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FINALLY... We Met Safely Indoors

On Tuesday, November 9, RPIA held our first in-person general membership meeting indoors at the Community House in over a year. RPIA President Kim Uhuru introduced several new residents. We voted in a new RPIA president, officers, and board members. Our U.S. Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib and State Representative Stephanie Young gave reports. District 1 Building Inspector William Veasy updated us on how the city can help our residents report ordinance infractions. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2022. Check for details in the March/April RP News and the eBlast.



Rosedale neighbors meet safely at the Community House.



Our U.S. Congressperson, Rashida Tlaib, reports at our meeting.

Gala Is Postponed Again

For the second year in a row, we had to postpone our annual gala. The spike in COVID-19 Omicron Variant in Michigan forced us to postpone the event until June. The committee will meet in early January to plan the event.

President's Message



RPIA President
Larry Castleberry

Hi, everyone. I'm looking forward to 2022 and continuing the wonderful tradition as president. Kim left some big shoes to fill but with the help of some dedicated and experienced members, I will enjoy the challenge, knowing I won't be alone. One big change for 2022 as was noted previously is that we are looking to move our January Gala to the summer, possibly combined with June Day. That said let's jump into 2022 and tackle the challenges that we will face with the comfort of knowing that together we will be able to meet and overcome.

The Rosedale Park Improvement Association is a welcoming and nurturing group of committed Detroiters. We are always looking for new ideas and new people to help with our many events. Please reach out to me if you would like to pitch in: lcastleb@sbcglobal.net.

Rosedale Cleanup Crew Makes Progress on Fenkell/Grand River



The cleanup crew discusses what areas need the most attention.

With bags, rakes, gloves, and warm clothes, seven Rosedale neighbors met on Saturday, November 20, to clean up all around the Grand River, Southfield Service Dr., and Fenkell intersections. We filled five large contractor bags of garbage. “We hope to schedule regular cleanups all through 2022,” added RPIA Board Member, Melodie Bunkley.

Local Little League Readies for 29th Season

Online registration for the 29th season of Rosedale Grandmont Baseball will begin mid-February at rosedalegrandmontbaseball.org. Three- to 16-year-old boys and girls can register to play: t-ball (ages 3-4), coach-pitch (ages 5-6) or baseball. Baseball divisions are minor (ages 7-9), junior (ages 10-12), or senior (ages 13-16). Questions? Send an email to rosedalegrandmontbaseball@gmail.com.

Rosedale History: Signs in 1967



This scan is taken from the February 1967 Rosedale Park News showing the new “Welcome to Rosedale Park” signs. They have held up fairly well for 54 years.



Rosedale Radio Patrol—A Neighborhood Force For Good



Signing up for the Radio Patrol is easy.

Are you looking for a way to give back to your community? Would you like to get involved in the safety and security of the neighborhood? Would you like to meet more of your neighbors? Then the Rosedale Park Radio Patrol is just what you’re looking for! We are an all-volunteer, mobile, community watch made up of active and concerned neighbors. It is one of several neighborhood patrols sanctioned by the City of Detroit and is directly supported by the Detroit Police Department. You can think of the Radio Patrol as the “eyes and ears” of the neighborhood, observing and reporting any suspicious behavior.

Small Team, Big Impact

Patrollers are scheduled to go out in teams of two—a driver and an observer—who report every 30 minutes to their assigned “base.” The observer and driver slowly cruise down every street in the neighborhood and look out for abandoned vehicles, trees downed, signs knocked over, or open doors on a vacant house.

Suppose a patrol discovers something suspicious like a person walking around the inside of a vacant home. The team would report the activity to their base operator, and the base would immediately contact the Detroit Police to investigate. Our patrollers never leave their vehicle and are instructed never to contact a suspicious person because our patrollers are not the police. Using the Improve Detroit App on their phone, patrollers can report downed trees, abandoned cars up on blocks, etc.

Joining Is A Simple Process

You can join the Rosedale Park Radio Patrol with a commitment of as little as 2 hours a month! Signing up is easy and free. To get involved, call or text the Rosedale Park Radio Patrol President, Trajan Centers, at (269)-352-9200. He will provide you with an application to join. Once your application is approved, you will receive some training and be ready to schedule your patrol! It’s just that easy. What are you waiting for? Join today!

2022 Rosedale Meeting Schedule

All Rosedale residents are welcome to attend all meetings. All dates and arrangements are advisory, subject to change, due to COVID restrictions.

Membership Meetings

These Tuesday evening meetings begin at 7 PM; in-person meetings are held at the NRP Community House, 18445 Scarsdale., either indoors or outside on the lawn.

Tuesday, March 8
Tuesday, Sept. 13

Tuesday, May 10
Tuesday, Nov. 15
(Nov. 8 is Election Day)

Block Captain Meetings

These Sunday afternoon meetings run from 4-6 PM: meetings are held virtually on Zoom or in-person outdoors on the lawn at the North Rosedale Community House.

Sunday, Feb. 13
Sunday, August 7

Sunday, May 15
Sunday, Oct. 16

2022 RPIA Events*

Sat., April 16—Easter Egg Hunt
June (TBD)—Annual Gala
Sat., June 4—June Day Parade & Picnic
Sat.–Sun., June 25–26—RPIA Yard Sale
July (TBD)—Community Bike Ride
Sat., Dec. 3—Holiday Pancake Breakfast
Friday, Jan. 20, 2023—Annual Gala

Board Meetings

These Monday evening meetings run from 7–9 PM; meetings are held at the GRDC office, 19800 Grand River or virtually on Zoom.

Monday, Feb. 28
Monday, March 28
Monday, April 25
Monday, May 23
Monday, June 27
JULY AND AUGUST—no board meetings
Monday, Sept. 26
Monday, Oct. 24
Monday, Nov. 28
Monday, Dec. 26

Rosedale Radio Patrol Meetings

These Tuesday evening meetings are at 6:30 PM; meetings are held at the GRDC office, 19800 Grand River or virtually, on Zoom.

Tuesday, March 15
Tuesday, June 14
Tuesday, Sept. 13
Tuesday, Dec. 13

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