



The Breeze *of Park Point*

Lafayette Edible Garden
Sunday, January 15th,
5 to 7 p.m. potluck dinner
Lafayette Community Center

**Park Point Community
Club Meeting**

Tuesday, January 17th,
6:30 p.m. Membership Drive
Pizza Party!
7:00 p.m. PPCC monthly meeting

Park Point Garden Club
Thursday, January 26th,
7:00 p.m.
Installation of new officers
Contact: Harriet Meagher
722-6762

Happy New Year to the Park Point Community from the Duluth Rowing Club!

With the start of cold, snow and ice, on-the-water rowing has come to a standstill and DRC members from juniors to masters are now doing their fitness exercises on the indoor rowing machines. Since the "soft water" scenes of rowing shells gliding up and down the Bay are now distant memory, we thought it might be time for an update to Park Pointers as to progress at the new Duluth Rowing Center and the DRC's building and fundraising plans.

Stage 1 was the new Joseph M. Krmpotich Boathouse. That 63' x 63' metal Wick Building is now complete, with beautiful racks for rowing shells and oars finished and filled with their respective equipment. Many Pointers have attended both the dedication in July and/or the "Goodbye to the Boathouse" in October. Since the October "Goodbye," all equipment from the old boathouse has been removed and either installed or stored in the Krmpotich Boathouse.

Stage 2 is the upcoming removal of the old boathouse. Part of the ability to be able to build a new boathouse over the water was the Minnesota DNR's requirement of removing the old. Plans are for it to come down yet this winter, when ice thickness allows for equipment on the Bay's surface, and easier access to the job at hand. It is hoped that much of the material can and will be recycled in many ways.

Stage 3 is the building of the clubhouse portion of the Rowing Center. This 44' x 56' building will be totally onshore, having a north/south orientation and construction with a Cape Cod-type of appearance. Dormers and traditional windows will adorn the top floor, and there will be a fairly steep pitch to the roof. This building will have separate men's and women's locker rooms, complete with shower facilities. It will also be ADA compliant, including toilet, shower, and locker room accessibility. Portions of the building will be dedicated to classroom, small shell storage, and shell repair and maintenance. New sewer and water service will also be required in order to facilitate plumbing plans. Wick Buildings will again complete the structure on-site, with architectural and structural engineering already underway.

Fundraising has been moving right along, with 75% of the \$1 million goal already collected from 120+ donors. The DRC offers much thanks to Park Point residents, who've played a huge part in helping to reach this long-range goal. The beauty of this project has been the overwhelming response of past, present, and future rowers, spectators and relatives of rowers, as well as the wonderful, health-conscious community that believes in the importance of an activity that rewards commitment and the aesthetic beauty of a silent sport. 2016 saw 125 juniors between the ages of 13 and 19, plus many 20-75 year old master rowers utilize DRC buildings and equipment. In addition, there were four learn-to-row two week class sessions during the middle of summer.

Park Point's own Greg Peterson was elected as the new DRC president for 2017. He succeeds Dave Kask who, after ten years in that role, has decided to step down. Information on the DRC can be found at duluthrowingclub.com, as well as fundraising opportunities.

Again, many thanks for the past support shown to the Rowing Club from our Park Point Community. The DRC wishes all a healthy and happy 2017!

BTW- if you are looking for a place for all that shiny paper left over from the holiday ads, look no further than the shiny paper dumpster on the DRC property. The funds from shiny paper recycling (magazines and other high-gloss materials) are used for equipment purchase throughout the rowing season. Thanks again for that recycling effort!

Submitted by Tom Rauschenfels



Letter from the PPCC President

Happy Holidays!

On Sunday, December 18th, the Community Edible Gardeners hosted a wonderful holiday party with songs, a best “festively dressed” contest, a gift exchange game and, of course, a fabulous spread of edibles. Lafayette was aglow with candles and holiday cheer; the garden seems to produce joy year ‘round.

A better camera for attempting to take better pictures of beach life and boats was on my gift list. I feel lucky to have an in-house techy elf who researched possible options after listening to my needs list. Finding a small enough camera to fit in my jacket pocket was high on the list, and I did not want to spend a lot on a camera that might accidentally plop into the water while out adventuring. Finding a camera with good low light capabilities was also important. We tend to be last minute shoppers, but found a good little camera on our top five list locally, where we could test it out. This site is a good starting point for looking at cameras and options: www.steves-digicams.com. If you are in the market for a new camera, also check out youtube; there are many helpful and amusing videos comparing cameras to iphones and various models to other models. I took the new camera out yesterday morning and captured some ice wheezing and snoring sounds near the shoreline. I forgot to turn on the microphone windblocker feature, but then remembered some software for reducing unwanted wind noise. Hopefully, I will get some of these images and little videos up on the website. One can spend hours with these gadgets and software!

