



The Breeze

Of Park Point

Upcoming Events

**Lafayette Community
Edible Garden
Potluck, July 8th
6-8PM
at Lafayette**

**Sky Harbor Ribbon
Cutting Ceremony
July 10th, 1 PM**

**Park Point
Community Club
Meeting,
July 16th
Social at 6:45.
Meeting at 7:00PM
at Lafayette.**

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

**Park Point 5-Miler
July 18th 6:30 PM**

**Neighborhood Night
Out
August 6th,
5-7PM
at St. Andrew's**



Fellow Pointers,

As June's embrace wanes, July's grandeur beckons, drawing our collective gaze towards the apex of summer—Independence Day (my favorite holiday). This year, our enclave, Park Point, emerges as one of the primary gathering spots on the Fourth of July, a blend of communal jubilation and deep-rooted patriotism. Many of us that face the Bayside will be able to see fireworks from the city of Duluth and Superior from 10:00 to 10:30 p.m., encapsulating the essence of freedom and unity that defines our nation.

Amid these celebrations, we also honor the giants of the Great Lakes, those vessels that navigate past our shores, each a chapter in the ongoing story of American enterprise. This month, we shine a spotlight on a vessel that epitomizes the spirit of exploration and innovation.

Ship of the Month: MV Paul R. Tregurtha

The MV Paul R. Tregurtha, reigning “Queen of the Lakes,” is a testament to American ingenuity and a beacon of progress, standing as the longest vessel on the Great Lakes at 1,013.5 feet. Launched in 1981 as the William J. DeLancey, and later renamed in homage to Paul R. Tregurtha. Boasting a carrying capacity of 68,000 gross tons, her passages by Park Point not only underscore the industrial might that forged our nation but also remind us of the enduring relationship between man and the great waters. As July unfolds, and you revel in the beauty and camaraderie that Park Point offers, maybe while enjoying some vegetables from our edible garden, let the MV Paul R. Tregurtha inspire reflections on our heritage and aspirations. The ship's voyage mirrors ours—propelled by the legacy of the past and the promise of tomorrow.

Author: Vibe with Mike

**Phew!
Made it
through June!**

The Breeze

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President's Report

Hi Neighbors,

Hoping the busy pace of June on Park Point might be bringing you joy? It is surely never dull on dynamic Park Point.

Our next regular meeting is set for Tuesday July 16 and before then we have a few more events including the Sky Harbor Airport Ribbon Cutting for the new terminal on July 10. Here are the details from Tristan Durfee, airport manager, DAA@duluthairport.com:

When: Wednesday, July 10, 2024. Event will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Where: Sky Harbor Regional Airport [Google Maps]. Parking is available as you approach the airport on Minnesota Ave.

Enjoy: Get ready for an afternoon of events that will take place during the ribbon cutting!

- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony: Join us in marking the newest milestone at DYT!
- Guest Speakers: Join us to hear from various guest speakers on this project.
- Terminal Building Tour: Get a tour of the new terminal building.
- Networking: Connect with project partners and fellow community members.
- Eats and Treats: Indulge in drinks and snacks from local vendors.

Thank you to Deb Strange for leading the 2024 PP Rummage Sale Epic Event and to everyone who had or facilitated sales, trades, recycling and reuse of goods of all types. Besides moving the merch, I saw a lot of laughing and smiles plus the weather pleasantly cooperating. Let's hope that trend continues for the Art Fair this weekend, June 29,30.

Other upcoming events include the Park Point Five Miler on Thursday July 18, 2024, details and volunteer opportunities are on the website www.parkpointcommunityclub.org, and National Night Out at St. Andrews by The Lake on Tuesday August 6. Between now and then, hoping you will get out and "live it up" as my mother used to say.

