order forms. Again, many thanks for all of your fantastic support these past years. Please feel free to stop and check out the Rowing Center. DRC members are incredibly proud of the newest boathouse in North America, and would be happy to show if off



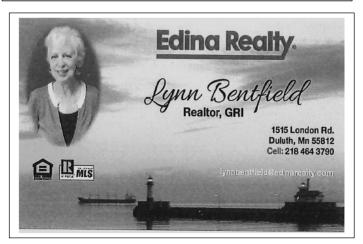




Read and Heed the Signs

I was pleased to see this sign go up along the path to our unofficial but popular beach access at 16th street. Going beyond the red flag warnings and the "Stay Out of the Water" sign at the S-curve, signs like this seek to educate, rather than prohibit, swimmers entering the water in dangerous conditions. It's a bit of a recognition, I think, that the crashing waves that can create rip currents also draw people to the lake, just to experience its power. Anyone who pauses long enough to read these signs, and still feels compelled to go into the water, can learn the strategies for freeing themselves from a current's grip.









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

Living on one of the longest fresh water sand bars on one of the largest fresh water lakes in the world, it is only fitting that Park Pointers have embraced one of the biggest rummage sales around! Traffic came to a standstill, garages were emptied, a few impulse buys were made and at St. Andrew's hundreds of brats were sold to hungry shoppers.

Thanks to the support of the Park Point community and the many shoppers you attracted to the Point. Together we were able to raise \$2400 to be used for helping youth in our community and for bus passes for the Steve O'Neil House and Life House.

> The Rev. Marta Maddy Sunday Eucharist Service: 9:45 a.m. Saturday Eucharist Service: 5 p.m. standrewsbythelake.org 2802 Minnesota Ave 218-727-1262 standrewsbythelakeduluth@gmail.com We are on Facebook



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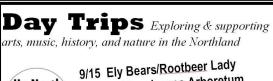
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9/21 MN Landscape Arboretum 10/6 Stone Lake Cranberry Festival 10/21 MN Zoo/Trader Joes

wendyupnorth.com 218-525-5098 Join email list.

Correction

The Bingo announcement in last month's issue of the Breeze was meant for Baypoint Apartments residents only. I apologize for the miscommunication.

Anita 651-208-9476

News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

Could you smell the garlic in the air the afternoon of August 15? That's when we harvested our bountiful garlic crop in the community garden. We pulled over 300 bulbs out of the ground and hauled them to Coral's garage. There, we tied the bulbs together in bunches of 4 or 5 to hang to dry in Coral's garage.

The garlic harvesting project is one of many we do annually in the garden. It is a ritual for our group that marks the passage of another fruitful summer in the garden. Harvesting is a happy time for us. We come together to share in our gardening labors and then regroup to feast on what we have harvested at our monthly potluck dinners. This is the time of year that we forget about the many yards of manure and soil that we carted into the garden in the spring and the many hours of bending over pulling weeds. The aches and pains from those activities are easy put out of our minds when rejoice over the salads, hot dishes and desserts that originate from our plants.

To see for yourself, join us at our next potluck dinner on Monday, September 17 at the Lafayette Community Center. Bring a dish to share, your own plate and silverware, and a good appetite. For our program after the pot luck, we will have an experiential presentation to help keep the gardeners happy and healthy. Physical Therapist Jana Whiting will present some very easy and interesting ways to assess and contribute to a more relaxed and able body. You can participate or just listen but you won't be bored.

All Park Pointers are invited to our events. For more information, or if you are interested in becoming a member, contact Coral 727-6455, coraljean@charter.net.

Note: On Sunday, August 26, our community garden was on tour for the Duluth Community Garden Program. Thanks to those volunteers who hosted the tour attendees in the garden.

Upcoming events:

Monday, September 17, 6 p.m. Monthly potluck dinner and meeting -Susan Peters

Photos below: Lafayette Community Edible Gardeners harvesting the 2018 garlic crop.





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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 Sargent Gayle Holton 730-5625 (cell 390-2266) or email gholton@duluthmn.gov

Dog issues: <u>clane@duluthmn.gov</u>

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

Environmental Report

I don't like to be negative but there are issues that need to be addressed. Campers, from beach tents to campers parked for the night in the lots at 13th Lafayette and down at the end. Call the police if you see this happening. It is against the law. Garbage! The beach is littered too much, we should have a beach clean up project when the weather starts to cool for the year. There is a lot of plastic that should be picked up. Signs that directs people to the bathroom systems. Behind Lafayette is a good example.

The bird migration is starting, I have seen finches, orioles, wrens sparrows and lots of geese! The early migration could be from the smoke up north and west is driving the Canadian birds down this direction. Dick Gould

Park Point apartment for rent:

Lake side, upper unit of duplex. 4 blocks from the bridge. 2 small bedrooms.

Available October 1st.

\$920/month plus gas & electric. Landlords live in lower unit & attentive to any issues. No pets, no smoking.

Seeking tenants with a lifestyle compatible to quiet overnight hours. Jim #218-370-8980