



# *The Breeze*

## *Of Park Point*

### **Upcoming Events**

**Community Club  
Meeting!  
Annual Membership  
Meeting and Pizza  
Party January 16<sup>th</sup> at  
Lafayette.**

**Social at 6:45.  
Meeting at 7:00PM**

**Lafayette Community  
Edible Garden  
No January Potluck,  
due to kitchen  
remodeling at  
Lafayette**

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

**Park Point  
Rummage Sale  
June 14&15**

**Park Point Art Fair  
June 29&30**

## **No Ice, No Snow, No 20 Below!**



## **Maybe we ARE in Kansas!**

But as every Northlander knows, we aren't out of the woods yet. Heck, we haven't even gone INTO the woods yet. And Ol' Man Winter is out there, waiting.... lurking.... We know he's going to pounce. And we'll be ready. But please, please don't wait until April – or even May!

And maybe I'm just tempting fate. By the time this issue comes out we may be shoveling, and shivering.

## **You Call This Winter?**

## ***The Breeze***

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## **President's Report**

Hi Neighbors,

Tuesday, January 16th brings the opportunity to join or rejoin the Community Club at the annual Pizza & Membership Celebration; hoping to see you there! We will be enjoying pizza from Green Mill Pizza, hearing updates on the Club's initiatives and talking about how 2024 might look; please bring on your ideas, energy and enthusiasm. The City will be spiffing up the kitchen so maybe we will have improvements to showcase at the meeting.

A Duluth White Christmas meant white caps and happy surfers; what a strange and unsettling pattern we have been experiencing. When will the real white stuff show up? Needless to say, the rink at Lafayette for the holidays was a no go and we will see if we can get any ice at all this season, depending on a few factors including the human volunteer factor. We will see what Rink Team Leader Mark Elden might have in mind when the chill-down arrives.

Wondering if you heard about the harrowing rescue of a big dog from the shipping canal on the evening of December 7th? Here is an excerpt from the press release written by Assistant Chief Daniel Lattner on duty the night of the daring and intense rescue:

"The Duluth Fire Department is often asked why we would respond to calls like this and put firefighters at any level of risk for an animal. The Duluth Fire Department understands how important pets are to their families. We have learned in the fire service that if we do not respond to help in these situations that bystanders and owners likely will take action on their own. Without the proper training and equipment this most often results in the firefighters now responding to a call for a person in harm's way. On this call one of the notes taken by Saint Louis County Dispatchers and transmitted to fire crews stated "The female reporting party is threatening to jump in." Other bystanders on scene informed us they were having to convince the owner not to go in after the dog. The Duluth Fire Department wants to stress to the public the importance of not putting yourself into a situation you are neither trained nor equipped to handle. This will not only put you at risk but the emergency responders as well. It will also greatly limit the options we have to try to save your pet as all efforts will now be directed at saving you. Given the wave and temperature conditions in the canal last night, anyone entering the water without the proper training and equipment would most likely have ended in tragedy. The Duluth Fire Department wants to thank our partners at Saint Louis County Dispatch and the Aerial Lift Bridge Operator for their assistance in this call and remind everyone to stay safe this holiday season." Here is the link to the entire press release and videos of the rescue. <https://duluthmn.gov/web-subscriptions/View-press-release/?prid=7644>

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As we are winding down from the harried preparations, expectations and holiday buzz of festive and yet sometimes stressful celebrations, it feels like a good idea to slow down, review the past year and think about what might be possible in 2024. Our vintage 1980 Morgan Motorsailer is in need of seven drawers for the pilothouse. The previous seven went missing at some point when the ship sat patiently waiting for this undaunted and unsalty crew. This is the season for the tale of Dawn B. and the Seven Drawers at the Duluth Maker Space:) You may remember my debut at the Makerspace in early 2023 when I took a class and made a lovely cedar bench. Stay tuned for updates on the old yacht's progress and exceeding last season's goals of not sinking or burning.

Wishing you peace, time for reflection and the opportunity to enjoy the beauty in our extraordinary neighborhood. See you out and about taking it all in!

Dawn

**News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden**

We start the new year giving thanks for many things:

To Aaron Prim who took junk that had been accumulating in the garden to the dump: rotting tables, benches, and the dilapidated greenhouse.

