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The Breeze Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

Lafayette Rink Party Sunday Feb. 6th, Noon – 3pm Watch the S-curve sign for any updates due to conditions

Park Point Community
Club Meeting and
debrief with Chief
Tusken
February 15, 2022, 7PM
on Zoom

Lafayette Edible Garden Still not meeting in person

Park Point Garden Club January 27th, 7PM at Mary Grovers Contact: Kathy Jacobs 722-2375 All are Welcome

Park Point Rummage Sale June 10 & 11 2022

Park Point Art Fair June 25 & 26, 2022

Now for the best month of Winter!

The Power of Women Rowers is Demonstrated in the 1917 Duluth Regatta: Trophy Revealed

A sterling silver trophy was recently uncovered from the stored artifacts being redistributed from the Old Historic Duluth Central High School-Public Schools Museum housed in Room 112 (1890s Classroom Museum). The historic 1892 building at Lake Ave and 2nd St was sold last year by the ISD 709 School Board for \$3 million to a private metro firm to be converted into 121 rental housing units.

No provisions were made by the School Board for keeping the museum artifacts preserved except for what the SLC Historical Society, Duluth Public Library, UMD Library Archives, Karpeles Manuscript Museum would accept and



others could arrange with school faculty and former graduates. The bulk of the museum's antique furniture is scheduled for an auction sale by Nordic Auction later this Winter or Spring 2022.

The inscription on the trophy reads:

BAGLEY EIGHT OARED GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY won by DULUTH CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL - 1917 -

DULUTH BOAT CLUB GIRLS ROWING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REGATTA

The DCHS yearbooks contain a detailed description of the women's teams who competed in the 1917 regatta, whose members were also members of the DCHS basketball and other athletic school teams. The regatta race was exciting and well attended and shows the power of young women rowers at a time dominated by men. The Duluth Rowing Club was suggested as the most likely home for this trophy and the 1917 DCHS yearbook describing the events of the day, by former oarsman Gary Glass, 1959-60, who was one of the Millenia organizers of the 1890s Classroom Museum. A presentation of the 1917 trophy and yearbook to the Duluth Rowing Club is planned for the Spring/Summer of 2022.

Gary Glass

Minnesota Point Preservation Society (MPPS) 218-393-4242

Don't forget the Rink Gathering, February 6th, Noon -3PM. Weather permitting, of course

(hey, were Minnesotans! There's no bad weather, just bad clothes!)

The Breeze

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Submissions for the March issue are due

by 2/27/2022

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President's Report

Hi Neighbors,

It was great to see everyone who could make it to the small screen gathering for the January 18 meeting; thank you to Brett Odegard from Parks and Recreation for joining us. While it wasn't our boisterous and celebratory membership launch at our beloved Lafayette with fabulous Green Mill pizza, we were gathered warmly nonetheless as an engaged and friendly community in twenty six little frames, many with two smiling faces and pets, too. Thank you for joining or rejoining; you may drop off memberships in the Lafayette mailbox, lower level double door slot or with treasurer Gale K. at 714 S. Lake Ave. or send them to PPCC PO Box 16326 Duluth MN 55816-0326. We will be updating the email roster so please join asap & stay in touch.

Important opportunities in February:

2/6 Lafayette Rink Gathering, Sunday, Noon to 3pm, check website if weather is iffy

 $2/7\ \mathrm{MP50}$ Zoom meeting,10am: Two important Minnesota Point long-range planning activities

2/15 7pm Traffic Safety: One Year Debrief with Chief Tusken via Zoom & then PPCC meeting

We also talked about parking challenges, safety concerns and nonenforcement of the alternate side parking rules. Please park on the correct side and spread the word to visitors. Here is the calendar:https://duluthmn.gov/media/1118/parking-calendar.pdf. If cars and trucks are parked on both sides of the street and the sidewalk is not cleared-that is another request- a dangerous situation arises. Clearing sidewalks is really important; thank you for doing your part here to keep pedestrians, and their four legged friends safe and salt free. There is an ordinance about keeping sidewalks open, here it is if you need a refresher or want to lodge feedback. If the City has knocked down a snowbank and filled the sidewalk with hefty and/or icy boulders, call public works or report the situation here. The sidewalk in front of Lafayette was recently liberated by City crews after neighbors' efforts were undone by the snowbank trimming plow. Chad Bednar, Street Maintenance Manager, is at 218-730-5100 to report good things and needs:)

