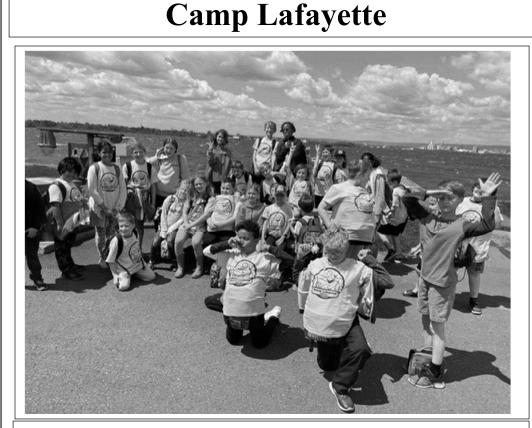


The Breeze **Of Park Point**



"Camp is RUNNING!" is what the 2022 camp banner declares and boy is that true! With over 30 campers, 3 counselors, 2 interns and all the fantastic amenities that Park Point affords the camp has grown to be a fantastic summer experience for youth ages 5-12. The camp has differentiated camp activities for three age groups: 5-8 (Sprouts), 9-10 (Tweeners) and 11-12 (Cadets). The camp transports on the DTA and visited the library, Bayfront Park, Duluth Rowing Club, Sky Harbor Airport, played bingo with residents at Franciscan Home, started collaborating with the Edible Garden group, served grilled hot dogs, cleaned the beach, played all kinds of games, and learned many new things. We are grateful for the support the PPCC continues to offer Camp Lafayette!"

THE 50th ANNUAL PARK POINT ART FAIR IS A WRAP

The Art Fair was a tremendous success in spite of some rain on Saturday and gusty winds Sunday.

The artist did well and complimented the PPCC on a well- run event. Much of the success was due to the over 80 volunteers who made the event happen. We want to THANK all of you.

Upcoming Events

Duluth International Regatta July 9th

Lafayette Edible Garden Potluck June 13th, 6PM **Outdoors at Lafayette**

> **Park Point 5-Miler** July 14th

Park Point Community Club Meeting Julv 19th 6:30 social 7PM Meeting at Lafayette

PARK POINT **GARDEN CLUB** July 28th **Dinner out? Contact: Kathy Jacobs** 218-722-2375 All are welcome

Neighborhood Night Out August 2nd 5-7PM At St. Andrews by the Lake

Keep The Summer Comin'

The Breeze

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Park Point Community Club P.O. Box 16326 Duluth, MN 55816-0326 www.parkpointcommunityclub.org Hi Neighbors,

The June trifecta of major events is over and I am wondering how it all went by

so quickly? My summer syndrome of trying to pack it all in has fully kicked in. I recently heard a term related to my summer feelings of needing to pack it all in and then doing more- FOMO, fear of missing out.

President's Report

The summer fun continues:

Duluth International Rowing Regatta: July 9

PP 5 Miler: July 14

PPCC meeting: July 19, 7pm, Lafayette

National Night Out: August 2, St. Andrew's By the Lake, 28th and MN Ave., 5-7pm with free food, lemonade and entertainment!

If you aren't running or walking in the PP 5 miler this year, there are opportunities to help out. PPCC volunteers will be helping with water at Lafayette. Greg Haapala and his crew have been in touch with this year's race plan and this note:

"We would love to send a call out to Park Pointers to volunteer on the race course, especially neighbors that live between 23rd St and the Rec Area. Having additional folks cheering the runners on, providing entertainment/music, and also keeping eyes out for rogue vehicles etc. that somehow didn't realize the race is occurring are super helpful. Anyone interested can contact Alivia at alivia@grandmasmarathon.com or 218-727-0947."

Volunteering at the 50th PP Art Fair provided a wonderful opportunity to connect with artists and neighbors in an amazing community event. I had the opportunity to learn how the pandemic changed artists' work and their lives. Their stories were thought provoking and inspiring. Watching the volunteers gather and work together, put on the fair and put it all away again is something very special. This year a number of new volunteers came on board; this is awesome! A huge thank you to Carla Tamburro, Coordinator, her family, the Art Fair Committee and to everyone who contributed to the success of the 2022 Art Fair.

