

# June 2024 Newsletter

MEETINGS	Committee Meetings virtual until further notice	Community Meetings 22 Orlin Ave SE, PPUMC
For the most up-to-date list of meetings please check the <u>PPA</u> Calendar: All committee	Jackson Family Project (formerly Community Building Committee) Thursday, Aug 1, 4:30pm	PPA Board Meeting & Community Meeting
meetings are taking place virtually unless otherwise noted.	Environment Committee Tuesday July 9. 6:30pm	HYBRID meeting Monday June 24th 6:30pm - 8:00pm
ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is	* Hybrid & Meets at Luxton Park  Land Use & Planning Committee	at PPUMC and on Zoom
the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of	Thursday July11. 7:00pm  *Hybrid & Meets at PPUMC	Note: Zoom access info Meeting Agenda
Minneapolis.  Donate to PPA	Transportation & Safety Committee	All Community Members are welcome!
give give	Wednesday July 10. 7:00pm *Hybrid & Meets at PPUMC	Management Council Sets Community & Board Meeting Agendas
Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.		Monday, June 17, 7pm

# **GET INVOLVED!**

**PPA Event Calendar for Updated Meeting Information** 

## **Announcing PPA Board of Directors**

Congratulations to PPA's newly elected or re-elected Board members: Eric Amel, Steve Brackett, David Frank, Britt Howell, Jerry Stein, Nike Vasilopoulos (U of M student representative). Their 2-year terms begin June 24th, 2024.

### Thank you to everyone who voted!

They join current board members, **Jeff Barnhart** (business representative, **lan Gorodisher**, **Abraham Kao**, **Gabrielle Metzger**, **William Morris** and **Lynn Von Korff**, elected in 2023 to serve two years.

Sincere thanks to **Dan Cross**, **Susan Larson-Fleming** and **Jane Stockman** who just completed board service.

PPA relies on volunteers from the Prospect Park neighborhood to serve on our board. Up to eight volunteers are elected to the board each year to serve two-year terms. Presently there are several board positions that are open.

### The Prospect Park Neighborhood Guide



- · Upcoming things to do or see in Prospect Park
- Ways to stay connected
- Business and Nonprofit Directory
- Renter Resources
- Local Government Resources
- · How to Get Around
- Ways to volunteer on behalf of our neighborhood and more!

Please share this guide with neighbors—and check it out yourself.

Do you have a suggestion or correction? PPA will update the guide several times per year. Community members to help keep this guide up to date.

Please suggest a resource for the guide here. Thank you!

# Call for NNO Ambassadors for "25% by '25" Initiative



Since 2020, the "25% by '25" initiative has helped Prospect Park residents cut their natural gas usage by providing information on energy audits, home insulation and how to save money through grants and the Inflation Reduction Act.

We are looking for anyone who has benefitted from our workshops, videos or information sheets to pay it forward by being an ambassador for the initiative on National Night Out on August 6th.

What does an ambassador do?

- Wears a button that says "25% by '25 Ambassador".
- Points people to fliers and information we provide.
- If folks at the NNO event are interested, talk about their own experiences with energy experiences.

#### That's it.

Last year, we only had 2 people step up and the year before that, we had 3. If interested in stepping up, please send an email to <a href="mailto:britton.mary@gmail.com">britton.mary@gmail.com</a>

Thanks,
Mary Britton
PPA Environment Committee

### **Donate to Prospect Park Association**

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Simply click for online GiveMN or mail checks to:

PPA, P.O. Box 141095, Minneapolis 55414.



Please donate to PPA at GiveMN

# **Post Office Project Completed**

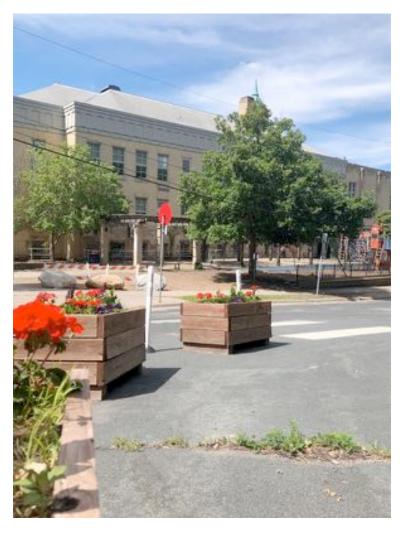
Thanks to funding from the Prospect Park Coop Legacy Fund and volunteers from the Environment Committee, the post office on University Avenue has a new look. During the week of June 10 - 14, volunteers from the Environment Committee met to prepare the area just to the left of the front door.

Over the course of the week, we removed the sod, purchased plants/bushes at Mother Earth Gardens, and installed plants, bushes and a cherry tree. By doing away with a boring strip of grass and planting greenery, the site is more attractive. Additionally, the bushes and cherry tree will help improve the air quality in the area.