Summer is coming soon and we chatted on plans underway for the PP Rummage Sale on June 10 & 11 2022 and the 50th PP Art Fair on June 25 & 26 2022. Start sorting and pricing when cold winds keep you inside. Reminder: Have your rummage sale on the designated days and not on the Art Fair weekend, thank you. The annual tree planting will commence in May thanks to the generosity of members who responded to the plea for assistance with funding. Stay tuned on when to pick up and where to plant trees. Thank you to the Gould's for facilitating tree planting on MN Pt. for many years. To prepare for the upcoming & important MN Point strategic planning process,

historical documents will be posted on the Club's website. Stewards of Park Point have been working tirelessly to keep MN Point well planted, protected, and above water for decades; taking a close look at where we have been might be illuminating and helpful in facing the complex challenges to be studied, addressed, and managed moving forward. Look for the reports from the previous two Section 111 studies, the 1973 Park Point Sketch Plan, the Minnesota Point Environmental Management Plan & more.

Here's to engaging and doing the work necessary to preserve the unique natural landscape and quality of life on Minnesota Point. From the February 2012 Breeze, "It is not an overstatement that Minnesota Point be recognized as one of the most unique features of Lake Superior. It also is a story of rich human history that deserves to be preserved and communicated."

See you out and about!

Dawn & Bruno, Fuzzy Giant Schnauzer, canine companion

Traffic Safety: One Year Debrief with Chief Tusken

The PPCC will host a Zoom meeting on February 15 at 7 pm to review the Traffic Safety efforts of the past year. Joining the Zoom meeting will be Chief Mike Tusken, Deputy Chief Steven Stracek, and Lt. Chad Nagorski.

The agenda for the meeting will include:

- Traffic safety efforts of the past year: Successes and Challenges
 - o DPD Comments
 - o PP Residents Comments
- · General Discussion:
 - o What else can PP residents do to help with traffic safety?
 - o How can we encourage residents to volunteer for the Neighborhood Watch?
 - o What information from the DPD would help document community impact to encourage continued efforts?
 - o Additional ideas for long-term traffic safety control.

Pat sterner

Report from the Erosion and High Water Committee

Brrrr. If we could throw away January and replace it with another September, it would be fine with me.

Anyway. In the December issue of the Breeze, we reported that one of the topics and concerns was the blowing sand at 8th street, from the Beach Nourishment projects. The PPCC offered to supply the materials and the labor to erect some snow fencing to stop the sand from blowing into the street and on to the sidewalk. I reached out to Jim Filby Williams from the City of Duluth to offer our assistance in this project. He responded that because the fencing would be on City property, he would want a City crew to do the work. He said he would look into the matter and address it. I heard nothing more from him.

A couple of weeks ago a resident in that area, Travis Swartz, sent an email with pictures of the sand on the sidewalk, in the street and on cars in the area of 8th street. I forwarded his email to JFW and we got a written response with a commitment from the City to erect some fencing in that street end in the spring. More proof that a little citizen involvement can help push the ball forward.

I will follow up with the City in the Spring about this project and with Public Works about the delayed project that was scheduled for last fall. They have plans to address the standing water issues on the 1500 to 1900 blocks on Minnesota Ave. They plan on installing catch basins for residents who are pumping basement water into the street into these underground catch basins. They were unable to obtain the needed material last year. This is a project solution we have been working on for a couple of years. It will be nice to see a resolution.

Respectfully submitted by Hamilton Smith Chair PPCC Erosion and High Water Committee

Say it at the S-curve

The "postcard" sign at the S-curve is in need of some updating. In particular, it needs some new letters so it can properly display messages to Park Pointers. So in order to raise funds for this, we are offering Park Pointers the opportunity to post personal messages on the sign. In return for a suggested donation of \$10, you can tell someone Happy Birthday, Happy Anniversary, congratulations, and things of that nature, posted for everyone to see. Here's how it works: first, contact Rory Strange, PPCC secretary and sign keeper, at rstrange3@icloud.com, or call him at 340-7220, give him the message you want posted and work out the details – when to post it, for how long, and if we've got the letters to do it - then send a check made out to the Park Point Community Club to P.O. Box 16326 Duluth, MN 55816-0326. Or just drop it off at the house of our Treasurer, Gale Kerns, 714 Lake Ave. S.

PPCC Minutes

The January 2022 monthly meeting of the Park Point Community Club via Zoom was called to order by Dawn Buck, President at 7:04 pm on January 18th, 2022.