The PPCC S-Curve Postcard messaging board provides a unique way to convey congratulations & birthday wishes to Park Point neighbors and family members. To post a message like this, contact Rory Strange, 218-340-7220. We are asking for a donation of ten dollars for each posting which pays for sign maintenance and accessories. To pay for the posting, drop off your donation with treasurer Gale Kerns at 714 S. Lake Ave. Thank you for your support!

When you are biking past dear old Lafayette, you'll hear the joy of kids enjoying the summer youth program and see beautiful gardens created by members of the Park Point Garden Club and the Lafayette Community Edible Garden. Keep reading The Breeze to stay in touch on topics which affect our community. Park Pointers are engaged; this is essential on our unique and fragile baymouth bar.

See you on the beach and on the water! Our little boat, the Dawn Patrol will soon emerge from the shed, somehow I misplaced the prop and this is problematic....:0

Dawn & Bruno, FOMO canine

PS The maximum speed limit on Park Point is 30mph

St. Andrew's Celebrates Neighborhood Night Out

Tuesday, August 2, 5 to 7 p.m.

The community of St. Andrew's invites you, our neighbors and friends, to celebrate Neighborhood Night Out with us on Tuesday, August 2, from 5 to 7 pm. Brats, burgers and hotdogs, along with all the fixings, a Four Bean casserole (gluten free), Vegetarian Bean casserole, Cole slaw, fresh fruit, desserts and water and pop will be provided. Optional eating inside or out.

Join us, rain or shine, for a relaxing evening with your friends and neighbors. The church sanctuary will be open for mini tours as well as the entire building. Music will be provided by our own Park Point duo, Len and Lois. Invitations will be sent to the Duluth Police Department's K-9 Unit, Community Police Officer, Ethan Roe, Mayor Emily Larson, City Councilor and School Board members, along with our Park Rangers, Bridge operators and members of the Coast Guard.

If you have any questions, please call Sandra Carlson at 218-428-5262 and leave a message or The Reverend Marta Maddy, at the St. Andrew's office, 727-1262. St. Andrew's is located at 2802 Minnesota Avenue.

We hope to meet many of you during this opportunity for St. Andrew's to give back to you, as together, we share the world's longest freshwater baymouth bar.

Submitted by Sandra Carlson

Environmental Report

Geese everywhere! Where they learn to fly they will return for the rest of their lives!

If you would like to keep them out of your yard an Owl decoy is very effective, move it around the area about twice a month or more. I had no idea they would become so many when I brought about eight of them here in the mid eighties!

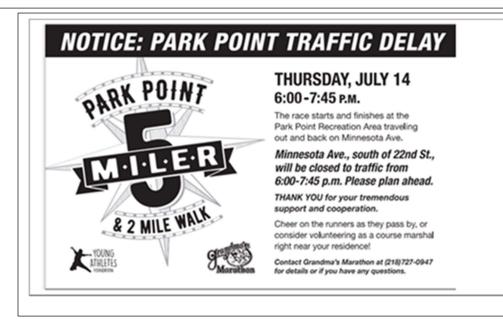
Their favorite food is lawn grass. If you have a problem with them call me. There are five varieties of them we have the Giant.

Dick Gould

Come help out at Minnesota Point Pine Forest SNA, a host to a magnificent old growth pine forest near the eastern tip of Minnesota Point, the 7-mile long sandbar that shelters the Duluth Harbor and Superior Bay from the open waters of Lake Superior. Join SNA staff in searching for and removing spotted knapweed (Centauria stoebe spp. micranthos L.) and other invasive species.

Advanced registration is required and the event will be capped at 25 attendees. To register, please email <u>arika.preas@state.mn.us</u> (link sends email). Masks are encouraged for unvaccinated volunteers.

Instructions and good camaraderie will be provided. Make sure to bring water and dress for working in the weather. If you have your own gloves you'd like to use, please bring those as well. Footwear appropriate for outdoor work/hiking is recommended. There are no recreational facilities on this site.



PPCC Minutes

The June 2022 monthly meeting of the Park Point Community Club was called to order by Dawn Buck, President at 7:02 pm on June 21st, 2022. The meeting was held in person at

Lafayette.

Dawn wanted to thank Carla for all her efforts organizing the Art Fair and Kari and Britta for their work with the Summer Youth Program.

