



The Breeze

Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

Sky Harbor BBQ and discussion of Master Plan October 5, 5PM

Lafayette Edible Garden October 11th Probably on ZOOM

Park Point Community Club Meeting October 19th 6:30 social, 7 PM meeting at Lafayette

Park point Garden Club
October date to be determined. You will be notified Time to clean out garden
Contact
Joanne Ellison
All are Welcome

Park Point Rummage Sale June 10 & 11 2022

Park Point Art Fair June 25 & 26, 2022

**It's Fall,
and the beach is
ours again!
(mostly)**

Neighbors helping a Neighbor



George Malyuk, a resident of Park Point since the 1960's, had long waited for the opportunity to move a ship's propeller he acquired years ago. For at least 28 years it had been leaning against a box elder tree and had the edge of one blade buried in the dirt because it carried all of the weight of the propeller. Three adults had tried to first roll, then pry the propeller from its resting place but all that could be done was a slight budge. It was not until Bob Swanson, also a resident of Park Point, offered to move the propeller with his bobcat. Bob and his bobcat easily lifted, carried and then lowered the propeller to its new resting place alongside an anchor also salvaged years ago. A big Thank You to Bob. Serendipitously another Pointer, Peter Van Dyken, was on hand to document the event.

Marie Margitan

A little courtesy, please, for sidewalk users.

Many stretches of our sidewalks are overgrown with brush and tree branches, making them difficult to pass. And with winter looming, even those branches now overhead will soon be weighed down with snow and in our faces. Please trim now, so walkers are not forced out into our busy street.

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President's Report

Hi Neighbors,

Several items on the autumn burner:

Skating at Lafayette this winter. The City may be interested in offering support if we have volunteers who are willing to take the lead on a rink. We will need a point of contact to communicate directly with the City. **Please contact me asap if you are willing to lead this initiative and/or be part of a crew who works on the rink:** parkpointcc@gmail.com.

- Here is the latest from Asst. Manager Alicia Watts on possible collaboration, "Park Maintenance is open to seeing what they can do to support the rink at Lafayette this winter. Send what the specific request is – such as initial flooding, initial ground prep, etc. Send the request to Cheryl Skafte, our new Park Maintenance Supervisor, cskafte@duluthmn.gov. She will assess if we have the staff capacity to support."

Looking for youth voices on the Park Point Community Club Executive Board! If you are in middle school or high school and you might consider adding your perspective to the community conversations, we would love to hear from you! Hearing from the junior rowers at the August PPCC meeting was inspiring and this idea was floated by secretary Rory Strange. Please contact me if you would like to learn more about this and how to apply for this new position, parkpointcc@gmail.com.

The hours for the outdoor restrooms at Lafayette: **The hours for the automatic lock will be 6 am – 9 pm year 'round.** The Parks Dept. is working on additional signage to state the hours. Thanks to club volunteers for writing the initial grant that led to the completion of the all-gender restrooms several years ago.

From Tom Pfeffer re. Storm sewer upgrades; thanks to Councilor Randorf for sending:

"Due to delays in obtaining some materials, the schedule for the work has changed. The work for replacement of the exfiltration pipe located in 16th Street South will generally occur during the period of October 4, 2021 through October 22, 2021. The work for the installation of several new storm sewer pipes and drainage structures to provide services drain connections for sump pump discharge pipes under the sidewalk and curb along Minnesota Avenue for the 1400 block, 1500-1600 blocks, and 1800 block will generally occur during the period of April 15, 2022 through June 15, 2022. "

Anybody want some sandbags for free? A neighbor bought 100 sandbags and won't be in need of them any longer: Empty Woven Polypropylene Sandbags with Built-in Ties, UV Protection; Size: 14" x 26", Qty of 100 (Green). They might make clever, resiliency themed, holiday gift bags for your neighbors :) Please let me know if you would like these sandbags. parkpointcc@gmail.com
Speaking of resiliency, please take notes and photos on how the upcoming storms impact your daily life, your property and your activities on Minnesota Point. Collecting data will be important as long- term solutions to high water and erosion are sought; thank you for taking time to document observations and findings. The 2021 USACE Beach Nourishment project on the north end is now completed; snow fencing would be helpful to stop the sand from blowing off of the beach. The area near the canal has been filled in again and the final grading down near 10th and 11th was wrapped up last week. We are waiting to hear from the USACE on the cleanup of the shredded cans and shards; what was the final scope and scale of the cleanup on the beach and into the water? How much sand was removed from the beach before the 2021 project started? How did the smaller 2 x 2 screen work out and what was collected in the process? How often did the screen have to be cleaned out? Was the material placed on the beach tested? When?