Dawn made opening remarks, welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Brent Odegard. He is the City of Duluth Parks and Rec Liaison.

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Motion was approved to accept the minutes as written in The Breeze. All in attendance voted aye.

Treasurers Report - Gale Kerns

November balance \$9,997

End of December balance - \$8,774

In January, \$520 in donations were received and \$1865 in memberships have come in so far.

\$700 in donations for trees was also accepted.

Motion was made and approved to accept the report.

Sunshine Committee - Pam Griggs

2 Congratulations and 2 sympathy cards sent this month.

Art Fair - Carla Tamburro & Diane Gould

There are a lot of issues still in discussion with both the Club and the City of Duluth regarding service fees and vendor fees. There will be more booths this year with a slightly different layout from years past. More information to come as plans and negotiations are solidified.

Rummage Sale - Deb Strange

Porta-potty estimates were received for both the Rummage Sale and the Art Fair. A meeting was held with the past Coordinator to review upcoming tasks.

The Breeze - Alan Dartanyan

Alan continues to encourage submissions for items of neighborhood interest. Membership roster will continue to be published in the Breeze.

Program Committee - Dave Poulin

No report.

Summer Youth Program - Kari Speer

Currently on hold due to uncertainty regarding Covid-19.

Environmental Committee - Dick Gould

Discussed tree planting and currently waiting for information regarding larger trees provided through the State.

Edible Garden - Coral McDonnell

No report.

Neighborhood Watch / Traffic Safety - Pat Sterner

Pat is currently working with our community officer to set up a meeting to follow up on last year's efforts and look ahead at additional solutions in 2022. Meeting between Park Point residents and DPD will be in February. Notification will be sent out to encourage participation in this virtual meeting. Pat is encouraging resident to continue reporting traffic concerns to ParkPointtrafficsafety@gmail.com.

MP-50: Paul Treuer

Two significant activities – the City of Duluth has committed to having a long-term planning document developed. First meeting will be Monday Feb 7th. The Army Corps of Engineers will be commissioning a shipping study. For more information, contact Paul at Paul.Treuer@gmail.com.

High Water & Erosion – Hamilton Smith

The City will be providing some infrastructure at the 8th St access point to prevent ongoing sand issues and erosion. Thanks for everyone's input to bring this issue to the City for remediation. Additional information will be provided in the Breeze.

Other Business:

There will be a Rink Party on February 6th from Noon to 4pm at Lafayette. Come out and enjoy this family event. There will be skating, hot dogs and hot chocolate. Additional information will be posted on the PPCC website and the S-curve sign.

Discussion regarding the purchase of new lettering for the S-Curve sign. Please review this month's Breeze for this initiative and how you can be involved.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rory Strange, Secretary

MP 50 Minnesota Point Long-range Resiliency Planning

The MP50Working Group consists of representatives from PPCC, City of Duluth, Minnesota DNR, Lake Superior Coastal Program, Minnesota SeaGrant, Duluth Port authority, and the Coalition to Protect Lake Superior.

The working group is hosting two speakers at the next Zoom meeting which is scheduled for Feb. 7, 2022 from 10:00 AM -11:30 AM. The public is encouraged to attend because the speakers will provide information about two important Minnesota Point long-range planning activities. A link to this meeting will be posted on the PPCC Webpage and will be sent through e-mail to members of MP50 and PPCC.



Speakers featured at the Feb. 7th MP50 meeting are:

- -Diane Desotelle, Natural resouces Coordinator, Duluth, who will describe and answer questions about the City's recently developed Minnesota Point 50-year Resiliency Planning Process. This is a document that outlines a process by which the City of Duluth will lead Minnesota Point's long-term resiliency planning.
- Nicolas Zagor, Chief, Planning Office, USACE Detroit District, will describe and answer questions about the 2022 Section 111 Study of Minnesota Point the identifies the impact of shipping structures on Minnesota Point erosion. MP50 is a learning community of individuals and stakeholder groups collaborating to develop a strategic plan of action for Minnesota Point. Diverse points of view are welcome. Contact Paul Teeuer, MP50 coordinator (paul.treuer@gmail.com) to get on the mailing list, share your ideas and/or questions, or to join the MP50 Working Group

Environmental Report

Trees! My favorite subject. Looking at the effect the trees we began planting in the early 80s, the effect has been exciting. When we first came to the point the sand was drifting across the street in many places from the east wind and nothing to slow it down. Residents and the City were shoveling and hauling it away. The effect of the trees we have planted has changed that. I would like to complete he planting to connect what we have planted with the existing forest down at the end. I'm guessing that about 500 to 1000 white pine would get that done. The other thing that excites me are the number of birds that are nesting in them. We will be looking for volunteers with a shovel and bucket this Spring.

