




## June 2022 Newsletter

MEETINGS	Committee Meetings <i>virtual until further notice</i>	Community Meetings <i>22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC</i>
<p><i>For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the <a href="#">PPA Calendar</a>. All committee meetings are taking place virtually unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p><b>ABOUT PPA</b> Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of Minneapolis.</p> <p><a href="#">Donate to PPA</a></p>  <p>Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p><b>Community Building Committee</b> June meeting cancelled.</p> <p><b>Environment Committee</b> Tuesday, June 14, 6:30pm</p> <p><b>Finance &amp; Administration Committee</b> No meeting this month</p> <p><b>Land Use &amp; Planning Committee</b> Wednesday, June 9, 7:00pm</p> <p><b>Transportation &amp; Safety Committee</b> Wednesday, June 8, 7:30pm</p>	<p><b>PPA Board Meeting &amp; Community Meeting</b> <b>--virtual meeting--</b> <b>Monday June 27th</b> <b>6:30pm - 8:00pm</b> <i>Note: access info on <a href="#">PP-elist</a></i></p> <p><i>All Community Members are welcome!</i></p> <p><b>Management Council</b> <i>Sets Community &amp; Board Meeting Agendas</i> Monday, June 20, 7pm</p>

**GET INVOLVED!**

**[PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information](#)**

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW BOARD MEMBERS! PPA Annual Neighborhood Meeting & Board Election**

We want to congratulate the eight newly elected and re-elected members of our Board of Directors.

**Eric Amel**  
**Dan Cross**  
**David Frank**  
**Britt Howell**  
**Karl Krause**  
**Susan Larson-Fleming (1-year term)**  
**Jerry Stein**  
**Jane Stockman**

Thank you to those who attended PPA's Annual Meeting on May 9th and voted in the election.

We appreciate your contribution!

**At the next Board meeting on June 27, 2022, the first order of business shall be the election of officers by the Directors. Eligible candidates may be self-nominated or nominated by any member of the Association. The candidate for each office who receives the greatest number of (board member) votes shall hold the office.**

The June 27 virtual Board meeting details will be available five days before the meeting in the PPA newsletter and PPelist.

Contact [staff@prospectparkmpls.org](mailto:staff@prospectparkmpls.org) with questions.

## **PROSPECT PARK Neighborhood Eco-Events Saturday and Sunday, June 18th & 19th**

- ≈ **Prospect Park EcoTour**
- ≈ **Yard and Tailgate Sales**
- ≈ **Community Rain Gardens**
- ≈ **Electric Bikes with BF50 Indigenous Health  
& Nice Ride at The Pillars**

Want to be a better steward of Mother Earth? There will be something for everyone to explore in Prospect Park the weekend of June 18th and 19th!

≈ **Yard Sales and Trunk Sale at Pratt**- 9am to 4pm Saturday and Sunday. You can pick up a map at Pratt on June 18<sup>th</sup> or download a copy from our website at: <https://prospectparkmpls.org/ppa/committees/environment.html>. Map will be available online starting June 17<sup>th</sup>.

≈ **PPA Environment & Neighborhood Resiliency Committee's Second Annual EcoTour!** We'll have electric cars, solar panels, alternate energy sources like heat pumps and solar panels for folks to view and learn about. Sign up for a **free\* home energy audit** through [MNCEE.org](http://MNCEE.org) at Pratt School. (Free to households with an annual income under \$100,000.) Runs 10am – 1pm, Saturday only.

We are still looking for folks in the neighborhood to participate and show off their alternate energy sources. We'd love to include you! We provide a map and people wander from place to place. If you are interested, contact [environment@prospectparkmpls.org](mailto:environment@prospectparkmpls.org).

≈ **Curious about Electric Bikes? BF50 Indigenous Health** is providing NiceRide Bike Share Information to include E-Bikes & Scooter Demos at The Pillars of Prospect Park: 22 Malcolm Ave. SE. Runs 10am – 1pm, Saturday only.

