



# Rosedale Park News

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## RPIA June Day Parade and Festivities

On Saturday morning, June 7, the corner of Westwood and Eaton was buzzing with activity. Boys and girls played baseball and softball at Stoepel Park while across the street, Carolyn Akpe marshalled participants to line up for the RPIA June Day Parade.

The Cass Tech Marching Band warmed up. The Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts assembled their banners and push carts. Youth groups from the Macedonia Baptist Church, Greater Ebenezer Ministries, and Holy Cross Lutheran began to line up for the march to Flintstone Park. Detroit firefighters Darryl Brown and Robert Knight revved up their big Harley Davidson motorcycles to provide security at the street crossings.

Families enjoyed the activities at the park which included food, face painting, bounce houses, kids' games, seed planting and good old fellowship. Just after noon, a Detroit Fire truck showed up so the kids got a chance spray water from the fire hose.

We would like to thank RPIA President Stacy Pugh, who averted a catastrophe. Another marching band that had earlier agreed to participate canceled at the last minute, so she rolled up her sleeves and worked hard to bring the Cass Tech Band to lead the parade. Special thanks to all the band members and director Sharon Allen, for putting on a great show.

For more photos of June Day 2014, go to our website: [www.rosedalepark.org](http://www.rosedalepark.org).



## Happy Birthday, GRDC! 25 Years of Great Work

All are welcome to the **25th Anniversary Picnic** honoring the Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation on:

**SATURDAY, JULY 12 FROM 11 AM TO 3 PM.**  
**DOUGLAS RAMSAY PARK**

*(Along Longacre, between Grand River and Ray Monnier)*

Free neighborhood-wide community picnic with barbeque, live entertainment, kids' activities, picnic, games, 50/50 raffle.

Tickets are FREE but need to be picked up by July 3rd from Renee Kent, RPIA resident (313-647-7524, [renee.kent@pnc.com](mailto:renee.kent@pnc.com)). Or call Mary Lyons at GRDC: 313-387-4732x116.

## Time to Remove Inoperable Vehicles Parked in Our Neighborhood

Greetings to all from the RPIA Public Works & Code Enforcement Committee! Recently we have noticed that several Rosedale residents have one or more inoperable vehicles parked in their driveways or on their properties. Many of these vehicles have been in their current locations for years!

### WHAT IS AN INOPERABLE VEHICLE?

An inoperable vehicle is defined as one that does not have a current license tag and/or is not able to be immediately driven away safely and legally. Many people don't realize that the parking of such vehicles without a permit is not permitted in our neighborhood, which is zoned R1 – Residential. Residents may apply for permits for temporary storage of inoperable vehicles (maximum 60 days) at the 6th/8th precinct of the Detroit Police Department, 11450 Warwick at Plymouth. Residents can be ticketed for this violation; fines range from \$100-\$200 per day.

### SOLUTIONS

Many people don't realize that they can have these old eyesores removed from their properties for FREE. There are many charitable organizations that will come pick the cars up at no charge. Here are two of the most popular ones in the Detroit area:

- [Charity Motors](http://www.charitymotors.org) - 888.908.2277 or visit their web site at [www.charitymotors.org](http://www.charitymotors.org). Car owners can designate their favorite charity to receive proceeds generated by sale of the vehicle.

- [Wheels for Wishes](http://www.wheelsforwishes.org) – 313-462-0778 or visit their web site at [www.wheelsforwishes.org](http://www.wheelsforwishes.org). This organization benefits the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Both provide free vehicle pick-up and accept all vehicles, whether they run or not.

### KEEP ROSEDALE A BEAUTIFUL NEIGHBORHOOD, NOT A JUNK YARD

The City of Detroit Property Maintenance Code exists for the benefit of all homeowners, and not only helps maintain property values throughout our neighborhoods but also protects the safety, welfare, and peace of mind of all homeowners. Please join us in supporting these goals and show respect for our neighborhood and community. For the benefit of everyone, let's get these rusty hulks (which can harbor rats and other rodents) out of Rosedale Park!!



## It's not too late to spruce up your block's island

A unique feature of Rosedale Park is the islands on most blocks. For over 30 years, the Rosedale Park Garden Club has judged islands and acknowledged the winners. It's not too late to make improvements.