Thanks to all who have helped this far.

Dick Gould



CALL TO ARTISTS!

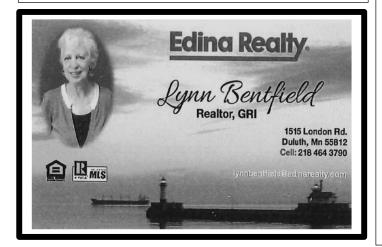
Application deadline March 1, 2022

Inviting visual artists working in the following media: printmaking, painting, sculpture, ceramics, glass, wood, photography, jewelry and fiber to apply for the 2022 Park Point Art Fair. In its 50th year, the art fair is well established, well organized and well liked by artists for its ease of set-up, hospitality and consistent sales. Each year, the Park Point Art Fair draws over 10,000 visitors to Park Point, a beautiful natural setting tucked between Lake Superior and the Superior Bay, where attendees can buy art from the region's finest artists.

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News from the Lafayette Edible Garden

One of our garden's favorite plants is GARLIC. If you have a vegetable and/or or a flower garden this is a plant that gives, health, culinary, and beauty benefits. It grows well on Park Point.

We have enjoyed years of success and experience growing good organic garlic in our raised beds. One clove will grow into a bulb. It is a beautiful plant. The deep green stems and pointed leaves and multi-hued bulbs of white, purples and mauve colors have darling curly roots. It will grow in most spaces you have for gardening. It is a great companion plant for vegetables as well as roses. It has properties that are health promoting for plants and humans. We plant the cloves in late fall and they are harvested in late summer. Today they are sleeping under the snow. As with life, the best quality bulbs are going to produce the best produce. We had a very lovely crop this past season and they were plentiful enough to give to our members and plant for NEXT coming season. We all know that it has been used in foods of many cultures. Garlic is being eyed with more and more interest in the scientific world for its health benefits. Garlic has many uses for the prevention of diseases as well as cures. There are thousands of credible scientific papers covering these findings. It is an immunity booster, and has anti-viral properties. Here are two ideas for enjoying this incredible plant. They are taken from the book GARLIC, THE MIGHTY BULB by Natasha Dward. It is an amazingly wonderful book and is at our Public Library.

GARLIC TEA (for an immune booster or when you think a cold is coming on)- One cup of boiling water over 4 large roughly cut chopped garlic cloves and allow them to infuse for a few minutes. Stir in the juice of ½ lemon, 1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar and honey to taste. Then pour into a mug and sip the hot mixture. For maximum benefits eat the cloves. Cloves that have been cooked are milder than raw garlic.

THE GARLIC FARM CLASSIC HUMMUS – place all of these ingredients in a food processor or try in a blender to the texture that you like. Enjoy on crackers, pita bread is a standard, as well as any vegetable.

2 cans of chickpeas, drained

Juice of ½ lemon

- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 3 garlic cloves (or as many as you like)
- 1 tablespoon of chopped coriander
- 2 teaspoons of tahini
- 2-3 tablespoons of olive oil

Salt and pepper to taste

A favorite soup of mine is borscht, red beet soup. You can follow this recipe but please use what you want to add depending on your taste and foods available. Our garden has grown beets but we are still working out how to improve our beet growing! Any suggestions?

BORSCHT WITH GARLIC

In a large saucepan combine beets, carrots, onion, and broth. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and cover for 30 minutes. Use amounts that you will enjoy, its' very flexible. Use vegetable, chicken, or beef broth.

Add tomatoes and cabbage and garlic cloves and simmer until tender. (Use any frozen tomatoes or canned or fresh ones) Stir in salt, dill and pepper.

Serve with sour cream or yogurt

OUR GARDEN WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS OF ALL SKILLS AND ABILITIES. Please contact Coral at 218-727-6455 for questions about becoming a member. When the community center opens again we will meet for monthly pot lucks and meetings.

Happy Valentine's Day! (if "garlic breath" concerns you try chewing a coffee bean to mask the odor) PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING – EAT MORE GARLIC Carol Kondrath

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218-393-4332

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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

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
City of Duluth/home 218-730-5000
duluthmn.gov/contact

Another opportunity to join. Remember, it's \$10 per person, not household

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