

# September 2003 PPERRIA Newsletter



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## PPERRIA Board/Membership Meeting Notice/Agenda

The next PPERRIA Meeting is Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7-9 p.m.  
at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church, Orlin and Malcolm Avenues  
Southeast

1. Welcome.
2. Approve agenda/last meeting's minutes.
3. Items for Consideration:

Information	<b>Neighborhood Cleanup Results</b>
Information	<b>Presentation of a new fund raising effort for Tuttle/Pratt Middle School by Allison Rajala</b>
Introduction	<b>Todd Reubold, VP of Public Affairs for the Graduate Professional Student Association at the University of Minnesota</b>
Introduction	<b>Julia MacKenzie-Cross, new coordinator of JOY Group</b>

4. New/Old Business.
5. Adjourn.

## Minutes from July 28 PPERRIA meeting – (Dan Patenaude)

1) The 7/28/03 Prospect Park East River Road Improvement Association Inc. (PPERRIA) Board of Directors (BOD)/Membership/Neighborhood (B/M/N) Meeting was called to order by Steve Banks, President, at 7:10 P.M. at the Prospect Park United Methodist Church (PPUMC) (Orlin/Malcolm Avenues SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414). A quorum of the BOD was present. Introduced were first time attendees, guests and visitors. Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "To accept as the agenda for this meeting the agenda, as amended, available at this meeting." Amended were: A) As Item 2-B: Membership Report: B) as Item 3-B: Biotech Corridor information: As Announcement: Item 7-D: Neighbors for Peace. See attached Item 1. There were no additional items considered at this meeting.

2-A) Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "That minutes from the 4/28/03 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting be accepted as published in the 7/03 PPERRIA Newsletter."

Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "That the minutes of the 6/23/03 PPERRIA B/M/N meeting be accepted as published in the 7/03 PPERRIA Newsletter."

3-A) Motion made by Joe Ring, seconded by Florence Littman and passed without noes: "That the Tower Hill Park Committee Mission Statement is the following: The Tower Hill Park Committee works to support endeavors that contribute to the preservation of the historic character of the neighborhood of Prospect Park. The appreciation of the historic significance of this neighborhood and its place in modern society." Joe Ring reviewed the motion. The committee has felt that there needs to be guidance in their activities and a use of their experience in the area of historic preservation and such activities as graffiti control. The committee would add a time dimension to various issues the neighborhood is working on. See attached Item 3-A.

3-B.) Motion made by Joe Ring and seconded by Karen Murdock: "That PPERRIA supports the proposal from St. Anthony Park Community Council and University United to have representatives of the city of Minneapolis explore with them the feasibility of Minneapolis and St. Paul to engage in an effort to create a Bioscience Tech Corridor between the two cities. PPERRIA also requests that the Minneapolis mayor and councilmember participate in the Biotechnology Conference on 9/17/03 being held by University United. If it is found not to be possible or feasible for them to participate, we request a written response from the mayor and councilmember." Joe Ring reviewed the motion. The recent state legislature proposed that there be Industrial Incubators. University United and St. Anthony Park has taken the lead in proposing such an incubator in the University Avenue Corridor. It fits in with the activities of the PPERRIA LRT/Transportation/Land Use Committee. This seems a fit with the University of Minnesota concept of biotech development. It is also a step in ending the perceived rivalry between St. Paul and Minneapolis. See attached Item 3-B.

4) Motion made by Meredith Poppele and seconded by John Kari and passed without noes: "To release \$25,640 from the PPERRIA/NRP Action Plan Phase I, Education C.1 funds to Southeast Seniors. A Living at Home/block Nurse Program." Meredith Poppele, Chair of the Board of Directors of SE Seniors, spoke to the motion and several individuals at the meeting spoke of their experiences on this issue and their support of the program which helped to put a human face on this issue.

5) Motion made by Joe Ring and seconded by Florence Littman and passed without noes: "That PPERRIA supports the renewal of the 1966 Federal Department of Transportation Act Section 4(f) with no changes or amendments." Joe Ring spoke to the motion. The act requires builders to consider alternatives when roads encroach upon environmentally sensitive or historical significant  
**July 28 Minutes** (continued).

areas. An editorial supporting no changes to the act in the 7/4/03 Minneapolis Star Tribune includes Prospect Park as an area that benefited from the act. The recent extension of the I-94 sound wall to Luxton Park is another example of the acts benefit to the neighborhood. See attached items 5-A and 5-B.

6) Tom Kilton, PPERRIA Neighborhood Clean Up Coordinator, announced that there will be a clean up in mid September but that it will be different from previous years: it will be a morning-only event; stuff that can be included in the weekly trash and recycle pick up will not be picked up; and individuals will need to bring their hazardous wastes to a site in the neighborhood on the pick up date themselves. Watch for announcements and flyers. Circulated were sign-up sheets to help with the clean up. See attached Item 6.