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

Treasurers Report – Gale Kerns

End of April balance \$30,860

End of May balance - \$48,053

Insurance policy was renewed for \$2200. This covers all PPCC activities.

Motion was made and approved to accept the report.

Sunshine Committee - Pam Griggs

3 cards were sent this month. 1 get well, 1 sympathy and 1 thank you were sent. Membership was encouraged to let the Sunshine committee know if there are those who need a card.

Rummage Sale - Deb Strange

The 2022 Rummage Sale was a great success! After a 2 year hiatus, there was a big turnout and everyone seemed to have a good time.

The Breeze - Alan Dartanyan

Alan said things are going well. Please continue to send in submissions. There continues to be a lot of good content.

Program Committee - Dave Poulin

looking at the possibility of the September meeting being held at Duluth Rowing Club.

Summer Youth Program - Kari Speer

Comments have been extremely positive! Kids and families are enjoying all the planned activities. Please contact coordinators if you would like to volunteer your time.

Environmental Committee - Dick Gould

Tree planting went well this year. Additionally, there appears to be a lot more poison ivy this year so please be careful. **Edible Garden -** Coral McDonnell

No report

Neighborhood Watch / Traffic Safety - Pat Sterner

Please keep in mind if you see speeding, illegal camping, or activity of a suspicious nature please all 911. Please reach out to parkpointtrafficsafety@gmail.com if you would like to be involved with traffic watch or to report traffic concerns. **MP-50**: Paul Treuer

Three points were brought up. One, that the Army Corp will be having a July 11th meeting regarding Section 111. Two, FEMA will be updating flood maps in June and July. Three, there will be a research summit on Friday August 19th. More information to follow.

High Water & Erosion – Hamilton Smith

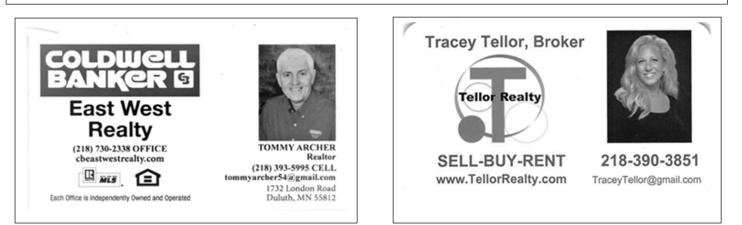
No report

Art Fair - Carla Tamburro

Carla gave a brief update and it's happening this weekend!

Other Business:

Thanks to Diane for providing treats and coffee for the meeting! Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm Respectfully submitted,



Minnesota Point Long-Range Resiliency Planning

MP50 Research Summit

MP50 (PPCC) is hosting the Barrier Research Summit: Minnesota and Wisconsin Point. The purpose of the summit is for natural and social scientists and community members to exchange ideas and knowledge about the Duluth Superior baymouth barrier systems to address the question: Are Minnesota and Wisconsin Points Stable over the Long Term?



The summit will provide a facilitated discussion and networking opportunities for individuals to provide updates on what they are involved in to understand and promote the resilience of Minnesota and Wisconsin Points.

When: Friday, August 19, 2022 1:00 - 4:30 PM Facilitated Discussion 4:30 - 6:00 PM Refreshments provided by PPCC Edible Garden 6:00 - 8:00 PM Field Trips

Where: Lafayette Community Center This is a free event for registered participants. Contact Paul Treuer (paul.treuer@gmail.com) for additional information.

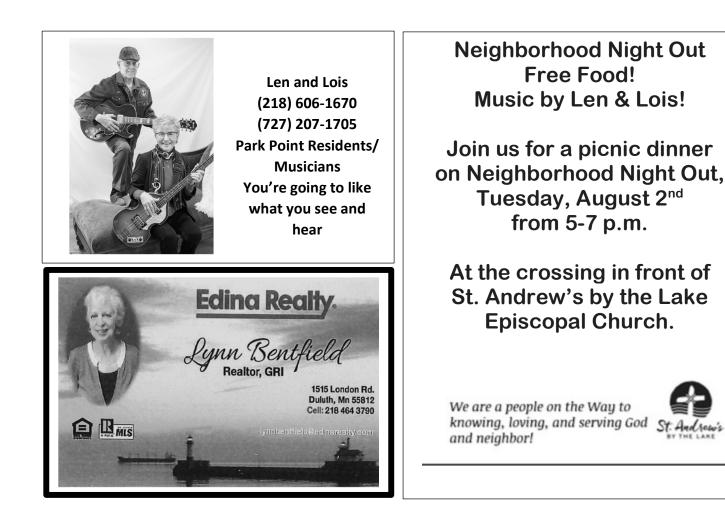
Report from the Erosion and High Water Committee

