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The Breeze Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

Lafayette Community
Edible Garden
Potluck,
Monday, June 12th
6-8PM at Lafayette

Park Point
Community Club
Meeting
June 20th, at Lafayette
social at 6:45,
meeting at 7PM

Park Point Flower Garden Club For info contact Sue Solin 218-349-0682

Park Point Rummage Sale June 9&10

Park Point Art Fair June 24 & 25

Park Point 5-Miler July 13

Let the June Craziness Begin!

Park Point Art Fair 2023!







This is it! June is here and we are gearing up for the single biggest and most important fundraising event for the Park Point Community, the Park Point Art Fair. There have been many changes over the past few years but some things that haven't changed are the relationships, friendships and connections that happen when we allow the art fair to be a part of our lives, whether as an artist, a volunteer, or an attendee. Personally, I get very excited to work with all and catch up on the long winter months. The art fair marks the beginning of my summer and the start of digging into the few warm months we enjoy in this beautiful place where we live. This year, expect to see many new faces as veteran artists turn over the ranks to new people who are just getting started in the art world. Many of these artists will come and go as they move onto different venues, but some will stay and become our regulars. It is always a pleasure to watch as people move on and even more so as people become a part of this 51-year tradition and a part of our community. We hope you'll come down and support veteran artists and fellow Duluthians such as Karin Kraemer, Richard Gruchalla and Carrin Rossetti, as well as our own Park Pointers, Natalija Walbridge and McKenzie Kapsner. A recent transplant to Duluth showing for the first time is award-winning painter, David Austin. Come on down to say hello to them and see their newest work and most importantly, buy. Please buy from our artists, so they feel your support not only in your welcoming gestures and smiles but in their pockets.

And if you are so inclined, volunteer to help with set-up, booth sitting or greeting fairgoers. As appreciation for your time, you will be invited to the Artist & Volunteer Appreciation Dinner in the Beach House, catered by our sponsor, Bellisio's. Contact Diane Gould, 218-727-4067, for time slots and instructions.

A big thank you to all our sponsors this year. Please say a personal word of thanks from our community if you frequent any one of these businesses or consider becoming a patron in support of their support. Sponsors include, Solglimt Bed and Breakfast, Canal Park Brewery, The North Radio, The Duluth Art Institute, J&RS Build, The Reader, North Shore Federal Credit Union, Pizza Luce, ProPrint, Vikre, The Canal Park Lift Bridge Lodge, and Bellisio's.

Lastly, I hope we are blessed with good weather. Cross your fingers, pray, meditate, channel energy, think positive thoughts...if we all focus maybe we can influence the weather. Just maybe, but it can't hurt to try.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the community and to be a part of this wonderful event. I appreciate you all.

Your coordinator.

Carla Tamburro

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President's Report

Hi Neighbors;

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Tuesday, June 20th at 7pm; consider arriving at 645pm to say hi to neighbors you know and see who might be new to extraordinary living on Park Point! It's always interesting to hear how neighbors decided to make the move and the journey that led them here.

Our guests on 6/20 will be Fire Chief Shawn Krizaj on responsible fires and much more and airport planner Kaci Nowicki on updates to the new Sky Harbor terminal.

Are you ready for this summer's main events? June launches the full steam ahead summer with the PP Rummage Sale, Camp Lafayette and the 51st Park Point Art Fair & add to that the Grandma's Races! Community members are working hard getting all of the pieces in place, thank you. To volunteer at the Art Fair, please call Diane Gould, you know the number:)

A shout out to Harbor City science teacher and former Park Pointer Brian Scott who led another beach sweep near the bridge in May. Students from the service club (Action Club Team, ACT) and the AP Environmental Science course, plus school staff volunteers, participated in the event. Brian has led 13 beach sweeps in the past 7 years in coordination with The Alliance for the Great Lakes who uses this data to advocate for policies and legislation in Great Lakes states and provinces.

Harbor City students will also be working in the Lafayette Community Edible Garden on May 30 and will be cleaning and preparing lower Lafayette for Camp Lafayette on June 2.

Thank you for taking the time to read The Breeze and engaging in our community. This engagement piece was evident at the 5/18 Open House on Strengthening Coastal Community Resilience in the Great Lakes Region. We will need a strong showing of community support as the Club continues to work to build a more resilient Minnesota Point along with a long- term plan for its management into the future. Thank you for taking the time to read up on the issues and get involved in the planning process!