To all those who attended the November potluck dinner meeting and bought donated books at great prices. This little fundraiser put an extra \$235 into our coffers.

To the festive holiday party in December, where we shared a delicious meal, white-elephant gift-giving, and camaraderie.

To Mother Earth, who sustains our community garden year after year, allowing us to feast on the harvest and donate our extra food to those in need.

NOTE: There will be NO potluck dinner meeting in January. The kitchen in the community center is shut down in January to allow the Parks & Rec department to do some remodeling. But, keep the second Monday of each month in 2024 available to join us for our monthly potluck dinner meetings. The steering committee is working on a great lineup of programs for the coming months.

Perhaps you have been sitting on the sidelines watching us work in the garden or hearing about our monthly dinners. Maybe you are ready to join us in 2024. If you want information about membership or our future meetings, Missy King is the contact person for folks interested in our community garden and potluck dinners. She can be contacted at 515-991-7280, [mjking@siu.edu](mailto:mjking@siu.edu). 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 our monthly potluck dinner meetings on the second Monday of the month from 6 to 8 p.m.

Be thankful.

-Susan Peters

**It's time again to pony up – or maybe belly up –  
to the pizza bar.**

**Our annual PPCC Membership Meeting and  
Pizza Party will be held on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:45PM,  
At Lafayette. Cut out and fill out the membership  
form below, and bring it and your check to the  
meeting. And if you are able to attend, you can  
always mail it to the P.O. box given below. We  
won't mail out your pizza, though. You've got to  
come and get that.**

Park Point Community Club Membership Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Check this box for email subscription

Number of Memberships \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail checks to:

Park Point Community Club

PO Box 16326

Duluth MN 55816-0326

The Park Point Community Club publishes a list of member names (w/o contact details.)

Check here \_\_\_ if you agree to be included on the list.

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**what you see and**  
**hear**

## **A BIG THANK YOU**

**To all** the Park Point residents  
 & St. Andrew's church members  
 who gave gifts and gift cards to  
 the St. Andrew's Advent Giving  
 Tree.

**Together** through these gifts  
 we told the young people at Life  
 House & the Arrowhead Juvenile  
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**Reader's Choice Book Club Meeting**  
**January 5**

Did you receive any books for Christmas and did you actually have a chance to read one? If so, we'd love to hear about it. I hope you can join us in the Mission Hall at St. Andrew's on Friday, January 5. The meeting starts at 10 and ends between 11:30-12.

Please send me your book information—title, author, genre and number of stars you would give it, from one to five, by Wednesday, January 3.

Can't attend in person? Let me know and we'll set up a Zoom meeting for you.

Sandra Carlson

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**Creative Hands Meeting**  
**January 27**

The January Creative Hands meeting will take place on Saturday, January 27, in the Mission Hall at St. Andrew's, from 9:30 to 11:30.

Bring whatever project you are working on. The lighting is good, lots of electric outlets for sewing machines and many tables to work on. Best of all is the fellowship. Paint, knit, draw, stamp, sew and talk, lots of talk. I hope to see you there.

If you have any questions call Sandy at 218-428-5262 and leave a message or email me at [saezc3@gmail.com](mailto:saezc3@gmail.com).

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## Park Point Flower Garden Club



**“You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.” ~ C.S. Lewis**

Park Point's Flower Garden Club held its December holiday meeting at the Lavamaki home. We enjoyed delectable hor d'oeuvres, a delicious dinner and, of course, decadent desserts. Mary Grover led us in a gift exchange activity. We enjoyed many laughs as we cultivated our skills in determining our “left” from our “right” hand to help Santa find his missing toy bag. Each member brought homemade goodies to fill holiday plates for our Park Point neighbors. We will be meeting next month to plan our activities for 2024. If you are interested in joining our garden club, please call Sue Solin @ (218) 349-0682 for more information.

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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](mailto:eroe@duluthmn.gov)

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

Parking Services 218-730-5470

Dog issues: Shelter: 218-723-3259

On-Duty Cell Phone: 218-390-2256

City Councilor Roz Randorf [rrandorf@duluthmn.gov](mailto:rrandorf@duluthmn.gov) 218-443-8364

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