



The Breeze *of Park Point*

48th Annual Park Point Art Fair

Park Point Rummage Sale
Friday & Saturday,
June 9th & 10th

Lafayette Edible Garden
Monday, June 19th,
6 to 8 p.m. potluck dinner
Lafayette Community Center

Park Point Community
Club Meeting
Tuesday, June 20th,
6:30 p.m. Coffee Social
7:00 p.m. PPCC monthly meeting

Park Point Garden Club
Thursday, June 22nd
Contact: Liz Mackay
722-1834

Park Point Art Fair
Saturday & Sunday
June 24th & 25th

Join an inspiring celebration of arts, community and environment at the 48th annual Park Point Art Fair, June 24th and 25th in the Park Point Recreation Area. It's an event that evolved from a neighborhood gathering forty-eight years ago into the region's premiere outdoor visual arts showcase. And it's coming to a sandbar near you!

Admission and parking is free at this nonprofit-coordinated event, which supports local ecological and civic initiatives. Featuring the juried fine art and craft of 110 premiere artists from the local area, Upper Midwest and beyond, the Park Point Art Fair also offers live performances, music, food, children's activities and more - all in a stunning natural setting. An estimated 10,000 visitors have attended the annual weekend festival in recent years.

Artists display and sell work in media such as clay, fiber, glass, painting, photography, jewelry, woodwork and sculpture. While visual art is the showcase, there's more to experience during the Fair, where you can stroll a pine-lined path tucked between Lake Superior and Superior Bay. Presented by the Park Point Community Club, a nonprofit volunteer organization, the event brings people together - as visitors, artists and volunteers - in a unique setting. "Artists and patrons of the arts praise the consistently high quality of this show, and appreciate that it's a grass-roots effort for a good cause," said Carla Tamburro, Park Point Art Fair Coordinator. "Park Point is an inspiring setting. And as a community of volunteers giving back to sustain the environment, we welcome everyone to join us in celebrating this Duluth gem."

When: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., June 24th and 25th, 2017

Where: Park Point Recreation Area

What: 110 regional and national artists, food court, live music, children's interactive art, demos.

Who: Presented by the Park Point Community Club

Free admission and parking.

Submitted by Carla Tamburro, Park Point Art Fair Coordinator



June 24 & 25 2017

Park Point Art Fair Volunteers Needed

FRIDAY: June 23rd

Late morning set-up for the big days; afternoon positions available for greeting artists, assisting them in locating their booths, offering exit information and answering questions, etc.

SATURDAY, June 24th and SUNDAY the 25th

Tasks: Greet the artists and hand out maps

Booth-sit for artists who may need a break; no money transactions involved

Children's Make-and-take area

Grounds clean up (trash can duty)

Sunday: 5:00 into early evening: Break down and return items to Lafayette; grounds clean up

Please consider volunteering for at least a 2-hour period of time. All volunteers are invited to attend the Artist Awards Ceremony and Dinner on Saturday evening!

Remember: This is the largest fundraiser for the Park Point Community Club, which supports such things as the Breeze, the Lafayette Summer Youth Program and miscellaneous environmental and community sponsored projects.

Please Contact: Diane Gould 727-4967



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The Breeze

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Letter from the PPCC President

Memorial Day weekend marks the beginning of my "calendar summer" and yesterday was absolutely glorious! On days like that, when Duluthians and visitors from near and far venture across the bridge to experience our "exceptional resources," I think of Kinnan Stauber's words from a 1997 Breeze piece which begins with these words:

"We live on an exceptional resource. Everyone in Duluth knows it, and takes advantage of that knowledge. They, as well as we, utilize this narrow sandbar island as a refuge from ordinary life. This means we are living an extraordinary life here."

Before I ramble on too much, our annual Art Fair is happening soon and presents an opportunity to volunteer for this very important Park Point event. Diane Gould is coordinating volunteers; her number is 727-4067. Signing up early will lock in your favorite time slot, and all volunteers are invited to the Saturday evening banquet. A fun and very interesting time is guaranteed!

Back to fabulous yesterday...