Speaking of the planning process, thank you to Councilor Roz Randorf who attended last month's meeting to hear residents' concerns about developing the Point and questions about transparency, building codes, fair and equitable practices, stress on infrastructure, parking and public safety which all came up. A need for the City to step up and support Park Point with services and very careful evaluation before approving more on our unique and vulnerable island was expressed. Are there changes to the building process on Park Point that might be improved? Thank you to Councilor Randorf for listening to neighbors' needs and concerns and asking City officials to provide explanations & clarity. I don't know how you are feeling about all of the upcoming events, but after the long cold lonely winter, I'm ready for all of the festivities! Here comes the sun; I'm so ready! Hoping to see you soon on the water! I am getting excited to get out in the "Dawn Patrol" our 1970 Boston Whaler Sakonnet, and this year, I didn't misplace the propeller over the winter:0

Wishing you Park Point Bliss & Summer Euphoria, Dawn

PS: Please set a good example with the speed limit of 30mph. Call 911 if you see a crime or something doesn't look right. Call 911 if you see cars passing and other reckless driving. Be the kind of neighbor you'd like to have

"If you've never experienced the joy of accomplishing more than you can imagine, plant a garden." ~Robert Brault



The Park Point Flower Garden Planning Committee presented their ideas, recommendations, and budget proposal to our members during the April meeting at the home of Liz MacKay. Discussion ensued, questions were asked, and decisions were made. If the weather cooperates, we will begin work during our May 25 meeting at our Lafayette garden.



Plans include moving some perennials to areas that are better suited to their sunlight preference, sowing annual seeds to fill-in areas, supplementing the soil in which new plants are placed, and mulching to prevent weeds and retain water.

We will also be placing small markers by plants for identification.



Our PP Flower Garden Club will be participating in the PP Rummage Sale on June 9 & 10! Please visit the Gould residence and pick up some items for your home garden. There will be plants, planters, garden tools and more for your gardening pleasure! Hope to see you there! Sue Solin

Last fall, as we were cleaning up our flower beds, we noticed that brush, tree branches and other "green waste" had been dumped on the hill near our gardens. It was unsightly and posed a danger both to kids and pets. We contacted the city park department, who said they would provide a truck, if we could provide the volunteers to drag the waste down the hill and load it.

Our PPFGC members, with the help of John Brostrom and Tom Ellison, were able to clean up most of the debris. The city has now posted signs reminding people that "green waste" is not to be dumped here. Please bring brush, branches and other yard waste to the WLSSD Yard Waste Compost Site, off 27th



News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

Welcome new garden members: Keith and Debra McLaughlin, Keith Brakke, and Halima Akbari.

May was a busy month in the community garden. Thanks to the donations of leaves and appropriate food scraps the community adds to the compost bins in the community garden in the fall, we had luscious compost to transfer into our garden beds in May. Then came Dan O'Neil with a pickup-load of manure and a gang of manure spreaders went to work incorporating it into our soil. Next, we got to work planting. Then trellises were set up for cucumbers and peas. Ellie Allspach reports, "Now potatoes are peeking out of the ground, rhubarb is robust, and lettuce is almost ready. We thought the asparagus was done for, so I went out to find a few more roots. When I cleaned off the straw there were shoots poking up through the ground. The purple passion asparagus was newly planted to fill in the whole bed."

This summer watch for construction going on in the garden as we shore up the raised beds previous community gardener, Denny Johnson, built for us several years ago. Jerry Miller, Dave Poulin, Keith McLaughlin, Erin O'Hearn, Don Lemmerman, and Greg Peterson will be spearheading this project.

If you missed your chance you sign up to help on garden projects at the May 8 potluck, it's not too late. You can choose your times for watering duty and committee help by calling Coral McDonnell. She is also the contact person for folks interested in our community garden and potluck dinners. She can be contacted at 218-727-6455, coraljean@charter.net. Our monthly potluck dinners are FREE and open to all Park Pointers. They take place at the Lafayette Community Club. Please bring your own plates, silverware, beverage and a dish to share. We will continue to have out monthly potluck dinner meetings on the second Monday of the month from 6 to 8 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, June 12, 6 to 8 p.m., potluck dinner meeting.

Coral McDonnell recommends this recipe for Rhubarb Bars that were a real hit when she recently served them at a meeting.

Rhubarb Dream Bars

Crust:

2 cups all-purpose flour

3/4 cup powdered sugar

1 cup butter

Topping:

4 eggs

2 cups sugar

1/2 cup flour

1 1/2 teaspoons salt

4 cups rhubarb, finely chopped

Combine 2 cups flour, powdered sugar and butter. Mix well and press into a greased 9" x 13" pan. Bake at 350 degrees until golden brown, 10 to 15 minutes.

Beat eggs, sugar, 1/2 cup flour and salt until well blended. Add rhubarb, mix. Spoon mixture onto baked crust. Bake at 350 degrees for 40-45 more. Cool and cut into bars.

-Susan Peters

Hello Neighbors
Just a reminder that Friday June
9th and Saturday June 10th kick
off our busy summer on Park
Point with the Rummage Sale!
Please have your sales this
weekend so we don't interfere
with the Park Point Art Fair.
Thank you again for making out
community the place to be each
summer!



