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Lakeside—Lester Park
bi-monthly newsletter since 2012

A Living Fence

On Seven Bridges Road/End of Glenwood St.

If you head out on a walk or drive up Seven Bridges Road (Occidental Boulevard), when you're about a block north of Superior St you'll come upon a yard with many hydrangeas. It's a site to see thousands of sizable flower heads from August into October. Each plant blooms with many white flowers until the white morphs into shades of pink. What a sight! It's all beautiful! Gerry Sweetnam and Patty Miller are the ones who planted and care for these flowers. Their entire yard border—and it's a corner lot—has over 100 hydrangea plants. In 2007 the couple wanted to put in a living border along their yard's boundary. Patty had seen a photo in a magazine page that showed white flowers

This couple planted over 100 hydrangeas years ago and the flowers have been enjoyed by many. Their flower "fence" has been the backdrop for graduation and engagement photos, as well as a source of blooms for church sanctuaries.

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Capturing local nature's beauty with paint

Young Plein Air Painters Capture Amity Creek

PHOTO CAPTION: Keaton Clark from Arizona and Andrew Short from St. Paul moved to Duluth as students in the Great Lakes Academy of Fine Art. Here they are painting along Amity Creek.

Amity Creek is a popular place in the summer and other seasons. Some people wade in the water, some jump in the deep area, some bike, hike, or ski along the stream or Seven Bridges Road. A few people even paint along the stream. Two young men were creating artwork of Amity Creek in late August. Keaton Clark says he moved to Duluth to be part of a four year art training by Jeff Larson who is the director of the Great Lakes Academy of Fine Art. Keaton moved to Duluth from Korea, but is originally from Arizona. Fellow student Andrew Short moved to Duluth

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Fall Foliage

Prediction Map can be found at **smokymountains.com/fall-foliage-map**. The interactive map lets you select states and different dates. **www.dnr.state.mn.us/fall_colors/index.html** Also, check **wdio.com** for more local forecasts.

Queen Elizabeth
1926-2022

When life seems hard, the courageous do not lie down and accept defeat; instead, they are all the more determined to struggle for a better future.
Queen Elizabeth

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Nov 14

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local history program
dulcimer music & lessons

McCulloch Street Musings
from the Editor

SEASONS CHANGE. Frost is coming. Fallen leaves are adding a crunchy sound to bike rides and walks. Shorter days are ahead. Students are walking or bussing to school. Were you lucky enough to see Northern Lights recently? I've been biking more as I do a virtual bike challenge that 'pushes' you to go further. While biking on E. Superior St one night I saw hundred of nighthawks and about 5X as many dragonflies, plus 8 bats.

The training helped us bike around Mille Lacs (61 mi) and we stopped at the Indian Museum and Post and went home and tried to make my own maple syrup candy. I took a spider class from Larry Weber at Boulder Lake ELC. It was incredible to see numerous webs after dark using flashlights—on vegetation and on man-made structures. I learned a lot in the class, like that many orb spiders eat their webs by morning as a protein source and they will rebuild their webs fresh each night.

I recently was able to watch and participate in a grape stomp at a vineyard in Stillwater. I offer day trips from Duluth but that trip didn't have enough to cover the bus so we went down and went on the tour of the vineyard to learn about growing grapes and making wine. Grape stomping is great exercise and an odd feeling. We also went to Belwin Conservancy, a prairie restoration site with a herd of bison in Afton.

I've been taking weekly water samples from Amity Creek, and using petri dishes to see what grows. The project is through NRRI. More info in a future issue. Shop local for gifts.

Do you what you love.
Your neighbor,
Wendy

Up North Excursions
Day Trips from Duluth

Nov 19 *Saturday*
A Christmas Carol
Dicken's treasure.
*Stop @**Midtown Global Market***
Guthrie Theater Reserve by 10/3.

Dec 15 *Thursday*
Les Miserables
Orpheum Theatre, Reserve by 11/2

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High 5!