≈ **Community Raingardens** – it's been almost a year since the PPA Environment Committee helped install 3 community raingardens at Pillars, River of New Hope Church and Glendale at 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. Stop by for ideas for your own gardens and receive free wildflower seed paper! Runs 10 am – 1 pm, Saturday only. *We will also have water stations at each garden.*

**Want to host a Yard Sale / Tailgate Sale?**

**TO REGISTER:**

1. Contact Jenny Michlitsch, [jrmichlitsch@hotmail.com](mailto:jrmichlitsch@hotmail.com), 612-840-5519

Please include:

- Contact E-mail
- Street address of sale or whether you will participate in the tailgate sale at Pratt
- Phone number
- Short list of items/categories of items you will have for sale (you can also provide or update this list later if you need to)
- Which day(s) your sale will be (Saturday only or Saturday + Sunday); (Tailgate sales will be Saturday only.)

2. Deliver the \$8 registration fee to Jenny (cash or check made out to PPA) via mail or drop off in person at 86 Arthur Ave. SE (mail slot is in front door). You may also use PayPal or Venmo. Contact Jenny for details. You will get a receipt.
3. **Registration deadline:** June 13

## **New Prospect Park Street Banners!**



Check out the four new Prospect Park street banners. Two are located on 27th Avenue between Glendale Townhomes and the Arrow Apartments and two are on Malcolm Avenue by The Pillars. Thank you to the PPA Environment Committee for their work getting City permits and seeing this project through!

### **Miss the fall clean-up? Want to give back to your neighborhood?**

If so, please consider leading or co-leading the organization of Prospect Park's annual neighborhood fall cleanup. We haven't been able to have it for the past 2 years because of covid, but prior to that, every year, Tom Kilton would organize the fall cleanup. Folks could put out junk metal, tires, concrete and/or brush, and Tom and his crew would come by and pick it up for disposal. Tom has moved out of Prospect Park, so this annual event is looking for a new leader. Organizing it would take a few hours of your time, making phone calls and getting volunteers signed up. You

would be supported by the Environment Committee (for communications, process, etc.) but would be the point person in charge.

If interested, please email [environment@prospectparkmpls.org](mailto:environment@prospectparkmpls.org). Please note, if no one steps forward, we will not be having a fall cleanup.

Thanks for your consideration and understanding.  
Mary Britton, PPA Environment Committee Chair

# Prospect Park Association Needs Your Support!

[Please donate to PPA at GiveMN](#)

Prospect Park Association needs your support. The City of Minneapolis reduced PPA's funding by 64%. To help fill the gap, PPA closed its office and reduced staff by half, but it's not enough. This year we need to raise \$7,000 so our half-time staff person can continue providing support to PPA's volunteer board and committee efforts.

## Why give?

- PPA installed traffic-calming measures so children can play safely near Pratt School.
- PPA leveraged funds to support an after-school program for Pratt School children during the pandemic.
- PPA delivered on a neighborhood climate action and resilience plan.
- PPA raised funds from community partners to install three rain gardens.
- PPA will host a second "Heal the Earth" Eco-Tour on June 18th this year.
- PPA is collaborating with the Pratt PTO to design the Jackson Family Memorial Playground at Pratt School.

*"Thank you for considering a one-time or repeating donation! I used the GiveMN link and it was super easy to set up a monthly schedule. I like donating to our neighborhood. Our family is grateful to live in Prospect Park and be a part of this community. PPA gets so much great work done with a network of volunteers - I see it in action each month! PPA is being frugal given the loss of city funding, and our contributions will make all the difference. Thanks again!" Laura Preus*

*"PPA makes a vital difference to the neighborhood. The staff effort your donation will support provides continuity and professionalism to help our community organize to be a better place. PPA's work towards the vision of creating a shared street, gathering place, and new playground on Malcolm Ave is making our neighborhood a better place to be." Evan Roberts*

Founded in 1901, PPA's mission is to promote, in a non-partisan, educational and cooperative manner, the health, safety and general welfare of the neighborhood and to promote the maintenance and improvement of the aesthetic, residential and physical qualities of the neighborhood environment. PPA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. If you prefer to give by check, our mailing address is: PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis, MN 55414. Please donate to PPA at [GiveMN](#) so we can continue working for our neighborhood. Thank you!