The joggers, walkers and bikers were out early. Dogs, strollers and even a few beach towels were accessorizing. I personally saw two brave souls jump into the water. Lafayette was very busy with gardeners and ball players, and the beach was buzzing with activity. I saw several fishermen casting from shore, which I don't see too often at that location. A stand-up paddleboard went by with an intrepid bulldog puppy on board. Three sailboats zig-zagged on the flat water of the Big Lake; one looked overloaded with extra crew, which is what you might expect on such a wonderful day.

As I write this, several large projects in the State's bonding bill affecting our island community await final approval by Governor Dayton, including \$25.4 million to clean up contamination in the St. Louis River and \$6 million to support the reconstruction of a runway at Duluth International Airport and reorientation of the runway at Sky Harbor Airport. Thank you to Benita Crow and Kaci Nowicki from SEH engineering firm, who spoke on the Sky Harbor project at our May meeting. They explained that the necessary materials will be barged to the site, so there will be a minimal number of trucks heading down the Point for this three-year project. The Duluth Airport Authority and SEH staff members will keep us informed via our monthly meetings.

If you love Duluth's parks, mark your calendar for June 22nd, 7 p.m., when the authors of *Duluth's Historic Parks* will be at the Lafayette Community Center (which is in the book) to talk about their new publication. Congratulations to authors Tony Dierckins and Nancy Nelson and thanks as well to Dave Poulin of the Program Committee for facilitating events at Lafayette.

I would also like to thank Ryan Novitzki, who has worked on our website for a number of years in exchange for advertising in the Breeze.

Thanks, as well, go to Dick Gould and everyone who planted trees last month. The rain on the young pines this past week was certainly helpful. Thanks, too, to Pam Page and the City of Duluth crews who have installed new benches at the Lafayette playground, repaired the boardwalk down past the airport, helped out with the Lafayette Community Edible, and have done some work at the S-curve beach entry site, at 12th Street. We look forward to more collaboration with the City to keep Park Point looking good and protecting the fragile resources as summer visitors arrive. The MPPS (Minnesota Point Preservation Society, the PPCC's sister 501c3) is working on a few project ideas; email Gary Glass to find out more about those opportunities, gglass143@charter.net.

The Rummage Sale should be wrapping up around the time the June issue of the Breeze is delivered. Thank you to Dave Lavamaki for taking care of all of the details for another whopper of a rummage sale.

If you would like to receive informational emails about what is happening on Park Point, consider joining the Park Point Community Club. We meet the third Tuesday of the month at Lafayette at 7 p.m. (6:30 p.m. social precedes the meeting.) If you have questions on how to join, give me a call @525-1764.

I am certainly forgetting something important in the thralls of my early summer euphoria. My summertime screen time will be directly proportional to the niceness of the days ahead, but I will try to keep you posted via emails and via our website. We have a lot to pack in during our summer months! Here's to living extraordinary lives on Park Point!

See you out and about, Dawn & Klaus, canine companion

The Park Point Community Club meeting was called to order by President Dawn Buck at 7:00 p.m. on May 16th, 2017.

The regular business meeting agenda was suspended to accommodate speakers Kaci Nowicki, Benita Crow and Brian Mad-sen. An update was given on the progress of the Sky Harbor Airport project. The engineering company working on the project said they went through the permitting process last year. Construction will consist of three phases: The building of a berm, temporary fill being placed in the water and, finally, the building of a new runway. By October, 2019, that runway should be open. The majority of the materials needed will be brought in by barge, as opposed to employing heavy truck traffic on the streets. Speakers stated that they are planning on keeping the Community Club informed of their progress by attending our meetings and providing short updates.

Minutes for April, 2017 PPCC Meeting – A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as they appeared in the Breeze. Membership votes were all ayes.

Treasurer's Report – Al Robins

Beginning Balance as of 4-1-17	\$18,441
Ending Balance as of 4-30-17	\$22,964

Motion was made and seconded to accept the report as given by Al Robins. Membership votes were all ayes.

