



Rosedale Park News

Serving a Friendly Neighborhood

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Meet your 2015 RPIA Board

From top left: Leon Jackson III, Larry Castleberry, Edmon Carmichael, Frank Raben, Earl McCullough, Jim Dwight and Jerry Cullors.

Front from left: Donna Wilson, Carolyn Akpe, Dorothy Roman and Deborah LaViolette.



Pay Your 2015 Association Dues, Please!

Talk about putting your association dues dollars to work!

We can all plainly see the excellent benefits of our neighborhood association dues, more than one-third of which go to pay a private contractor to remove the snow from our neighborhood streets – check out the photo that accompanies this article.

This winter has been an especially tough one, and Rosedale residents have had a much easier time driving to work and school because of this service.

Our annual dues (\$45 for most residents, only \$25 for Outer Drive and Evergreen residents) also support our bi-monthly newsletter, our weekly eblast, and our website, as well as our neighborhood events, like the annual banquet, the neighborhood-wide garage sale, and the holiday pancake breakfast.

By now you have received the invoice for your annual dues – please send your payment today! You can mail your check, payable to RPIA, to P O Box 23113, Detroit, MI 48223. Or you can pay online – visit our website at www.rosedalepark.org and click on the link on the home page (\$2 service fee will be added).



Our Vision & Our Mission

The Vision of the Rosedale Park Improvement Association is a vibrant residential and commercial community that is thriving through collaborative excellence.

The Mission of the Rosedale Park Improvement Association is to encourage neighbors to maintain and increase the beauty, safety and ambience of urban living, through community efforts and the preservation of the historic integrity of the neighborhood.

♥ Block Captains' Quarterly Meeting ♥

Sunday, May 17, 2015 • 4-6 PM at the GRDC office • 19800 Grand River

TASTY TREATS FOR ALL!

RPIA's annual banquet a smashing success

On Friday, Jan. 23, over 130 Rosedale Park residents and guests packed every table at the North Rosedale Community House for the Rosedale Park Improvement Association's annual awards banquet. After a wonderful meal presented by Chef Randy's Catering, Councilman James Tate conducted the swearing-in of the officers and the board.

RPIA President Dorothy Roman presented recognition gifts to four neighbors as well as to Stacy Pugh, our retiring president. Bill and Margie Nolan were honored for their volunteer efforts

organizing the New Neighbor Packets. David Legg was honored for producing Rosedale Park's Eblast. Also honored was Carolyn Apke, who did a great job organizing the parade and the June Day activities.

The Garden Club Committee presented awards to recognize outstanding beautification and maintenance of neighborhood islands.

Guests danced to DJ, Q Sound Entertainment, which was paid by a donation by outgoing board member Debbie Gore.



Neighbors in the Rosedale Park community and students from the University of Michigan celebrate the 16th annual Detroit Partnership Day (DP Day) with the cleaning and grooming of Flintstone Park, and the adjacent areas. Even if you can only stay an hour, bring a rake, gloves and warm clothes.

DP Day

Saturday, March 28 • 10 am - 2 pm
Corner, Rosemont & Acacia.

This event offers an opportunity to share and act on ideas to improve our quality of life while having a good time. Young people, families, scout troops and youth groups are especially valued in this effort as a means of affirming and transmitting life-enhancing values to the next generation.

Many thanks to our friends at Macedonia Baptist Church for their support.

Volunteers are asked to register by March 21, with Carolyn Apke, Clean and Safety Committee at 313-493-0824.