**Laura Preus**  
**PPA Board Member**

**Evan Roberts**  
**PPA Transportation & Safety Committee Chair**



# Luxton Park Event



Wednesday, June 15, 4-7 pm

Join us in Luxton Park for free jazz music, library activities, art and yard games. Learn to ride ebikes/scooters and meet with Minneapolis Health. Free food provided.

*Program will be cancelled if there is inclement weather. Program is sponsored by Luxton Park, Hennepin County Library, Minneapolis Public Housing Authority, and BPSD Indigenous Health (with Nicc Rade MNEy) and in collaboration with the Twin Cities Mobile Jazz Project, Parcel Arts, and Hennepin County Library Teen Tech Squad.*



## Evie Carshare



The [EV Spot Network](#) is having its public launch this spring and we would be thrilled to have you along for the ride. This network includes:

- [Evie](#), our new all-electric carshare service that offers a new, flexible way to get around the Twin Cities
- [EV Spot Charging](#), for owners of private electric vehicles, to improve access to charging and encourage EV adoption
- [Join now for \\$1 with code EvieMSP and get \\$25 drive credit. Valid through 7/1/22.](#)

While the EV Spot Charging locations and Evie Carshare "home area" do not cover all neighborhoods of both cities, anyone can pick up a car in the "home area" and drive it beyond that boundary as long as it's returned to the home area.

If you have any questions or would like to learn more, please see below.

### Questions about Evie Carshare:

[www.eviecarshare.com](http://www.eviecarshare.com)

Shannon Crabtree, Senior Planner and Community Development Manager at HOURCAR, [shannonc@hourcar.org](mailto:shannonc@hourcar.org)

### Questions about EV Spot Charging:

[www.evspot.org](http://www.evspot.org)

Samantha Henningson, Project Manager for EV Spot Network  
[samantha.henningson@ci.stpaul.mn.us](mailto:samantha.henningson@ci.stpaul.mn.us)

## **Join Southeast Seniors Lifelong Learning for Drumming, SOLOS & More!**

Do you have an extra hour? Our one-hour programs are designed to offer an easy way to join in some fun with your neighbors!

### **HealthRHYTHMS® Group Empowerment Drumming**

Wednesday, June 8, 2–3 pm. Van Cleve Park



Percussion activities, using a variety of instruments, can be done with little or no previous musical background or lessons. These experiences are accessible to virtually all people. Your facilitator, Marisa, will guide the session with a comfortable “follow the leader” style of teaching. Throughout the session, group members will have opportunities to be creative, have fun, and build connections with each other through rhythms and

beats!

Marisa Cuneo-Linsly has been drumming since 1995. Her main teachers have been Colleen Haas and Kari Kjome. Since 2008, Marisa has developed skills as a drum instructor and an ensemble Music Director. She is trained in HealthRHYTHMS, a wellness-based drumming experience created by the REMO Drum Corp. Marisa is also certified in Rhythm2Recovery, a therapeutic program using rhythm to support increased emotional regulation, plus improved social connection and psychological wellness.



Event is co-sponsored by Southeast Seniors & Minneapolis Community Education, with a suggested contribution of \$0-\$5. To register or for more information, call Pratt Community Education at 612-668-1100 or visit:

<https://minneapolis.ce.eleyo.com/course/40260/lifelong-learning-55-spring-summer-2022%E2%80%94/southeast-lifelong-learners-healthrhythms-drumming-pratt>

### **Future Planning for Solo Persons (FREE event!)**

Wednesday, June 15, 1:30 – 2:30 pm. Pillars of Prospect Park, 1st Floor Cafe

A growing portion of the 55+ population includes “solos.” These are individuals who cannot or choose not to rely on family to help navigate life events and make health decisions. Health and well-being matter for all, but they are often core concerns in the second half of life. Planning is essential, but particularly for those who cannot count on a family safety net. Many of us don’t like to plan or know how to do it well. Existing planning tools tend to focus on end-of-life, but neglect planning for health decisions and events more likely to occur during the “long middle.” Come hear about a new planning model for solos and a tool –the Backup Plan— which can help solos and others stay in the driver’s seat in the second half of life.

