April 2023 Newsletter

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ABOUT PPA
Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of Minneapolis.

Donate to PPA
Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.

GET INVOLVED!
PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information
Run for the PPA Board!
Elections will be held at the
Annual Meeting on
Monday, May 15.

GET ENGAGED IN THE CITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT EQUITY, ENVIRONMENTALISM, SAFETY, COMMUNITY BUILDING, TRANSPORTATION, LAND USE, AND MORE!

Black or indigenous folks, people of color, students, and renters are urged to apply to bring diverse perspectives to the PPA board.

Community Board training and orientation provided;
ALL ARE WELCOME!

There are seven board seats up for election. In addition, there is one student seat and one business representative seat available. Board terms are two-years beginning June 2023.

All board members must be at least 18 years old and either: a resident in the neighborhood, or an owner or business lessee of real property in the neighborhood, or the designated representative of a nonprofit, educational organization or governmental organization in the neighborhood.

CANDIDATE PROFILES DUE APRIL 9
"The PPA board's annual board member election is fast approaching and I encourage you to participate if you have interest!

This is my first year on the board. I decided to run last year as I wanted to deepen my civic participation in my community, meet more neighbors, and understand more about issues in our neighborhood and city. The Board has met my expectations on all these points.

Several seats are open and the election is low-key. If you would like to run, candidate profiles are due on April 9."

Jane Stockman, PPA Board Member

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Luxton Park Summer Softball & Baseball Registration is Open!

Click the MPRB Activity link here to get more information and register.

Available summer sports programs are:

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Questions? please feel free to contact:
Earth Day Clean Up

Join the neighborhood to *Invest in our Planet*, the 2023 Earth Day theme. 
**On Saturday, April 22 from 9:30 to 11:30.** Come grab a bag, some gloves, and get out to enjoy the neighborhood while picking up anything that doesn't belong on the ground.

Participants will be taking care of the earth and watershed around the Mississippi River. If you can't make it down to pick up supplies, get out on your own and choose a location to clean. The earth and the Environment Committee thank you for your participation.

Gloves and bags will be available for pick up at two locations:
* Along East River Pkwy, south of the Franklin Avenue Bridge in [River Gorge Park](https://www.prospectparkmpls.org/neighborhood/livability/parks-rec.html)
* Prospect Park ([Tower Hill Park](https://www.prospectparkmpls.org/neighborhood/livability/parks-rec.html))

**Donate to Prospect Park Association**

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[Please donate to PPA at GiveMN](https://www.prospectparkmpls.org/neighborhood/livability/parks-rec.html)

Simply click for online GiveMN or mail checks to PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis 55414.

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**2023 Prospect Park Yard and Tailgate Sales: Date TBD**

As the weather warms and spring cleaning shifts into full swing, consider holding off on that trip to the donation center and setting those items aside for a yard sale instead! Clean items that are dusty or dirty, and price them as you set them aside to make setup easier the day of the sale. Also start to gather boxes or bags for shoppers to use.

**The date will be in June and will be set soon.**

Watch the [Prospect Park Website](https://www.prospectparkmpls.org/neighborhood/livability/parks-rec.html), PPE-list and the PPA Newsletter for updates.
Prospect Park Co-op Legacy Fund Grant Cycle & Annual Meeting

The Prospect Park Co-op Legacy Fund (PPCLF) is now soliciting proposals for its annual grant program. PPCLF specializes in providing small grants of up to $1500 in support of community-based projects serving the neighborhoods of Southeast Minneapolis with a focus on residents of the Prospect Park neighborhood. See attached guidelines and application form. Applications are due by midnight, May 1, 2023. For further information contact at pplegacyfund@gmail.com.

For over 20 years, PPCLF has donated thousands of dollars annually to local programs and organizations that enrich our community. Southeast Seniors, Luxton Learners, Community Gardens, and Glendale Food Shelf are examples of past grantees. PPCLF administers funds provided from predecessor organizations including the Prospect Park Co-op, Consumer Association for Community Action, Pratt Council, the estate of Mary Alice Kopf, and generous contributions from individuals.