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What for? Is the phosphorus content in the dredge spoils a concern given the observation of very concerning algal blooms in Lake Superior for the first time? Stay tuned for a report on the outcome of the project. In my effort to learn more and try to understand the MPCA's "regulatory partnership" with the USACE on the dredge spoil placement projects, I found differences in the Antidegradation Assessment, Water Quality Certification, Applicants 401 Certification forms 2017 vs current; I will post these on the website for you to check out and how this matters to the projects at hand related to water quality parameters of concern and the loading of pollutants. Please give me a call if you have any questions. Thank you to everyone who is dedicated to finding & implementing long term and responsible solutions for the management of erosion on Minnesota Point while preserving and improving the water quality of Lake Superior and its ecosystems. Moving forward, the PPCC will only support projects that demonstrate state water quality standards for Lake Superior will not be exceeded.

Here's to the abundance of clean air and clean water we enjoy every day on extraordinary Minnesota Point!

See you out and about,

Dawn & Bruno, Intrepid Giant Schnauzer, canine companion

PARK POINT TRAFFIC SAFETY REPORT

Synopsis

There were reduced number of NW Shifts in September due to a decrease in traffic and losing light earlier in the evening. Approximately 15 NW Shifts were completed with 10 PP Residents participating as NW Volunteers. There were 8 reports to the Park Point Traffic Safety Clearinghouse reporting dangerous driving and speeding, most with license plate numbers. All of these were forwarded directly to Lt. Nagorski and DPD Community Officer Ethan Roe to provide to squads patrolling Park Point.

Community Officer Roe provided a report on traffic stops from April through August 11, as follows:

Month	Park Point Traffic Stops
April	4
May	10
June	37
July	24
August	11

Additionally DPD has instituted a new Records Management System that provides the ability to report crime updates to the community. It is a work in progress, and we hope to have reports at future Community Club meetings.

While speeding is still observed by NW Volunteers and other residents, incidence has decreased overall.

Repeat Offenders (recorded by NW Volunteers/Residents):

Volunteers continue to record license plate numbers of those vehicles observed speeding, passing or engaged in other dangerous driving (such as using cell phones to text or call). License plate numbers are recorded in the Traffic Safety Database and shared with the DPD. There was a slight increase in the number of repeat offenders recorded during the NW shifts; volunteers will continue to record and PP residents have been asked to note license plate numbers and send those to the Clearinghouse to include in the Database and/or forward to DPD.

We continue to share ideas for possible longer-term solutions and will keep on working together to encourage traffic safety on Park Point.

Respectfully submitted,

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Park Point Community Club Minutes

The September 2021 monthly meeting of the Park Point Community Club was called to order by Dawn Buck, President at 7:05 pm on September 21, 2021.

President delivered opening remarks and welcome. Motion was made to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Motion was approved to accept the minutes as written in The Breeze. All in attendance voted aye.

Treasurers Report - Gale Kerns

Previous balance \$13,344

Current balance \$12,344

Club received a donation of \$500 from the Nichols family. Club expenses were envelopes, website repair and website update.

Motion was made and approved to accept the report.

Sunshine Committee - Pam Griggs

1 Get Well card, 1 Congratulations card and 4 Sympathy cards sent this month. Pam requested addresses for card recipients, if possible.

Art Fair - Carla Tamburro

Carla states they are still planning to hold the Art Fair in 2022 and will bring a budget to the October meeting.

Rummage Sale - Deb Strange

Will schedule a meeting with prior Committee chair to pass down information from past years.

The Breeze - Alan Dartanyan

Stories and poems are accepted along with pictures. Please contact Alan with questions.

Program Committee - Dave Poulin

No report.

Summer Youth Program - Kari Speer

Youth Committee will be meeting and will bring forward a budget at the October meeting.

Environmental Committee - Dick Gould

No report.

Edible Garden - Coral McDonnell

No report.

Neighborhood Watch –

Report of a water Main break at 24th St. Water shut off for one day for repair. Please report any suspicious activities or concerns to the DPD.

Traffic Safety - Pat Sterner

Pat is out of town but will be bringing information to the October meeting.

MP-50: Paul Treuer

No report

High Water & Erosion – Hamilton Smith

Beach nourishment project wraps up Wed Sept 22nd . There was a walk through on the project with Corey Westin and several community members to discuss concerns. Overall seems this year's project went better than expected. Information about beach grass planting will be announced in the future.

Other Business:

Diane Gould met with the City regarding Lafayette rules and rental concerns:

No more cars allowed on the field

Maximum number of people allowed upstairs is 50 per event,

Rules regarding cleanup will be posted

New outdoor restrooms will be open from 6am until 9pm

Better communication regarding rental expectations for the community

Ken Timm from Sky Harbor Airport invited community members to a meeting and BBQ on October 5th starting 5pm to discuss progress on the Master Plan. Please RSVP Ken if planning to participate – 733-0078.

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New Business:

Discussion regarding the addition of a youth representative to the PPCC Board. Dawn will keep us updated on progress.