There was some decent skating ice at Lafayette before the Christmas Day storm brought the “evil mix” ice and snow storm. Thanks to the City of Duluth for getting the base down. I heard that neighbor Ricky Lyle cleared the rink of snow on the cold day of December 18th with the push plow, so that the water truck could continue the process the next day. Thank you, Ricky! About forty skaters signed in and skated before the storm blew in. Hopefully, the City and the volunteers might get the rink in shape again. Check the website for updates on skating: www.parkpointcommunityclub.org

Looking ahead, stay tuned for updates on the upper Lafayette bathroom addition and beach house renovations. Rain gardens and plantings are in the works near the soccer field on the Bay. I will send out information on those projects as details become available from the City. The runway reconfiguration at Sky Harbor is in the funding acquisition process, and the old-growth pine trees will not be cut down. Members of the PPCC worked together with several agencies for about ten years to preserve the Pine Forest and guide the process to a workable solution. Stay tuned for details on that project, as well. Brian Madsen, Sky Harbor Manager, attends many of our monthly meetings and will keep us posted.

If you are reading and enjoying the Breeze and are not yet a member of the Community Club, would you consider joining? The Executive Board has been looking at the cost/benefit of our community’s newsletter and other sources of revenue and how an increase in membership would be beneficial for several reasons that were listed in our December Breeze. Thank you for considering this idea. See you at the Tuesday, January 17th PPCC Membership Drive and Pizza Party!

See you out and about!
Dawn and Klaus (canine companion)

The Breeze

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are due by Friday, 1/27/16.

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PPCC Membership Drive 2017

HOW

Just fill out the Membership Form, enclose your \$5 dues and mail to the Club via the address on the form below. Or even better; bring it to the next PPCC meeting and pizza party, January 17th at Lafayette Community Center. You'll have the opportunity to meet new neighbors and see old friends.

WHY JOIN

Your neighbors welcome and value your participation. Membership gives you a vote in all Park Point Community Club (PPCC) matters. Active participation allows the Club to:

- protect and care for our Duluth parks and unique Park Point ecology
- offer a Summer Youth Program (formerly provided by the City)
- host a premiere annual Art Fair that draws 10,000+ visitors
- host an annual Rummage Sale (Duluth's largest)
- publish the monthly Breeze newsletter
- maintain the PPCC website and the S-Curve "postcard" message board
- rent out Lafayette Community Center and keep the warming house open for ice skating
- create a forum for civil discussion and a stronger voice on a range of issues
- provide local residents with an opportunity to weigh in on issues of importance to them. Public officials and others throughout the City of Duluth read the Breeze, and are influenced by the opinions expressed by Community Club members.
- much more - from sharing educational forums, gardening and neighborhood watch to welcoming new residents

Have other ideas? As a member, you can help shape the Club while supporting a non-profit 501c4 that keeps neighbors connected to each other and this place we call home.

For questions or more information, contact:

Tom Griggs, PPCC Vice President, Thomg0313@gmail.com.

Park Point Community Club Membership Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

e-mail address: _____

Number of Memberships _____ X \$5.00 _____

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 this box if you agree to be included on the list.

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Check this box if you prefer to remain anonymous.

Lafayette Rentals

Lafayette is a great place to hold weddings, reunions, parties, meetings, workshops, etc...

Rental fees are as follows:
up to 50 people - \$100.00
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100-125 people - \$300.00

There is a damage deposit of \$100.00, which is refundable, after cleaning & inspection.

Hours available are 8:00 am - 10:00 pm

Contact: Missy LePage at
218-208-9545 or by e-mail at
ppccdhlh@gmail.com

Free Listings for Park Point Snow Services

For the winter issues of the Breeze, we are planning **free** listings of Park Point neighbors who offer snow removal services.

If you are a service provider, please send your name, rates and contact information to:

ppbreezeditor@gmail.com

Submissions due by 1/27/17.