Current and former residents of the Prospect Park neighborhood are eligible to join PPCLF and attend the annual meeting, where members will discuss and vote on recommendations for 2023 grants. Only dues-paying members are eligible to vote. To be a member, dues of $10 must be paid at or before the annual meeting (May 20, 2023) to the PPCLF Treasurer: Prospect Park Coop Legacy Fund, Vince Netz, 2828 University Ave SE, Ste 205, Minneapolis, MN 55414.

Look for an announcement about the annual meeting location shortly before May 20, 2023.

Profound thanks to the many donors and volunteers who support the work of PPCLF on behalf of our community. We hope you can join us.

Greg Simpson
PPCLF President

PPCLF Grant Guidelines Here
PPCLF 2023 Application Here
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE EXPO

12-3pm Friday, April 21
Mondale Commons at Humphrey School of Public Affairs - UMN Twin Cities

Network, learn, and co-create for a greener future while sharing your experiences working on environmental justice in the community with undergrad students!

Questions? Email us!
Lily Dodge - dodge149@umn.edu | Britt Howell - urbanfarmdirect@gmail.com
Public Art Mural Underway in Prospect Park at Venture Academy

Four organizations, Creatives After Curfew, East Side Neighborhood Services, Venture Academy, and Prospect Park Association have come together to deliver a 12-week after school public art project. Artists Hibaaq Ibrahim and Juliette Myers, from Creatives After Curfew, are working with students to plan, facilitate, and design the mural. Artists and students meet once a week after school at Venture Academy. The art piece will be painted on a large canvas in the art room and installed outside on Venture Academy’s building this Spring. The unveiling is tentatively scheduled for May 9th, 2023.

The project is an opportunity for students to work with mentors from their own communities to engage in leadership development, creativity, and collaboration, while creating a mural that represents their identities, school, neighborhood, and city. Creatives After Curfew is a decentralized collective composed of local independent Bi-racial People of Color (BIPOC), white accomplices, and Queer artists from the Twin Cities. This project is funded by the University of Minnesota Good Neighbor Fund.

Photos credit: Sarah Baeverstad, East Side Neighborhood Services and Juliette Myers, Creatives After Curfew

Photos description: Hibaaq Ibrahim and Juliette Myers, Creatives After Curfew artists, help students at Venture Academy use a projector to trace mural shapes and cut the sheets and coat them with a primer (tinted pink to ensure even coverage) in preparation for painting.
Beginning Square Dancing
Van Cleave Park. See poster for details:

Travelogue: Visit to Marrakech! Wednesday, April 19, 1:30 – 2:30 PM, Van Cleve Park
Marrakech is made up of two distinct districts -- the medieval walled quarter known as the medina, steeped in rich history, and named a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the modern “new city” (Guéliz district) which has sprawled outside the ancient walls. Join Susan Bauer, who calls Minnesota home, but loves to see the world and share stories of her travels. Come and wander the narrow streets and alleyways of the historic medina, experience the “carnival” that unfolds in its main square every night as the sun sets, and feast your eyes on the ornate architecture, colorful textiles, spice markets and gardens, as we explore this remarkable city in Northern Africa.
Call 612-668-1022 to register or click here:
A Reckoning with History: The Mapping Prejudice Project  
Wednesday, April 26, 1:30 – 2:30 PM, Luxton Park  

The Mapping Prejudice Project is designed to reveal the “racism behind racial disparities,” in the words of Ibram Kendi. It illuminates how structural racism shaped the urban landscape, blocking African Americans from critical avenues for housing stability and wealth accumulation. Presenter Rebecca Gillette is the Community Engagement Lead-Associate Director of Mapping Prejudice and a third generation Minneapolitan. Gillette will illuminate how racial covenants underlaid housing policies that constructed racial inequalities over the last century.

To register, visit the online registration site by clicking here or call Minneapolis Community Education at 612-668-1022.

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Tech Drop Fridays at \textit{MN Tech for Success} Warehouse  

2nd and 4th Fridays @ 11:00 am - 3:00 pm CDT 504 Malcolm Ave SE, Suite 100  
You are invited to donate your used tech devices directly into the \textit{MN Tech For Success}, warehouse. They will refurbish and place it with students in Minnesota (or recycle it responsibly)!