There was concern about the condition of power poles on both Minnesota Ave and Lake Ave. A “power poll” poll will be conducted and the results will be forwarded to Centurytel, Minnesota Power and the City of Duluth.

There was discussion about the opportunity for an ice rink at Lafayette this winter provided there is support and community engagement. If you would like to be a part of the effort to bring ice back to Lafayette, please let Dawn know. The City will provide limited assistance.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm.

Respectfully,

Rory Strange, Secretary

News from The Erosion and High Water Committee

The 2021 Beach Nourishment project is now complete. The USACE will be walking and monitoring for awhile this Fall looking for possible debris and any other issues.

I was able to walk the project area with Corey Westin, the USACE construction manager for the Beach Nourishment area, and Andrew Slade, resident in the project area, on Sept. 21st. We were able to see the final leveling of the material in the 100 and 110 block. The project was nearly finished and, in my opinion, looking like the contractor was doing an excellent job. As I walked back along the project area, I was struck by the thought of how much that beach area looks like how I remembered the beach looking when I first move to Park Point 50 years ago. I wonder how or what needs to be done to get the full length of our beach back to this width. If you get a chance to walk that area between the ship canal and the S curve, see what you think.

The volunteer beach patrol is still finding a small amount of the can shard debris that was so prevalent last Fall and this Spring. Fortunately, the amount is way down from earlier. Between the USACE clean-up efforts and the beach patrol I believe the vast majority of that material has been removed from the lake and beach. I’m also sure we will be seeing small amounts of those shards for years to come.

The EHWC will be having a meeting on 10-20-21. The main topic of discussion will be the planting of beachgrass and dune restoration. If you would like to attend the meeting will be in my garage at 1620 Minnesota Ave at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Hamilton Smith Chair

PPCC Erosion and High Water Committee



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All are welcome!

Sunday Service @ 9:45 am
 In person & masks are required
[Sunday Morning Worship ZOOM](#)

**Wednesday Compline
 Service @ 8 pm**
[Compline Link](#)

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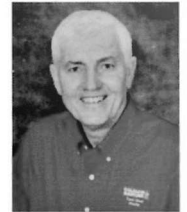


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News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

On Monday, September 13, garden enthusiasts gathered in the community garden for a happy hour social. The intention was to do a little paperwork and fill out surveys about what to plant next year, however, attendees simply wanted to party. Carol Kondrath explains why no work got done, “The appetizer type foods were incredible. One that drew me in with its artistic beauty was created by Ollie and Charlotte and possibly little James doing tasting help. These children are such an asset to our gatherings. Charlotte and I were especially drawn to the ginger cookies that Coral created. One was just not enough! Oh and can I mention the baba ganouch that Missy created: it had our community-garden- grown garlic in it, and was a taste delight.”

As for more socials, it’s wait and see where Covid takes us. Right now it’s not a good idea for us all to pour into the community center and rub elbows. Let’s all stay safe and healthy so we can enjoy those good times again in the future. The scheduled date for our next gathering is October 11 and it will probably be a zoom gathering, unless it happens to be another nice day and we can gather outside to harvest pumpkins.

A garden can be a place of pain and conflict. Several gardeners forgot to wear their gardening gloves when weeding and ended up with painful fingers when they reached into a bunch of stinging nettle. All of us are in a competition with critters who are taking bites or eating half of much of the produce the moment it ripens. I’ve seen many chewed-on tomatoes in the beds. I’m sure the critters do that just to spite us.

Soon it will be time to start cleaning up the garden for the season. Brooks has been turning over compost and moving some to empty beds. If you happen to be nearby those beds, grab a rake and move some of that compost around. Besides the end-of-the-season mulching work in October, we will also be planting next year’s garlic, harvesting winter squash and digging horseradish after a hard frost. As you do your fall cleanup in your own yards, think of us and bring your rakes leaves to our compost bins: No branches or other large debris – only the leaves.

If you are interested in participating in our garden, contact Coral. She can be reached at 218- 727-6455, coraljean@charter.net. The Lafayette Community Garden is located at Lafayette Park, 3016 Minnesota Ave. on Park Point. Coral McDonnell is the contact person for folks interested in our community garden membership and potluck dinners. Our potluck dinners are FREE and open to all Park Pointers. While all Park Pointers are welcome at our dinner events and welcome to visit the garden, harvesting at the garden is a privilege reserved for working garden members.

Ellie Alspach shares this simple recipe for Olive Tapenade for when you need a quick sandwich spread or dip for veggies.

In a food processor combine one can of black olives (drained), one medium jar of green olives with pimento (drained), and one or two cloves of minced garlic. Drizzle a bit of olive oil over the mixture and process until you get the consistency that you like. For a bit of zest, add a squeeze of lemon juice.

-Susan Peters

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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 Roz Randorf rrandorf@duluthmn.gov 218-443-8364

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