Art Fair – Carla Tamburro

Art Fair activities are proceeding as planned. Dates for the Art Fair are June 24th and June 25th. Carla brought in posters to be given to businesses in the city for advertising the Fair. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help at the this event should contact Diane Gould 727-4067.

Breeze – Natalija Walbridge

Nothing new to report

Environmental Committee – Dick Gould

300 trees were planted this season, extending from the Recreation Area Beach House to 12th St. Dick spoke about wildlife sightings on the Point right now.

Hospitality Committee – Diane Gould and Ted Buck

Diane brought in brownies. As always, treats were a big hit. Thank You.

Neighborhood Watch Committee – Everyone

A resident in the 4000 block has small children, and is concerned about **speeders on the Point**. He requested an okay to put signs on utility poles in his area and was asked not to, as this is against City Ordinance, but put signs in their yard is acceptable. Pam Paige, from the City's Parks and Recreation Department, said that we can request speed monitor machines from the City of Duluth.

Program Committee – David Poulin

During summer months, there will be no scheduled outside speakers.

Rummage Sale Committee – David Lavamaki

Rummage Sale dates are June 9th and June 10th.

Summer Youth Program – Sally Buck and Rhonda Strum

Scheduled to run from June 12th through August 10th.

Sunshine Committee – Pam Griggs

Three cards were went out last month: a sympathy card, a get well card and a retirement card.

Old Business

Pam Page from the Parks and Rec Dept. said the City of Duluth now has the final plans for the **restroom project** that will be installed at Lafayette Square. The middle of July is the tentative start date for the project. Pam said there are two kids' programs coming up for this summer through Parks and Recreation. These can be found on the City of Duluth website.

New Business

Neighborhood Night Out is scheduled for August 1st, 2017. St. Andrew's Church has said they would like to host the event once again this year. More will follow in next month's Breeze.

Ken Jackson sent a letter to Dawn Buck in regards to the **census information** for Park Point. Lynn Bentfield has requested this information and will let us know about the findings.

Several complaints were brought up about the **condition of roads** on Park Point. It was recommended that residents should contact City Councilor Em Westerlund, who represents Park Point, with concerns.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Membership votes were all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Submitted by Sheryl Robins

Duluth's Historic Parks

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NANCY S. NELSON
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Duluth's Historic Parks - Their First 160 Years

Free presentation

by authors Nancy S. Nelson & Tony Dierckins

Thursday, June 22nd at 7p.m.

Lafayette Community Center, upper level

Duluth is a community of parks, with 170 separate green spaces, sports facilities, and scenic boulevards comprising nearly 12,000 acres, or roughly 25 percent of the city.

Illustrated with over 250 photographs, sketches, and lithographs, *Duluth's Historic Parks* covers the creation and development of today's Skyline Parkway and Duluth's major historic parks - Lincon, Chester Creek, Lester, Fairmount, Leif Erikson, Congdon, Kitchi Gammi, Enger Tower and Gardens, Chamber's Grove, Fond du Lac, Hartley, and parks located on Minnesota Point - as well as the City's undeveloped parks, playgrounds, and sports venues. The book unfolds the story of how Duluthians from all walks of life gave their time, energy, and often personal wealth, to ensure a quality of life and appreciation of nature that makes the Zenith City remarkable as one of the greenest, most modern communities in the nation, if not the world.

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218-208-9545 or by e-mail at
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Temple Israel will be hosting a fundraising
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from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

News from the Lafayette Community Edible Garden

Speaking at our May potluck, Denny Johnson brought us up to date on the newly-constructed garden beds. LeAne Rutherford summarizes it in the following paragraphs:

"There's a story to be told about the LCEG, recycling, and rebirth. The Phoenix has arisen from its own ashes. What was old is new again in our Lafayette Community Edible Garden. When the Duluth Rowing Club recently demolished its 70-plus year-old building, the LCEG received the corrugated, galvanized metal from it to use in constructing 45 new beds. The Rowing Club donated the 20-foot metal sheets from its demolition, carefully dismantled them, and delivered them to the garden, thus preserving their history and giving new life to ours.

