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Neighborhood Open House on May 4

Know someone who's looking for a home? Do you have a home for sale or know someone who does?

and Grandmont #1 are inviting prospective homebuyers to tour homes for sale in our area.

Registration will be at the North Rosedale Park Community House where visitors can board a shuttle bus for a short tour of the neighborhoods, talk with vendors about tax abatement and financing, enjoy popcorn and refreshments, and find out about other services in our area.

Invite them to the Grandmont Rosedale Neighborhood Open House!

The Open House will run from 1-5 PM on Sunday, May 4th, and will include homes currently being rehabilitated by our partner, the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation (GRDC).

Last year, well over 300 people attended and of the 13 homes for sale, most received offers either prior to or during the Open House. For more information, contact Cheryl V. Davis (313-477-4564; davis1125@sbcglobal.net), or Mary Sue Schottenfels at 313-909-0760. To volunteer, call Kevin Johnson, 313-835-6136.

Now in its ninth consecutive year, the five neighborhoods of North Rosedale Park, Rosedale Park, Grandmont, Minock Park

- By Marsha Bruhn

PAY DUES ONLINE!

It's simple, just log on to www.rosedalepark.org and at top of the page, hit 'click here'. Or, you can mail them in: see form on back page.

WHY PAY DUES?

Snow removal, Rosedale Park News and website, free weekly eBlast, block captains network, radio patrol support, vacant property task force, island beatification committee, June Day picnic, coordinated five-

neighborhood Open House, maintain entrance facades and signage, Rosedale Park Hotline, new neighborhood kits, coordinate 30-block garage sale, individual block club support, holiday pancake breakfast, coordinate volunteers to keep Flintstone Park beautiful, volunteers who lobby for us at the city council and mayor's office, and more importantly, officers and board members who will listen to you and fight for you.

Without RPIA, most of the work to keep the quality of life at a high standard in our neighborhood would simply not happen. Let's become active with our neighbors and encourage them to join us and become members of RPIA. As anyone can see, the \$45 investment goes a long, long way.

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eBlast: An Easy Way to Stay Informed

The Rosedale Grandmont area is teeming with activity. How does one keep track of all the happenings? It's easy to stay informed with the weekly RPIA eBlast. It shows up as an email every Sunday morning at 6 a.m.

It's free and real simple to sign up: Just send an email to rpiablast@gmail.com.



♥ Block Captains' Quarterly Meeting ♥

Sunday, May 18, 2014 • 4-6 PM at the GRDC office • 19800 Grand River

TASTY TREATS FOR ALL!

Sign up for Rosedale Grandmont Little League

Sign up your kids to join with 550 boys and girls, ages 4-16 to play T-ball (boys & girls 4-5), coach pitch (boys & girls 6-7); softball (Jr. girls 9-12; senior girls 13-16); baseball (minors 8-9; juniors 10-12; seniors 13-16). The Rosedale Grandmont Little League is an instructional league, so players of all skill levels are welcome.