A big thank you to Duluth Firefighter Pete Johnson who attended the June meeting to listen to our community's needs and concerns. We described the speeding, passing and dangerous antics (screaming from cars, fireworks shot from cars, pedestrians accosted by air guns from vehicles, swerving into pedestrians) we are observing and enduring. We asked for his help in adding a speed limit reminder to the electronic messaging board as you arrive on Park Point, the sign that talks about beach fires. The message about speeding was added to the sign and we are grateful. Please remember to call 911 when you see dangerous driving, a crime in progress or when things just don't seem right. Also pass along the plate number and vehicle description if possible and when you can, email the report of the incident to neighbor Pat Sterner at parkpointtrafficsafety@gmail.com. We are working with our community officer, Jeremy O'Connor, who is following up on the incidents.

JOconnor@duluthmn.gov.

Meanwhile on Park Point, you'll hear kids playing at Camp Lafayette, the Club's summer youth program and see the rowing shells gliding by on the bay with the Duluth Rowing Club who offers opportunities for all ages. I saw a fleet of young sailors on small boats from DSSA last week having a good time sailing together down to the marinas and back to the pier.

www.sailingforall.org. The flower gardens and the community edible gardens are lush with abundant colors and delicious delights. Here's to the good life on the extraordinary island!

Time to get ready to head down to the Art Fair, check in with the volunteer crew, and help the arriving artists find their spots.

See you out and about!

Dawn

Minnesota Point 50-Year Resiliency Initiative (MP50)



MP50 Organization Chart includes MPPS

Structure and staffing of PPCC fundraising organization is MPPS, a 501C3, within which MP50 will operate. The board is comprised of 9 Park Point residents who are working to establish mission/vision and plans for fundraising to support MP50 plans.

Minnesota Point Section 111 Study Public Meeting on June 3

The city of Duluth hosted a public meeting on June 3, 2024 from 1-3 PM in the City Hall Lakeside Room (4th floor) in which John Swenson (technical advisor to the City) and representatives from USACE and Barr Bergmann Engineering provided details about the status of the Section 111 Study and the Modeling Study on which recommendations for action will be based. Approximately 40 residents attended in person and an additional 20 attended virtually. Numerous questions were answered during the afternoon session. Park Point residents met with Jim Filby Williams and John Swenson in the evening at Lafayette to discuss the presentations. Within the next year there will be two more public meetings in which Barr Bergmann and the USACE will report on the Section 111 modeling study.

City responds to issues with drifting sand

The City Parks Department has begun efforts to remove sand from access streets to the beach. The next step will be installation of a fence that will slow blowing and drifting sand into yards and streets. That work is planned to begin this summer. Questions should be directed to Cliff Knettel, Duluth Parks and Recreation at 218.260.0209.

Efforts to Control the Spread of Baby's Breath

Mn. DNR Plant Ecologist Rebecca Holmstrom met with a group of Park Point residents Tuesday, June 25th to identify and pull Baby's Breath in the dunes along the airport. The DNR has prepared a handout that can be used as a reference to control the spread of this invasive plant. The handout contains a map of the Point where Baby's Breath has been found.

MP50 is a community of practice

MP50 is a community of Practice dedicated to facilitating collaboration to build long-term resilience of Minnesota Point. Diverse views are welcome and encouraged. Send questions, comments, and requests to receive email updates to Paul Treuer (paul.treuer@gmail.com).

Duluth Superior Sailing Association (DSSA)

DSSA had our busiest Open House ever on June 8, with 81 people coming to check out the program, meet the staff and take a sail. Conditions were brisk so they had the chance to experience a truly exhilarating sail! If you missed the open house but want to check out the program, feel free to stop in at the pier across from the Beach House parking lot, any time the gate to the pier is open.

Week-long Summer camps start on Monday, June 24 and run through mid- August. We still have a few openings so if you were thinking of signing somebody up, give Zach a call at 218-260-0961.

Groups we have already served include Harbor City International School, Western Middle School, Northland Adaptive Recreation and Wounded Warriors. Adults have been busy scheduling private lessons and the new group adult sailing class. Nightly open sailing for members started on June 10.