\textbf{Accepted:}  
COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY: Laptops and tablets, Desktops and towers, Servers, Networking equipment, Printers and toner cartridges, Copiers and fax machines, Scanners, Docking stations, Projectors, Smartboards, LCD monitors.

COMPONENTS: Keyboards and mice, Cords, Cables, Memory, Processors, Motherboards, Hard drives, External drives, Power adaptors, Microphones

PHONES: Telephone switches, Cell phones, VoIP phones and systems, Landline phones

\textbf{NOT Accepted:}  
CRT monitors, TVs, VCRs and DVD players, Stereos, Household electronics (refrigerators, microwaves, toasters, blenders, etc.), Medial waste, Smoke detectors, Home appliances (washer/dryers, ovens, etc.), Freon-containing devices (i.e., refrigerators), Mercury-containing devices (thermostats, fluorescent tubes, etc.), Air conditioners, Dehumidifiers
Easter at St Frances Cabrini, 1500 SE Franklin – 612-339-3023

Holy Thursday Mass – April 6 at 7:00pm
Good Friday Service – April 7 at 7:00pm
Holy Saturday Vigil – April 8
Fire Lighting at 8:45pm
Easter Vigil Mass at 9:00pm Reception at 11:00pm
Easter Sunday Mass – April 9 at 9:am
Nursery program opens at 8:45am

EASTER EGG PARTY
Saturday, April 8
9:30 - 10:30am
Join us as for a morning of fun as we dye and hunt for eggs, play games, and more! All ages are welcome.
Also at St Frances Cabrini 1500 SE Franklin – 612-339-3023: Scripture Scholar, Art Zannoni, presentation on Matthews’ Gospels Cabrini’s Garvey Hall on April 17 at 7:00pm – 9:00pm Dr. Arthur E. Zannoni is an award-winning writer, scripture scholar, teacher, theologian, workshop leader, and consultant in biblical studies and Christian-Jewish relations. His topic on Monday April 17, 2023: Journeying Through the Resurrection Stories in the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 28:1-10) - Free Will Donations - https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/1014720101824174088/false#/invitation

You’re invited to observe LENT and Celebrate the RESURRECTION (EASTER) at Prospect Park United Methodist Church

MAundy THURSDAY
Thursday, April 6
6 pm Service

GOOD FRIDAY
Friday, April 7
6 pm Service

RESURRECTION (EASTER) SUNDAY
Sunday, April 9
Easter Sunrise Service approx. 6:30 am
Gather at the base of Tower Hill at 6:25 am
Easter Breakfast approx. 7 am
PPUMC Community Hall
10 am Sanctuary Service of Celebration

Plus, for Kids!
EASTER EGG PARTY
Saturday, April 8
9:30-10:30 am
at PPUMC
Saturday, April 15, 2023
7 pm @ Prospect Park UMC

The Roseville Big Band, est. 1965, is a 19-piece swing band with vocalists in the Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey style. The members are volunteers who perform for the enjoyment of making good music and entertaining their audiences.

A freewill offering will benefit Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light

MNIPL works in partnership with faith and spiritual communities to build transformative power and bring the lights of people’s unique gifts to addressing the climate crisis.
Sign up for Council Member Robin Wonsley's Ward 2 newsletters and get updates on the ward and the city.

Subscribe to MN Representative Mohamud Noor's newsletter. (District 60B)

Subscribe to MN Senator Kari Dziedzic's newsletter. (District 60)

Subscribe to MN Representative Samantha Sencer-Mura E-list (District 63A)

Subscribe to MN Senator Zaynab Mohamed newsletter. (District 63)

Locate your Congressional and Legislative district in Prospect Park

Helpful COVID-19 Resources

Free COVID-19 Testing Hennepin County

Click here for information on FREE testing open to those with or without symptoms

Additional Resources

City of Minneapolis
MN Department of Health
Center for Disease Control (CDC)
World Health Organization (WHO)

Follow the Off-Campus Living Facebook Page and sign up here for their newsletter to receive updates on safety, business, and more in the University of Minnesota Campus area. Non-students are also encouraged to participate!

Go to our Website / Like us on Facebook / Follow us on Instagram

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Contact us: staff@prospectparkmpls.org  612-767-6531

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