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Detroit Partnership Day a Success

Late March every year, thousands of University of Michigan students roll up their sleeves and volunteer at hundreds of sites on the west and southwest sides of Detroit. We do spring cleaning in a big way here on the west side of Detroit!

Two parks in our neighborhood got the once-over from volunteers who came together to spruce up Flintstone Park (officially known at Rosemont Acacia Park) and Stoepel Park on Saturday, March 23.

New board members Dorothy Roman and Donna Wilson organized the cleanup at Flintstone, pulling together 18 neighborhood volunteers and nine students from U-M and Wayne State.

"It's important that we take pride in our parks and do what is necessary to keep them clean," said Roman. "All summer, bikers, walkers, moms and dads with strollers, and grandparents visit Flintstone."

The cleanup crew filled 104 leaf bags with leaves and sticks, in addition to 12 large bags of trash and three bags of recyclables. One substance the volunteers were not happy



about picking up: dog waste. Roman emphasized that people who walk their dogs must bring plastic bags and take back home what the dogs leave behind. "Let's all be respectful to park users by leaving the park cleaner than the way found it," she said.

Vince Ford and his crew from All Seasons Landscaping removed the leaves and debris from around the fences. Macedonia Baptist Church

provided a warming station, welcoming the volunteers inside for refreshments. We extend sincere gratitude to Mr. Ford and his team and to the Macedonia Baptist Church.

Volunteers ready Stoepel Park for the baseball season

Sixteen players, parents and coaches were joined by 12 U-M students for the cleanup at Stoepel Park.

The students raked leaves along the fences, including the dugouts, of four backstops. They collected nearly 100 bags of leaves. Another group cut down brush and small trees in the deep outfield in the major diamond on the north side. The Rosedale Grandmont Little League is spearheading a drive to build a walking track that will encircle all four diamonds; construction is scheduled to begin this spring.

After all the cutting, chopping, sawing and stacking of the brush, some of the "older" volunteers headed home to get some needed ibuprofen!

The results of the coordinated effort by all of the volunteers in both parks was spectacular. The can-do spirit of Detroiters was on display during DP Day in Rosedale Park!

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Mayoral Forum at the Community House!

Mayoral candidates who have filed for candidacy by May 14 will be invited to speak at the North Rosedale Park Community House on Thursday, May 16 at 7 PM.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



President's Message

Spring is here and the season is changing. With that we look forward to the sun, flowers blooming, lawnmowers running, and children playing. My message this month greets you with all of these fine things that spring brings as well as things to keep in

mind. Our neighborhood is always changing, with neighbors leaving and new neighbors coming, so I would like everyone to remember why we chose Rosedale Park as "home."

EASTER EGG HUNT

This year's Easter egg hunt was a great success. Children from the Rosedale and North Rosedale communities had a great time with Easter Bunny and hunting for Easter eggs at the North Rosedale Park Community House. Thanks to all who came out to have fun and those who volunteered.

DETROIT PARTNERSHIP DAY

On March 23rd students from U of M and residents of the area cleaned up Flintstone Park (Rosemont Acacia Park) and Stoepel Park. People from our community also worked side-by-side with students to clean up several areas around the neighborhood, including parts of the Southfield service drive, the community garden, the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market, and areas in North Rosedale. Neighbors also ate lunch with the students and talked about why Detroit and, specifically, Rosedale are great places to live. Thanks to all who participated and made this a great event!

RIPPLING HOPE PROJECT

This year, we had 10 residents apply for the Rippling Hope Project. These neighbors will benefit from volunteers doing light maintenance and upgrades to their homes. Thanks to the sponsors of the Rippling Hope Project and State Representative David Nathan for the opportunity for Rosedale residents to participate in the program.

GRANDMONT ROSEDALE OPEN HOUSE

The Grandmont Rosedale Open House is Sunday, May 5th from 1-4. Please encourage friends and family members to

come see all of the beautiful homes for sale in our area. If you love our neighborhood and want to see it grow, volunteer to help with this event. Just call Kevin Johnson at 313-835-6136.

MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM

We will host our first Mayoral Candidate forum May 16th at 7 pm at the North Rosedale Community House. This forum will allow residents to hear from mayoral candidates as they answer questions from our neighbors. This forum is not intended to endorse any one candidate but give you an opportunity to learn where the candidates stand on important issues so you can make a more informed decision as we vote in the primary on August 6th. Tickets must be presented to enter the forum. Please contact me for tickets or to submit a question, you can also visit our website at www.rosedalepark.org.

REMINDER OF DUES PAYMENT

In February, annual dues payment invoices were mailed to more than 1,500 homes in our neighborhood. For those of you who have submitted payment, thank you; for those of you who have not, **please submit your \$45 annual dues** payable to RPIA and mail to P.O. Box 23113, Detroit, MI 48223. These dues are critical because they pay for snow removal and other critical services. We need everyone's participation.

REMEMBER TO VOLUNTEER

I encourage everyone to volunteer for a committee. Please visit our website for details on committees and contact information.

I would like to ask you to do a few simple things – raking your leaves and mowing your lawn weekly, picking up trash as you are walking through the neighborhood, parking in your garage or a legal parking space on the street, and by all means not allowing your children to play basketball or other sports in the street.

Welcome to a new Season!

Stacy Pugh

Stacy Pugh, President

Rosedale Park Improvement Association

READ OUR ADS, PLEASE!

Take a minute to notice the local businesses that are advertising in this newsletter. Some are longtime supporters, others are brand-new this issue. What they all share in common is a desire to serve the residents of Rosedale Park, along with a commitment to support our publication. Let them know you appreciate their support and patronize them when you can - thanks!

