

Minnesota Recreation And Park Association  
Presidents 1937-2011

1937-38 Karl Raymond, Minneapolis Park Board  
1939 Earnest W Johnson, Saint Paul  
1940-41 Gerald B. Fitzgerald  
1942 Karl Raymond, Minneapolis Park Board  
1943 Earnest W. Johnson, Saint Paul  
1944-46 World War II  
1947 Alice Dietz, Minneapolis Park Board  
1948 Mike Bambnek, Winona  
1949 Harry Strong, Austin  
1950 Frank Drassal, Saint Paul  
1951 Einar Nelson, Minneapolis Park Board  
1952 John Niles, 3M Company  
1953 Dorothea Nelson, Saint Louis Park  
1954 Richard Jorgensen, Minneapolis Park Board  
1955 John Leslie, 3M Company  
1956 Fred Chapman, University of Minnesota  
1957 William Lambert, Saint Paul  
1958 Larry Harris, Hopkins/Minnetonka  
1959 M.C. "Bud" Korfhage, White Bear Lake  
1960 Robert Giles, University of Minnesota  
1961 Alfred Ouska, Veteran's Admin Hospital  
1962 Marjorie Vick, Saint Paul  
1963 Gordon Starr, University of Minnesota  
1964 Burton Storm, Richfield School District  
1965 Marjorie Fredrickson, Minneapolis Park Board  
1966 Richard Wilson, Hopkins/Minnetonka  
1967 Clifton French, Hennepin Cty Park Res Dist  
1968 Gaius Harmon  
1969 Donald Bailey, MPRB  
1970 Eugene Hagel, Brooklyn Center Recreation  
1971 Curtis Taylor, Rochester Park and Recreation  
1972 Kenneth Rosland, Edina Park and Recreation  
1973 George Muenchow, Shakopee Park and Recreation  
1974 Otto Christensen, Henn County Reserve District  
1975 John Perkovich, South Saint Paul Park and Recreation  
1976 Donald Buchanan, Mankato State University  
1977 John Brenna, Golden Valley Park and Recreation  
1978 Marty Jessen, Metro Coun/Parks & Open Spaces Comm  
1979 Robert Wicklund, Robbinsdale Park & Recreation  
1980-81 Eric Blank, Maplewood Park and Recreation  
1982-83 John Christian, Henn Cty Park Reserve District  
1984-85 Maurice Anderson, New Brighton Park and Recreation  
1986 Charles Smith, Metro Coun/Parks & Open Space Comm  
1987 Mary Patterson, Plymouth Park and Recreation

1988 Sharon French, New Hope Park and Recreation  
1989 Leo Rudolph, Owatonna Park and Recreation  
1990 Greg Mack, Ramsey County Park and Recreation  
1991 Bob Bierscheid, Roseville Park and Recreation  
1992 Steve Michaud, Lakeville Park and Recreation  
1993 H.D. "Howie" Odden, Moorhead Park and Recreation  
1994 Randee Nelson, South Saint Paul Park and Recreation  
1995 Ken Vraa, Eagan Park and Recreation  
1996 Mary Merrill Anderson, Minneapolis Park Board  
1997 Bret Heitkamp, Champlin Park and Recreation  
1998 Dolf Moon, Hutchinson Park and Recreation  
1999 Rick Birno, Golden Valley Park and Recreation  
1999 Roy Sutherland, Rochester Park and Recreation  
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2001 Mark Mayer, Inver Grove Heights Park and Recreation  
2002 Bruce Anderson, Maplewood Park and Recreation  
2003 Ward Wallin, Duluth Parks and Recreation  
2004 John VonDeLinde, Anoka County Parks  
2005 John Keprios, Edina Park and Recreation  
2006 Jan Ficken, Brooklyn Park Parks and Recreation  
2007 Randy Quale, Bloomington Parks and Recreation  
2008 Randy Distad, Farmington Parks and Recreation  
2009 James "Corky" Ebeling, Owatonna Park and Recreation  
2010 Jon Oyanagi, Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks  
2011 Cris Gears, Three Rivers Park District  
2012 Jack Kirk, Fridley Parks and Recreation