The storm sewer project between 15 and 19th is finished as I'm sure most of you have observed. This project should address a couple of issues in this area of Minnesota Ave on the lakeside. Those residents who have been pumping their sump pumps into the street can now pump that water into catch basins that are connected, underground, to the storm sewer. This should eliminate the standing water that has been a big issue in this area for several years. The City of Duluth also did a lot of work on the 16th street cut in going towards the beach. This is where the bus shelter is, and that area has been a mess for many years. Previously the poor pavement and the accumulation of water has made using the bus stop hard or impossible for some people. Especially residents of the nursing home. Improvements to several section of sidewalk and curbs is very welcome. Thanks to the City for this work. I received correspondence from Brook Haworth Plant Ecologist MN.DNR. concerning the challenges of working with state protected beach grass on Park Point. She sent to me a lengthy document titled "Landscaping your Home on Shifting Sands Native Plants Recommendations for Minnesota Point Homeowners." If you would like a copy, please send me an email request and I will forward it to you. hamiltonsmith4857@gmail.com

Respectfully submitted Hamilton Smith, Chair PPCC Erosion and High Ware Committee

Rummage Sale

Thanks to all my neighbors who participated in the 40th annual Rummage Sale last month. With the goal of increasing pedestrian safety, we were able to work with Parking Enforcement to have both sides of the S-curve posted as "No Parking" during the two days of the sale. We also had the "Justice Bus" from Legal Aid that came down to offer free legal advice to anyone needing help. I'm happy to report there were no issues and very few piles of unwanted items left on the sidewalks. Overall, the sale was a great success! Thank you all for making this event a summer favorite! Deb Strange Rummage Sale Chairperson



Traffic Safety Report

Dawn Buck and Pat Sterner met on June 27 with James Gittemeier, City Engineering, on possible long-term solutions to traffic calming. Topics and solutions discussed:

1. Speed limit going down to 20 mph. This is a MN mandated process; but we can talk to our city councilors about it. James encouraged us to reach out to Noah Hobbs and others about what it would take to do this.

2. Curb extensions – could only do one, so we agreed that's not the way to go especially as it's hard to determine where to put them and having only one will not have the impact needed.

3. James thought that putting snap-in pylons in strategic places along Minnesota Avenue would be the best way to go. They would be placed on either side of the street and are intended to have the same impact of narrowing the lanes to slow traffic. Can snap in during the summer months and take out for winter. Identified areas are around 40th, 37th, 32nd, 28th, 16th, S curve, 12th street. He's going to see where we can start, maybe with 2 or 3 locations.

4. Diamonds painted in the recreation lane. This seems doable, and would delineate the lane in a specific way for recreation. We offered volunteers to help paint the diamonds all the way down the Point. James is going to have a conversation with the engineering office to see how we can move forward with this.

5. Signage using the electronic signs that now show "No beach fires" – can we use for different messaging such as "watch for pedestrians" "children at play" "drive 30 mph and save lives". James is going to check with the Fire Department about using these signs.

6. Signage that would be posted on the Snow Route signs saying "NO PARKING" with more visible instructions about parking regulations for the recreation lane.

7. James has stats that show how driving 30 mph can save pedestrian lives if hit, anything over 30 mph reduces their chance of surviving an automobile hit. We can send this information to PP residents, ask the City to amplify that message.

