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Caring for Kids in Lakeside

Several day cares and nursery schools are located in homes and public buildings in Lakeside. Some care places have been offering child care services for over 25 years. Let's look at a few active places that have a lot of laughter, play time and are safe, learning spaces. The owners of the care and learning places love the energy of kids and being a place for kids to grow and learn.

Kids at Lakeside Early Learning have a treat after a bike parade. Childcare and early learning help kids shine.

Stepping Stone Childcare opened in 1991 and is at 4402 McCulloch St. Children ages 2 to 10 years old attend. A mother daughter team Jean Glesner and Sarah care for the youth and do activities from weekly science experiments, group mural making, days with sprinkler, bubbler machine and even music. The day care received a renewal of Parent Aware 4 star rating. The owners love to be able to provide a place where kids can learn, create, and grow as young people.

Lakeside Early Learning is at 4628 Pitt St, has 24 staff members, and serves children age 16 months through to entering kindergarten. It's open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and provides 110 childcare spots. The first preschool

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Jane Cox will be greatly missed / Community Club Changes

Jane Cox passed away on May 26. She was married to Jeff Cox for 48 years. As a founding member of the Lakeside Lester Park Community Club, she has been a key person for the Lakeside Lester Park Community Club serving as the volunteer manager and also was involved in many other volunteer efforts in the community over the years.

All afternoon/after school time at the Lakeside Lester Park Community Club is on hold for the summer and this fall.

The LLPCC still plans to hold monthly programs, such as a Halloween Party and Breakfast with Santa. See page 3 in Biz/Com Bits.

Mushroom Hunting

On a Sunday afternoon in late June the **Lake Superior Mycological Society** held a public mushroom foray at Lester Park. Nearly 40 people attended and formed groups to go out and forage. A diversity of mushrooms were located and identified: stinkhorn, jelly fungus, crown tip coral, and more. Chaga used in teas was also found on birch trees, though it's not actually a mushroom. Mushrooms were found on living trees and decaying wood. The group hosts monthly hikes and plans to add presentations at the College of St. Scholastica during the winter. Announcements are on the club's Facebook page.

DID YOU KNOW?

Origin of Labor Day

Dates back to the 1880s

Labor Day is a celebration of social and economic achievements of workers in America. Oregon was the first state to pass a law to create Labor Day in 1887. By 1894 Congress passed an act making it a holiday for all states.

Have you seen images from the James Webb Space Telescope?

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McCulloch Street Musings

from the Editor

Whoosh. Does summer make a sound? It seems to fly by. We've had hot days and chilly ones. In fact, we ate more chili during the summer than the winter but also consumed plenty of fresh vegetables and fruit. I also experimented making cricket crackers (using cricket flour). Markets & local farms offer locally grown food this season. I like to add cilantro and basil from our yard in dishes.

Dissolved organic carbon. Suds. Ask me about Whale Burps.

My husband and I purchased folding kayaks and have been paddling area rivers and lakes, even by the sandstone cliffs by Red Cliff/Bayfield where we also stopped in at a PowWow. We've been out with loons, beaver, cranes, turtles, and enjoyed sunsets while paddling. In Lakeside, the old Lester River Fish Hatchery is a hot spot for launching kayaks.

It's something to think how many vehicles and people travel through Lakeside, especially on London Rd. Whether it's Grandmas' Marathon and Incline Marathon participants and fans as well as every day or weekend 'traffic.' I even saw a vehicle shaped like a giant boot drive by.

The blue North Shore info hut has visitors from many states and countries. We all love the lake, Lester Park, and beautiful days and starry nights.

Welcome new businesses and new residents. Come to the Lester River Rendezvous for a fun day! *Look at Lakeside* is a sponsor. Do you what you love.

Your neighbor, Wendy

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Lakeside BIZ/COM BITS

Rev Fitness Duluth

Rev Fitness Duluth hosts a variety of exercise classes in the gym at the Early Learning Center building (former St. Michael's School), 4628 Pitt St. Zumba and PomSquad Fitness classes are held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in Lakeside. Classes are held at the Norshor theater on Sundays. Some classes are held with room lights off and only the instructors are lit using a lighting system that makes it like a party. Pom Poms create a fun component to exercising and a bit of weight for arms to add to the workout. Four instructors -Angie, Anna, Karen and Karen - were all part of Ignite Fitness and lead the classes.

PomSquad Fitness classes are held in Lakeside. PomSquad Fitness started in Chicago and these ladies are the only instructors for it in Minnesota so far.

