



September 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 PPA Calendar. All committee meetings are taking place virtually unless otherwise noted.</i></p> <p>ABOUT PPA Prospect Park Association is the official neighborhood association for the Prospect Park Area of the city of Minneapolis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Donate to PPA</p> <p>Prospect Park Association is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, and all donations are tax-deductible.</p>	<p>Community Building Committee Wednesday September 8, 4:30pm</p> <p>Environment Committee Tuesday, September 14, 6:30pm</p> <p>Finance & Administrative Committee Tuesday, September 21, 6pm</p> <p>Land Use & Planning Committee Thursday, September 9, 7pm</p> <p>Transportation & Safety Committee Tuesday, September 21, 7:30pm</p>	<p>PPA Board Meeting & Community Meeting --virtual meeting-- Monday Sept. 27th 6:30pm - 8:00pm <i>Note: access info on PP-elist</i></p> <p><i>All Community Members are welcome!</i></p> <p>Management Council <i>Sets Community & Board Meeting Agendas</i> Monday, Sept. 20, 7pm</p>

GET INVOLVED!

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



Your Voice is Valuable!

Get engaged in the city and neighborhood discussions about community building, transportation, safety, environmentalism, equity, land use, renter's rights and more!

PPA will hold a Special Election in September to fill two board seats. The first board meeting of the new term is Monday, October 25, 2021. The term ends in June, 2022. Candidates will be welcome and encouraged to run again for two-year terms in the regular election in May, 2022.

Community Board training and orientation provided; ALL ARE WELCOME!

Black or indigenous folks, people of color, students, and renters are urged to apply to bring diverse perspectives to the PPA board.

Candidate Profiles will be published on PPA's newsletter and website, and on pp-elist on Wednesday, September 22

Please contact staff@prospectparkmpls.org with questions

Candidate Profiles due:
Friday, September 10, 12PM

[CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT A CANDIDATE PROFILE](#)

Join us!

September Board/Community Meeting

Monday, September 27, 2021, 6:30-8pm

** Zoom info will be available September 22*

Meet the Board of Directors Candidates: Each candidate is invited to give a brief introduction. (Nominations for write-in candidates will be accepted.)

How to Vote

Online ballots will be available on September 22, 2021. The link will be available on PPA's website, the September mini newsletter and on the ppe-list.

Neighborhood Clean up: Saturday October 9, 2021 CANCELLED Neighborhood Clean Sweep

Due to the re-emergence of Covid-19 and desire to keep our neighbors safe, we have cancelled the 2021 Neighborhood Cleanup scheduled for October 9th. Watch for more information coming soon about where you can take items we would pick up.

For more information, please contact Jim Polakowski at jpolakowski@yahoo.com.

Rain Gardens



The PPA Environment Committee is pleased to announce the installation of 3 new rain gardens in our neighborhood at the Pillars (22 Malcolm Ave SE), River of Hope Church (3300 University Ave SE) and Glendale (144 27th Ave SE - up by the apartments) on Thursday, August 19th. This is part of our ongoing effort to build neighborhood resiliency in the face of climate change.

We were fortunate to raise money through grants from Mississippi Watershed Management Organization, the Prospect Park Coop Legacy Fund and the Good Neighbor Fund to make this possible. Metro Blooms worked with the participating organizations in choosing a location and designing the rain gardens. They also provided key support through the Conservation Corps by preparing the sites for planting. We had volunteers from Glendale, Pillars, the River of Hope and the Prospect Park Garden Club who did the planting on a very hot muggy day. A big shout out to Lydia MacAnerney for all the work she put into making this happen.

We will be having a tour of the gardens this fall (date TBD). Please keep an eye out for more details!

BF50 Indigenous Health joins Lyft/Chicago & Nice Ride MPLS for a week of Bike Share PopUps.

For TBD Dates, contact Britt at the email listed in the Schedule below:



Happy Biking!

