



UPCOMING EVENTS	Committee Meetings 2828 SE University Ave, Suite 200	Community Meeting 22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC
Harvest Festival October 3  PPA Picnic October 18	Thursday October 3 Admin Commitee 6pm  Tuesday October 6 Zoning and Project Review 7pm  Monday October 12 Executive Committee 6:30pm  Thursday October 15 Membership & Communications 5:30pm	Monday October 26 Social Time: 6pm Meeting Time: 6:30pm  PPA Board of Directors Meeting to follow  ABOUT PPA The Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area.

# Fall Happenings

We had a great September at the Prospect Park Association! We saw our new visual identity and name kick off early in the month and celebrated the change, as well as all the accomplishments made by volunteers in the last year. It was wonderful to see so many faces, meet new people and celebrate with neighbors. A big thank you to artist Sandra Block, who taught attendees of the open house the art of <a href="Suminagashi">Suminagashi</a>. We'd also like to thank <a href="Cupcake">Cupcake</a>, <a href="Signature Cafe">Signature Cafe</a> and the <a href="Seward Co-Op">Seward Co-Op</a> for donating to the event.

As always, PPA is volunteer-run and volunteer-driven, and we are lucky to draw from a broad base of civic and professional expertise in our neighborhood. We as an organization get things done based on the actions we as individuals take together.

Whether you are new or experienced, just arriving or established, each of you are welcome to become involved at any level in PPA. We have task forces and committees working on many projects, and if you have a passion for something distinct, we can connect you with other people who share that interest in the neighborhood. If you want to know how to get started, just contact me at either the office (612) 767-6531 or by email.

See you around the neighborhood,

Jessica

PPA Community Engagement Coordinator

### **Historic District Celebration**

To honor the recent Federal Historic District Designation of Prospect Park we will be holding a celebratory picnic on Sunday, October 18 in Tower Hill Park! This will be a Picnic of Historic Proportions meant to honor the two decades of work many people in the neighborhood dedicated to achieve this designation. Save the date and look for more details soon!

#### **Harvest Festival!**

The Prospect Park Community Gardens and sponsors are hosting a Harvest Moon Autumn Festival from 6-10pm on Saturday, October 3rd at the PPCG Cornerstone Location (by the Prospect Park LRT Station). This free event is filled with family-friendly activities for all ages including art, music and dance performances. Light refreshments will be served. <u>View the flyer here</u>.

# **New Prospect Park T-Shirts Available**

These shirts are 100% cotton and printed with the words "PROSPECT PARK". Within the design there is a scene of sky and trees. The 'A' in 'Park' featured the iconic Witch's Hat Water Tower silhouette. Show your neighborhood pride with the newest Prospect Park t-shirt! The shirts are on sale for \$15 and are available in the PPA office. Contact Jessica for office hours. Sizes XS, S, M, L and XL available.

# **Seeking Website Content Editors**

The Prospect Park Association is currently redeveloping the website. This website has been in operation since 1994 and is due for an upgrade! While we will be moving a lot of the content from the current website to the updated one, we are looking for content editors to proof-read the 170+ pages and put in any updates that are needed. If you are interested in helping with the overall editing of the website content, or have specific knowledge of one aspect of the neighborhood, please email <u>Jessica</u> for further information. The editing timeline will be dependent upon how many people volunteer.

# **Thank You to Clean Up Volunteers!**

Thank you to all the volunteers who came out to pick up concrete, brush and tires on Saturday, September 19th! We appreciate all your hard work. A big thanks to SKB, Zipp's Liquors, Seward Co-Op and Cupcake for donating time, trucks, food and beverages for the volunteers. More information on how much stuff was removed to come next month!

# Schedule a Home Energy Squad Visit

Join over 7,000 Minneapolis homeowners who have participated in Home Energy Squad Enhanced. Since 2009 Home Energy Squad Enhanced has been helping homeowners save energy and money in their homes.

For \$70, a team of trusted energy consultants with Home Energy Squad Enhanced will:

- Install of energy saving materials: door weather stripping, a water heater blanket, programmable thermostat, CFL's and high-efficiency water fixtures
- Perform a blower door test to measure your home for air leaks
- Complete safety checks of your home heating system and water heater
- Conduct a complete insulation inspection

If your home needs insulation and air sealing upgrades Home Energy Squad Enhanced will provide you with a quote to get the work done, as well as a list of qualified contractors who can complete the work.

Schedule your Home Energy Squad Enhanced visit today! Call Beth at 612-335-5874 or visit <u>mncee.org/mpls</u>.

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# **News Update from Defend Glendale**

This is a message sent to the neighborhood by the Defend Glendale organizers, not the PPA Glendale Committee.

Dear Neighbors and Allies,

Defend Glendale is the organizing committee inside Glendale Townhomes of Prospect Park led by Glendale Residents. We are working hard and over time to rehab our homes and keep our community together in Prospect Park so families are not displaced and pushed out of PP just because the light rail and high density models have become the trend. We have many allies from the historic district who are committed members of Defend Glendale Campaign.

We want everyone even the ones who do not know much about what is happening at Glendale to be aware of our news, updates and announcements. We want you all to please friend us on Facebook, Twitter, and email us if you have any questions or need more information.

Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/DefendGlendale">https://www.facebook.com/DefendGlendale</a>

Twitter: @defendglendale

Email: <u>defendglendale@gmail.com</u>

Right now we have several updates on Facebook Please like our page so you can get the latest updates and know what is going on. Soon we will be creating a list serve. If you like us to add you to the list serve <u>send us an email</u>.

Sincerely,

Defend Glendale Team

#### **Welcome Southeast Seniors!**

The Southeast Seniors team has recently moved into the PPA office suite at 2828 University Avenue SE. They were previously sharing an office with Community Ed at Pratt Community School. While their office mates were amazing, the space was not large enough for the Southeast Seniors staff. In the new location they have 2 dedicated offices and use of 2 conference rooms for larger meetings. Stop by and say hi!

# Seeking Input on the Future of the District Councils Collaborative

The District Councils Collaborative (DCC) is seeking input from the member neighborhoods on whether there are reasons for continuing this model for collaboration between the neighborhoods along and near the Green Line in Minneapolis and St. Paul. The DCC is a collaborative nonprofit designed to facilitate neighborhood participation in shaping the direction of the Central Corridor LRT (now the Green Line) by sharing information, conducting research, engaging underserved populations, and coordinating advocacy on common concerns. Prospect Park has been a member of DCC since its inception in 2006. The current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the participating neighborhoods will expire on June 30, 2016. *Keep reading...* 

# **SE Library Used Book Sale**

On Saturday, October 3rd the Friends of the SE Library is hosting a used book sale to support the library from 9am-3pm at the SE Library. <u>Learn more here</u>.

# Prospect Park Association Documents

- Admin Report: August 2015
- Executive Committee Minutes: July 2015
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- Glendale Committee Report: August 2015
- MemComm Report: July 2015
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- Midtown Greenway Report: August 2015
- Zoning and Project Review Report: July 2015

\*Board Minutes from July 2015 will be available after October's Board of Director's Meeting. Apologies for any inconvenience.

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