Rev Fitness opened this past winter in Lakeside. Register for a class via a punch card at revfitness.punchpass.com.

Lake Superior Brewing Co.

It's finally here. Another dining option in Lakeside. The food and brewery location at 5324 E. Superior St. is owned by Seth and Sarah Maxim have been hard at work for over a year changing the building to prepare for its new life. Indoor and outdoor seating will be available. The site will offer a family friendly dining experience. Visit on Facebook and Instagram and via their website www.lakesuperiorbrewingduluth.com.

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4 PM - 11 P.M.

Bluewater Residential Services

New to 5231 E. Superior St. is Lakeside resident David Nelson who owns the Bluewater Residential Services and manages group homes. His son John also works there. The business is temporarily renting at the location and will move back to their site at 1501 E. Superior St when that site is renovated. Also in the building is **New America Funding**, a mortgage company. Owner: Paula LeBlanc.

Lakeside Lester Park Community Club 106 N. 54th Ave. E. Become a member or donate After school time is on hold. Monthly programs planned. The club is a reasonable priced rental location, for a shower, party, meeting or events, or recurring events. 218-525-0845 llpccduluth@gmail.com

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A Handful of Events

August 2
National Night Out
5-9 p.m. Neighborhood block parties. Get to know your neighbors.

August 6
Monarch Waystation Tour 10 a.m. –2 p.m. $20 donation per vehicle. Go to the First United Methodist Church, 230 E. Skyline Pkwy between 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. to receive map.

August 9
Primary Election
Polls open 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Sample Ballot online. On the partisan ballot voters must vote for candidates of one political party only.

August 11
Fashion Show
Yarn Harbor, 4629 E. Superior St. 5-8 p.m. Catwalk starting at 6:15 p.m. View knitting and crochet projects made by customers. Contact (218) 724-6432 if you want to participate.

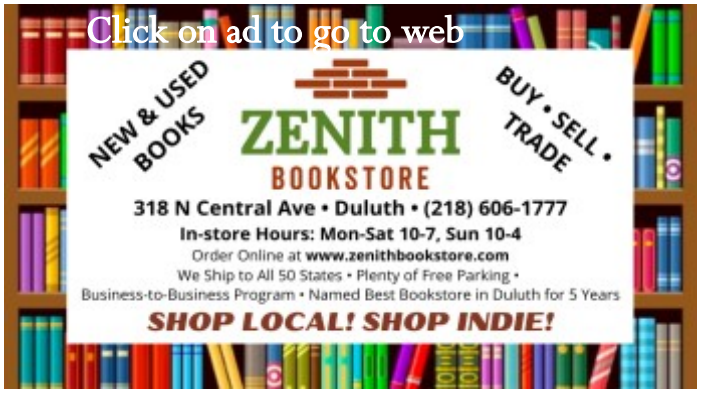
Sept 16-18
Northshore Inline Marathon 2,500 inline skaters. Wheels Off Half marathon and MN Power "Tunnel 10k run

Sept 22-25
Duluth Superior Film Festival Zinema 2 and multiple other venues. www.ds-ff.com

Sept 24
Lester River Rendezvous Voyageur village, craft vendors, music, food. Lester Park. 10 a.m. –5 p.m.

Attend outdoor music concerts in the Twin Ports area. Have a picnic/BBQ. Try watersports. Take a dip in the lake. Ice cream time? Yum!

Making of a Roundabout
IN PROGRESS
The Glenwood/ Snively intersection will be closed through the end of September. Plan on extra time as detours are in effect.



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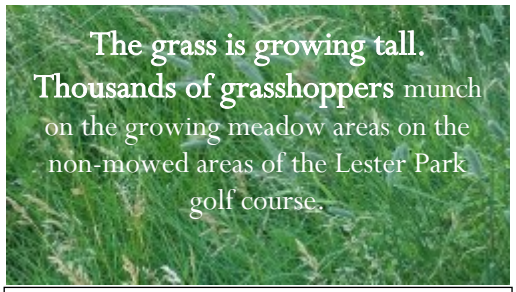

The Lester Park golf course is closed for the year. The back section hasn't been mowed and a diversity of plants are growing on the sand areas, greens, and even on the trails. Runners, walkers, and dog walkers use the property. Birds, deer, turtles and other wildlife inhabit the ponds/wetland areas and the land.