Rosedale Park Improvement Association Profit and Loss January - December 2014

INCOME	TOTAL
Banquet Tickets Income.....	1,350.00
Christmas Pancake Breakfast Income	530.00
Donations	15.00
June Day Parade.....	385.00
Membership Dues.....	25,630.00
Membership Dues - 2015.....	775.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$28,685.00
GROSS PROFIT	\$28,685.00
EXPENSES	
Admin Assistant.....	900.00
Bank Charges	111.27
Block Captain's Meetings.....	270.56
Board/General Meeting Refreshments.....	255.97
Bookkeeper Expense.....	1,253.00
Director & Officer Insurance	591.00
Hotline Maintenance	210.00
Membership Dues-Copying/Printing	1,301.62
Misc. - Beautification Awards.....	300.00
Misc. - Community Donations.....	250.00
Misc. - GRDC/Realtor Open House.....	250.00
Misc. - Signs and Label Replacement.....	590.00
Misc. - State of MI Annual Registration Fee.....	20.00
N. Rosedale Pk Community House Rental	715.00
New Neighbors Welcome Kit.....	120.00
Newsletter - Layout/Design	900.00
Newsletter - Printing	960.00
Office Supplies.....	242.27
P. O. Box Rental Fee	178.00
Postage.....	13.65
QuickBooks Fees	971.20
RPIA - Annual Banquet	1,654.63
RPIA - Christmas Pancake Breakfast.....	368.70
RPIA - Detroit Pride Day - Clean Up	363.96
RPIA - Family Events.....	250.00
RPIA - June Day Parade	1,418.79
RPIA - President Appreciation Gift.....	210.00
RPIA - Snow Removal.....	10,400.00
RPIA - Vacant Property	89.97
Stationery & Printing.....	160.99
Web Host Site/Domain Name	332.49
Website/Web Master	625.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$26,278.07
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$2,406.93
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Spring fun for the kids in Rosedale

Calling all boys and girls! It's time to sign up for Rosedale Grandmont Little League. Season runs from mid-April through late June.

SIGN UP

Saturday, March 21 • 9am - noon
GRDC office, 19800 Grand River (*just east Evergreen*)

- T-Ball for 3 to 4-year-old girls and boys (\$60)
- Coach-Pitch softball for 5 and 6-year-old girls and boys (\$75)
- Baseball for 7 to 16-year-old girls and boys (four divisions) (\$90);
(New this season – 7-8 Baseball Division)
- Softball for 9 to 16-year-old girls
(two divisions: 9-12 = \$60, 13-16 = \$80)

Opening Day is Saturday, April 25

You can also download an application form from the GRDC website at mygrandmontrosedale.org (click on organizations, then RGLL) and mail it in, along with your check or money order. For more information, send an email to rglitleague@aol.com.



TREASURER'S NOTE: I am happy to report that we finished the year with a surplus (profit) of \$2,406.93. Income was down \$1,546 and expenses were down \$7,851.92 because we changed size and distribution of the Rosedale Park News. We no longer sell ads. We reduced the size from 16 pages to four. Also the newsletter is hand-delivered to each household in Rosedale Park by block captains instead of mailing to members only. This saved us \$3,582 in 2014 while putting an RP News into every home in Rosedale Park.

We also changed from the fiscal year of February to January, to a normal calendar year of January to December. This gives us a better picture of our financial position and also forecasts a budget more accurately. We changed our budget process by breaking it down so each committee is responsible for its own budget. Almost all committees stayed within their respective budgets last year. We had a slight increase in membership over 2013.

--Frank Raben

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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 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

MARCH

Tuesday, March 10.....RPIA Membership Meeting – 7 PM
North Rosedale Community House,
18445 Scarsdale

Thursday, March 17....Rosedale Park Radio Patrol – 6:30 PM
GRDC office,
19800 Grand River

Monday, March 23.....RPIA Board Meeting – 7 PM
GRDC office,
19800 Grand River

Thursday, March 26....Neighborhood Safety Meeting – 6:30 PM
North Rosedale Community House,
18445 Scarsdale

APRIL

Thursday, April 23.....Neighborhood Safety Meeting – 6:30 PM
North Rosedale Community House,
18445 Scarsdale

Monday, April 27.....RPIA Board Meeting – 7 PM
GRDC office,
19800 Grand River