Jim Sharrow

PPCC Meeting Minutes

The June 2024 monthly meeting of the Park Point Community Club was called to order by Dawn Buck, President on June 18th, 2024, at 7:00 pm. Dawn opened the meeting and welcomed everyone and introduced Pete Johnson candidate for 8A State Representative. Dawn thanked the Hospitality Committee for the freshly baked Oreos. A 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 – Mary Treuer

6/15/24 balance - \$70,770

Specified for PPSYP= \$23,970

Specified for PP Art Fair - \$27,600

Balance of funds for PPCC - \$19,2000

Reminder to be a member – this funds The Breeze which costs \$465 per month to print.

Motion was made and approved to accept the report.

Environmental Committee – Dick Gould

No report

Art Fair – Carla Tamburro

Carla gave a brief overview of how exciting this Art Fair will be with increased artist and vendor participation.

Watch Committee – That's us

Mention was made of the South End Pier being shut down due to vandalism at the old Foghorn. Again, please continue to monitor activity that seems suspicious as well as traffic concerns and report to 911.

Sunshine Committee - Pam Griggs

2 Get Well card sent.

High Water & Erosion – Hamilton Smith (not in attendance)

No Report

Edible Garden - Coral McDonnell (not in attendance)

No Report

Summer Youth Program – Britta Desutter

SYP is going well. Request for toys/beach toys. Please drop off at Lafayette.

Rummage Sale - Deb Strange (not in attendance)

Another great start to all the events on Park Point this summer. Thank you to all who had a sale and made our neighborhood the place to be for fun and bargains!

Program Committee – Dave Poulin

No report

Traffic Safety – Pat Sterner

Still in conversation with the City of Duluth on ways to calm traffic. All agreed, traffic has been a nightmare so far this summer! Please see Pat's report for details. Also, remember to call 911 if you observe illegal driving, speeding, or other violations. Email issues to ParkPointTrafficSafety@gmail.com.

MP50: Paul Treuer

Paul thanked all who participated in the Section 111 meeting. There was an overwhelming presence of Park Point residents in attendance. Thank you to all! Please see Paul's report in The Breeze. Additionally, Pat Sterner reported that there is a public education effort on MP50 which hopefully will begin at the end of July that will include a video. If you have any questions, please contact Paul directly at paul.treuer@gmail.com

The Breeze - Alan Dartanyan

Please continue to submit items of interest.

Adam from Parks & Rec –

Boardwalk update – construction delayed until September. Stay tuned for details.

Thank You to all who have helped with this year's Art Fair

Pete Johnson gave a brief presentation on what his agenda is and he looks forward to meeting with residents if they have concerns. Kudos to Pete for the electronic sign message that now welcomes people to Park Point and asks them to drive the speed limit.

Motion was made and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rory Strange, Secretary

Home and Yard Help Available:

I'm free to help with your lawn care, cleaning tasks, and/or light housework. Sometimes it's nice to have that extra set of hands to get the job done! Local to Park Point. Reasonable rates - contact me for an estimate. James Poteet • Text 209-471-8143 • spoteet4@gmail.com

Pet Sitter Available on Park Point

- Cats, dogs & other household pets
- Housesitting for homes without pets also welcome
 - Flexible schedule
- Experience with medically complex pets
- Extended time to keep your pets company
- Competitive rates· Watering plants & bringing in mail included
- Park Point preferred but will consider other Duluth neighborhoods.

Reach out & let's set it up!
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what you see and
hear



St. Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church's
free ice cream socials return this summer
as

SCOOPS WITH JAMS

Please join us for
super smooth Love Creamery ice cream,
and the even smoother sounds of local musicians,
as we celebrate summer on "The Point".

6:30 PM
July 11, Thursday
August 15, Thursday
September 5, Thursday



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News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

Welcome new member Jeff Gretsfield.

We had an exciting potluck dinner meeting on June 10. Carol Kondrath and Nancy Olson lead us in a garden blessing, and Missy King acknowledged that we are on the traditional homelands of the Ojibwe and Dakota people. Then, Dave Johnson, from St. Andrew's by the Lake Church, joined us and told us about an anonymous cash gift the church received. It is stipulated that these funds be disbursed to do good in our community. A portion of these funds is designated for our community garden. Ellie Alspach reports, "The \$1500 per year grant for the repair of garden beds to the Lafayette Community Edible Garden for three years was approved on June 26, 2024 by the Bishops committee of St Andrew's by the Lake Episcopal Church as part of their outreach in helping the Park Point Community." Please be sure to give church members a big "thank you" when you see them.

