



## June 2021 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><b><u><a href="#">Donate to PPA</a></u></b> Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p><b>Community Building Committee</b> Wednesday June 9, 4:30pm</p> <p><b>Environment Committee</b> Tuesday, June 8, 6:30pm</p> <p><b>Finance &amp; Administrative Committee</b> TBA</p> <p><b>Land Use &amp; Planning Committee</b> Thursday, June 10, 7pm</p> <p><b>Renter's Sub-Committee</b> Wednesday June 2, 6pm</p> <p><b>Transportation &amp; Safety Committee</b> Tuesday, June 15, 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>PPA Board Meeting &amp; Community Meeting</b> <b>--virtual meeting--</b> <b>Monday June 28th</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 21, 7pm</p>

**GET INVOLVED!**

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

# Save the Date!

## Prospect Park Garden Walk & More

Join us for a full day of activities in Prospect Park  
(Maps Available at Pratt School, 66 Malcolm St. SE, Minneapolis  
More information available at [prospectparkmpls.org](http://prospectparkmpls.org))



## Heal the Earth

Visit beautiful gardens & learn how to lower your carbon footprint  
Pick up Maps & info at Pratt School

Saturday, June 26, 2021

10 am - 3 pm (unless otherwise noted)

### Garden Walk

Visit gardens in the neighborhood for ideas and gardening tips

### Plant Sale

At Pratt School, 66 Malcolm St.  
Proceeds support the Prospect Park Garden Club

### Yard & Trunk Sales

9 am - 4 pm  
Residents will have lots of cool stuff for sale, PLUS sales from car trunks at Pratt School

### Alternative Energy Resources

Visit homes & talk to owners with solar panels, heat pumps, geothermal heating & electric cars

### Activities at the Park - 4th St. & 29th Ave SE

Sponsored by #BrittFit50 Indigenous Health will be providing music & entertainment, Nice Ride  
Electric bikes, & Minneapolis Park Board presentations about the community gardens

HEAL THE EARTH EVENT is sponsored by  
The Prospect Park Garden Club, PPA Environment Committee,  
& #BrittFit50 Indigenous Health

# Annual Garden Walk on June 26, 10am - 3pm "Healing the Earth"



For the past many years, the Prospect Park Garden Club has offered an opportunity to peek into neighbor's yards to see what they are doing with their gardens. This year, the Garden Club will partner with the Environment Committee to explore the theme "Healing the Earth." There will be an opportunity to see 9-10 gardens to get design ideas and growing tips as well as learn about additional ways to heal the earth through alternative sources of energy for houses and vehicles, reducing our carbon footprint. Participants can meet and talk to homeowners who have installed solar panels, heat pumps, use geothermal or mini-splits for heat sources or elect to drive electric cars or bikes. (Check out the opportunity to try an electric bike at the park at 29th Ave./4th St.). Save the date of Saturday, June 26 from 10am to 3 pm.

Check in will be at Pratt School where you can get a map, purchase plants from the Garden Club, or books from neighbor, Kent Petterson's Terrace Horticultural Books. Get out to see your neighbors, enjoy a beautiful day (we hope), and gather ideas for healing the earth.

- **Time:** 10 am - 3 pm

- **Place:** Pick up maps and other information at Pratt, 66 Malcolm Ave. SE (visit various yards, the Park at 29th Ave. & 4th St., community garden on Arthur)

- **What Else:** Plant Sale, Yard Sales, activities at the Park on 29th/4th, horticultural book sales, AND other surprises!



# Prospect Park Yard Sales June 26-27!



Given the latest round of loosening up of pandemic restrictions, especially as pertains to outdoor gatherings, it has been decided to resume the Yard Sales. However, participants are still encouraged to set up their displays and tables with proper social distancing spaces. Masks may still be appropriate too, depending on your individual situations.

Registrations are now open for this year's yard sales. **Note that the \*Garden Club Plant Sale, Garden Club Garden Walk, and PPA Alternative Energy Displays \* are also on Saturday, June 26**, so there will be lots of foot traffic that day.

\*With 3 weeks till the sale, now is a good time to start organizing your items\*. \*A few hints: \* Start setting aside sale stuff in your garage or a basement corner. Clean items that are dusty or dirty. Best if you put a price tag on them, by the item, by the box, etc., you can always negotiate price with buyer. Gather boxes and bags for shoppers to use.

