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The Breeze of Park Point

Park Point Community Club Meeting

Thursday, July 16th, 7 p.m. Social at 6:30 Lafayette Community Center

Park Point 5-miler and 2-mile Walk

Park Point Beach House Friday, July 17th Ten age divisions, ages 0-100 Information: 727-0947

Lafayette Edible Garden

Monday, July 20th 6 to 8 p.m. potluck dinner Lafayette Community Center

Park Point Garden Club

Thursday, July 23rd Contact Harriet Meagher 722-6762

Neighborhood Night Out
Tuesday, August 4th

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

- 1. Publishing the minutes and financial statements of the Park Point Community Club.
- 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.

National Night Out? Neighborhood Night Out? Neighbors' Night Out?

No matter what you choose to call it, this national event doesn't appear to be risking death from lack of interest. Bottom line: The emphasis is on Neighborhood. Here on Park Point, where "neighborhood" stretches for over forty blocks, there are many such gatherings up and down the Avenue each year.

In the summer of 2009, the Community Club was approached by the nascent Edible Garden Club, which invited PPCC members to join them for a National Night Out picnic at Lafayette, in order to show off their new accomplishments. "At the time," club 'historian' Lyn Clark Pegg reminded me, "we had little more than the fruit trees we had just planted, and only a few beds. We wanted to raise both awareness and funds, in order to continue a project we believed in." By the following year, there was even more to show off, including the newly-installed "turrets" leftover from a recent re-building of Bayfront Play Area and the now-tra-ditional Summer Youth Program scarecrows, which combine to give the Edible Garden its distinctive look. Over time, the Lafayette event grew larger, and several smaller venues were consolidated into one. This year, as you'll note on page 7, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church has formally invited Park Pointers to join them for an NNO picnic and "mini-tour" of their recently remodeled sanctuary.

Another favorite hot spot has been the annual gathering at 16th street, jointly sponsored by surrounding neighbors. I well recall how welcome I felt personally, as a Park Point newbie, to be included as an honorary member of what many of us affectionately call "The Sixteenth Street Gang." PPCC Treasurer Al Robins and former Club Secretary Sheryl Robins have spoken of how much they enjoy the picnic hosted in their immediate neighborhood. Whether large or small, these gatherings - both on Park Point and throughout Duluth and the nation - present a popular way to fulfill the goals of the National Association of Town Watch, which organized the first National Neighborhood Night Out back in 1984. (The official name was shortened to National Night Out in 1992.)

The NATW is a network of law enforcement agencies, neighborhood watch groups, civic groups, state and regional crime prevention associations, and concerned citizens. While the original NNO primarily highlighted crime prevention, the event has evolved over its 32 years to focus not only on the building of police/community relationships, but also upon community-building among neighbors in the larger sense. Neighborhoods in 48 states mark the first Tuesday of August as the date to hold block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts, seminars, youth events, and visits from emergency personnel - always hoping to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Why only 48 states? Florida and Texas hold their NNO in October, to avoid the heat. Smart people!

When I was new both to Duluth and its tiny Park Point, I was often shocked when introducing myself to hear someone say, "Yeah...I know who you are..."

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The Breeze

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Letter from the PPCC President

Hi Neighbors,

Happy summer to all of you! Looking ahead, would you consider marking your calendar for Tuesday, August 4th, 5-7pm at St. Andrews By the Lake? National Night Out gatherings are a great way to greet new neighbors and make connections with community members. Hope to see you there.

We made it through the June Trifecta of Excitement for Park Point - Rummage Sale, Marathon & the PP Art Fair! Whether you love it or hate it, the rummage sale seemed to be a grand success in terms of merchandise changing hands. Thank you to Dave Lavamaki for ordering up a stellar two day streak for the reshuffling of wares. This year's art fair wrapped up with a thunder boom or two, but was a huge success and an event that brings our community together. Volunteering with my neighbors is the highlight of this event for me - watching and experiencing this major summer event unfold through a collaboration of friends and neighbors is memorable and feels great.

Speaking of neighbors, I have become acquainted with a loud but lovely creature called a brown thrasher in the thick woods behind my house. Despite considering myself a total avian novice, this bird's song got my attention and reminded me of the chatty teenagers that I work with. Yesterday, while moving some old garden timbers, I heard an odd buzzing sound and then saw several bumblebees in some grassy matter under one of the timbers. After a quick consult with Google, I learned that I was lucky to have found a bumblebee nest! From the Bumblebee Conservation Trust, http://bumblebeeconservation.org, "If you find a bumblebee nest, consider yourself very lucky! They aren't very common, and can be difficult to find." Those garden timbers can spend the summer right where they are, we need all of the bee pollinating power we can get! It's amazing what you can find right in your own yard on Park Point; I do feel lucky every day.