The last step will be to install mulch to keep the moisture in and provide a finished look. If anyone has a lead on free wood mulch, please contact Lydia at <a href="mailto:lydiaormac@gmail.com">lydiaormac@gmail.com</a>.



## **Transportation and Safety Chair Emeritus Evan Roberts writes:**



The planter boxes at Pratt are doing great, and this year a Garden Club member, Sean McKenna, volunteered to plant some annuals. Although we're not in a drought right now, the planters will need watering over the summer. Last year we got a good group from this group and the PTO to help.

Please consider volunteering for a week's watering this summer (2-3 days if there's no rain). If you can help out, please fill out this form <a href="https://bit.ly/prattwatering">https://bit.ly/prattwatering</a> about weeks you are available. I will make a schedule and put all the watering crew in touch with each other in a few days.

Many thanks for your help in keeping the neighborhood beautiful!

The local newsletter "Minneapolis Schools Voices" recently featured an article about the Pratt planters.

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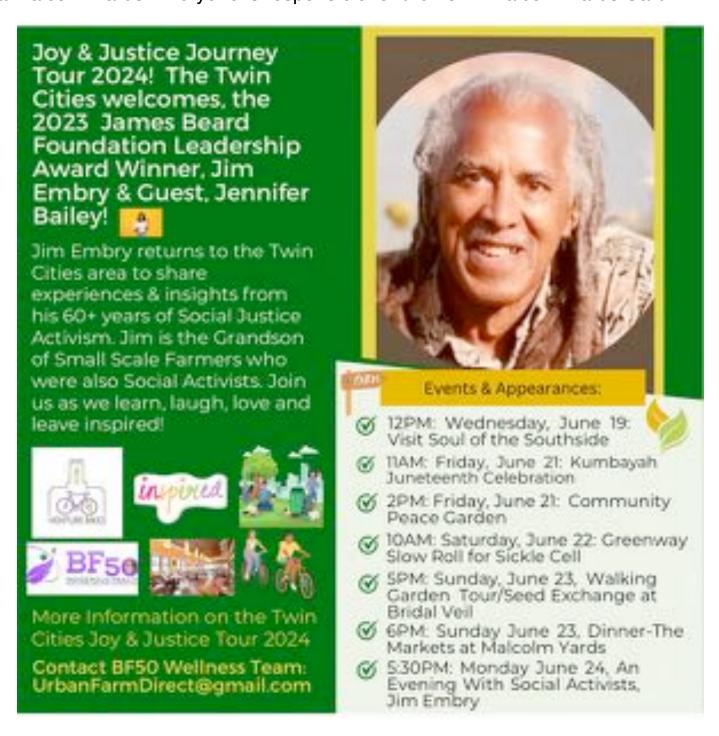
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# OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

BF50 Indigenous Health & friends will welcome The 2023 James Beard Foundation Leadership Award Winner, Elder Jim Embry, Social Activist, back to The Twin Cities to celebrate Juneteenth!

June 19-24. Elder Jim will be joined by his distinguished Guest, Jennifer Bailey.

On **June 23rd**, BF50 will host a Walking Garden Tour & Organic Seed Exchange, 5PM at Bridal Veil Garden, followed by a 6PM Gathering at The Markets at Malcolm Yards. Everyone is responsible for their own Malcolm Yards Card!





# FREE COMMUNITY MEALS

#### WHERE:

Prospect Park United Methodist Church 22 Orlin Ave SE, Mpls, MN 55414

### WHEN:

Third Wednesday of each month @ 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Food served will be a nutritious. healthy and balanced meal with no pork.

# ALL ARE WELCOME!





All are welcome to join us on the third Wednesday of each month. anytime between 5:30-6:30pm for a free community meal. Dine in & take-out available!

Our next meal will be on Juneteenth, Wednesday, June 19. The menu includes:

> · BBQ Beef · BBQ and Roast Chicken · Ribs · Mac and Cheese · Corn Bread Mufflins

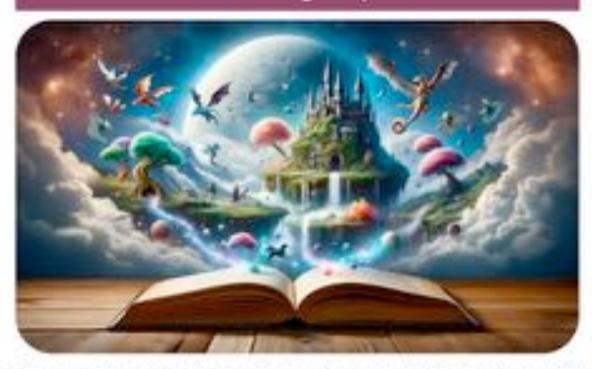
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A World-Building Creative Writing & Art Camp

June 17-21 | 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. | Ages: 6-12 years | Held at PPUMC

# New!! First-ever writing camp from ArtStart!



From Namia to Harry Potter's Wizarding World, stories have the power to transport us to a different reality. Some of the most engaging ones create a whole alternate universe, where cowardly lions battle their fears, kids go on dangerous quests, and dragons soar through the skies. In this camp, you'll get to create your own fantasy world with words and images, and plunge into creating stories to rival those from Oz or Nim.