Linda J. Camp is an independent consultant, writer, and researcher. Her work focuses on strategic planning, systems analysis, and change management for nonprofits and local government. Her past work includes 28 years of management experience in the public sector and consulting work related to older adults. She most recently served as Project Manager for a Bush Foundation funded project on health decision making by and for solo older adults. To register, please call SE Seniors at 612-331-2302 or email Moira at

[moira@seseniors.org](mailto:moira@seseniors.org).

### **Volunteers needed for occasional yard work assistance in SE Minneapolis**

Southeast Seniors, a neighborhood agency helping older adults stay living independently in their homes, is seeking volunteers for occasional yard work assistance for neighborhood seniors. This could include trimming bushes, weeding, mowing, and other light yard chores throughout the season. If you enjoy working outside and want to make a difference in your community, please consider this opportunity! For more information, contact Ann Carter at [ann@seseniors.org](mailto:ann@seseniors.org) or 612-331-2302.



[The League of Women Voters Minneapolis](#) will be publishing a series of voter education articles leading up to this year's election on November 8, 2022. The MN primary election is August 9.

The following is information about the 2022 midterm elections, brought to you by the League of Women Voters Minneapolis.

### **When You Vote in the Primary on August 9, Stay in Your Lane!**

The Primary Election on August 9 will determine the candidates for the General Election. The top vote-getter in each Primary race will appear on the ballot in November. In Minnesota, any registered voter can participate in the Primary, but there's a catch. You must stay in your lane.

In some states, voters must "declare" their party affiliation in order to receive the corresponding Primary ballot. But, in Minnesota, voters are not required to declare their party. Instead, candidates for all major parties appear on every ballot. But note: If you cross political party lines by voting, for example, for a Democrat in one race and a Republican in another, your ballot is "spoiled" and will not be counted!

Candidates in the same party will be listed in the same column, so "stay in your lane" as you vote down the ballot. You don't have to vote in every race, but you may not cross columns on the ballot.

Some candidates will be designated as "endorsed" by their party. Endorsement is a stamp of approval or sign of preference from the party's delegates who were selected at precinct caucuses (back in February – remember those?)

But, there's more. Nonpartisan offices like School Board, County Attorney and Sheriff will be listed on the back of the ballot. In these races, the two top vote-getters move on to the General Election.

Preregistration for the Primary ends JULY 19. However, you can also register at an early-voting site or on election day at your polling place. Early voting begins on JUNE 24 and

continues through AUGUST 8. Or you can submit your ballot by mail.

Your vote is powerful, especially in the Primary Election, because compared to the General Election, many fewer people turn out for the Primary. Be sure you're someone who does.

To request an absentee ballot, register to vote or for more information, visit [vote411.org](https://vote411.org).

## **OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **Ward 2 Resident Survey**

The Ward 2 office is excited to share with you the [Ward 2 Resident Survey](#) and [Community Conversations](#).

Council Member Wonsley Worlobah is using this survey to help get the broadest range of resident voices included in shaping her policy priorities as well as her priorities going into the 2023 budget cycle. We want this survey to reach as many Ward 2 residents as possible, especially people who may not ordinarily participate in more time-intensive forms of civic engagement. The Community Conversations will focus on the same topics that are addressed in the survey, including updates from the Council Member and time for residents to discuss in small groups, ask questions, and share their thoughts.

The survey will be open until July 25th, 2022.

### **Celeste Robinson**

*Policy Aide, Office of Councilmember Robin Wonsley Worlobah*

*Minneapolis City Council, Ward 2, [Celeste.robinson@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:Celeste.robinson@minneapolismn.gov)*

- [\*\*Sign up for Council Member Robin Wonsley Worlobah's Ward 2 newsletters and get updates on the ward and the city.\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Click to subscribe to MN Representative Mohamud Noor's 60B newsletter\*\*](#)
- [\*\*Click to subscribe to MN Senator Kari Dziedzic's SD60 newsletter.\*\*](#)

# Helpful COVID-19 Resources

## Governor Walz' Response and Preparation

[Click here for updated Covid-19 news from Governor Walz](#)

## 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!



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