Would you like to avoid summer traffic delays through Canal Park? Purchasing your Park Point Tunnel Pass boosts your karma factor and facilitates smooth, stress-free motoring down Lake and Minnesota Avenues. Get yours today by calling Tom Rauschenfels, 722-7643 or Al Robins, 720-6518. You'll feel better and add years to your life by using the Park Point Tunnel and supporting the Duluth Rowing Club and the Park Point Community Club. \$5.00 for the pass that clings inside of your car's glass.

Hoping to see you soon on the water or on the beach!

Warm regards,

Dawn & Klaus, canine companion

PS Remember to take along an extra bag for beach clean-up :)

Working Group Report

The City Planning Department conducted the second Study Group meeting on Wednesday, May 27. At the first meeting, it had been determined that legal issues needed to be addressed before the group could begin the work of selecting Tier 2 sites. City Planners said they would ask City Attorney Gunnar Johnson to review our legal questions and report back at the next meeting. The City Attorney declined to address the Study Group, which was very disappointing. City Planner Keith Hamre responded only to the questions that John Schmidt and Chelly Townsend had sent. He gave brief answers to those questions. Other people had sent questions and the City Planners at the previous meeting took notes of questions that we asked during the first meeting. They answered only the questions John and Chelly had emailed. They would not comment on case law questions that residents had sent.

Important highlights:

City Planners confirmed that the City, in accordance with the Jewell 1990 resolution, would no longer approve full vacation requests to residents living on street ends. We asked how this could be codified. Councilor Gardner and Keith Hamre reported that they are working on additional language to the Jewell resolution that would describe in detail a plan for "neighborhood pedestrian access" to the beach and bay, and that the plan for no full vacations would be included.

The City believes that all street ends are closed unless they are "improved" in some way. This is contrary to what we had believed to be true.

The City also believes that the Jewell resolution is not considered applied legislation, even though it has been the only clear legislating document for twenty-five years.

Councilor Gardner and City Planner Keith Hamre promised that no action would be taken on street ends until Tier 1 site issues were addressed. They thought this could take up to five years. In the meantime, they want us to evaluate the sixteen street ends and have a plan for the time when additional street ends will be opened for public access.

We reminded them of the Tier 1 issues:

- Inadequate signage visitors don't know which sites are currently designated as public access.
- Parking issues at Franklin and Lafayette, again due in part to lack of signage.
- Under-utilized beach house area, because visitors don't know how to find it.
- Inadequate garbage facilities causing debris that residents usually clean up.
- No plan for emergency medical services.
- Environmental damage due to inadequate signage and lack of oversight.

At the next two meetings, we'll review street ends. Wednesday, June 24th, at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25th, at 4:30 p.m.

Questions and comments are welcome. Submitted by Chelly Townsend

National Night Out continued...

How? Why? I've since come to understand that everyone thinks they know you, if you live along the northern portion of this one-street community, as they pass by you so frequently; if you live along the lower portion of Minnesota Ave., you're more likely to be the "knower" than the "known." The reality, of course, is that recognizing people doesn't mean you know them, and unless and until we get a new watering hole in the form of a revitalized neighborhood store, personal encounters will remain infrequent in a day of busy lives and text-messaging. As Robert Putnam asserted in his seminal book, <u>Bowling Alone</u>, "What really matters from the point of view of social capital and civic engagement is not merely nominal membership, but active and involved membership."

Whether or not you choose active involvement, here's hoping you're able to either host or attend a National Night
Out event that suits you!

- Ellen Dunlap

Sources: Lyn Clark Pegg; www.NATW.org,; Bowling Alone - The Collapse and Revival of American Community, by Robert D. Putnam

PPCC Meeting Minutes - 6/18/15

President Dawn Buck called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. The minutes from the May meeting were approved, with no corrections or additions.

Hospitality - Thank you to Diane Gould for providing refreshments at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report - Al Robins

- 1) The general fund has \$37,828; the Art Fair fund has \$30,237, including money from the Arts Commission grant and artist fees. Current total of both funds is \$68,065. This will be reduced to approx. \$38,000 after paying the fees and costs related to the putting on the Art Fair.
- 2) The County Auditor's Office is currently auditing the Park Point Community Club financial records. One thing the auditor has said is that the Club can carry over \$4K-5K towards next year's fair, due to on-going and up-front costs.
- 3) LaFayette Youth Program is underway. All noted this year's fees for attending have increased to \$400 for one child, \$300 for a second or third child. Fifteen to twenty youth enrolled up to now.
- 4) Tunnel passes are being sold for \$5.00, with the proceeds going to the Community Club and the Rowing Club. Report approved.