Harvesting the produce in the garden is a benefit of being a working member of the garden. We usually have work parties on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m., weather permitting. Now that most beds are planted, weeding is the main chore. Right now, we are picking kale, arugula, lettuce, chard, herbs, and the last of the rhubarb.

Compost is always needed in order for us to create the compost we need to feed the gardens. Please bring your produce kitchen scraps and chemical-free grass clippings and dump them in the compost bin on the lake-side of the garden close to the garden shed. Melons are planted in the compost piles close to the tennis court and we don't want to disturb those plants.

At the July 8 potluck dinner, members will share their knowledge, tips and experiences with vegetables in the garden. In a program we call Show and Tell, members will talk for 2 minutes about their chosen vegetable. Please sign up with Susan Peters in advance so we know what vegetables will be talked about: RealMeals@aol.com.

Missy King is the contact person for folks interested in membership in the community garden and potluck dinner info. She can be contacted at 515-991-7280, 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. Note that there will be no potluck in August. Instead, please attend National Night Out: St. Andrew's by the Lake Church on August 6.

Here is a bit of prose read by Nancy Olson at the June 10 potluck dinner. It is by Henry Beston in 1948.

"Oh, work that is done in freedom out of doors, work that is done with the body's and soul's goodwill, work that is an integral part of life and is done with friends — is there anything so good?"

-Susan Peters

Park Point Rummage Sale

Thanks to all my neighbors who participated in the 42nd annual rummage sale. I'm happy to report there were no issues and very few piles of unwanted items left on sidewalks. The sale was a great success! Thank you all for making this event a summer favorite!

Deb Strange

Rummage Sale Chairperson

You're Invited!

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Please join us in celebrating the grand opening of the new terminal building at the Sky Harbor Regional Airport.

When

Wednesday, July 10, 2024. Event will begin at 1:00 p.m.

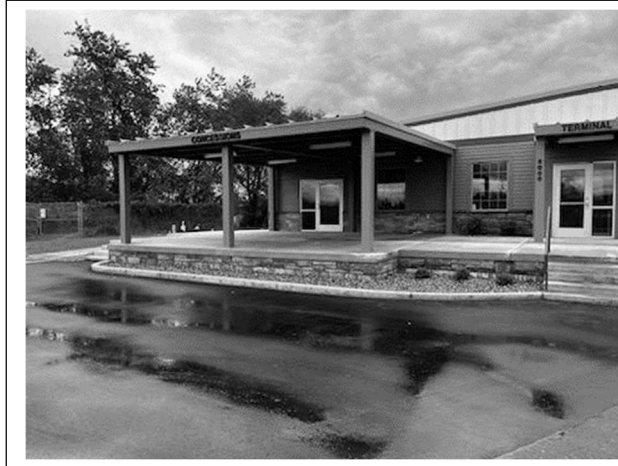
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St. Andrew's Celebrates National Neighborhood Night Out

Tuesday, August 6, 5 to 7 p.m.

The community of St. Andrew's invites you, our neighbors and friends, to celebrate National Neighborhood Night Out with us on Tuesday, August 6, from 5 to 7 pm. Brats and burgers along with all the fixings, a Four Bean casserole (gluten free), Vegetarian Bean casserole, Cole slaw, fresh fruit, desserts, water and pop will be provided free of charge. 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 & Lois.

This year we plan to invite Duluth Police Department's K-9 Unit, Community Police Officer, Jeremy O'Conner, Mayor Roger J. Reinert, and City Councilor Roz Randorf along with 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 Wanda Copeland, 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.



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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 Jeremy O'Connor JOconnor@duluthmn.gov

PP water Quality issues: Chris Kleist, 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

Parks & Rec: aformear@duluth.mn.gov

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

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