Snow & Ice Removal

Call: Mark Williams

715-699-2311

Rates depend on size of driveway or sidewalks

Open to negotiation


Park Point Breeze Ad Rates

Business card size \$10 per month / \$100 per year

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June 24 & 25, 2017

Application deadline: March 1, 2017



Richard Gruchalla & Carrin Rosetti



Betsy Bowen

NOTEWORTHY

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- *Attendance of over 10,000 in 2016
- *Fine Art Cash Awards
- *Extensive PR and Marketing
- *Artist reception Saturday night
- *Booth Sitters Available
- *Artist hospitality includes coffee & baked goods
- *Experienced professional staff

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NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS:

Apply at <https://www.zapplication.org/event-info.php?ID=5405>
Visit our Festival Website: parkpointartfair.org

Application Deadline: March 1, 2017 (\$25 jury fee)

Notification of Acceptance: April 1, 2017

Booth Fee Due: April 15, 2017 (\$200 10'x10')

Festival Dates: Saturday June 24, 2017 (10am to 5pm)

Sunday June 25, 2017 (10am to 5pm)

Email questions to Carla Tamburro at coordinator@parkpointartfair.org



Dan Neff



Sue Rowe

News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

It's a new year, and our group of community gardeners is growing. "Welcome!" to new members Phyllis Sherman and Jennifer Silverness.

You don't have to be an official member to enjoy many of the benefits of the Lafayette Community Edible Garden at Lafayette Square. When the weather is nice, take a stroll through the garden to enjoy its verdant beauty. Participate in our annual garage sale to help support us. Better yet, attend one of our monthly potluck dinners. Our December 18th dinner turned out to be quite a party. It was a dark and frigid evening on Park Point, but after feasting in candlelight on lots of fine food and having a wild time exchanging gifts, people went home with warm hearts and smiles on their faces. We also collected donations to take to Loaves and Fishes Hospitality House. If any of these things sound like your kind of fun, join us at our next potluck dinner on January 15th. For more information about the garden or upcoming events, contact Coral @727-6455

Coming soon:

Sunday, January 15th, 5 to 7 p.m. - monthly potluck dinner and meeting. Stay tuned for more information.

Just for fun:

December's question: Chinese white cabbage is known by what other name?

Answer: Napa cabbage.

January's question: Caesar Salad was first prepared in what country? The answer will appear in the February issue of the Breeze.

Submitted by Susan Peters



Good
food
&
good
friends!



EXTENDED BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Eating fit!

**A healthy serving of
healthy servings**



Thai Chicken with
Sesame Dressing

Due to the overwhelming responses to Eating Fit, it is now going to stay on the main menu! Enjoy the flavors of Green Mill and be true to your commitment to eat healthy. Counting fats, calories or even dietary fiber? The Green Mill Eating Fit menu features healthier alternatives — many that meet the requirements of today's most popular diets.



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*A people on the Way
to knowing, loving and serving God.*

The Light of Christ revealed

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.
What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people.

The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it. —John 1

Sunday Eucharist Service at 9:45 a.m.

The Rev. Marta Maddy

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Breeze Memories 2016



A Garden for the New Year

First, plant four rows of peas...
Presence, Promptness, Preparation, and Perseverance.

Second, plant four rows of squash...
Squash gossip, Squash indifference, Squash neglect, and Squash criticism.

Third, plant three rows of lettuce...
Lettuce be true, Lettuce be compassionate, and Lettuce love one another.

Fourth, don't forget the turnips...
Turnip for every meeting, Turnip with a smile, Turnip with new ideas, and Turnip with determination.

Author Unknown
Submitted by Skai Haller



Gilligan on the beach as Paul and his brother take their daily dip!

We just got word that Gilligan, the beloved canine companion of Park Pointer Paul McGlynn, died recently at the age of 16.

Gilligan was an endearing fixture, walking along Minnesota Avenue en route to the lake and, as Paul stated, "Gilligan loved the Park Point Beach and all his neighbors."

We'll miss you Gilligan!
Sincerely,
Scherrie Foster, Peter Van Dyken and many neighbors



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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:

Lift Bridge Supervisor: Dave Campbell 723-3387

Community Police Officers: 218-730-5656 or email at cnagorski@duluthmn.gov

Dog issues: clane@duluthmn.gov

City Councilor Em Westerlund: (218) 355-1137 ewesterlund@duluthmn.gov

*I love you so much
that I'll never forget
you.*

found on a love letter, at an auction, at the bottom of an old trumpet case