**\*REGISTRATION FEE: \$8 is required\***, (covers advertising/printing costs and gets you on the map flyer). \*Cash or check- \*\*make out to PPA\*\* - accepted\*. You'll get a receipt.

**\*TO REGISTER:\*** Contact me and deliver or mail fee to: Gib Ahlstrand,  
[giba0945@icloud.com](mailto:giba0945@icloud.com) 612-379-1338 50 Barton Ave SE, Mpls. 55414

I have a secure mail box. Include your \*email\*, street address, phone #, and \*short list of typical items for sale\*, which you can update later as time for sale draws near. Your list will be included in the flyer. If you only want to sell on one of the two days, specify which one in your registration.

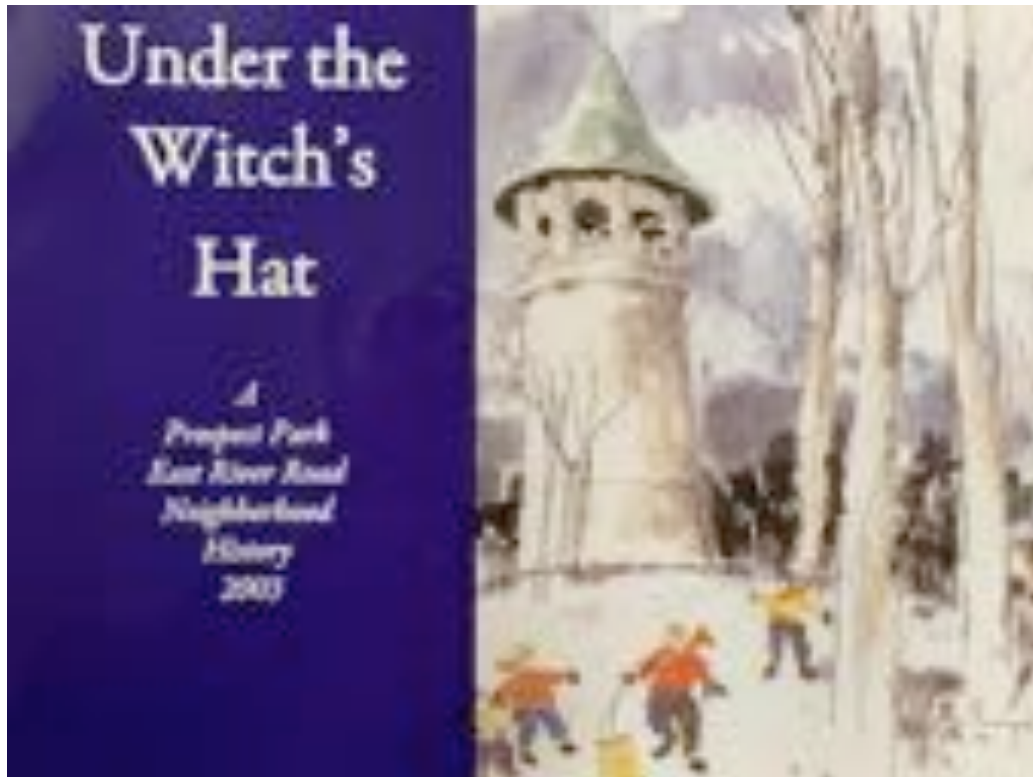
**\*REGISTRANT'S LOCATIONS:\*** will be shown on a map flyer (no other personal info will be released), and a line of text describing items you have for sale will be included. You will get 25 flyers to hand out at your sale. Our yellow permanent Yard Sale/Garden Walk signs will be posted along major streets in the PP neighborhood the week before the sale.

\*ADS:\* will run on the Strib & Pioneer Press web sites, and in The Villager and The Bugle newspapers.

**\*REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 22, 6 PM.\***

More information and tips will be provided when your registration is received.