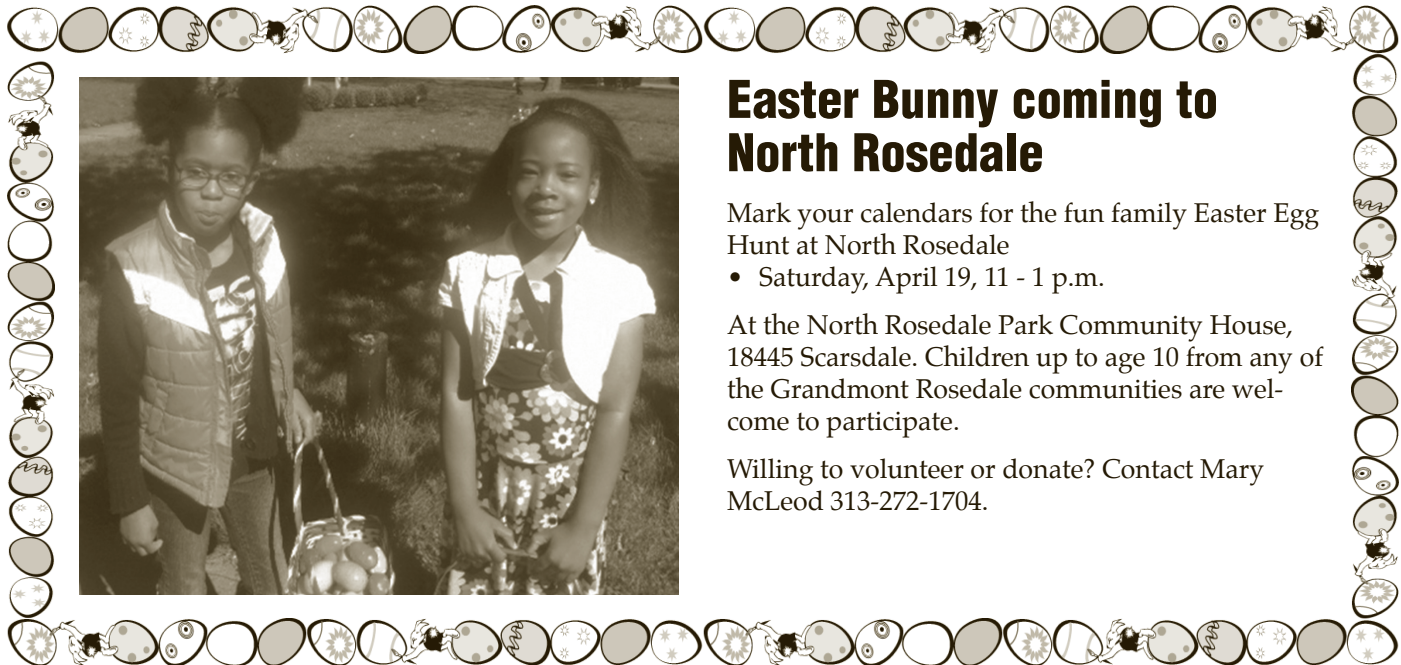
To sign up, come to the GRDC offices at 19800 Grand River (just east of Evergreen) to fill out an application:


- Saturday, March 8 from 9 a.m. – noon

You can also download an application from <http://mygrandmontrosedale.org/organizations/> and mail it in, along with your check or money order. For more information, send an e-mail to rglitleague@aol.com.

Opening Day, Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m. North Rosedale Community House.







Easter Bunny coming to North Rosedale

Mark your calendars for the fun family Easter Egg Hunt at North Rosedale

- Saturday, April 19, 11 - 1 p.m.

At the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. Children up to age 10 from any of the Grandmont Rosedale communities are welcome to participate.

Willing to volunteer or donate? Contact Mary McLeod 313-272-1704.

Traffic Calming for Grandmont Rosedale??

By Pam Weinstein

Recently an informal group of Grandmont Rosedale residents met to form an ad hoc Traffic Calming Work Group to study ways to make our neighborhoods safer and cleaner through various traffic control measures known as "traffic calming." Traffic calming is the most effective way to reduce speeding on residential streets, avoid traffic accidents, and prevent fatalities, according to the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Detroit's Palmer Woods neighborhood recently instituted some traffic calming measures and residents there are now very satisfied with those improvements. Grandmont Rosedale residents decided to explore how we might incorporate similar measures in our neighborhoods.

Representatives from all five Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods have begun to learn more about various ways to improve safety and reduce noise, pollution, littering and speeding in our area. The first step the work group is taking is sending out an 'interest survey' to collect opinions from area residents about traffic, speeding, noise and pedestrian safety concerns. Watch your email – you'll be receiving the link to your neighborhood's survey. Please complete and reply to the survey ASAP, so that your input can be compiled.

For more information on the Traffic Calming Work Group, contact RPIA President Stacy Pugh at pughsl2002@yahoo.com or RPIA Public Works Co-Chair Michael Wright at mgw349@yahoo.com.

Annual Banquet: A Festive Evening of Fellowship

Fellowship was the word of the evening at the annual RPIA banquet, Friday, Jan. 24. Over 90 friends and neighbors talked, laughed, ate, danced and honored a group of people who have made a positive difference in our neighborhood.