7) Announcements: A) Watch for information for the National Night Out activities on your block, 8/5/03. B) Copies of a letter sent by the Police Department to those who have violated the city noise ordinance were available at this meeting. See attached Item 7-B. C) There will be a public hearing on 8/4/03 at 2 p.m. in 317 City Hall regarding the establishment of funding priorities for NRP Phase II. D.) Dick Kain announced that there was a Neighbors For Peace group and, if interested, contact those who have sign in their yards. E) The Pratt Boot sale is to be 9/20/03 in the Pratt parking lot.

8) Florence Littman, Zoning Committee chair, reviewed the activities of the committee: A) The Fraser School and the Allina Clinic, Bedford and University Avenues SE, are working on a shared parking arrangement that would meet the city's parking requirements for each. The existing fence between the facilities and the neighbors on Fourth Street SE will be extended. B) Even though there is the start of a much delayed construction on the landscaping of the Great Brake's site, 30th and University Avenues SE, it looks as if it is not what was required by the city and what the owner agreed to do. The saga continues. C) On Fourth Street, there is a proposed removal of a house and the construction of a multi-unit. The committee opposes this. D) The owners of the fraternity houses along University Avenue SE in the University of Minnesota campus, oppose the historic designation of the houses and have plans to replace the houses with increased density housing. Committee members will be attending the city hearings. E) The committee will be reviewing the required, proposed, and actual parking facilities at the Jefferson Commons housing units (27th Avenue SE and west of the railroad track).

9) Joyce Barta, PPERRIA/NRP Coordinator, referred all to the PPERRIA/NRP Contractor Activities article published in the 7/03 PPERRIA Newsletter. \$804 was billed for 6/6/03 to 7/11/03 for committee support, history book activities and work on block clubs. See attached Item 9.

10/11) There was no old/new business brought up at this meeting.

12) Motion made, seconded and passed without noes: "That this meeting be adjourned." There was no additional business conducted at this meeting.

Daniel Patenaude, Secretary

Written changes and comments to 117 Arthur Avenue SE or <marko029@umn.edu>

# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT BLOCK PARTIES IN PROSPECT PARK/EAST RIVER ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD

Once again, Prospect Park had a fun and lively National Night Out evening on August 5<sup>th</sup>. There were 10 separate block parties throughout the neighborhood, with many of them combining two or more blocks to make organization easier and turn-out higher. A number of parties had visits from the Minneapolis Police Department and our neighborhood's civilian SAFE coordinator, Nicole Nelson. Overall, almost 400 people attended a block party that night.

While rain seemed like a threat early in the evening, the weather turned out to be beautiful, with dry skies and cool temperatures, inspiring many neighbors to stay at the parties until late in the evening. Block leaders reported that the nametags provided by the City of Minneapolis were helpful for meeting new neighbors, and the numerous Minnesota Twins ticket vouchers donated by the Twins were a fun giveaway item.

The National Night Out Block Parties are held every year on the first Tuesday night in August. If your block did not have a party this year, please consider volunteering to help organize one for next year. For more information, please contact Kari Simonson at 612-331-2776 or 612-331-2772.

## New Coordinator for JOY Group

JOY, a social group for persons 55 and older, has a new coordinator, Julia Mac Kenzie-Cross. She can be reached at 331-5823 (please call before 5:30 pm) or by email at [cross\\_mackenzie@juno.com](mailto:cross_mackenzie@juno.com).

## PPERRIA Committees and Chairs

Community Events	Lois Willand	378-9697
East River Gorge Park	Tom Kilton	339-3064
Education & Human Services	Susan Larson-Fleming	331-8819
Environment	Bill Kahn	378-5287
Executive	Steve Banks	321-9064
History Project	Betts Zerby	379-8095
Housing Redevelopment	Florence Littman Dean Lund	331-2970 378-2486
Housing Improvement	Andy Mickel	331-8396
Landscape	Mary Alice Kopf	379-7436
Membership	Dan Patenaude Karen Murdock	378-3038 340-1338
Tower Hill Park	Susan Thrash	379-4587
Transportation and Land Use	John Dewitt	338-1871
Zoning & Plan Review	Florence Littman	331-2970

## NRP/PPERRIA Contractor Activities

Reporting period: July 11, 2003 through August 08, 2003. Major activities and results:

Supported various PPERRIA committees and the Executive Committee	Maintained the neighborhood calendar & supported production of PPERRIA newsletter		
Worked on neighborhood history book	Worked to strengthen Block Clubs		
Expense for contractors' services:	Hours billed	Total expense	% of total Budget
Totals 07/11/03 to 08/08/03	<b>39.25</b>	<b>\$628.00</b>	<b>0.4%</b>
Totals 10/18/95 to 07/11/03	<b>8,804.85</b>	<b>\$147,580.34</b>	<b>95.5%</b>
Totals 10/18/95 to 08/08/03	<b>8,844.85</b>	<b>\$148,208.34</b>	<b>95.9%</b>

Total revised PPERRIA NRP budget for independent contractor services = \$166,6233.46\*; **\$6,25869\*** remains.