# Prospect Park History Books and More Available June 26th



Please help PPA and our neighborhood by picking up one or more of these items, shown below, on June 26 th during the Prospect Park Yard Sale and Garden Walk. **All items will be available at various locations shown on the Yard Sale flyer.** Books and parking decals will also be available on June 26th at Pratt School while the Yard Sale and Garden Walk are taking place. **Take several for yourself—and a couple more to share with neighbors!**

**Book: Under the Witches Hat: Neighborhood History, 2003**

**Book: Tower Hill Park: A History, 1997**

**Parking Decal: Tower Hill Park graphic**

**Poster: Watercolor poster of Prospect Park homes & map of streets, 2014**

**Outdoor sign: We Stand with Glendale**

**Why is PPA giving these away?** We no longer have a place to store them: it's 12 boxes. Better for neighbors to use and share these items so they are available to all throughout Prospect Park.

*Thank you for your help!*

## Photography Class at Luxton Park Community Center

Students of the Luxton Park Teen Program participated in a 9-week collaboration with community artist and photographer [Kyra Nygard](#). Using disposable cameras between course sessions, students took photographs in the wider community to tell stories about themselves and where they lived. The idea of the class is that storytelling is vital to a healthy, engaged, and connected community as well as related individuals. Photography is a way for people to learn about and share small parts of their lives. The culminating project was a photo book that students worked together to create. An online version of the book can be viewed [HERE](#).



This project was supported by the PAA Community Building Committee and the Minneapolis Park Board and thanks to their help, another class will be starting June 15th. The second class will be focused on digital photography.

# **YOU can run for the PPA Board of Directors!**

Please consider serving on PPA's Board of Directors. Elections are planned for September, 2020 with two-year board terms starting in October, 2020.

[Click here](#) for info about serving as a board member.  
[Click here](#) for more information about the PPA Board.

[Click here to access the PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information](#)

## **PPA Board/Community Meeting and Approved Minutes**

### **Upcoming PPA Board/Community Meeting:**

All community members welcome!

**Monday, June 28, 2021, 6:30-8:30 pm**

Virtual meeting access and the board agenda will be provided in PPA's upcoming mid-month "mini" newsletter and on the ppe-list.

### **PPA Meeting Minutes and Committee Reports approved at the May 24**

#### **Board meeting:**

[April 26, 2021 Board/Community Meeting](#)

[May 18, 2021 Transportation and Safety Committee](#)

**Thank you to all who supported PPA in our  
[#SpringForwardMN](#) efforts!**

# Join us to Discuss Orlin/Seymour Intersection

The Orlin/Seymour intersection by Tower Hill is an important public space in the neighborhood. The intersection is very wide, and better sight lines and crossing distances could make it safer for pedestrians and cars, and create additional public gathering spaces. At the May Transportation & Safety committee we discussed some possibilities and challenges (it's on a hill that gets slippery!). The next step is to meet AT the intersection to gather community input, and sketch ideas in chalk on the road.

**Please mark your calendar for 7:30 pm on July 20 for a discussion about the intersection of Orlin & Seymour.** How can this intersection be safer? Easier to negotiate? More traffic and pedestrian friendly? We'll meet AT the intersection to brainstorm ideas. Bring your thoughts, suggestions, and comments. If you can't make it, please forward any comments to [transportation@prospectparkmpls.org](mailto:transportation@prospectparkmpls.org). We look forward to seeing neighbors out in the warm weather to imagine how to make the neighborhood a better place.







The programs on Zoom are co-sponsored by Southeast Seniors & Minneapolis Community Education.

To register contact Southeast Seniors at 612-331-2302 or [info@seseniors.org](mailto:info@seseniors.org) and provide your name, phone number and email. Registration closes at midnight the evening prior to the program to ensure that all participants receive the Zoom link and handouts (if applicable) prior to the start of the class.

### **A Backup Plan for Minnesota's "Solo Seniors" by Linda J. Camp - Weds, June 9, 1:30 - 3 pm**

A growing portion of the 55+ population is composed of "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 are concerns for everyone, but they are often the core concern in the second half of life. Planning is essential, but particularly 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 the end of life, but neglect planning for health decisions and events that will likely occur during the "long middle." Come hear about solos and the special challenges they face. You'll hear about a new planning model and tool – the Backup Plan – and how it can help solos and others stay in the driver's seat in the second half of life.