To make room for the new plots, the old, deteriorated beds constructed seven years ago from the hockey boards that surrounded the defunct rink had to be demolished. That left a mountain of debris. Much to their credit, the City of Duluth hauled it away. And, they will be returning soon with loads of wood chips for distribution between the beds. We are grateful to the Duluth Rowing Club and to the City of Duluth.

It was Denny Johnson who envisioned the project, engineered it and, with the assistance of Brooks Anderson and many others, constructed it. To preserve the untreated lumber framework where it meets the ground, the construction crew sloshed it with RV antifreeze and wrapped it in 6-millimeter black plastic sheeting. The results are stunning, and we are grateful. Stop by and marvel at our "incredible edible" garden and hope for bumper crops."

Before digging into the yummy potluck dishes, LCEG participants had a little show-and-tell of our favorite garden tools. The most unusual was Ellie Alspach's crowbar, which she claimed can work magic.

Reminder:

Our compost piles need your leaves, grass clippings and kitchen scraps. No meat or dairy products, please. Garden committees still need more people to sign up.

Upcoming events:

LCEG rummage sale, June 8th and 9th. Please bring your items for the sale to LeAne and Bruce Rutherford's garage, 3205 Minnesota Ave., on or after Monday, June 5th. Just leave your donations outside the garage door and she will take care of stowing them until the sale.

Monthly potluck dinner, Monday, June 19th, 6 p.m. We are inviting the Duluth Rowing Club to join us for dinner in appreciation of their gift to our garden. We also will be celebrating the Summer Solstice.

Just for fun:

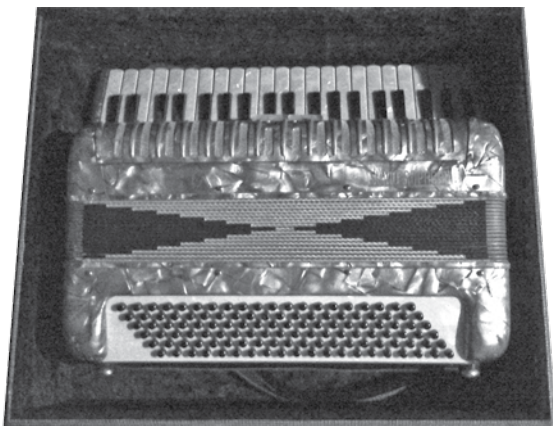
May's question: What food is made from the roots of a poisonous plant known as bitter cassava? Answer: Tapioca.

June's question: What is the oldest of all human-made foods? The answer will appear in the July issue of the Breeze.

Contact:

If you have ideas for us, or just want more information about our local community garden, call Coral McDonnell @ 727-6455.

Submitted by Cornelia Dacey



Thanks to a generous donor,
this Silvio Soprani accordion will be
available at the
Lafayette Edible Garden rummage sale,
June 9 & 10.

\$200 or best offer, needs a minor tune up





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Brats and Books at St. Andrew's

What busy days Park Point will see on June 9 and 10!
Maybe you are having a rummage sale or perusing the merchandise in your neighbor's yard or just out for a walk. Whatever the case may be we hope you will stop in for brats and check out our book sale inside the church. You will find seating inside and out and three bathrooms available for your convenience.

This year's proceeds will go toward youth programs at St. Andrew's and bus fees for children at the Steve O'Neil Apartments to attend Headstart: 14 children aged 3-4 for the school year. (Did you know that Headstart only pays for one way busing?)

August 1: Neighborhood Night Out at St. Andrew's

We look forward to seeing you.

Sunday Eucharist Service at 9:45 a.m.

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Duluth Rowing Club News

It sure has been a whirlwind of a winter and spring for the Duluth Rowing Club and the new Duluth Rowing Center! It certainly couldn't have happened without the generous support and financial help from much of the Park Point community.