TO: volunteer pedicab drivers

The pedicab (like a tricycle with 2 passenger seats) arrived at Ecumen Lakeshore in 2014. Most of the rides are for memory care residents on the trails on the campus. Other residents take rides on the Lakewalk. The rides last 10 to 30 minutes. Everyone loves seeing wildlife on the rides and fresh air.

Duluth Fiber Guild
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New Lakeside compost drop-off site at **Lake Superior Brewery**. See WLSSD ad on page 2.

Spruce Up—Amity Coffee New wall décor and seating. Fall-themed iced cookies are in the case. Trivia nights returning soon. **Sammy's Pizza** has a new red paint on the exterior.

Deluxe Insurance Group held a **tailgate party** this summer and City Auto Glass did free windshield repairs and Zenith Auto Glass gave prize bags and tickets to Twins games. 50+ hot dogs were grilled and given out. This was a first–time event and it will be planned again for next year. **Food trucks** most Thursdays 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. through Oct.

Rounding Up benefits local organizations Mt Royal Foods customers donated to Hawk Ridge ($2000+) and Friends of the Lakewalk (~$3500) **Whole Foods Coop Give! Round Up** supports Duluth Farm to School program. Funds will be used for Districtwide 7th grade life science farm field trip, tastings within school cafeterias/ events and building raised beds at several local schools.

General Election Day Tuesday, Nov 8

Polls open 7 am –8 pm

If you are voting for the first time in MN you will have to show ID if you registered by mail and your ID could not be verified by the state or you are registering to vote on Election Day.

Plan Ahead. Register early. If you've moved since last election, register again so that you're information is current. mnvotes.sos.state.mn.us Duluth City Hall, 218-730-5500

What's on the ballot? Besides voting for candidates the ballot will also have a Question on **Approving of a dedicated parks fund levy increase**.

LOCAL ART & GIFT

~20 local artisans

10AM-3PM shop local-made

Nov 5 Get Great Stuff

Dec 3 Get It Local

Dec 10 Neighbor-Made

Peace Church, 1111 N. 11th Ave., Duluth

FMI WendyUpNorth.com

Everybody's Lakewalk

A **10mph speed limit** is now a rule for the section between the Rose Garden and Canal Park. Everyone can't help notice the abundance of electric scooters being driven along the Lakewalk. E-bike popularity is definitely here. We all can safely use the trail.

Friends of the Lakewalk is applying for a signage grant for directional and interpretive signs along the Lakewalk including through to Brighton Beach.

Lakeside Presbyterian Church
4430 McCulloch Street, Duluth, MN 55804
218-525-1967

10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship

Pasties will be for SALE, beginning Oct. 3rd
Defensive Driving Refresher 55+ -
December 5th, 8:30 p.m.

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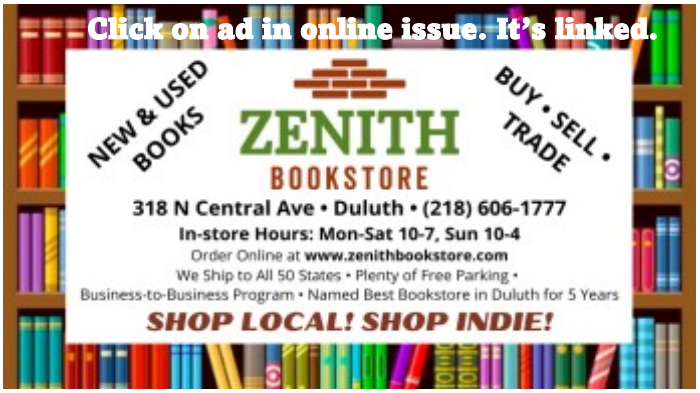

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A Few Fall Events

Oct 8, 9, 10, 15, & 16
Rummage Sale
Lakeside Lester Park Community Club, 106 N. 54th Ave. E. Look for signs. If you have items to donate call 218-525-0845.

Oct 8, Nov 12
Second Saturday Marketplace
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Artists, food. Spirit of the Lake School. 5401 E. Superior St.

Oct 15 Fur Ball
Northland Country Club. Animalallies.net

October 20, 21, 22, 23
The Great Pumpkin Train
North Shore Scenic Railroad duluthtrains.com

Oct 25
Halloween Party
Come in costume. Have fun. Lakeside Lester Park Community Club, 54th Ave. E. and Tioga St.

