



PROSPECT PARK

ASSOCIATION



MEETINGS	Committee Meetings 2828 SE University Ave, Suite 200	Community Meeting 22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC
<p><i>The most up-to-date list of meeting please check the PPA Calendar. All committee meetings take place at the office (2828 University Avenue SE) unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p>ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area.</p> <p>Donate to PPA Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p><u>Tuesday, May 2, 7-9pm</u> Planning and Land Use Committee Draft Agenda</p> <p><u>Monday, May 15, 7-8pm</u> Management Council Sets Community and Board agendas</p> <p><u>Tuesday, April 18, 7-8:30pm</u> Transportation & Safety Committee Draft Agenda TBA</p> <p><u>Thursday, May 11, 5:30-7pm</u> Neighborhood Relations & Outreach Draft Agenda</p> <p><u>Wednesday, May 17, 7-8:30pm</u> Livability Committee Draft Agenda</p>	<p>Community Meeting Monday May 22, 6:30pm - 7:30pm TBD-Please see calendar</p> <p>PPA Board Meeting Monday May 22, 7:30pm - 8:30pm TBD-Please see calendar</p>

May the weather get better

Hi Neighbors,

We are gearing up for a busy spring and summer! With the Summer Concert Series kicking off this month, more committees meeting to discuss ways to improve the neighborhood, and the big Ice Cream Social heading towards us, there is a lot to look forward to! Stay on top of things by following PPA on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#), or regularly check the [events calendar](#). We look forward to seeing you at these events!

See you around the neighborhood,

Jessica

PPA Staff

Ice Cream Social is Friday, June 2

The Annual Ice Cream Social is fast approaching, and we need *you* to help make the event happen! PPA has taken over the responsibility of serving food to the community during the event, and it takes a lot of volunteer power. Donate an hour (or more!) of your time, and you will receive a free meal coupon and be able to cut the line to climb the historic Witch's Hat Water Tower!

The Ice Cream Social is a signature neighborhood event that raises funds for the Pratt Parent Teacher Organization, and now PPA as well. There is live music, food, games, a community resource fair, ice cream (of course!), a bounce house and more! To sign up for a volunteer slot, or to find out more about signing up your organization for a spot in the resource fair, please contact Jessica either [through e-mail](#) or at 612-767-6531! The event runs from 5:30-8:30pm.

Earth Day River Clean Up

Saturday, April 22 was a beautiful day. Thanks to the over 90 people who gathered to help clean up along the river. About 35 people from the Surly volunteer group, Surly Gives a Damn, and another 45+ from the neighborhood and environs gathered to make

our neighborhood a more beautiful place. We picked up garbage along the river and along East River Road. The Minneapolis Park Board came by to pick up the many bags we filled. Many thanks for Tom Kilton who masterminds the organization of this annual spring event. Thanks also to Tina Rexing of T-Rex Cookie & Coffee Cafe for her donation of delicious coffee to keep us fueled in the morning, Jennifer of Zipp's for their donation of pop, and to Papa John's for their donation of pizza for the hungry crowd.

One fun fact we like to collect for our neighborhood clean ups is the average age. This spring, it was 32. In the fall, it is usually more like 60. We hope to lower that age in fall 2017! Save the date of October 14th for the fall clean up when we sweep through the neighborhood picking up concrete, tires, brush and metal.

Summer Concert Series

The first Prospect Park summer music concert will be a sing-along on Tuesday, May 9, beginning at 7 pm at the [Prospect Park United Methodist Church](#). Join your neighbors for a rousing evening of fun, old favorite tunes and other songs that will keep your feet tapping and your face smiling.

Linda Breitag is a song leader, songwriter, and master fiddler with an M.A. in ethnomusicology. Her musical past runs the gamut from the St. Olaf Choir to a Cajun/Zydeco band in Quebec City. Linda leads singing in concerts, residencies, and workshops. She's sung with all ages, and especially likes to write and lead paperless songs, both call-response and those with easily learned parts and choruses. Her trademark is humor and she brings a welcoming ease to a wide variety of venues and communities.

We look forward to having you join us!

City Hosts Forums on Neighborhood Organizations

Neighborhood organizations across Minneapolis are partnering with the Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission (NCEC) and the City's Neighborhood and Community Relations department (NCR) to host a series of community dialogues about neighborhood organizations in Minneapolis. Each event will include small group discussions to address the following questions:

- * What are characteristics of an effective neighborhood organization?
- * What services, opportunities, information should neighborhood organizations provide?
- * How can neighborhood organizations empower engagement?

These questions were developed by 37 participants at a day-long workshop on the Art of Hosting Conversations that Matter. These community conversations are a first step in developing recommendations for the Minneapolis City Council on the future work of neighborhood organizations through a process of respectful and inclusive community engagement.

Dinner, childcare, and translation services will be provided.

[Find dates and RSVP here.](#)

Development in the neighborhood

There sure is a lot happening north of University Avenue and over on Huron! To stay up-to-date on all the development projects in the area, please feel free to attend a Land Use Committee meeting! PPA regularly talks with developers to learn plans and offer suggestions on how to make the project fit in with the neighborhood better. All are welcome. If you can't make the meeting, please read the minutes at the end of the newsletter and [email Jessica](#) with any questions.

Midwest Climbing Academy

A developer that is working with the PPA Land Use Committee is [Midwest Climbing Academy](#). They are seeking to build a new, adult oriented climbing facility north of the U of M transitway by the United Crushers silos. They have a weekly community night at their current location and would love to see you there and teach you the ropes around indoor rock climbing! [Find out more here](#).

Prospect Park Merchandise

Prospect Park t-shirts, posters commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Witch's Hat Water Tower, and the history book Under the Witch's Hat, are all for sale at the PPA office! To schedule a pick up time or for more information on pricing and availability, please call Jessica at 612-767-6531.

Southeast Seniors News

Many thanks to those who attended the April 29 Southeast Seniors 6th Annual Fundraiser, A Taste of Southeast. It was great to see so many people in deep conversation, bidding on auction items and partaking in the wonderful lunch spread. SE Seniors staff, volunteers and board are grateful to the community for your support.

There are some items still available:

- Wine tasting (from France) at Total wine (6/17)- \$20 each
- Tour of Surly & beer tasting (6/5)- \$15 each
- Bastille Day party (7/14)- \$20 each
- Wine & Cheese gathering (7/21) - \$20
- hand crocheted baby blanket - \$15
- American girl doll outfit - \$20

For more information and to claim one of these items, please contact Southeast Seniors at [612-331-2302](tel:612-331-2302) or stop by our office at 2828 University Ave, suite 200.

PPA Documents

- [Neighborhood Relations and Outreach Committee Minutes](#)
- Land Use Committee Minutes ([Regular meeting](#) and [special meeting with U of M representatives](#))
- [Management Council minutes](#)
- [PPA Memorandum of Understanding with Timberland Developers](#)

PPA invites and encourages participation by every resident to each program, service and event organized by PPA. Should you require an accommodation in order for you to fully participate, or if you require this document in a different format, please let us know by contacting us at (612-767-6531) at least 5 days before our event.

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