April 25th saw the first annual DRC "Icebreaker" Gala in Greysolon Plaza's Moorish Room. Just prior to this semi-formal event, an anonymous donor announced a \$10,000 dollar-for-dollar match up to that amount. That match helped spur generous cash donations that evening, to be extended until June 1st. The evening also saw great silent and live auction bidding for many gifts and items from both individuals and companies from the Twin Ports area. It was gratifying to see 135 people in attendance, with many of the residents of Park Point included. A heartfelt thanks to those who helped throughout the evening to make a wonderful success. Plans are to make it a yearly springtime event to kick off the waterfront rowing activities.



The recent cash donations and money raised from the Gala have pushed total fundraising to 84% of the ultimate goal of \$1,000,000. While the money-raising continues, it is gratifying to see the goal within reach, hopefully within the next twelve months.

For those who haven't been down to the 3900 block of Minnesota Avenue to see the progress - or are just wondering about the latest building updates - here is the news as of May 25: Phase I, the Joseph M. Krmpotich Boathouse, is completely finished. Phase II, removal of the "old" boathouse is done, as well as the removal of all pilings and substructure in the bay. Phase III, which is the construction of the Duluth Rowing Center's Clubhouse, is well underway, courtesy of Wick Building (for the entire building shell structure) and the sweat equity of Rowing Club members and interested community workers. When finished, the locker rooms, showers, and bathroom facilities will have been completed by volunteer labor. All facilities, as well as dock access, will be ADA handicapped-accessible. The final big push for the Club will be landscaping and site beautification. For that, funds are still being sought. The DRC would like to thank all Point residents for being patient and understanding the issues involved with construction, ranging from parking, street and paving digging, to equipment storage and transportation.

Here is the **latest news on DRC programs and dates:**

- *Learn to Row Refresher Course* (for those who have previously completed an LTR course or have rowed in past years and would like to update their skills): Mon.-Thurs., June 12th-15th; 6-8 p.m. - \$95
- *Learn to Row #2*: Mon.-Thurs., June 19th-29th; 6-8 p.m. - \$95
- *Learn to Row #3*: Mon.-Thurs., July 10th-20th; 6-8 p.m. - \$95
- *Learn to Row #4*: Mon.-Thurs., June 27th-July 25th; 10 a.m.-noon - \$95
- *Junior Rowing* (ages 13 - high school graduation, or anyone who is a full time student): Mon.-Fri., June 12th-August 14th; 8-10 a.m. Scholarships are available for students in the free or reduced-fee lunch program)
- *Adult Rowing Membership* (19 years of age or older): \$329
- *Family Rowing Membership* for 2 or more persons from the same household: \$445
- *New Members* to the DRC may pay "Early Payment Discount Fees" (\$50 less than stated amounts in each membership category) the first time they join.

For more information, or to sign up for Learn to Row classes or join the Duluth Rowing Club, please consult the DRC website at www.duluthrowingclub.com

Finally - Don't forget the blue shiny paper collection dumpster located on the DRC property for all your shiny paper inserts and magazine. The money earned from that environmental helping partner is used for many of the junior rowing programs. Thank You!

Submitted by Tom Rauschenfels

Environmental Report

Thanks to everyone who helped with the annual tree planting! We now have 300 more evergreens here on the Point and on Hearding island. This brings our total trees planted since 1986 to over 9000. Included are many varieties, ranging from white and Norway pine to pin cherries.

Deer, some with fawns, have been seen near Lafayette Community Center and on Hearding Island. I have received reports of two more foxes found dead from mange.

Put up your feeders; the humming birds are back! We also have had orioles, which love oranges cut in half.

It looks as if the Beach House is about done with its remodeling, and the DRC boat house project is nearing completion, as well.

Submitted by Dick Gould

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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



NOTICE: CANAL PARK TRAFFIC DELAYS

Friday, June 16 • 5:45 - 7:00 p.m.

The 23rd annual William A. Irvin 5K will start at 6 p.m. and run through Canal Park. Minor traffic delays will occur in the DECC area and throughout Canal Park.

Saturday, June 17 • 6:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Lake Avenue will remain open during the races, however there will be traffic congestion during this time period.

***Please check your schedule.** Travel adjustments will be necessary to get where you need to be, and we want you to have time to plan.

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