

# The Rosedale Park NEWS



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[rosedalepark.org](http://rosedalepark.org)

### Text Message Alerts

Text "START" to 313-631-RPIA

## President's Update



RPIA President Frank Raben

Summer is over and Fall is here. The leaves are changing colors and the maple trees are especially beautiful. I'm enjoying the cooler temperatures on my walks with Seasea. She likes to watch the squirrels run and play through our beautiful neighborhood.

In the neighborhood, the Fall Festival and Hayride

have become the unofficial marker of the beginning of Fall. Meanwhile, RPIA's Events Committee is busy gearing up for the Pancake Breakfast, our annual collaboration with our sister neighborhood, the North Rosedale Park Community Association. Last year over, 140 people attended, and this year promises to be just as special. We even have RSVP's from out of town — the North Pole, in fact.

Meanwhile, mark your calendar for our annual Banquet on January 18th, 2025. More details on page 2 of this issue.

Lastly, the November 12th Membership Meeting will have a speaker from Detroit Water and Sewage Department to let us know what they are doing and planning for District 1. We will also recognize the winners of the Island Beautification Awards. We'll have our Election of Officers and Directors for 2025, as well as an update from GRDC.

The RPIA continues to be a resource for everyone in our neighborhood. Please come to a meeting, come to an event, and help us keep Rosedale Park beautiful!

## General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, November 12 7:00PM

North Rosedale Park Community House,  
18445 Scarsdale, Detroit

Light refreshments provided

## Annual Pancake Breakfast Around the Corner!

Here come the holidays, and we are excited to celebrate with you! Please join us at the annual Rosedale Holiday Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, December 7th, from 9:00 – 11:00 am at the North Rosedale Park Community House (18445 Scarsdale). The event includes a full pancake breakfast, music, an ornament making station, and a special visit from Santa. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for children. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tonia Holloway at [tonnie000000@gmail.com](mailto:tonnie000000@gmail.com). We hope to see you there!



## ROSEDALES' PANCAKE BREAKFAST

WITH

SANTA

DECEMBER 7th  
9am-12

CRAFT ACTIVITIES & SINGALONG

North Rosedale Park Community House  
18455 Scarsdale Detroit, MI 48223

\$5 Adults  
\$3 Kids  
Under 12

## Radio Patrol Corner

### Stay Safe During Winter Weather

As we kick off the new year, it's important to stay safe during the chilly winter months. Here are some tips to help you navigate the cold:

- **Dress in Layers:** Wear multiple layers of clothing to keep warm and prevent hypothermia.
- **Safe Heating Practices:** If you use space heaters, keep them at least three feet away from flammable materials and never leave them unattended.
- **Clear Walkways:** Regularly shovel snow and use salt or sand to prevent ice buildup on your sidewalks and driveways.

The Rosedale Park Radio Patrol is a volunteer-driven group of neighbors who patrol our neighborhood to deter crime and report issues to the city. If you would like to join the Rosedale Park Radio Patrol, call or text Trajan Centers at 269-352-9200 and he can help you get started.

## Mark your Calendars for the RPIA Annual Gala!

Join us at the North Rosedale Community House (18445 Scarsdale), on Saturday, January 18th 2025, 6pm. During this spectacular evening, we will swear in our new RPIA Board Members and honor the Community Service Award recipients! Stay tuned for more information featured on RPIA's website, and in forthcoming e-blasts, and in the next RPIA Newsletter. Direct any questions to [rpievents@gmail.com](mailto:rpievents@gmail.com).



Pancake Breakfasts from years past

## Community Service Awards Nominations

Do you know of a Rosedale Park neighbor or community member who goes above and beyond to contribute to our neighborhood? If so, please consider nominating them for a Community Service Award. Please submit nominations to [rabenf47@gmail.com](mailto:rabenf47@gmail.com) with a brief statement that includes who you are nominating, their street name and/or address, and why you are nominating them for the Community Service Award. Submissions are due by Monday, November 18th. Awards will be presented at the Rosedale Park Annual Gala, Saturday, January 18th, 6pm – 8:30 pm.

## A Message From the RPIA Board

During this time of the year, it's the perfect season to connect with friends and family. As we transition to 2025, reflect fondly on things that have passed, celebrate safely, and look to the new year with encouragement and hope. May this new year be full of adventure and growth. We encourage you to meet a new friend, get reacquainted with a neighbor and support the community at one of this year's holiday events.

Our goal in the coming year is to inspire the residents of Rosedale Park to make new connections; join us at one of our many interesting and stimulating events. Volunteer or share your ideas so our community continues to stay strong. May you have good health, lots of happiness, and a great New Year.

Happy Holidays!

—RPIA Board

# Snow Season is Coming!

Winter is on the way and if the last few years are any indicator, we can expect to see 2-3 snowstorms in our area over the winter season. Part of Rosedale's annual dues pays for the yearly snow contract. (Thank you dues-paying members!). This is a separate service from city snow plowing. Our private contractor will clear the streets when we receive three inches of snow accumulation, typically between the months of December and April. When a big storm is predicted, please make sure to move cars and trash containers from the street. It can be difficult to maneuver a snow plow down a street that is blocked by parked cars, especially if there are traffic islands on the street. Please look out for neighborhood text reminders that go out when plows are expected to be in the neighborhood.



## RPIA MEMBERSHIP DUES

Cost: \$45, or \$25 for residents on Outer Drive

How to pay  
rosedalepark.org  
in person at any event or meeting

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Mail a check or money order to Rosedale Park Improvement Association P.O. Box 23113, Detroit, MI 48223

Households Paid in 2024: 31%

2024 Goal: 50%

2023 Total: 33%

Association Dues help pay for neighborhood events and expenses such as snow removal, the Easter Egg Hunt, the Pancake Breakfast, June Day, the Annual Gala, the Newsletter, community meetings, and the scholarship fund.

## RPIA Contacts List 2024

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# Fall Festival A Smashing Success

The Fall Festival and Hayride was held Sunday October 27. Over 60 Rosedale Park neighbors attended. Kaitalin Daigle's father brought the tractor and trailer from his farm for the hayride. Veronica Williams assisted the children in decorating a pumpkin, Cider and donuts were provided by Susan Laing and Alex Derdelakos provided cider and donuts.

