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## **Easter Bunny To Visit Grandmont Rosedale**

Bring the kids and the grandkids, too! It is time for the fun-filled Grandmont Rosedale Easter Egg Hunt, on Saturday, April 20 from 10 am till 12 noon, at the North Rosedale Community House, 18445 Scarsdale.

Sponsored by all five of the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods, this family event is *free* and open to all residents. Outside on the Community House grounds, eggs are hidden in age-specific areas, so all children will be able to fill their baskets. There's also a petting zoo, to give the little ones some hands-on experiences with bunnies, chickens, goats, and alpacas, too! Inside the Community House, kids can enjoy a variety of craft projects, light refreshments, and a piñata, too.

Contact Carolyn Akpe, 313-493-0824, for more information and to volunteer.



The older kids hustle to find eggs.



A special spot for the little kids.



Everyone loves the petting zoo.



Activities included crafts indoors.

# Get Connected at the General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, March 12th @ 7pm North Rosedale Community House

18445 Scarsdale

Come one, come all! It's the Rosedale Park General Membership Meeting on Tuesday, March 12 at 7 pm at the North Rosedale Community House, 18445 Scarsdale.

Agenda includes an update on the MDOT Grand River Streetscape project, introductions of new residents in our neighborhood, plans for the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Detroit Partnership Day, and so much more!

This meeting is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors — Rosedale Park t-shirts and hoodies are on sale in the lobby— light refreshments and fellowship — y'all come!

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# RPIA 2018 Profit and Loss Statement

January - December 2018	Actual YTD (\$)
INCOME	
Membership Dues 2018	24,714.00
Membership Dues 2019 Membership Dues 2020	495.00 45.00
Membership Dues 2017	270.00
Annual Banquet Tickets	2,240.20
Holiday Pancake Breakfast	676.00
June Day Donations	293.00
Donations	0.00
Hoodie Sales	1,125.00
T-Shirt Sales	79.00
Pewabic Tile Sales	84.00
Interest Income Refund on phone service	119.57 10.50
Other	329.88
Total	30,481.15
Expenses Operating and Administrative Admin	·
Administrative Assistant	1,200.00
Directors Officers Insurance	647.00
Grandmont Rosedale Open House	0.00
Copying/Printing	0.00
Office Supplies	105.60
PO Box Fee	0.00
Community Service Awards	0.00
NRPCA Community House Rental Board Retreat Expenses	840.00
Board Retreat Expenses  Total	389.98 3,182.58
	0,102.30
Finance Committee	472.50
Administrator of Records/Accountant Paypal Fees	282.75
Bank Fees	195.00
Quick Books Monthly Fee	380.00
State of Michigan Annual Fee	20.00
Unanticipated Expenses	696.94
Postage	96.60
Membership Dues Mailing	1,900.94
Total	4,044.73
Public Works/Code Enforcement Committee	
Snow Removal	11,570.00
Code Enforcement Total	282.00 11,852.00
	11,832.00
Block Captains Committee	440.20
Block Captains Committee Meetings	448.20 80.00
New Neighbor Kits Supplies Total	528.20
	323.23
Communication Committee	44.16
Website Hosting Domain Webmaster Support	0.00
Newsletter Layout/Design	900.00
Newsletter Editor	900.00
Newsletter Printing	1,366.00
E-Blast Annual Fee	285.60
Hotline Maintenance	0.00
Sign Replacement	777.24
Hoodie Expense	875.00
T shirt Expense Pewabic Tile	0.00
Total	5,148.00
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Events Committee	2 271 20
Annual Banquet Holiday Pancake Breakfast	2,271.39 636.68
June Day	1,635.33
Family Events (Easter Egg Hunt)	300.00
Presidents Appreciation Gift	0.00
Beautification Awards	333.80
General Membership Refreshments	264.89
Total	5,442.09
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Clean and Safe Committee	168.26
Clean and Safe Committee DP Day Southfield Service Drive	0.00
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#### **RPIA 2019 Gala Cancelled**

The 2019 Gala has been cancelled due to ongoing renovations of the North Rosedale Community House kitchen. Initially we thought the work would be completed by the end of March, so we scheduled the 2019 Gala for a date in late March. But the kitchen project got off to a slow start due to delays in obtaining the proper permits from the City of Detroit Buildings, Safety Engineering and Environmental Department, as well as the Detroit Health Department. As this newsletter goes to press in late February, work has still not commenced — hence the decision to cancel.

#### **Awards at May Membership Meeting**

The Island Recognition Awards and the Community Service Awards traditionally given out at the annual Gala will instead be presented at the general membership meeting on May 14th, 2019. And to make up for this lapse, we will have a Super-Gala in January 2020!