8. Continue to work with DPD to get two traffic speed studies done this summer; one in July and one in August. We will continue to move forward with our volunteer efforts, as well as working with DPD. The best news is that we definitely have the attention not only of DPD but City Engineering, and will continue to work towards long-term solutions for calming traffic on Park Point.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Sterner

News from the Lafayette Edible Garden

Welcome to our new members Orianna Ellison, Jason Pearson and their twins, Lexi Clark, and Randine Anderson. Our garden community is growing and learning together. We have been busy with getting the garden ready for another summer of surprises and delicious fresh and organic vegetables. If you were lucky to come to one of the work parties, you started us all off on a great season. With seeds saved from last year and starts (baby plants), grown on members tables and sills, we filled most of the beds. Soil was amended with home grown compost. This is thanks to all who carried coffee grounds and vegetable peelings and placed them in the compost piles. We are always learning how best to care for our soil and what amendments are needed. The beds are planted and watering them is ongoing , by what we so sweetly call our WATERING ANGELS. Weeding is ongoing as well and everyone is encouraged to do what they can to help our plants along.

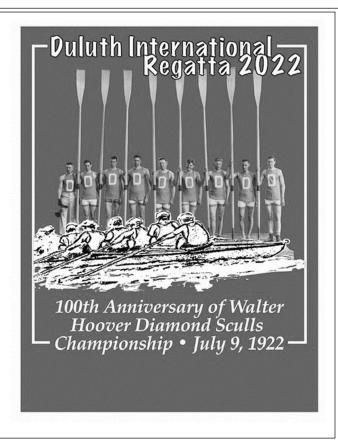
At this writing there has already been a wonderful crop of herbs, lettuce and greens. There has been a great use of covers for some of the spring crops of lettuce. These row covers are a lightweight fabric and can assist in frost protection, heavy rain or hail protection, summer shading, holding moisture in the soil, and some pest protection. Please go under them and harvest these very tasty early crops. The herb garden is near the lettuce greens. There are many herbs to be harvested already. They make delicious additions to salads, soups, and all sorts of dishes. I enjoyed making potato salad with our dill, parsley, garlic chives, and tarragon. Come and use many of these herbs before bolting occurs. The cover cloths can also help prevent bolting and sun scald from intense heat.

Our last pot luck was a delicious event. It was also a blessed event. We honored the upcoming season with poetry and heartfelt gratitude for this garden community. Many shared their joy for living here or coming here to garden. We also had a very successful attempt at making money for our garden. Members and community friends near and as far as California donated money to our call for help toward our kitty. We had a silent auction with a beautiful print that was donated by Tom Raushenfels which is now in the home of one of our members. We also had a table full of garden useful things that guests brought to the event and these made our kitty even more plentiful and ready for what we need to keep the garden going.

All are welcome at our next pot luck, Monday July 11th. We will be holding it outdoors. The community center is unavailable this month for our use. Please bring a dish to share along with your plate, utensils, and chair if at all possible. We will provide these things if you are unable or forget to bring them. Start thinking tomato recipe ideas to share. We are going to have a great crop this summer and hope to celebrate Duluth's vegetable of the year with lots of great ideas for harvesting and preserving.

Stay healthy and eat more vegetables. Try a Kale smoothie or Kale chips which are always a hit. We also have Kale ready! See you in the garden.

Carol Kondrath



The Duluth Rowing Club is getting ready to host its first major event since covid's two years of cancellations. Saturday, July 9th, is this year's annual Duluth Rowing Club International Regatta. This year's event is a celebration and commemoration of the 100th anniversary of Duluth's Walter Hoover, a rower who won the prestigious England Diamond Sculls in 1922, considered the greatest single rower sculling event in the world. Hoover lived in Duluth, trained with the Duluth Boat Club (predecessor to the DRC), was celebrated after winning in NYC with a ticker tape parade, and welcomed back to Duluth with a crowd of 65,000, considered the largest crowd in Duluth's history for any single event.

Racing starts at 8:00 am and is scheduled to finish at 5:00, weather permitting. There will be 28 different events for singles, doubles, pairs, quads, fours, and eights, encompassing junior rowers (ages 13 - 18), open (19 years old and older), and masters (27 - ?). Since this is the first major Minnesota regatta of the season and one of the first since covid, there could be 300+ athletes competing, traveling from both Canada and the Midwest. Come on down, bring a lawn chair, and cheer on your favorites while sitting on the north point of the DRC property. Many thanks for showing Park Point kindness to all rowing competitors, their families, and all spectators.

The Breeze

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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: Shelter: 218-723-3259 On-Duty Cell Phone: 218-390-2256 City Councilor Roz Randorf rrandorf@duluthmn,gov 218-443-8364 City of Duluth/home 218-730-5000 duluthmn.gov/contact

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