BF50 Indigenous Health: Minneapolis at Wolfpack Promotionals, Friday, September 3rd, 3:00 - 7:00PM, 2038B W. Broadway Ave N, Mpls, MN

Northrup Plaza U of M "[Exploration Day](#)", Saturday, September 4, 2021, 9:30AM - 4:00PM
(BF50 Hours: 9:30AM - 2:00PM)

BF50 Indigenous Health: [Fresh Thyme Prospect Park](#), Saturday, September 4, 12 - 3:00PM

BF50 Indigenous Health Sept 5th - "TBD": Contact Britt: UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

BF50 Indigenous Health Sept 6th - "TBD": Contact Britt: UrbanFarmDirect@gmail.com

Transportation Fair: UMN Coffman Memorial Union, Sept 7th from 9:00AM - 2:00PM
<https://g.co/kgs/nFEJtu>

Cut Energy Bills and Your Carbon Footprint

- 1) Get an energy assessment! Sign up at [MNCEE](#). They will start you with a free virtual audit and then if you are comfortable with it, have a home visit. It's free for households with less than a \$100,000 annual income. If you have questions about the details or would like to see an example of a report from a neighbor who has already done it, please email us at environment@prospectparkmpls.org .

- 2) Seal around windows and doors - Visit [CenterPoint Energy - DIY Home Efficiency](#) for free supplies! Insulate your walls and attic - Visit [CenterPoint Energy - Insulation Rebates](#) to find out about rebates. Get your furnace tuned up! Have to replace your hot water heater? Switch to an electric, tankless hot water heater! An energy advisor at [MNCEE](#) can help you find the right contractor and 0% financing.

- 3) Want to take it a step further? Attend an upcoming “solar power hour”. These free sessions provide information about the group solar buy program. Neighbors have taken advantage of this program to purchase and install solar panels. Information can be found at <https://www.growsolar.org/twin-cities/>

September PPA Environment Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 14th, 6:30 - 8 pm

Zoom Virtual Meeting Link [HERE](#)

Call in +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 825 5216 0262 Passcode: 942958

Shopping Companion for Neighborhood Seniors

Southeast Seniors is looking for volunteers to assist neighborhood seniors with their grocery shopping 1-2x times per month at nearby grocery stores. A fun opportunity for someone who likes to shop and wants to make a difference! Some clients would like to come along to the store with the volunteer, and others are looking for someone to do the shopping on their list and then deliver the groceries. Please contact Ann at Southeast Seniors: ann@seseniors.org or 612-331-2302 to learn more. Thank you!



The programs below are co-sponsored by Southeast Seniors and Minneapolis Community Education and will be held via Zoom. To register or for more information contact Southeast Seniors at 612-331-2302 or info@seseniors.org. 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.

MN Medicare Market for 2022 and Beyond

Wednesday, September 8th, 1:30-2:30 pm

Whether you are already on Medicare or will be enrolling soon, learn about the basics of Medicare, the different types of supplemental plans and which is right for you. Co-sponsored by Pratt Community Ed. and

Southeast Seniors.

Chris Abbott is a Medicare Specialist for the North Star Medicare Supplement Division. With years of experience in the industry, he efficiently assesses individual health care needs to find suitable plans amongst multiple carriers. He brings a wealth of unparalleled knowledge and expertise to help make complex Medicare decisions easier.

Southeast Lifelong Learners: Self Defense for 55+

Wednesday, September 15th, 1:30-2:30 pm

Learn a simple, intuitive self-defense system that can help anyone improve their chances of surviving a dangerous encounter. Gail Boxrud of Krav Maga Minneapolis will discuss awareness and avoidance scenarios, as well as conduct some simple hands-on training that anyone can master. Co-sponsored by Pratt Community Education and Southeast Seniors.

Gail Boxrud is co-owner of Krav Maga Mpls LLC. She is certified under the International Krav Maga Federation to teach Krav Maga self-defense.



ELYSIAN NIGHTS BOOK CLUB

Virtual Meeting - September 9th, 7:00pm – 8:30pm
Memorial by Bryan Washington

Are you ever at a loss as to what to write in an attempt to convince people of the general public to attend your free book club? Me too!

That said, if you enjoy reading and hearing what other people have to say about books and pop-culture in a very welcoming and fun space, you should join us! Hosted by Kyle and Joyce from Arvonne Fraser Library, this book club will meet the second Thursday of every month.



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Registration for this book discussion can be found here: <https://hclib.bibliocommons.com/events/search?q=elysian/event/611bee46ad0dd42800ed382d>

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

eBooks or downloadable audiobooks available through www.hclib.org. Physical copies available for check-out at Arvonne Fraser Library.

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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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