October 25, 26, 27
Scarium at the Aquarium
Great Lakes Aquarium. 4pm-7pm. Crafts, projects, and games. Prereg. required. 218.740.3474

October 29
Fairlawn Mansion's Haunted Halloween
2-5 p.m. Family friendly activities, crafts, candy & costume contest. 7-10 p.m. Music, treats. Bring your own boo-ze. Age 21+

Nov 11 & 12
Gales of November
Speakers on maritime history, industry and photography. www.lsmma.com

Nov 18
Christmas City of the North Parade 6:30-8 p.m. Free. Downtown area.

Stop up at **Hawk Ridge**. More birds are passing through, incl owls!
Go Greyhounds!

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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Brighton Beach Erosion Control Plan

The Coastal Hazards of Superior (CHAOS) group held a field trip to the City of Duluth's Brighton Beach in August and learned about natural erosion control measures being put in place this fall to protect the shore during storm events. Vegetation, earthen berms, armoring stones ($780,000) are part of fall improvements.

The new road and amenities will be completed by fall of 2023.

info@duluthmn.gov or call 218-730-5000

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to study art in the program. In the coursework the students receive intensive training in sketching and painting techniques. Student sketch casts, figures, still life and finally artist interests. Keaton says "I won an art competition in Kindergarten but set aside doing art until about 4 years ago since high school." Keaton enjoys painting landscapes. The training for students also includes working with black and white. The classes and studio time are 9 to 5 every day but students are encouraged to do as much

Spirit of the Lake School 5401 E. Superior St, had guest aerial artists on Sept 1 give a **Steampunk Aerial Art** performance. The artists 'danced' in the air hanging from silk or hoops as music played. Children, parents and the community watched in the open space of the former sanctuary of Lester Park Methodist Church.

Slow Down
Watch for Students

COVID-19 (as of 9/18/22)

Known cases (actual is likely higher)
..in St. Louis Co. 55,524
..in Minnesota 1,651,999
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..in Minnesota 13,558
..in the U.S. 1,078,663
..in the world 6,530,779

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blooming in a long row in front of a house and thought that's what she wanted to have by her own home. Annabelle hydrangea were selected as the lucky "white-blooming plant." First 50 plants were purchased and planted, then 40 more, and additional later. Unfortunately within 3 years of planting the plants most of them died. The next plants planted were Limelight hydrangea which has a cone-shaped flowering head, instead of the mop-shaped ones of the Annabelles. The Limelights are also much taller. More importantly, these hydrangeas are making it through the cold, extended winters. Gerry says he feels pruning the bushes is therapeutic and serves as a mindful activity. The border is relatively low maintenance but occasional watering and fertilizing (pellets) are done for each plant during the growing season.

It gives them joy to share the plants with others.

The abundance of flower heads is impressive to see in late summer/early fall. People's heads turn to view the beauty. Some people have stepped up to the couple's door and asked for permission to take special photos with the flowers in the background. Patty mentioned that numerous graduation photos, engagement photos, and wedding photos have been taken using the robust hydrangeas in the background. Even churches have asked to clip and cut flowers to bring in to their sanctuaries. In fact, Gerry and Patty mentioned they are fine with anyone snapping photos as they see fit and even welcome people to come take clippings for a fresh-flower bouquet or even for a dried flower arrangement. Butterflies and other insects also spend time with the abundant flowers.

DRCC
Supporting Abilities

DRCC Winona is seeking an **Assistant Program Director** (APD) who is outgoing, flexible and dependable to provide direction and leadership necessary to assist staff; and, who will work alongside the Program Director performing administrative duties while maintaining a warm, friendly home in which persons being served are given the opportunity to reach their optimal level of independence.

This is a Full-Time position that has a 40-hour per week work schedule. Starting wage is $17.75/hr. Hours are to be determined but will consist of 5 (8) hour days (room for adjustment); day hours into the evening and one weekend day each week. The benefits package includes: paid vacation and sick, eligible to participate in the medical/dental insurance, flexible spending account (FSA), supplemental insurance options, employer-paid basic life/AD&D and LTD insurance, and the 401(k) plan with Employer Match and Profit-Sharing.