[Note: later in the meeting it was reported that sufficient tunnel passes have been sold to cover the cost of printing.]

Communications Received - Dawn Buck

The West Duluth Business Incubation Project wants to support entrepreneurs, so if anyone has an idea contact William McGiffert at gowestduluth@gmail.com or 218-591-1645.

Watch Committee - All of us

1) Officer Ethan Roe was introduced to us as the Duluth Transit Authority's new police officer. The purpose of this new position is to address issues that come up with bus ridership, the Transit Center and the Holiday Center. Officer Roe will ride buses, and track issues that come up. Currently, he feels it is safe to ride buses, but the impression some have is that it is not. He noted that he is a regular police officer, but is hired by the DTA, rather than the City of Duluth. 2) Officer Rowe gave Officer Lindberg's report. With summer here, there are more noisy cars, more parking issues and an increased volume of vehicles on Park Point. Regarding service calls, 37 were proactive (e.g., stopping cars) and 39 reactive (e.g., parking citations); generally, the goal is to have more proactive than reactive calls. Parks and Recreation is being asked for new signage at Lafayette, and Park Rangers have started patrolling. There was a question regarding a flatbed party wagon being out and about. Officer Roe said he has no information, but that it has not been licensed by the City.

Old Business

Pontliana Woods (area between Bayshore care facility and Harbor Point Circle) - Update by Gay Hooper Most of the City Councilors are on board supporting the development of this new city park. The area includes wetlands, and provides habitat for a variety of birds and animals. Please continue writing or calling city councilors and the mayor showing support for the development. Note: At the last county land auction, there were no bids on the southernmost parcel - the section upon which the County had not placed a sales moratorium, as it did with the northern parcel. This is the section between Harbor Point Circle and the apartments at 19th Street.

Signage at the "S" Curve: electronic sign is informative, rotating between information on rip currents, life guard location and beach fires. John Schmidt will follow up with Parks and Rec on the issue of lifeguards not being on duty when noted on the sign. As a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, John acts as liaison, and will ask about toilet facilities at the Beach House, much needed for summer.

Photo Album: Tom Lyle would like to donate to the Community Club a photo album dating from Myrna Southworth's days. It has pictures with notations and is in need of repair. Resolution passed to accept the album. Club will pay for necessary repairs, and will also discuss how to make it available to a wider audience; e.g., library, historical society, etc.. Of note is that the Club also has other old papers that UMD students are currently examining and sorting.

Program Committee - Dave Poulin

If you have program Ideas for future Club Meetings, please contact him.

Art Fair – June 27 & 28 - Jake Kapsner provided the update for Carla Tamburo.

Advertising has been done in a variety of venues including posters, radio and newspapers. Volunteers still needed; sign will go up at the "S-Curve" soon, with a general request to contact Diane Gould. A full slate of music and activities for fair attendees is planned. New this year is a tent showcasing emerging artists from area high schools and colleges. A survey is being done this year by faculty & students from UMD and the Twin Cities campus, in order to identify areas of success (or shortcomings), provide a portrait of attendees and their interests, and otherwise fulfill the requirements of the MN Arts Board Festival Grant. Jake asked that anyone who has photos to share after the fair please do so; they will be used for communication purposes and future promotion of the Art Fair.

Sunshine Committee - Pam Griggs

Four notes sent, including two expressing sympathy, one get well and one congratulatory retirement card.

Rummage Sale - If anyone has pictures of the rummage sale, please share them with Dawn, who will put them on the web site.

Environmental Report - Dick Gould

Eight wood ducks are nesting on Hearding Island; the eagles appear to be gone; three different types of tics have been found this spring; there are no current signs of beaver activity; numbers of purple martens are down; the milk weed that was planted is coming up. There was a fire at 11th Street that went into the dune grass. Dick made note of boards that need replacement on the deck behind Lafayette. John Schmidt will communicate with Parks and Recreation on this issue. Nancy Olson – a piping plover has been seen at the end of the point, so please keep dogs (and your own feet) away from that area; she shared a picture with President Dawn.

Street End Issue

Pointers serving on the City Planning Department Study Group include Judy Dwyer, David Poulin, John Schmidt, Kinnan Stauber, Bob Swanson, and Chelly Townsend. Next week's meeting has been cancelled; tentatively, site visits will occur in early July. John Schmidt stated that none of the questions submitted by the Park Point Working Group have been responded to.