#### **Events Calendar**

#### **MARCH**

Tuesday, March 12
Membership Meeting — 7 PM
North Rosedale Community House, 18445 Scarsdale

Tuesday, March 19

Rosedale Park Radio Patrol Meeting — 6:30 PM GRDC office, 19800 Grand River

Monday, March 25

RPIA Board Meeting — 7 PM GRDC office, 19800 Grand River

#### **APRIL**

Saturday, April 13 Detroit Partnership Day — 10 AM – 2 PM Rosemont Acacia Park

Saturday, April 20

Annual Easter Egg Hunt – 10 AM – 12 PM

North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale

Monday, April 22 RPIA Board Meeting — 7 PM GRDC office, 19800 Grand River

Thursday, April 25

Neighborhood Safety Meeting – 6:30 PM

North Rosedale Community House, 18445 Scarsdale

#### **Updates on Grand River Streetscape Project**

Project to slow traffic, add bike lanes and pedestrian crossings

The design team from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the City Planning Department met recently with local residents and business community members to present up to date information about a major construction and design project on Grand River Avenue. Construction is set to begin in July, and the changes will have a lot of impact on Rosedale Park.



Officials have been meeting with hundreds of Detroiters over the last two years as part of the planning. The February 5th meeting featured the lane configuration changes selected by the community, and presented proposed changes to traffic signals and pedestrian crosswalks.

Under the plan, a new signal will be added at Grandland-CVS and new pedestrian crossings will be added at Piedmont and Auburn featuring pedestrian safety islands in the center lane and ondemand flashing pedestrian crossing lights. Lanes will be reduced, with marked parking on both sides of the roadway, and a 2-way bike lane, protected from traffic, on the north side.

Changes are also in store for bus stops, including some bus "islands" and new shelters. Also new will be "bump-out" curb projections at traffic signals and pedestrian crossings, new lane and bike markings, and bike signals.

Also, a major change is coming to the Grand River intersection at Warwick Street. This off-set intersection will be rebuilt so the south portion of Warwick will line up directly with the north portion at the traffic signal.

The project also includes some water and sewer line work and additional changes that reach as far as Berg Road. For more information, including a full detailed set of notes from last Tuesday's meeting, including images, charts, and maps, go to www.detroitmi.gov/northwest.

David Legg

#### **RPIA Dues**

Mail your 2019 RPIA dues payment of \$45 (note: \$25 for Outer Drive and Evergreen residents) to RPIA, P.O. Box 23113, Detroit, MI 48223. Make checks payable to "RPIA." Or pay online at rosedalepark.org!

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# Registration Now Open for the Rosedale Grandmont Baseball League

Registration for the 2019 Rosedale Grandmont Baseball League's season has begun! Opening Day is Saturday, April 27, at the North Rosedale Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. Practices are scheduled throughout the month of April.

Online registrations will once again be accepted. Boys and girls ages 3 – 16 are eligible to play.

An in-person registration session has been set for Saturday, March 9 from 9 to 1 at the GRDC Building, 19800 Grand River Ave (Grand River just east of Evergreen).

There is a \$10 discount for any player whose family is a member of Rosedale Park Improvement Association, North Rosedale Park Civic Association, Grandmont Community Association or Grandmont #1 Improvement Association. (Rosedale and Grandmont neighborhood residents must be association members.)

Bring your proof of neighborhood association membership to registration or pay membership fees at registration to the representatives from the Rosedale/Grandmont neighborhood associations.

Please note two important changes for the league: our website is **rosedalegrandmontbaseball.org** and our email address is **rosedalegrandmontbaseball@gmail.com**.



T-ball players line up for the Opening Day parade.

### Park Clean-Up Slated for Detroit Partnership Day

Saturday, April 13th, 10 AM – 2 PM Rosemont-Acacia "Flintstone" Park

Detroit Partnership Day returns to Rosedale Park on Saturday, April 13 — mark your calendars and plan to join in!

This major service learning experience allows University of Michigan/Ann Arbor students to engage with Detroiters through clean-up projects in neighborhoods like Rosedale Park. Last year, Rosedale Park residents joined a couple of dozen UM student volunteers to clean up Rosemont Acacia

Park (aka Flintstone Park). The crew also picked up trash on the Southfield service drive.

To volunteer, please contact Carolyn Akpe, at 313.493.0824 or cjakpe@sbcglobal.net. Bring your gardening tools, your positive attitudes, and get ready to meet some great UM students while we beautify our neighborhood!





Above left: Stephanie Young takes a selfie with UM student volunteers. Above right: Rosedale residents Kathy Roland and Denotra Jackson warm up by raking leaves.

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