**MEETINGS**

For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the [PPA Calendar](#). All committee meetings take place at the office (2828 University Avenue SE) unless otherwise noted.

### ABOUT PPA
Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area.

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Strategy Session Your ideas welcome!

Come one, come all to the PPA Community meeting on Monday, February 25th from 6:30 to 7:30. This community gathering of the neighborhood association is an opportunity to bring your ideas, suggestions, and goals for YOUR neighborhood association's direction in 2019. What do you think are the needs of the neighborhood? What are your visions? How can we best involve neighbors - from Glendale, the historic district, renters from across University (ie, The Link and other apartment buildings)? How can we serve the diverse needs of the neighborhood - renters (short and long term)? homeowners? students & older residents? Families? Working people? People of color? Bring your ideas and your energy.

Neighborhoods 101-Recap
The energy was high at the January 28 Community meeting, and the discussion relevant to the future of PPA. Ariah Fine, from the Minneapolis Neighborhood Programs, talked with participants about the importance of showing up, and how the new Minneapolis Neighborhoods 2020 plan for neighborhoods will affect Prospect Park. We must serve all the residents of our neighborhood. Additionally, the funding structure for PPA will change, and the engagement of the community/neighborhood must be reflected in the board of the organization. "The Neighborhoods 2020 vision is to have an inclusive community where all people are valued, all communities are engaged, and leadership mirrors the great diversity of the city." How we make that happen is up to us.

The bottom line is we encourage you to show up...get engaged!

It Takes A Village
In general, people say there are lots of ways to get involved, but what are the specific ways? Getting involved helps you connect with others who live and/or work in the neighborhood. Meeting neighbors helps make the whole community safer. Lastly, it is FUN!
Below are a few ways to 'get involved.' Attending meetings is one way, but being active with others is another. Contact the office to get on the volunteer mailing list or find out where your interests/skills are needed - (staff@prospectparkmpls.org).

- Each of the PPA Board established committees (see list on first page) meet on a regular basis. There is no better way to find out what is going on in the neighborhood than to attend one of these meetings. Learn and contribute!
- The Neighborhood Relations & Outreach Committee (NROC) is excited about outreach - how do we meet and serve those who are living in the PP neighborhood but have not been involved - students, short-term renters, people of color, people living in apartment buildings...help us figure this out and perhaps make a pledge to help this process happen.
- Planning for the Ice Cream Social will begin soon - get involved by helping to plan, volunteering at the event, playing music at the event or any of the other 50+ volunteer spots.
- Planning for the Fall 2019 Home Tour will begin soon - help is need with logistics, social media and marketing.

Earth Day Clean Up
Save the date - **Saturday, April 20** - for Prospect Park's annual Earth Day Clean up. We'll meet down by the river - Franklin Avenue Bridge - for some snacks, clean up along the river, and an opportunity to meet neighbors. For a reminder email or more information, email staff@prospectparkmpls.org. Hope to see you there!

Oral History Project Celebration
Last fall, 10 volunteers from Prospect Park, Marcy Holmes, and Southeast Como began working with Erica Selzer-Schultz, a local oral historian, to learn about and collect *Neighborhood Stories and Memories* from residents 65 and over from the same neighborhoods. Sponsored by Southeast Seniors with support from the Prospect Park Association, the Good Neighbor Fund (from UMN), the PP Co-op Legacy Fund and the MN Historical Society, the project concluded with a celebration on Sunday, February 3 at the Southeast Seniors office, 2828 University Ave SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414.
Many joined in to hear from Lydia McAnerney, Coordinator of the project, Erica Selzer-Schultz, Oral Historian, and some of the people involved. 15 people 65 or older in Marcy Holmes, Prospect Park or Southeast Como were interviewed. The interviews were recorded and the transcribed. Watch for information on how to access these on the Southeast Seniors website in the near future.

Southeast Seniors has 4 recorders available for anyone to use for collecting stories. Have you thought about recording a loved one? Important people in the neighborhood? It's easy to do. For more information, please contact Southeast Seniors at 612-331-2302.

**Fearless Aging - 2/13**

You may not have a choice about aging but you do have a choice about how you approach growing older. Explore the normal, natural processes of aging, physical and lifestyle and the choices you can make to markedly improve the quality of your life as you age. Co-sponsored by Van Cleve Elders and Southeast Seniors, this program is open to everyone at Van Cleve Park - 901 15th Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN from **1:30 - 3 pm on Wednesday, February 13**. To register or for more information - contact Judy Houck at 612-331-2302.

**Garden Club Meeting**

The Prospect Park Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at the home of Judy Horns, 88 Orlin Ave.

Whether you are a home owner with a full fledged garden, or an apartment dweller with a window box of herbs and some houseplants, let's take a break from winter and meet to share our plant stories.

A potluck dinner, as usual, will be served. This is always an appreciative crowd to test a new dish on, or bring your old standby, but that's not mandatory. The only requirement is to just come hungry for food - and conversation! Non-gardeners and new members are always welcome; please tell your friends.
PLEASE NOTE: The monthly potluck meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month, from January through September. Mark your calendars!

Community & Board Meeting Info

Monday, February 25
6-6:30 pm: Social time; 6:30-7:30 pm: Community Meeting; 7:30-8:30 pm Board Meeting

PPA Community and Board Meeting Agendas will be available 5 days before the meeting on the PPA website. After February 20, you can also click on the calendar (February 27) for the agenda.

Documents approved at the January 28 Board meeting
Management Council Minutes - 12/03/18 and 1/21/19
Board of Directors Minutes - 9/10/18, 10/22/18, 12/10/18

Committee Reports/Minutes:
Environment Committee - 1/22/19
Land Use Committee Minutes - 11/13/18
Land Use Committee Minutes
  - Vermillion Facilitated Session - 11/13/18
Neighborhood Relations & Outreach Committee - 12/12/19
Transportation Committee - 10/16/18, 12/18/18, 1/17/19

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