New Business

Neighborhood Night Out scheduled for August 4th, 5-7p.m. St. Andrew's by the Lake has offered to host and coordinate the event. Hamburgers, brats, and hot dogs, plus side dishes, desserts and beverages will be provided. Members of the Edible Garden Club will help St. Andrews with the event.

Duluth Superior Sailing Association: DSSA is asking for help with grass trimming, as well as the donation of a gas grill. Contact Tim Ingersoll (Waterfront Director of DSSA) at sailingforall@gmail.com if able to provide either. Information on sailing can be found at www.SailingForAll.org

Rowing Club: Tom Rauchenfeldt reported that the Rowing Club is still awaiting a DNR permit to begin building its new boat house; also, the property needs to be rezoned, but City Planning is supporting the zoning change. Ice this past winter damaged some of the supporting structure of the current boat house. As soon as the issues with the DNR are worked out, new building will begin.

Sale of "the store:" It has been reported that the store at 19th has been sold and will be torn down to replace it with a new store. No details of who the purchaser is, what kind of store, etc. are known.

Airport Update: Brian Madsen reported that the environmental assessment of the airport expansion is completed. The report is on the website. With the new plan, there is the possibility of three new hangers being built. The permitting and design process will begin soon. Construction is expected to begin in 2017. Love Creamery will begin selling ice cream outside the airport on week-ends this summer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church 2002 Minnesota Ave 722-3078

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SEEK THE LORD WHEN ILL

Three men were walking in the desert. One was carrying a loaf of bread, another a bottle of wine, and the third a car door. They explained to each other: "If I get hungry, I can eat the bread," said one. "If I'm thirsty, I can drink the wine," said the second. "If I get hot, I can roll down the window," said the third.

If I am sick, I can . . . Where do you turn in time of need? Is it the Lord? Of course we use all natural means available: rest, medicine, and the medical profession. But all healing comes from God. He normally chooses to use human instruments to heal. When ill, always seek the face of God, who grants healing of mind, body, soul and spirit.

Divine Healer, I seek so many external remedies that at times I forget to pray. You heal, you restore, I turn to you for help. Grant it in the name of Jesus, the Divine Physician. Amen

Mass 8:00 AM every Sunday with confessions at 7:40



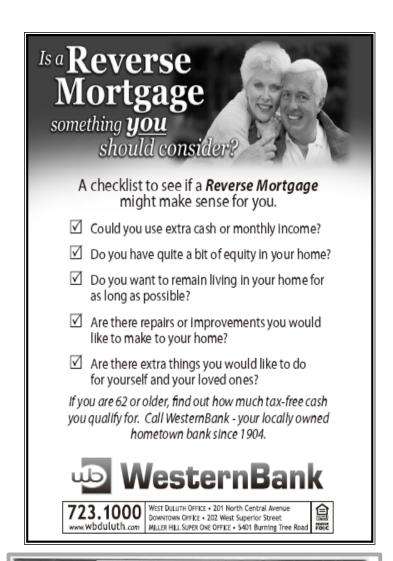
Lafayette is a great place to hold weddings, reunions, parties, meetings, workshops, etc...

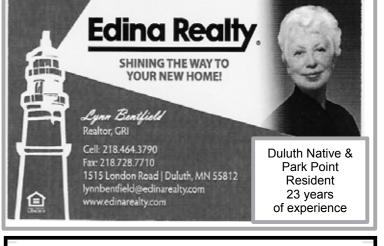
Rental fees are as follows: up to 50 people - \$100.00 50-100 people - \$200.00 100-125 people - \$300.00

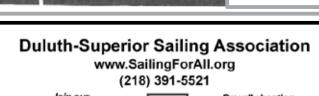
There is a damage deposit of \$100.00, which is refundable, after cleaning & inspection.

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Contact: Missy LePage at 218-208-9545 or by e-mail at ppccdlh@gmail.com







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Lafayette Community Edible Garden News

Our garden beautification continues with a generous donation from our garden neighbor, Bob Swanson.

At our June potluck dinner and meeting, we rehashed Duluth's past, present and future with a presentation by Brooks Anderson and Jan Cohen. They were part of the Duluth Energy Resource Center team that prepared the book Resettling Duluth, in 1986. They talked about the process of researching past influences that shaped Duluth, and offered visions for a brighter future. Since the book was published, many of the authors' visions have come to fruition. Anna White, an intern with Edible Duluth, informed us of some of the programs our city has in place that also fit with future visions of resettling Duluth.

At the July 20th potluck, each of us will be the stars of the show. We will use a group game called "Jigsaw" to explore questions about food issues such as: How do we best farm with nature? Why do we want to know where our food comes from? What does "organic" mean, anyway? What is the relationship between clean water and green practices? We will be given the resources and articles to answer these questions, but you are welcome to bring pertinent articles you have found, as well. Above all, jigsawing is fun, playful, sociable, and informative. Come to the potluck in July and see for yourself.