Linda J. Camp is a consultant, writer, and researcher. Her work focuses on strategic planning, systems analysis, and change management for nonprofits and local government. Past work includes 28 years of management in the public sector and consulting related to older adults. She recently served as Project Manager for a Bush Foundation funded project on health decision making by/for solo older adults.

### **Recycling - What's the Deal? by Kim Erickson and Alex Kim - Wednesday, June 16, 1:30 - 2:30 pm**

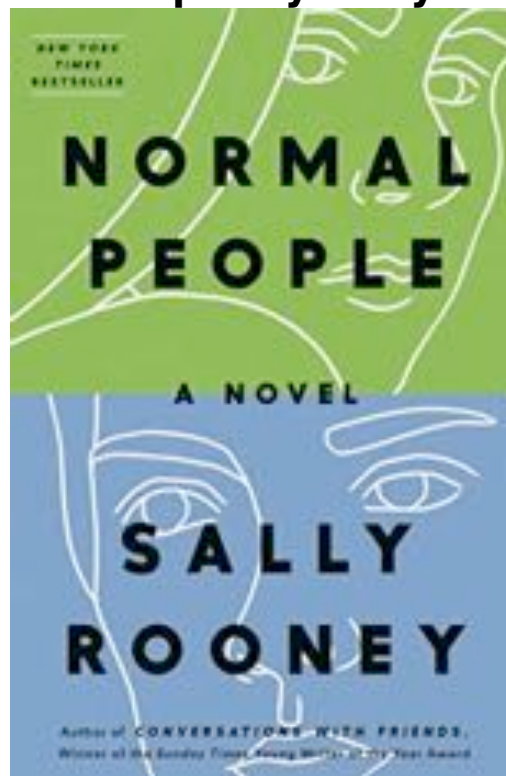
Learn key background on the history of recycling, hear up-to-date details on local recycling and organics rules, and participate in conversations to clear up common misconceptions about the recycling system.

Kim Erickson is successfully living a Zero Waste lifestyle, one that produces little to no garbage. She is passionate about helping individuals and communities achieve waste reduction. During her Zero Waste journey she has had the opportunity to co-found Zero Waste West Metro, speak in numerous communities, at the Minnesota capital, and facilitate environmental changes through communication with local government officials. Kim currently holds a position as an Inflight Sustainability Advocate through JetBlue Airways sustainability team based in New York City, and as Zero Waste West Metro Educator. She also a Hennepin County Master Recycler/Master Composter, as well as a St. Louis Park Recycle Champion. Alex Kim received his Master of Public Health degree in Environmental Health from the

University of Minnesota. He has been active in the pursuit of a more sustainable present and future by working with Abbott Northwestern Hospital to develop more environmentally friendly practices. He is currently an Environmental Health Specialist for the City of Brooklyn Park and has enjoyed being able to actively engage with the community and promote various sustainable practices within the city. He helps his fellow staff members live and work in a more sustainable manner by spearheading the Green Team. As a Hennepin County Master Recycler/Master Composter, he has also worked with various groups and individuals outside of work to provide presentations and education regarding the low waste lifestyle that have focused on reduction, reuse, and recycling at home as well as low waste grocery shopping tutorials.

# ELYSIAN NIGHTS BOOK CLUB

Thursday, June 10th 7:00-8:30pm  
**Normal People by Sally Rooney**



Break through the pandemic doldrums by joining us for a lively discussion of current books and pop culture! Hosted by Kyle and Joyce from Arvonne Fraser Library, this book club will meet the second Thursday of every month. eBooks or downloadable audiobooks available through [www.hclib.org](http://www.hclib.org). Physical copies available for check-out at Arvonne Fraser Library.

The link to the live online discussion will be emailed to registrants in advance (within 48 hours of the event).

Link to register for online discussion: <https://hclib.bibliocommons.com/events/search/q=elysian/event/6081ef89f5e5392f00e9b388>

## [Read Councilmember Cam Gordon's May Newsletter](#)

[Click here to subscribe to MN Senator Kari Dziedzic's 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

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### **Additional Resources**

[City of Minneapolis](#)   [MN Department of Health](#)

[Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#)   [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)

### **City Offers Resources with Trial Information**

<http://news.minneapolismn.gov/category/chauvin-trial/>

## **OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS**

[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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