Portman Community Center (218) 730-4310
Mon. Bridge noon-3 p.m.
Tues. Mens Coffee 9-11a.m.
Wed Mahjong 1-3:30 p.m.

Lakeside Lester Park Community Club (218) 525-0845
After school time IS ON HOLD for the summer and coming school year.
Rental space still available for events.

High 5!

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class opened in September 2013 as part of St. Michael's Lakeside School. In April 2020, families and the community created Lakeside Early Learning as its own non - profit organization. Because LEL operates in an old school building, a full sized gym, library, lunchroom, large playground and open field space is on hand. The team of highly qualified teachers are passionate and bring their own talents that make every year as unique as students grow through the program. Fun outdoor activities include bike days, water days and 'germ' unit where student wash away germs drawn in chalk. A fun activity is dinosaur week where the preschoolers become paleontologists in training. LEL strives to prepare children for kindergarten socially, emotionally, cognitively, physically and spiritually.

Aunty's Child Care opened September 2019 at 4801 Cooke St. They also have a location in Spirit Valley. A current staff of 15 cares for infants through kindergarten age youth. Sample indoor activities are reading, painting, circle time, songs and dancing. Sometimes the kids spend time outdoors hunting for agates at a local beach, walking on the Lakewalk, playing at Portman Park, and playing in the mud kitchen.

A former church building makes a roomy space for childcare. Aunty's Child Care opened in September 2019. Native plants are at the school and give food to pollinators. Kids scout for caterpillars. The demands for childcare is high.

Families from most of Duluth's neighborhoods and some from Two Harbors and Superior come to Aunty's. The service is eco-healthy rated and has a 4 star Parent Aware rating. The owner started the business and cherishes knowing that children are safe, loved and are making amazing childhood memories.

Lakeside Presbyterian Nursery School says it holds the oldest continuous license in the state. Three classrooms are part of the school at 4430 McCulloch St. Three staff care for up to 50 kids ages 3 to 5 years old. The hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays 8:30 to 3 p.m. and Thursdays 8:30 –12:30 p.m. The location has a playground and shaded grassy/snowy area children visit most days. Parents appreciate the traditional part-time preschool option.

More childcare places are in Lakeside giving learning and play opportunities for the young ones, many of whom are growing up in Lakeside.

Paid Volunteer Opportunity for Mentoring Students

Lutheran Social Service of MN is seeking volunteers for our Foster Grandparent Program. Duluth area schools are welcoming back volunteers for the 2022-23 school year. Volunteers serve 10 or more hours per week for tax free stipend and travel reimbursement. *Contact Michelle at 218-529-2280 or michelle.miller@lssmn.org for more information and to make an impact in your community!*

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Meet a Neighbor Clinton Russell

Of the Past 1895-1961

Clinton Russell was born October 8, 1895 in Duluth. Part of his younger years were growing up in Lakeside at 4440 London Rd. He did kids activities like attending YMCA camp, hunting, and family trips. He was a son of Newell Russell. His father and business partner Henry Bridgeman formed Bridgeman-Russell Co.—a creamery business that included milk and milk products, such as delicious ice cream. Clinton worked for his father's company at various jobs. As an adult he lived in that home on London Road for about 20 more years raising a family with his wife Marion.

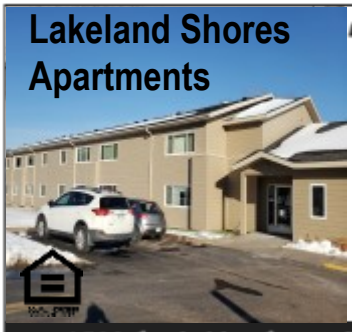
Clinton is credited with being a founder of the United States Blind Golfer Association. He is part of the Duluth Arena Sports Hall of Fame.

Despite a car tire repair accident in 1924 that blinded him in his late 20s, Clinton went back to playing golf and scored remarkable scores in the 80s. In August 1938 he played a match against a blind golfer from England and Ripley of *Believe It or Not* provided a trophy for the winner. A large crowd attended the event at Ridgeview Golf Course in Duluth. Clinton won. Another match was held Aug 24, 1941 at Northland Country Club where Clinton beat a blind attorney player from Fort Worth, Texas.

Ft Worth Star Telegram. Oct 24, 1941

Clinton went on and won the world champion blind golfer title in 1946.

Note: David Ouse, a retired Duluth Public Library reference librarian, gave a presentation on Clinton Russell last year based on his book *Forgotten Duluthians.*



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