Thanks to everyone who contributed their time, home and goods to our garage sale. We raised over \$400 to use toward our community garden.

Upcoming Events:

Monday, July 20, 6 to 8 p.m., monthly potluck dinner and test your knowledge of food issues with the jig-saw game.

Tuesday, August 4, Neighborhood Night Out Picnic.

Monday, September 21, 6 to 8 p.m., monthly potluck dinner with program about bumper crop preserving.

Submitted by Susan Peters

National Night Out Gathering Scheduled for Aug. 4th

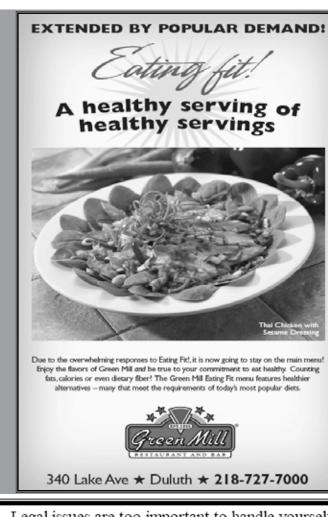
Who are our neighbors? The community of St. Andrews By The Lake invites you, the community of Park Point, our neighbors, to celebrate National Night Out with us on Tuesday, August 4th from 5:00 to 7 p.m. Hamburgers, brats and hotdogs along with all the fixings, plus side dishes, desserts and beverages will be provided. Come join us, rain or shine, for a relaxing evening with your friends and neighbors. Optional eating inside or out.

Have you ever wondered what the inside of St. Andrew's looks like? The Church will be open for minitours. Musical entertainment will be played for your enjoyment.

If you have any questions, please call Sandra Carlson at 723-1181 or The Rev. Marta Maddy, at the St. Andrew's Church office, 727-1262. St. Andrew's is located at 2802 Minnesota Ave.

We hope to meet many of you during this opportunity for St. Andrew's to give something back to the Park Point community!

Submitted by Sandra Carlson



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Park Point Garden Club



The first picture shows President Meagher and JC Curtis making Kokedama (Japanese Moss balls) that nurture plants without being in pots. All of us were full from a meal at neighboring Big Daddy's, so Carol Howe decided to shop around the "Garden Junky" store.

The call for planting annuals at Lafayette Garden brought eager workers. Pictured L to R: Stephanie Brostrom, Harriet Meagher, Diane Gould and Pam Griggs. We were admiring our work, and hope the community enjoys the garden. Visitors and new members are welcome to any of our meetings. Please call President Harriet Meagher, 722-6762, for details.

Submitted by Kristelle Miller



Critter Report

The Hearding Island Eagles seem to have left with their young one. I was wrong about the Beaver; they are still there, and their numbers seem to be up a bit. They are now building three separate houses on the island. Watch your trees. The shorter the days get, the harder they work.

I have seen only seven young ducks on the island, and they were wood ducks! I have never seen them on the Point before. I saw no baby Mallards. The Fox, Crows, Muskies and Gulls have taken their toll on the nesting hens and their eggs. When I go down to the end of the Point each morning, I very often see fox, deer and plenty of geese.

The Park Rangers are down there guite often now and their presence has made a great difference in the garbage, beer bottles and clothes left behind. Very few fires!

Dick Gould

Friendly reminder, please don't feed the foxes. It's best to let nature maintain the population.



"If I had a hammer..." William S. Kapsner, future CEO of Kapsner Demolition, Inc., joyfully reduces a commode to rubble in front of 2908 Minnesota.

Dad Jake looks on appreciatively.

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45th Annual Park Point Art Fair a Smashing Success!

As seems to happen by magic each June, a small caravan began its annual flow into the Park Point Recreation Area last Friday afternoon. Within hours, a tent village of painters, photographers, jewelers, glass-makers, pot throwers, and artists representing several other media was taking shape. By Saturday morning that village was overflowing, as a vibrant crowd poured in to enjoy the magic that is the Park Point Art Fair. Artists and visitors alike reported this year's festival as perhaps our best ever. Close to half of those showing work were joining us for the first time. A more expansive food court and the ever-popular Children's Make 'n Take Area provided a shady spot for all to stop and restore themselves, as they enjoyed a bright range of music coming from the stage. From there, most moved on to observe, or even participate in, a dramatic new demonstration area: the art and skill of pouring iron. Many fairgoers also discovered the event's newest feature: a display of work created by young artists just "emerging" from local high schools and colleges. Special thanks go to Cameron Conlon and Joanne Ellison for designing and coordinating our Emerging Artists booth. Ramona Marzonas of that group was awarded Special Merit distinction by our independent judges. In addition, these established artists also received honors at Saturday night's thank-you/awards picnic dinner:

Julie Crabtree - Best of Show Erica Belkholm - Judge's Choice

Merit Awards: Douglas Becker - Glass John Steger - Ceramics

Emily Graf - Fiber Jody & Kim Reinardy - Sculpture

Jim Gindorff - Photography Tim Brudnicki - Wood

Dan Wiemer - Painting Brenna Klassen-Glazner - Jewelry

The high energy level and positive thoughts of both artists and fairgoers managed to hold back until the show's last moments the thunderstorms that were promised all week-end. In the end, however, the weather gods insisted upon demonstrating their frustration, and punctuated the Fair's final hour with an intense, if brief, summer shower. By early Sunday evening, "Brigadoon" had magically disappeared into the mist once again, as quickly as it had emerged on Friday.

"A hearty "Thank you!" to the nearly 75 volunteers who helped make Park Point's signature event possible, with special acknowledgement to Mary Kapsner for once again organizing and directing the Children's Area. Without our volunteers - many of whom do such unappealing work as trash collection and table hauling - there would be no fair. Each of you helps make the day run smoothly, and your praises were sung many times over by the artists who participated. Many of you attended the dinner on Saturday night and were able to mingle with the artists and enjoy a good meal...a small gift of gratitude for a very BIG task!

If you were among our thousands of enchanted visitors, please give serious consideration to joining next year's group of planners and organizers. New vision and ideas are always welcome.

Watch for more extended coverage and photos in the August edition of the Breeze, as this abbreviated report squeaked in a few days PAST this month's deadline. Lucky for us, the Editor was a little busy this week-end, since she and DOCK 5 were accepted into their first major show on the Art Fair circuit!

Compiled from information submitted by Diane Gould, Carla Tamburro and Ellen Dunlap

Lafayette Summer Program News from our Journalists in Training

Lafayette

I have gone to Lafayette for 2 years and every year has been activities that we have done here was the Vista tour and I also like the sand modeling contest but my all time favorite was the Paddle boarding. I love Lafayette and you will too.

By Grace

The police rode bikes to Lafayette and wore helmets because if you come to Lafayette and ride your bike you have to wear a helmet because that's a rule. and they played fose ball and we get the hose out and made a water park and it was fun and don't throw sand.

- Author Unknown -

A day at Lafayette

A day here is full of fun we go everywhere you could ever imagine and do everything from reading to going on the DTA from going to the aquarium. we have snack and lunch. We have a playground and a tennis court and basket ball court. from family to friends and friends to family and special talkers from bob the rip current guy to Debbie the honey bee girl and to get in you have to be a graduate from kinder garden through 13. As a kid being here for 6 years now I have enjoyed every second with all the fun helpers. This is also the place were my Dad, uncle and aunt, grandmas, grandpas, mom, stepmom and now me, Mallorie now going here at age 10.5. This has been such a privlage I love it here I will be sad to leave. even though Joy cant tell the difference between spongebob and a minion and a smurf.

By a Lafayette kid

Trip to the Library

At Lafayette we make a trip tp the library every Tuesday. In the morning we wait for the bus to come by, once we see it we get ready and walk to the bus stop. We ride the bus until we get to the librry. We get to play games like life and candyland or checkers or check out books. Yesterday, June 16 we wlaked to a place to eat lunch where there were only rocks after the library. We ate a snack and then rode the bus back to Lafayette. It is always fun to go to the library.

- Author unknown -

Lafayette is Awesome we go to the beach a lot we get to bring a lot of toys to the beach And I like doing crafts at Lafayette.

Lafayette is the the best Sinserly Mia

Lafayette we went to Bowling Name: Piper

Lafayette

I like coming to Lafayette because we do things like going to the beach to make sand castles and to swim. We also loke water works because we bring out the hose.
- Author Unknown -

If you come to Lafayette you will learn how to call nine one one on an old phone. You pres 9911 and then yu say I am a child and I need help and you say your adres is thre 026 minesota avenu park point Lafayette club house and don't hang up. And peepl wil come and help you and be cool and don't panek.