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For more information and to register visit:

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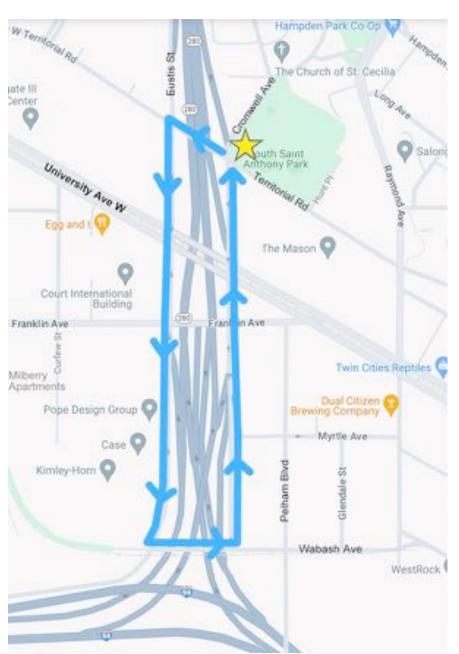
# You are invited to join the St. Anthony Park Community Council Transportation Committee for a community walk around the southern part of Highway 280.

When: Tuesday, June 25 from 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Where: Meet and end at Cromwell Ave and Territorial Road, one block north

of University Ave

**Why**: During the walk, you'll hear about the history of what used to be in the location of Highway 280, learn about the current effects of the highway on nearby residents, the natural environment and experience its current impacts on the neighborhood firsthand.



As MnDOT rethinks I-94, should this part of Highway 280 be part of the rethinking as well?

Please join us! There is bike and car parking nearby. The meeting spot is a few blocks from the #87, #67, and #63 buses and the Green Line light rail. <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/4DcitSSvfHRE1GN37">https://maps.app.goo.gl/4DcitSSvfHRE1GN37</a>

We hope to see you there! Please let us know if you can make it, and feel free to contact me directly with any questions.

Thanks,
Pat Thompson
Co-chair, St. Anthony Park
Community Council
Transportation Committee

# BF50 Annual 4th Street Festival and Garden Gathering During National Night Out seeks Sponsors, Vendors, Speakers, Performers, Ambassadors & Volunteers!

We look forward to having you & your team at our Annual BF50 Indigenous Health - 4th Street Festival & Garden Gathering in partnership with MPLS Parks: Bridal Veil & Luxton on National Night Out!

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, August 6, 2024! 5:30 - 7:30PM.

For those of you who'll be joining us for the first time; here's a look at what to expect from our Environmental, Sustainable Greener Living Community Event.

https://www.instagram.com/reel/CvsPu-bPtZC/? igsh=czZ2Z3J1aGs1bG5h

Although we have already received verbal confirmations from many of you; In order for our team to bring your confirmation to completion, everyone must complete the enclosed Registration/Participation Form. You Do Not have to request edit. Just tap the form & add your information:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1xCiSSxuiuw6ZI9DVTrLIS7Q-muUodrgio1FGB7hU7Ds/edit

PLEASE NOTE: Everyone is responsible for their own Setup! You will need your own Tent, Table, Chair, Sunscreen, Water Bottle, etc. We encourage everyone to participate in the Sustainable Community Food Share. Please bring an Item (preferably store brought) to add to the table. Reach out to our team with any questions.

Prepare for an Outstanding Evening! Best, BF50 Wellness Team

# Save The Date! August 6, 2024 BF50 Annual 4th Street Festival & 💹 Garden Gathering During National Night Out! 5:30 - 7:30PM







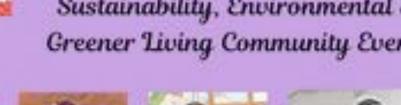
In Collaboration with Minneapolis Parks:

Bridal Veil & Luxton Park



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Sustainability, Environmental & Greener Living Community Event!













Get Involved!

Contact: BF50 Wellness Team UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

NNO 2024!





### **Council Member Wonsley:**

### Contact or Share Your Opinion or Address an Issue Any Time

E-mail Council Member Wonsley and her staff at <a href="ward2@minneapolismn.gov">ward2@minneapolismn.gov</a> Or contact staff directly:

Policy Aide Celeste Robinson Policy Aide Qannani Omar

Sign up for Council Member Robin Wonsley's Ward 2 newsletters and get updates on the ward and the city.

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Subscribe to MN Senator Kari Dziedzic's newsletter. (District 60)

Subscribe to MN Representative Samantha Sencer-Mura E-list (District 63A)

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Locate your Congressional and Legislative district in Prospect Park



<u>Follow the Off-Campus Living Facebook Page</u> and <u>sign up here</u> 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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