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LOOK at LAKESIDE

Lakeside—Lester Park
bi-monthly newsletter

PLANTS AND THEIR PEOPLE

Some people have pets as part of the family. Some people have plants. **Bill Anderson**, long-time resident of Lakeside, planted an avocado seed about 68 years ago. He cared for it and it stands tall in his living room.

Bill Anderson's avocado tree he planted in the 1940's.

Bill also has "forced" bulbs to grow and bloom through the year having colorful blossoms and floral aromas in the home—even when spring is slow to arrive.

Plants are wonderful additions to a household and to a neighborhood. Birds and bees especially like the native plants. Some people grow and tend specialty plants. Lakeside resident **Terry White** is a bonsai tree grower, caretaker, and artist. He tends his miniature trees, some of which are over a hundred years old.

Plants are also great for delicious fresh food. Anchor Point Church on Colorado Street will put in a garden and share harvest with the community. Duluth East High School will also be adding vegetable gardens this summer. The Tomato Man Project is full speed ahead at East.

"Grand Canyon of Lester Park" The making of the Lakewalk extension tunnel is well underway. Highway 61 has been closed for over a month. By later this summer people will be able to access Brighton Beach without crossing on the road.

A NEIGHBOR OF THE PAST PAUL MODEEN

Paul Modeen came to Superior in 1911 from Varmland, Sweden. He graduated from Matt Carpenter School in 1927 in Superior. Paul moved to Duluth in 1937 and was a veteran of World War II. Paul and his wife Irene were members of St. Michael's Catholic Parish. They had six sons and eleven daughters.

Paul started working with the City of Duluth's Parks and Recreation Department in 1947 with position of playground supervisor. Paul and his duties are described in an article "On the Sidelines

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JUNE 20-21 marks one year following the Big Flood

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MCCULLOCH STREET MUSINGS FROM THE EDITOR

ROBINS HAVE ARRIVED and marked the beginning of the spring into summer. Plant sales have started. There is new energy with the warmer weather and plenty of daylight.

I marvel at people that head out for recreation year-round no matter what the weather is. It's healthy to stay active and Lakeside is a great neighborhood to go for a walk—with or without a dog. Head up hill for a heavier duty workout or walk along the more level areas or Lakewalk.

The area is also good for picnicking. Lester Park has had numerous larger scale picnics throughout its history because it was a prized destination for people from throughout Duluth to ride the electric car to the turnaround at 61st Ave E. The old bus shelter still sits on the corner on Superior Street just east of the Lester River.

Perhaps this will be the time to have get to know your neighbors more. Knowing our neighbors is helpful for keeping neighborhoods safe. A backyard BBQ or campfire are fun ways to gather people around during the day or evening.

As the trees leaf out, school year ends, and garden seeds sprout the summer buzz of activity will go forward. Make plans, take it easy, enjoy the summer season!

Lakeside IS a cool place to be.

Wendy

One of the regulars at Brighton Beach.

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LAKEWOOD PUMPING STATION TOUR

Wednesday **June 19**

8:30 AM 8130 Congdon Blvd

Learn about Duluth's water intake and filtering/treatment. How many millions of gallons a day does Duluth collect from Lake Superior?

The tour will take you inside the main building built in 1896. All of Duluth's water heads from the plant through Lakeside to go on to downtown, Canal Park, West Duluth, etc.

Please RSVP 525-5098, wendyupnorth@yahoo.com

Great Lakes Church on Glenwood Street has a prayer box open 24/7. You can drop in a letter to heaven.

Happy Birthday
100th…. Art Wright!
99th …..Janet Petersen!

HAVE YOU BEEN TO MOOSE MOUNTAIN ?

IT'S RIGHT UP LESTER RIVER ROAD.

High overlooking the Lester River sits the 177 acre Moose Mountain Scientific and Natural Area (SNA). This site is one of 160 SNAs statewide established to perpetuate Minnesota's natural heritage such as plants, animals, and geologic features for scientific study and public education. SNAs are administered by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and are generally open to the public for low-impact recreation such as hiking, birding, and photography. In the case of Moose Mountain, deer hunting (special dates apply) is allowed as are dogs under control.

Moose Mountain is an excellent example of old-growth northern hardwood forest and succession following wildfire.

Moose Mountain is an excellent example of old-growth northern hardwood forest and succession following wildfire. The best old-growth on the site is on the south side of the powerline, just over the top of the hill. Two rare plants, white baneberry and moschatel, are found here. Moschatel is uncommon over most of its range, particularly with the loss of hardwood forests.

Active management at Moose Mountain has been minimal. The largest project has been an invasive species "search and destroy mission." A contractor crisscrossed through the SNA mapping locations of invasive species and then treating the populations found. Invasive species found include European buckthorn, exotic honeysuckles, and tansy. Future projects will monitor the success of the treatments. Local volunteer site stewards keep an eye on the SNA and help with projects such as sign repair and garbage removal.