- Author Unknown -

Why I come to Lafayette

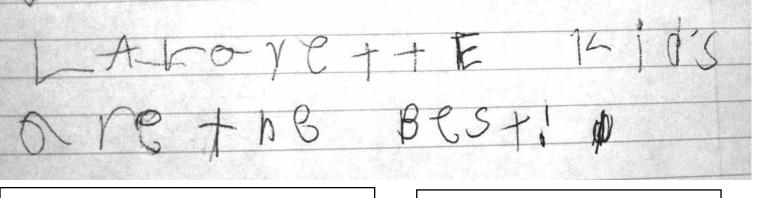
Lafayette is a great place and Joy is a great person because she has great ideas and is very crafty. At Lafayette we have great Field trips or fun activities. Every week we go to

the library and every day when it is not raining

or the water isn't cold we go to the beach. We go

to D-Q and Bowling alley a few times. My favorite activity is tubing because I love when the boat goes very fast and then makes a turn we almost fall off the tubes. I love Lafavette!

- Author Unknown -



Lafayette Summer Fun!

The Lafayette kids will tell you that the Park Point community clubhouse is a great place to spend your summer. Parents drop their children off and the kids play and go on field trips. There is a variety of ages at Parkpoint. Some favorite fieldtrips are the Incline Station for bowling, the library every Tuesday, going tubing on Lake Superior, going to the depot for the trains, going to the Aquarium, and Dairy Queen for lunch & ice cream. We all love going to the beach, and playing on the playground. When you are at Lafayette, the summer is packed with fun that everybody loves. The kids look forward to next summer at Park Point! Everybody likes to play in the sun, and on field trips, everybody likes to ride the DTA bus! Here, everybody is entertained by something while staying safe.

We learn about stranger danger, dog danger, rip currents and having buddies, which is important. The Lafayette kids are ready for adventures! Zoom ahead because there are places to go and things to see!

- Author Unknown -

Trip to the Library

At Lafayette we make a trip tp the library every Tuesday. In the morning we wait for the bus to come by, once we see it we get ready and walk to the bus stop. We ride the bus until we get to the librry. We get to play games like life and candyland or checkers or check out books. Yesterday, June 16 we wlaked to a place to eat lunch where there were only rocks after the library. We ate a snack and then rode the bus back to Lafayette. It is always fun to go to the library.

- Author unknown -

I like Lafayette becaus we go everyware. - Author Unknown -

Lafayette wish list:
more inner tubes
a foose ball table that isn't broken
some sewing things and fabric
lots of sunscreen
tennis balls
more freeze pops
a boat
origami paper
strawberry jelly and bread and donuts
By: The Lafayette Kids

My name is Lily and something I real like about Lafayette is that we do alot of fun stuff. Like going swimming and bowling. Going to the libray and the zoo.

Fishing

last yere we went fishing and I katcht a fish. it was big and black.
By: Oscar

Thank You everyone for your hard work writing the articles, they are GREAT! Pat yourselves on the back because Lafayette Kids are the BEST KIDS in the WORLD!

Stop down and see us! We are open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Thursday. If our door is open, we are there.....Joy Fouts

AN ORDINANCE

Changing the Names of Certain Streets on Park Point.
Passed Feb. 26, 1912; approved Feb. 28, 1912.

The Common Council of the City of Duluth do Ordain as follows: Section 1. That the names of streets on Park Point are hereby changed as follows:

Marvin street to Eighth street south; Olive street to Ninth street south; Vine street to Tenth street south; Astor street to Eleventh street south; Dundee street to Twelfth street south; Argyle street to Thirteenth street south; Dunlieth street to Fourteenth street south; Cherry street to Fifteenth street south; Walnut street to Sixteenth street south; Sorenson street to Seventeenth street south: Spruce street to Eighteenth street south: Pine street to Nineteenth street south; Pearl street to Twentieth street south; St. John street to Twenty-first street south; Duke street to Twentysecond street south; Montana street to Twenty-third street south; Chambers street to Twenty-fourth street south; Church street to Twenty-fifth street south; State street to Twenty-sixth street south; New York street to Twenty-seventh street south; Randolph street to Twenty-eighth street south; Erie street to Twentyninth street south; Adams street to Thirtieth street south; Monroe street to Thirty-first street south; Murray street to Thirty-second street south; Clark street to Thirty-third street south; Warren street to Thirty-fourth street south; Williams street to Thirtyfifth street south; St. George street to Thirty-sixth street south; St. Cloud street to Thirty-seventh street south; St. Charles street to Thirty-eighth street south; Interlocken street to Fortieth street south; Warwick street to Forty-first street south; Pelenger street to Forty-second street south.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

AN ORDINANCE

Changing the Name of St. Croix Avenue to South First Avenue East.

Passed July 1, 1913; approved July 2, 1913.

The City of Duluth does Ordain:

Section 1. That the name of St. Croix avenue be and hereby is changed to South First avenue east.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days after its passage and publication.