### THE THREE MAJOR AWARDS WE HAVE ARE:

**Winner's Circle:** Are given the Wooden Plaque when the island has received first place three years in a row.

**Honorable Mentions:** Are acknowledged when improvements have been made over and beyond the previous years.

**Most Improved:** Are those that show the most effort and will receive a certificate of acknowledgement.

### WHAT TO DO TO GET ACKNOWLEDGED:

Spruce up the island by watering, planting and maintaining all perennials.

### THE FOUR MAIN JUDGING CATEGORIES ARE:

1. Grass must be cut and well manicured.
2. Flower beds must be weeded out.
3. Perennials and annuals need to be watered and pruned.
4. The overall island needs to be well maintained and exhibit your block's creativity.

At the December general membership meeting, gift cards from a major gardening center will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Those gift cards are given to the block captain to use for the following year's planting season.

Let's get planting!! At the end of July we will be judging.



## Solid Waste Schedule for July-August

Rosedale residents – please take note of this schedule for the pick-up of solid waste in our neighborhood for the months of July and August. The new contractor, **ADVANCED DISPOSAL**, has so far been doing a great job – let’s help keep our neighborhood looking great by following the schedule and not putting out materials at the wrong times. A complete schedule, through Dec. 31, 2014, can be found on the RPIA web site at [www.rosedalepark.org](http://www.rosedalepark.org).

For questions, contact **ADVANCED DISPOSAL**:

- Call 1-844-2DETROIT (233-8764)
- Email [DetroitMIResidential@AdvancedDisposal.com](mailto:DetroitMIResidential@AdvancedDisposal.com)
- Visit [www.AdvancedDisposal.com?DetroitResidential](http://www.AdvancedDisposal.com?DetroitResidential)

### JULY

- Monday, July 7 ..... Garbage
- Tuesday, July 8 ..... Yard Waste and Bulk
- Monday, July 14 ..... Garbage and Recycling
- Monday, July 21 ..... Garbage
- Tuesday, July 22 ..... Yard Waste and Bulk
- Monday, July 28 ..... Garbage and Recycling

### AUGUST

- Monday, August 4 ..... Garbage
- Tuesday, August 5 ..... Yard Waste and Bulk
- Monday, August 11 ..... Garbage and Recycling
- Monday, August 18 ..... Garbage
- Tuesday, August 19 ..... Yard Waste and Bulk
- Monday, August 25 ..... Garbage and Recycling

## General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, September 9,  
at 7 PM

North Rosedale Park  
Community House  
18445 Scarsdale  
(off Bretton Drive and  
Glastonbury)

- A representative from the Detroit Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department
- Councilman Tate
- Update from the public hearing for the proposed Special Assessment District (SAD) ordinance.
- Report from the RPIA’s vacant property committee
- Report from the Clean and Safe committee
- Treasurer’s report

### ♥ Block Captains’ Quarterly Meeting ♥

Sunday, August 24, 2014 • 4-6 PM at the GRDC office • 19800 Grand River

**TASTY TREATS FOR ALL!**

## Rosedale Park Improvement Association (RPIA)

is neither affiliated with nor responsible for the content and operation of the private social networking web site known as Nextdoor Rosedale Park at [https://rosedaleparkmi.nextdoor.com/news\\_feed](https://rosedaleparkmi.nextdoor.com/news_feed).

RPIA does not endorse or recommend this web site.  
Residents may make their own decisions regarding participation.

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- eBlast – sign up with an email to rpiablast@gmail.com
- Web site – go to www.rosedalepark.org
- Hotline – leave a message at 313-927-1089
- Crime alerts – send an email to grandmontrosedalecrimealert@googlegroups.com

## JOIN



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- Annual dues of \$45\* enclosed.  
*(Make check payable to RPIA.)*
- Pay online with PayPal at  
www.rosedalepark.org
- 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.*

## Calendar of Events

### JULY

Saturday, July 12..... GRDC's 25th  
anniversary picnic  
11 AM - 3 PM  
at Ramsay Park

Wednesday, July 16..... Radio Patrol Volunteer  
Recruitment Workshop  
5:30 - 8 PM  
at GRDC office,  
19800 Grand River

Saturday, July 19..... Rosedale Recycles  
10 AM - 2 PM  
at Christ the King  
parking lot,  
Pierson at Grand River

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