A parking area off of the Lester River Road and an unmaintained hiking trail make for good access to the SNA. There are also interpretive signs in the parking area, including one regarding invasive species. Moose Mountain is one of three SNAs in the Duluth area and by far the largest. The best times to visit this site are during the spring wildflower blooming season and in late fall for dramatic colors.

For more information on Moose Mountain and the SNA Program, visit www.dnr.state.mn.us/snas/index.html.

Submitted by AmberBeth VanNingen

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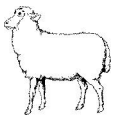
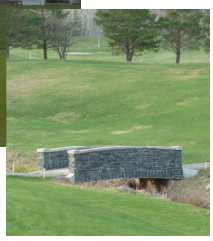


Northland Country Club goes back to 1898. The initial three Duluth "explorers for a course" traveled to St. Paul to look at top-notch courses as models for one up here in Duluth. They put their dreams to work and created the Howell estate on a meadow near Lakeside. Most of the course was above Superior Street. The 15th hole, however, required a challenging shot across Superior to what was called Ordean Field (former site of Ordean Middle School and current location of Duluth East). The 6th, 7th, and 8th holes were played in the field, and the 9th hole was back across Superior Street.

Northland Country Club



In the early days, flocks of sheep acted as the groomers. Each fall, the caddies would herd them down Superior Street to the course. The lodge has had electricity, water, and sewer lines since 1902. A larger club house was built in 1904 and with the new building came the name Northland Country Club. The club house was destroyed in the fires of 1918 (as was part of Hawk Ridge and Lester Park trees). The building was rebuilt but was destroyed by fire in 1973. A new building was built shortly after. In 2006, the aging club house was replaced to add more natural light, high ceilings and natural woodwork.

The golf course itself has been changed twice. In 1912, it was expanded to 18 holes. Northland acquired land above the hill in 1921 and modified the course to include it. The new course design was finished in 1927, and, with a few modifications, is the same course played today.

Northland has been the site of major golf tournaments – most notably, the 1956 Women's USGA Open Golf Championship. At that tournament, Ann Gregory made history, becoming the first African-American woman to play in a USGA event. The famous Northland Invitational Tournament began in 1924 and has been held every year since, save 1929 and 1930.

Today the club house is used for gatherings, weddings, special events, and local fundraisers.

Reshaped by Wendy Grethen
Source: Northland's website

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YOUTH & SCHOOL NEWS

Learning Another Language

The World Language Department at East High School offers students the opportunity to learn Spanish (Levels 1-5), German (Levels 1-5), Mandarin Chinese (Levels 1-3) and Ojibwe Language, Culture and History (Levels 1 & 2). Spanish 5 and German 5 are courses offered through the College in the Schools program in which students earn college credit through UMD. Both courses are conducted completely in the target language and students achieve high levels of proficiency.

World Language courses are considered electives but most students studying language take it 2-3 years to meet college entrance and proficiency requirements. Many continue language studies through level 5.

East currently offers Spanish and German clubs as extracurricular opportunities for students to extend and apply their language skills.

Each year, students have opportunities to travel abroad for immersion experiences. Many advanced students go on to earn language degrees at the college level and to use their language skills in their careers.

Ich liebe Se (German)
Me encanta lago (Spanish)

Submitted by Kimberly Kroll Strukel, Spanish Teacher at East.

The **rooftop greenhouse** at East has tomato plants as part of the Tomato Man Project. The project involved young students planting tomatoes from seed and encouraging teamwork, healthy eating, and sustainable agriculture.

***Duluth FFA**, a student organization at Duluth East, held a plant sale on May 15 selling bedding plants, herbs, and house plants grown in the school's rooftop greenhouse.*

The playground at Portman is one of several actively used playgrounds in the neighborhood. It has a component to learn sign language.

FIELD "TRIPPERS"

Lake Superior Elementary School 1st graders in Superior plan a field trip scheduled in late May (after the publication of this issue) to visit a stream (Lester River), study motion, and observe a river entering Lake Superior.

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Extra Traffic Light

The light added at 60th Ave. E. and Superior St. paces traffic through the detour off of highway 61 as the Lakewalk tunnel is being constructed. The additional light (temporary) makes **5** traffic light intersections in Lakeside for now. Slow down and drive safely.

Are you reading this and do you have a local business? This could be your ad. Ads and subscribers support this newsletter. Call 525-5098. Thank you.

LAKELAND AND LAKESHORE

The blue apartment building on 45th Ave. E. just above London Road is Lakeland Shore Apartments. Lakeland Shores and Lakeshore (4002 London Road) are both managed by Ecumen. Ecumen owns Lakeshore and the owner of Lakeland Shores is a company called St. Francis of Assisi.

CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE—PAUL MODEEN

with Hank Jensen" A dedicated individual, a friend to all the boys and girls at Portman. His duties of organizing various sports and teams, caring for the rink and playground, arranging indoor activities in the off-season and with the aid of his "Dads" club raise funds for equipment for "his" kids. We will personally never forget Paul coming to the curling club with his teams, like a mother hen these kids followed this man and obeyed his every command. Yes Paul was a second father to many youngsters in Lakeside.

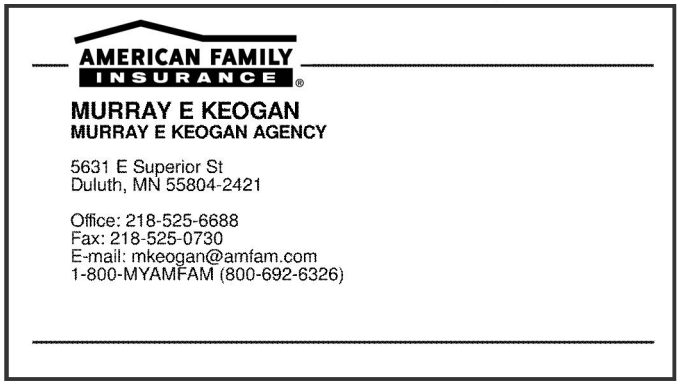
Paul was a second father to many youngsters in Lakeside.

One of Paul's fondest memories was in 1968 when Portman's Juvenile hockey team won the MN State Championship. Another happy year for Paul was in 1956 when four of his boy's softball teams and two of his girl's teams took all of the city titles. Besides the sports much time was also spent on activities like arts and crafts, clay modeling, pin pong, chess and checker to name a few.

In June of 1974 Paul Modeen retired after 30 years. He gave so much to his employer, his community and the children of Portman.

Written by George Lewis

In 1978 the baseball field at Portman was renamed to honor Paul.



MEET A NEIGHBOR:
PEGGY ANDERSON

Peggy Anderson grew up in Pike Lake. She worked as a teacher for 28 years in Duluth and four years outside of Duluth. She taught all levels ranging from elementary through high school as well as learning disability classes. Ten of her teaching years were at Lester Park Elementary as a first grade teacher. Ten years ago she retired. One year into her retirement she found out she had breast cancer. She beat it and has turned into one of our community's top breast cancer voices and has helped raised over $90,000 to help breast cancer patients in northern Minnesota and northern Wisconsin with medical and living expenses.

I think the greatest gift we can do in this life is to help others.
Peggy Anderson

Circle of Hope, a grassroots volunteer, charitable and educational group she co-founded a few years ago will distribute $1500 grants to breast cancer patients in Northern and middle Minnesota thanks to a $62,250 Susan Komen grant.

Peggy's other community involvement includes Junior League, Kiwanis, Port Cities luncheon planning, and church president at Faith Lutheran. "I'm always extremely busy. I think the greatest gift we can do in this life is to help others. " she says. She's also on the Safe Haven board and writes a couple blogs through the Duluth News Tribune.

She is married to Jim Anderson, a retired teacher and lives in his childhood home in Lester Park. Their two adult children live in the local community. Their daughter works at Woodland Hills and their son has returned to Duluth to attend school to be a math teacher. She'll be at the Lester River Rendezvous in September. Support and learn more about Circle of Hope by calling 525-1905 or go to www.circleofhopeduluth.org.

Peggy keeps very busy in the community. She is a tremendous support advocate for breast cancer patients and survivors.

Written by Wendy Grethen

NUMBERS IN LAKESIDE

19

Miles that Grandma's Marathon runners have run when at the Lester River bridge

25

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2

Lakeside/Lester Park's approximate size in square miles

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JUNE 1/CARNIVAL. St. Michael's School. Noon - 3 PM.

JUNE 8/DULUTH 6K FOR WATER Lester Park main parking lot at 9:30AM. 6k is the average distance women walk for water each day in Africa. Check their Facebook page. Proceeds to COME UNITY'S Clean water projects in East Africa.

JUNE 17-21/VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9AM-12PM. Anchor Point Church. Free. For ages 5 to 5th grade. 625-6200.

JUNE 19/ TOUR OF LAKEWOOD PUMPING STATION. 8:30AM. RSVP 525-5098

JULY 3, 10, 17, 24, 31/ OUTDOOR CONCERTS Glensheen. 7 PM. Free.

Ongoing .....

Thursdays @ 1PM. Free concerts at Duluth Congregational Church.

Yoga North meets at St. Michael's School located on the corner of 47th Ave. E. and Pitt St. Yoga North holds a weekly free community meditation on Thursday evenings at 8:20 p.m. It's a peaceful way to wrap up your day.

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Alternate parking schedule is in effect year-round in Duluth. Shaded weeks indicate park on odd-numbered addresses. Change sides Sundays 4-8 pm

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ROMEO meets every Wednesday morning at 9 a.m. at Portman. ROMEO stands for Retired Old Men Eating Out. Over a dozen men gather each week and talk about old and new times in Lakeside.