Submitted by Donn Larson

"BE BRAVE!"

Summer Swimming's Finally Here!

Temperature readings 30 yards offshore are now routinely in the low 60's, for the hardy, so long as the wind comes from the east; 70's are not far off!

Remember:

Onshore (east) winds = warm temperatures, especially if we've had a few sunny days with little or no wind; offshore (west) winds = chilly water. Why? East winds scoop up the warm surface water, pushing it up against Park Point, whereas west winds take it away, mixing it in with the cold, less variable water, a few miles out.

Another way of putting it:

Hot days rarely bring the best swimming, because of prevailing west winds
Sunny days in the 60's are often accompanied by

water that is bathwater warm.

BE BRAVE! JUMP IN!

(But always beware of rip currents)



Pontliana Woods Park Plan Gathers Momentum

We start with some perhaps too-familiar background...

Harbor Point Circle divides two large tracts of state-owned land along the bay shore of Park Point. The smaller parcel, between Harbor Pt. Circle and the Bay Point Apartments, is referred to as Parcel 8 by the St. Louis County Land Department; north of Harbor Point Circle is the quiet refuge they call Parcel 9. We call it Pontliana Woods, which has a friendlier ring to it.

On May 5th, County Commissioners voted to place Parcel 8 up for auction, and to return Parcel 9 to the auction list in September if our efforts to protect it fall short. Moreover, the Commissioners directly tied any future price for Pontliana Woods to the results of the June auction of Parcel 8, No bidders met the minimum bid price, however, and Parcel 8 did not sell.

Certainly, this adds momentum as we push for lasting protection of Pontliana Woods. Team members are currently drafting language for a formal City Council Resolution to establish the woods as a City of Duluth park, zoned P-1. We've been receiving a constant stream of support from individuals and groups following our progress, and a majority of city councilors have voiced their support, as well. All this has done wonders for team morale, and we move ahead knowing we're working from a solid foundation here on the Point. Thank you all so much. We're gonna do this!

Dave Johnson

In the wake of last month's rummage event, I feel a need to comment on this source of the annual big city-type traffic headache. I can understand why Park Point residents with items they would like to get rid of endure the inconvenience. However, what about the rest of us who do not fit that profile? Bluntly speaking, I must ask an obvious question: How does the Point as a whole benefit, if at all? It doesn't bring in money for the Community Club (unlike the Art Fair.) On the contrary, the Club spends \$500.00 a year to provide portable toilets and a small budget to advertise the sale.

Does anyone truly believe that all the used merchandise piled on the lawns are, in every case, the accumulation only of property owners? We, or at least I, find it hard to believe such big piles had accumulated for months prior to the public sale. If this were true, I would suggest the producers of the TV show about hoarding come here if in need of more examples of that addiction. Individual property owners, I learned, can charge a rental fee to anyone from any place to peddle their merchandise on private lawns. Whether that is in strict compliance with city ordinances, I do not know. My own opinion is that it certainly contributes substantially to unsightly clutter.

As for the massive traffic problem---as a retiree, I don't mind the need to drive at a very slow speed. I am fearful, however, that the frequent pedestrian inattention to the hazard of traffic could lead to personal injury accidents. One must always be ready to hit the brakes for those crossing the street, especially observant of children not closely supervised by adults.

Clearly, there are residents who do not favor the rummage sales concentrated in a two day time period. Defenders, on the other hand, note that this arrangement reduces the likelihood of seeing individual rummage sales spread out over many months. The Community Club, to its credit, has a committee that deals with the rummage issue. It welcomes input from Pointers, and you have the opportunity to express your position by attending Club meetings. Or by sending an e-mail to www.parkpointcommunityclub.org My own thought is that an overhaul would be wise, and changes made should be based on the input of the majority.

Switching now to a less contentious issue...nature: I have been disappointed with the low number of wildlife sightings this summer. Except for brief visits to my balcony from migrant warblers (they come to eat spiders and do a great job), I have had no luck in watching a heron or shorebirds feed along the water's edge. The beaver hasn't made itself known, nor has a mink or otter that used to swim by in past years. I miss them and will keep watching anyway.

Glenn Maxham



The Breeze

Park Point Community Club P.O. Box 16326

Duluth, MN 55816-0326



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:

Lift Bridge Supervisor 728-3387

Community Police Officer: Craig Lindberg 730-5727 clindberg@duluthmn.gov

Parks Maintenance Division: 730-4491 (after hours 730-4150)

Dog issues: clane@duluthmn.gov

City Councilor Sharla Gardner: 724-4701 sharla.gardner@gmail.com



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