Outstanding Community Service awards were presented to:

- **Kathy Roland** is the president of RPIA's Radio Patrol. With over 60 volunteers, Kathy coordinates over 20 patrols each week. She also often serves as the base attendant who advises radio patrollers while they drive through the neighborhood. She is our liaison with the Detroit Police Department.
- **Margaret Weber**, who founded Rosedale Recycles 23 years ago, spearheaded the recycling movement across the City of Detroit. She is also the coordinator of Zero Waste Detroit. Her tireless work has earned her the Michigan Environmental Council's "2010 Petoskey Prize for Environmental Leadership".
- **Commander Duane McKissic** was one of the most approachable and dynamic Eighth Precinct leaders we've had in years. He was a fixture in Northwest Detroit, attending community meetings, talking with residents and doing his best to make our city safe. After retiring in 2013, he works mentoring high school students at Mumford.



The Neighborhood Beautification Award winners:

- **Creativity award:** Artesian (Keeler-Grand River).
- **Much Improved (tie for 1st):** Rosemont (Fenkell-Chalfonte); Rosemont (Chalfonte-Eaton);
2nd – Warwick (Chalfonte-Fenkell);
4th – Rosemont (Eaton-Lyndon), Penrod (Eaton-Chalfonte), Faust (Chalfonte-Fenkell), Greenview (Chalfonte-Fenkell), Grandville (Midland-Grand River), Glastonbury (Lyndon-Eaton), Artesian (Lyndon-Eaton), Artesian (Fenkell-Keeler), Warwick (Fenkell-Keeler), Warwick (Keeler-Midland);
 Piedmont (Midland-Grand River). Congratulations to all for your hard work in making our neighborhood a great place to live.

Thanks to Chef Alison Costello (food), Amanda Brewington of Always Brewing Detroit (coffee) and Q Sound Entertainment (music).



Two Neighborhood Cleanups

DP Day Cleanups, Sat., March 29, 10-3 p.m.:

- Grandville Clean Sweep (14100 Grandville)
- Community Garden (15000 Southfield Service Dr.)
- Ramsey Park Cleanup (Longacre, south of Grand River)
- Fenkell Cleanup (18430 Fenkell).

For more information, contact Becki Kenderes (313-387-4732, ext. 101 or email at bkenderes@grandmontrosedale.com).

Flintstone Park Cleanup, Sat., April 26, 10-2 p.m.

Call Dorothy Roman (313-531-6641; email aa7636@wayne.edu).

Free Tutoring for Kids

Tutorial services in all subjects are offered free of charge to kids K-12, on Tuesday evenings 6-8 at Greater Ebenezer Ministries, 18751 Fenkell. For more information call: 313-686-4228.

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Calendar of Events

MARCH

- Tuesday, March 11 RPIA General Membership Meeting
7 PM at North Rosedale
Community House
18445 Scarsdale, off Bretton Drive
- Saturday, March 15... Rosedale Recycles
10 AM – 2 PM at Christ the King
parking lot, Pierson at Grand River
- Tuesday, March 18 Rosedale Park Radio Patrol
6:30 PM at GRDC office, 19800 Grand River
- Monday, March 24 RPIA Board meeting
7 PM at GRDC office, 19800 Grand River
- Thursday, March 27.. Neighborhood Safety Meeting
6:30 PM at North Rosedale
Community House
18445 Scarsdale, off Bretton Drive
- Saturday, March 29... Clean-up of Fenkell as part of
Detroit Partnership Day

APRIL

- Saturday, April 19..... Annual Easter Egg Hunt
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Community House
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- Monday, April 28..... RPIA Board meeting
7 PM at GRDC office, 19800 Grand River



Name: _____

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- Annual dues of \$45* enclosed.
(Make check payable to RPIA.)
- I want to volunteer. Contact me.
- I want to receive the weekly eblast.

Mail payment to RPIA
P. O. Box 23113
Detroit, MI 48223

*Outer Drive and Evergreen residents pay \$25.