

Hazelhurst Highlights



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This week

All times in the Highlights are local time, Eastern Daylight Time.

Monday

10 am Monday Morning Coffee Red Barn

10 am Library Open 'til 2 pm Mailhouse

Noon Bike Ride Red Barn

Tuesday

9 am Camp Clippers *

*See bulletin board for details

Check the Bulletin Boards for more!

One More Highlights Coming

Because last week's Highlights said that articles were being accepted through Tuesday, September 1, there WILL be a Labor Day Weekend edition of the Highlights. Please send articles, pictures, stories, recipes, poems, announcements of fall events, etc., to hazelhursthighlights@gmail.com.

Go for a Ride this Monday

The biking group will meet for a short ride at noon after coffee hour and cleanup on Monday, August 10. We will bike through Hazelhurst and surrounding communities. All levels welcome. —Mike Kozubek

Siteholders Meeting

Highlights of the August 8, 2015 meeting include the following actions:

- Welcome new siteholders Mort & Beverly Chethik in cottage #208.
- Golf carts must obey Camp rules for automobiles including parking rules.
- There shall be two (2) regular siteholders meetings each year, one on Fourth of July weekend and one in August, on a date selected by the Camp Chair. A majority of siteholder sites present at a siteholders meeting, either in person, electronically, or via proxy, shall constitute a quorum.
- Proposed lease: Siteholders voted not to include the clause that holds the Prairie Club harmless, not to require the Prairie Club to be listed as an additional insured, not to require siteholders to carry replacement insurance, and not to require all insurance policies to have renewal dates of October 1. Following these votes, siteholders voted unanimously to authorize the lease committee to propose this version of the lease to the Prairie Club Board at the September Board meeting. The Board will vote on the lease at the October Board meeting. The new lease will go into effect on May 1, 2016.
- John Manthey and Nancy Cook were elected to Camp Council. Continuing Camp Council members are Bob Foote, Pam Donnelly and Hilary Critchfield.
- Siteholders authorized spending up to \$10,000 to resurface the tennis courts.
- Siteholders authorized spending up to \$15,000 to address problems in the Barn, including leakage during rain, cracks in the floor and stage, lighting, and wiring.

A Guide for Sponsors

Please remember that when you sign a sponsor's form you are personally vouching for the character and conduct of the applicant. It is also important to encourage the applicant's spouse, or other eligible family members who use the club facilities to apply for membership.

When you are preparing to sponsor someone, please plan on making yourself available for the following:

Accompany the new member to activities and events to introduce them to others.

(Think of yourself as a "mentor")

Familiarize yourself with current Club activities by regular reading of the PC Bulletin, PC e-mails, and checking the PC website theprairieclub.org.

Direct any questions that you are unable to answer to the club office or to the appropriate chair, as listed in the PC Bulletin.

Emphasize that The Prairie Club is a "volunteer run" organization. Following Board approval of your applicant, volunteer with your new member for a club project.

Remind your applicant that once all of the application forms are properly completed and submitted to the Club Office, along with payment of all fees he/she is entitled to enjoy all the benefits of Club membership (except voting), pending Board approval.

—Barb Burton

Don't Forget!

Before you leave, bring all your chairs, umbrellas toys, and other paraphernalia (including boats) up from the beach.



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Library Closing

We all love getting our beach reading and rainy day reading at the Hazelhurst library. I can get new books sooner at the Hazelhurst library than I can at my public library at home! And it's a great place to run into old friends. Thanks so much to Phyllis Pelletier, Ann Cilla, and all the volunteers that keep this precious resource going. Please return any books you have checked out from the library by August 31. If you have books to return and the library isn't open, please put them in the box in the mailhouse. —Ed.

Books still available!

If you need reading material when the library is closed, check out the "Put 'n' Take" shelf in the mailhouse. And if you have books at your cottage that you can't read even one more time, you can drop it off on the Put'n'Take shelf for someone else to enjoy. This summer my family is enjoying an old cottage book we picked up from the PnT shelf called *East of the Sun, West of the Moon*, Theodore & Kermit Roosevelt's account of their trek through the Himalayas collecting specimens for the Field Museum.

—Ed.

Historical Highlights

OUTDOORS WITH THE PRAIRIE CLUB 1908

Walks in the Dunes became a regular thing for the Club, enthusiasm waxing strong and attendance increasing. Small groups frequently spent on the Dunes during all seasons of the year, hiking over the high sand hills, exploring swamps and bogs, skiing and tobogganing. Thus germinated the idea of a camp in the Dunes and in the course of time preliminary steps were taken to locate one in some convenient and desirable spot (resulting in Fremont Camp).

OUTDOORS WITH THE PRAIRIE CLUB 1932

What wealth of beauty is revealed in this simple landscape (the Dunes) – little understood by mankind – this work of the Great Master, that for all times shall remain one of the great inspiring things of the world! And then one wonders why so much discord is on this beautiful earth. Is it because no one knows, or cares, or is interested in the beauty of the earth we inhabit?

—Jens Jensen

Landscape Architect, Member of the Prairie Club

[Reprinted in the August 16, 1968 Highlights]

Beyond the Gates

2016 National Park Service and Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore Celebrations

This past Tuesday August 25 was a "free day" for visitors to US National Parks to mark the 99th anniversary of the establishment of the National Park Service in 1916.

A year from now, on August 25, 2016, Prairie Club members along with many others in the United States and in countries around the world will participate in celebration events surrounding the Centennial, and the appointment of Prairie Club member Stephen Mather of Indiana as its first director. In November 2016 the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore in 1966 will be celebrated.

Locally, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore is coordinating a calendar of events for 2016, including in cooperation with Chicago Wilderness (Prairie Club is a member, and celebrating its 20th anniversary in 1916), National Parks Conservation Association (advocacy group for national parks established in 1919, with Midwest regional office in Chicago), National Park Foundation (with Subaru as national sponsor), and organizations linked with Chesterton Library (holder of Prairie Club archives, including for Fremont, now Indiana Dunes State Park and proposed in 1916 as the site for a Federal Indiana Dunes national park).

Now is the time to check family, Hazelhurst and Prairie Club calendars for events for a busy 2016, including for events in which the Prairie Club has the opportunity to be an official co-sponsor in the Indiana-Illinois Millennium Reserve natural and heritage conservation economic development area along Calumet River, Calumet Harbor and South Side Burnham Park and Jackson Park areas. Included in this area is the newly designated (spring 2015) Pullman National Historical Park, including many buildings maintained by State of Illinois, and now with a small staff linked for administration through Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore.

Just around the corner for Prairie Clubbers. For 2017 and 2018, don't forget the 100th anniversaries of the Diana of the Dunes Pageant over Memorial Day 1917, and the Frank V. Dudley Indiana Dunes Exhibition at Chicago Art Institute May-June 1918.

—Layton Olson

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Thank you, Diana Spurgin, Hazelhurst Highlights Publisher