Len and Lois
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Residents/ Musicians
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what you see and
hear







St. Andrew's by the Lake Annual Brat Sale

Park Point Rummage Sale Fri, June 9 & Sat, June 10 8 am - 4 pm

Breakfast burritos, hamburgers, BRATS, BRATS, BRATS, Hot dogs, chips, water & pop

Proceeds provide lunches at Chum for people who are homeless

> 2802 Minnesota Ave | 218-727-1262 fo@standrewsbythelakeduluth.org



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

Park Point Community Club Minutes

The May 2023 monthly meeting of the Park Point Community Club was called to order by Dawn Buck, President at 7:05 pm on May 16th, 2023.

Dawn welcomed residents and Councilor Roz Randorf.

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

Treasurers Report – Gale Kerns

End of March balance \$18,296

End of April balance - \$39,301

Increased revenue due to Summer Youth Program and Art Fair Registration.

Motion was made and approved to accept the report.

Sunshine Committee - Pam Griggs

Since the last meeting, 4 sympathy, 1 get well, 1 Thank You and 1 "Zero" birthday card have been sent.

At this time, Special guest Steve Sola from South Pier made a special presentation regarding the new hotel project near the bridge. Currently the project has been approved. If you have further concerns regarding this project, please contact Steve at Stevensola@rocketmail.com or rrandorf@duluthmn.gov. There was a brief Q&A following the presentation.

Watch Committee – That's us

Please view info on ongoing traffic and safety issues on the PPCC website. City of Duluth cites a lack of funding for no increase in patrols or enforcement on Park Point this summer.

High Water & Erosion – Hamilton Smith

Recently installed storm drains seem to be working well. For additional info, please contact Hamilton Smith directly.

Edible Garden - Coral McDonnell

Looking forward to having Summer Youth Program helping out this year.

Summer Youth Program – Britta DeSutter

No Report

Art Fair – Diane Gould

Things are going well. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Diane at 727-4067.

Rummage Sale - Deb Strange

Just a few weeks away! Mark your calendars for Friday June 9th and Saturday June 10th.

Environmental Committee - Dick Gould

Please refrain from feeding the crows.

Program Committee – Dave Poulin

Possible mayoral forum in September. Stay tuned.

Traffic Safety – Pat Sterner

See PPCC website for updates

MP-50: Paul Treuer

Please see Paul's detailed report. Contact Paul directly at paul.treuer@gmail.com

The Breeze - Alan Dartanyan

No report

New Business:

Discussion about neighbors helping neighbors. If you would like to participate, please contact Al Robins 720-6518 Letter was sent to State legislators regarding support for the potential to use speed cameras as a means of traffic enforcement.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Rory Strange, Secretary

MP50 Minnesota Point Long-Range Resiliency Planning



PPCC Open House for Coastal Resilience is a Huge Success

Thanks to the Park Point community for turning out for the Coastal Resilience Open House, May 18th, at Lafayette Community Center. Hosted by PPCC and MnDNR Coastal Program, the event was attended by approximately fifty Park Point residents, multiple members of MnDNR, City of Duluth Planning Department, and UMD Department of Earth & Environmental Sciences. Dr. David Hart, Assistant Director for Extension University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute met with residents and made a presentation: "Strengthening Coastal Community Resilience in the Great Lakes Region."

Coastal Resilience Self-Assessment Meeting

Dr. David Hart led a day-long meeting in Duluth on May 19th with the Minnesota Point Coastal Resilience Team (Mn Point Team), consisting of representatives from MnDNR, PPCC, City of Duluth (Naturalist and Planning), Duluth Planning Commission, and UMD. The team is using a coastal resilience framework to: 1) identify coastal hazards that pose the greatest risk to Minnesota Point; 2) assess the awareness, understanding and use of resilience practices; and 3) generate possible actions that could strengthen coastal resilience to hazards. A report from the meeting will be prepared by Dr. Hart. Paul Treuer, the PPCC representative on the Mn Point Team; will make the report available to our community.

Strengthening Coastal Communities Resilience Workshop

The Mn Point Team will participate in a 3-day workshop from June 27 - 29, 2023 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to learn how other Great Lakes coastal communities have used resources and tools to effectively deal with coastal erosion and flooding.

MP50 is a learning community that promotes development and implementation of a 50 year coastal resiliency action plan for Minnesota Point. All people and points of view are welcome. Contact Paul Treuer, MP50 coordinator, for information (paul.treuer@gmail.com)

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Sometimes we all just need a hand, and often that hand isn't too far away. You may have a neighbor or two who are willing and able to lend that hand. It was suggested to the Community Club that we collect an e-mail list of neighbors who may be able to help another neighbor with various tasks or problems. The list could be posted on the PPCC website (www.parkpointcommunityclub.org), so that a person in need could send out a group e-mail to those who have added their names to that list, stating what their need is, and asking if anyone is able to help. There would be no demands, just an opportunity to help when and how you are able. If you think you would be willing to be on this list, please send your name and e-mail address to me at breezeditor@msn,com. I'll put the list together and send it on to Dawn for posting on the website.

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

PP water Quality issues: Chris Kleist, ckleist@duluthmn.gov, office 218-730-4063 and 218-355-0598

Parking Services 218-730-4000 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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