\* These revised amounts reflect additional funds reallocated to this strategy 11/27/00, 2/27/01, 6/25/01 and 7/22/02 and adds in funds from Safety & Security A.1. Block club coordination, PARC B.2. History editor and from Education A.1.a. Neighborhood learning center – Education committee worker. *NOTE: Current NRP Contractors include Joyce Barta and Kari Simonson whose contracts expire 4/30/04. PPERRIA Contractor is Paula Denman, whose contract expires 12/31/03.*

Total PPERRIA Funds Available for Buckthorn Removal per Exec. Committee 7/8/02: \$1,400.00; Total PPERRIA Staff Funds spent to date: \$168; Total Hard Costs spent to date: \$0; Total Remaining: \$1,232.00.

## Prospect Park East River Road Neighborhood Calendar

To include items in PPERRIA calendar, contact Joyce Barta at 378-9268 by **Friday, Oct 10, 2003.**

<b>Date and Time</b>	<b>Event and Location</b>	<b>Who to contact</b>
Saturday, September 13	<b>Neighborhood Cleanup</b> Details in September issue of SE Angle	Tom Kilton 339-3064
Saturday, September 13	<b>Buckthorn Removal</b>	Paula 338-1871
Monday, September 15	<b>Recreation Activities</b> begin at Luxton Park	Pre-register at 370-4925
Tuesday, 7:00 pm September 16	<b>(Tentative) Zoning &amp; Planning Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
Thursday, 6-8pm September 18	<b>Pratt Council Meeting</b> at Pratt Community Center; childcare and rides available.	Gary Jordan, 673-9713
Saturday, 9 am-1 pm September 20	<b>Pratt Boot Sale</b> at Pratt School 66 Malcolm Ave SE.	Register to sell 668-1122
Saturday, September 20	<b>Car Wash</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church. Fund raiser for youth activities and Southeast Seniors.	
Monday, 7:00 pm September 22	<b>PPERRIA BOD &amp; Membership meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Steve Banks 321-9064

Wednesday, 6:30-8:30 pm September 24	<b>Garden Club meeting</b> location TBA	Mary Alice Kopf 378-7436
Wednesday, 7:30 pm October 1	<b>Luxton Park Council meeting</b> at Luxton Park building	Jim Widder 331-6129
Wednesday, 5:00 pm October 8	<b>Glendale Resident Organization meeting</b> at 92 St. Mary's Ave.	William Tweet 342-1952
Saturday, 10 am-4 pm Sunday, 1 pm-4 pm October 11,12	<b>Mostly Weaving Sale</b> 27 Melbourne Ave. SE	Joy Thompson 378-2397
Monday, 7:00 pm October 13	<b>PPERIA Executive Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Steve Banks 321-9064
Thursday, 6-8 pm October 16	<b>Pratt Council Meeting</b> at Pratt Community Center; childcare and rides available.	Gary Jordan, 673-9713
Tuesday, 7:00 pm October 21	<b>(Tentative) Zoning &amp; Planning Committee meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Florence Littman 331-2970
Monday, 7:00 pm October 27	<b>PPERIA BOD &amp; Membership meeting</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church	Steve Banks 321-9064
Friday, 6-8 pm October 31	<b>Halloween Party and Haunted House</b> at Luxton Park	Kris Hammes 370-4925
Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm November 1	<b>Bazaar and Art Fair</b> at Prospect Park United Methodist Church. New artists welcome.	Mary 379-1730

<b>Day and Time</b>	<b>Recurring Community Events</b>	<b>Who to contact</b>
Monday-Friday 10am-4pm	<b>Food, toys, art supplies, seasonal clothing, necessities</b> can be donated to Care & Share Food Shelf, 92 St. Mary's Ave.	Ginia Klamecki 331-7056 Shirley Davis 342-1952
Tuesdays, 4 – 5pm Mon. Sept 8 11:30-12:00 Mon. Sept 8 11:00-11:25	<b>Bookmobile</b> at Luxton Park <b>Bookmobile</b> at Pratt Community Center <b>Bookmobile</b> at Univ. Good Samaritan Center	Recurring times 630-3000 may be changing. 630-6630 Call to verify.
Tuesdays 7:00 pm	<b>Community Choir</b> at PPUMC (Note: does not meet during the summer)	Curt Oliver 763-208-6556
Always Open	<b>Labyrinth at Franklin Oval</b> on Franklin Ave between Bedford and Cecil	

**PPERRIA Web Site:** <http://www.pperr.org>

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