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* Assume responsibilities in the absence of the Program Director
* Maintain the building and equipment
* Display personal communication skills

If interested, please contact Chandra Hays, PD, at 728-2126 or chays@drccinfo.org.

DRCC is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer and values diversity in our workplace.

Meet a Neighbor Rev. Suzanne Wasilczuk

Suzanne grew up in South Milwaukee, WI, in a working-class family. She graduated from UW-Milwaukee with a BA in English Literature. She couldn't figure out a way to make a living in that area, so she then went to Milwaukee County General Hospital School of Nursing, graduating as an RN. After a year working in Milwaukee, she decided she needed an adventure, and found a job at a community hospital in Sitka, Alaska where she worked for nine years. She also met her husband there—Tim Stratton. More recently [in the last 15 years] she has been a minister.

I can hear the tourist train behind our house, and wave to the passengers on one of our walks.

She and her husband moved to Lakeside in 2004 – and then she went Chicago and Maine for seminary and an internship. And time in Montana. Her husband Tim works at UMD as a professor in the College of Pharmacy. She and her husband live in a house built in 1892. They love the light and up-to-date kitchen plus their cozy, old-fashioned living room, and a glorious enclosed porch.

Suzanne is a Unitarian minister serving in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Ontario. She adores reading and facilitates a book group for St. Scholastica's Interreligious Forum.

She has an adult son, three adult grandchildren and one six-year-old great-granddaughter in the Milwaukee area.

Until COVID she volunteered regularly at the CHUM Food Shelf and sang (and even did hula dance) with Echoes of Peace community chorus, directed by Sara Thomsen. Most recently she's served as a Senior Companion to two elderly women through AmeriCorps Seniors, administered by Lutheran Social Services. She will begin her second year as a Foster Grandmother at Lester Park Elementary School where she attends a few mornings a week, helping the kindergartners to learn their alphabet, numbers, and later words and math.

She and her husband enjoy canoeing and camping. She loves neighborhood walks, especially along the Lester River. Suzanne loves Lake Superior! The Lakewalk. The Lester River. The local businesses and services in walking and biking distance. She knows most of the neighbors, and all of the dogs. It truly is a lovely place to live.

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Jewish Holidays this time of year

Not everyone celebrates Christian holidays throughout the year. In Duluth, about 0.3% of the population are Jewish people, 1% in Minnesota, and about 2.5% of the U.S. is Jewish. Most live in New York, California and Florida. Interesting **local** information on Jewish people, including a listing of those buried at the Jewish cemetery, Tifereth Israel Cemetery, 4820 Howard Gnesen Road can be found at www.garon.us/Duluth.html.

Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) begins sunset on September 25 and ends on September 27 evening. The term literally means "the head of the year" and is a holy day for intense moral and spiritual introspection.

Yom Kippur begins sunset on October 4 and ends evening on October 5. This holiday is observed for a 25-hour period. Certain things are forbidden during this time, including eating and drinking.

Sukkot (Feast of the Tabernacles) begins sunset October 9 and ends evening on October 16. It is an agricultural festival of thanksgiving and a commemoration of the forty-year period that Jews spent in the desert on the way to the Promised Land.

Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah (Rejoicing the Torah) begins October 15 at sunset and ends the evening of October 18.

Hanukkah (festival of lights) begins sunset on December 18 and ends the evening of December 26. This eight-day celebration commemorates the rededication during the 2nd century B.C. of the Second Temple in Jerusalem. Source: Chabad.org

Pictured to the right is the **Minnesota apple display** from this year's MN State Fair. Cold-hardy apples. Since the program began at the U of M in 1878 about 30 apple varieties have been released.

Duluth has edible landscaping. Washington Park, 43rd Ave. E and Superior St has several community tree plantings. **Did you know** at Washington Park in Lakeside there is an apple tree variety called *State Fair*?

Full Moon
Oct 9, 4:55 p.m.
Nov 8, 6:02 a.m.
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