General Membership Meeting



Tuesday, May 14 at 7 PM
North Rosedale Park Community House
18445 Scarsdale
(off Bretton Drive at Glastonbury)
All Residents Welcome!

Block Captains' Corner

Spring Into Action

By Stephanie A. Young, Rosemont Block Captain

As we bid farewell to the cold, gloomy remains of winter and welcome the warmer weather and longer daylight hours, it's time to come out of hibernation. Now is the time for individuals, couples and families to start walking outdoors again, reinforcing our designation as a "walkable community." It's also a good time to share a few reminders about being safe and neighborly in the Park.



TIPS FOR YOUR DAILY STROLLS

- **Take your cell phone with you.** You never know what you might encounter while taking a short stroll around the block. Always be prepared to make a call and get help if you need to.
- **Do not walk and talk on cell phone.** Talking on your phone while walking tends to reduce awareness of your surroundings and can make you a target. Always be alert and walk with a friend when possible.
- **Make eye contact and speak.** Speaking to folks as you walk by and making eye contact is usually a good rule--it takes away the element of surprise should you encounter a would-be criminal.
- **Don't forget the "doggie bag"!** While walking your pet, don't forget to take a disposable bag with you to clean up after your pet. This applies to all areas, including your neighbors' lawns and our beautiful islands. It's just the right thing to do.
- **Have Fun!** Walking is one of the best, low-impact forms of exercise, so have fun and improve your health while you're at it.

TIPS FOR SPRING CLEANING – INSIDE AND OUT

- **Know your bulk collection days.** With spring comes spring cleaning. Be certain to check your bulk collection day before cleaning out your basement, attic or garage. The bulk dates are always posted

on RPIA's E-Blast. If you don't receive it, sign-up today by sending an email request to rpiaBlast@gmail.com.

- **Prepare your lawn for summer.** Rake your lawn to remove excess thatch, which is decaying plant material that accumulates from season to season; fertilize your lawn according to the type of grass you have at least twice a year; and water your lawn to ensure good irrigation weekly. Keep the following in mind when you mow your lawn: 1) never cut more than 1/3 of the height of the grass during each mowing; 2) mow frequently in spring to help strengthen the roots; and 3) raise the cutting height of your lawnmower as the summer months approach because longer grass helps shade the soil to keep it moist.
- **Know your yard-waste collection days.** After raking and mowing your lawn and placing the debris in paper yard-waste bags (no plastic bags will be picked up), place at your curb on the day of your regular Courville collection during the second and fourth weeks of each month through November. **The City of Detroit is no longer collecting yard waste every week.**
- **Help your neighbor.** If there is a senior or disabled person on your block who you have noticed has been unable to care for their lawn, be neighborly and help. It's small acts of kindness and generosity like this that make Rosedale Park a great place to live and play!

A Prayer in Spring

Robert Frost (1915)

Oh, give us pleasure in the flowers to-day;
And give us not to think so far away
As the uncertain harvest; keep us here
All simply in the springing of the year.

Oh, give us pleasure in the orchard white,
Like nothing else by day, like ghosts by night;
And make us happy in the happy bees,
The swarm dilating round the perfect trees.

And make us happy in the darting bird
That suddenly above the bees is heard,
The meteor that thrusts in with needle bill,
And off a blossom in mid air stands still.

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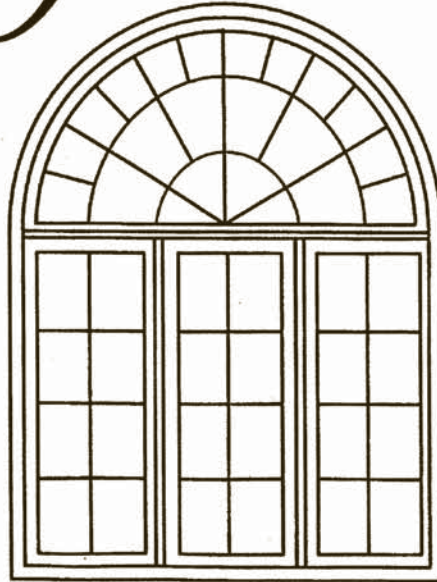
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Breakfast Revenue	638.00
Donation	574.00
Membership Dues	19,548.50
Total Income	\$28,742.50
Gross Profit	\$28,742.50
Expenses	
Advertising/Promotional	1,475.00
Bank Charges	86.70
Beautification	710.20
Commissions & Fees	200.04
Computer Software Maintenance	954.73
Dues & Subscriptions	57.14
Insurance	541.00
Office/General Administrative Expenses	4,016.83
Postage	782.07
Printing	2,131.46
Promotional	570.00
Publications	4,532.50
Refreshments/Events	2,703.40
Membership Refreshments	596.15
Total Refreshments/Events	3,299.55
Rent or Lease	840.00
Signs and Labels	380.00
Snow Removal	7,800.00
Stationery & Printing	407.71
Utilities	
Hot Line	210.50
Total Utilities	210.50
Total Expenses	\$28,995.43
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Interest Earned	12.39
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There were a couple hundred kids, 2,000 eggs, a giant bunny, lots of candy, cookies, music, and goats!

The Rosedale Park Improvement Association joined forces with the North Rosedale Park Community Association and other community associations to sponsor a very successful Easter egg hunt. Volunteers spent days stuffing candy into plastic eggs, which were then cleverly hidden around the grounds of the Community House in North Rosedale on Saturday, April 6.

To give everyone a chance to find the eggs, the kids were divided into three groups by age. Each of these groups had their own area to search. The Easter Bunny told all the kids "I've hidden eight eggs for every child" and the hunt was on!

Seeing live animals up close at the petting zoo was a real treat for the kids and their parents, too. To be able to touch the llamas and feed the goats brought smiles and giggles to the little ones.

Other activities included drawings by a sketch artist, vision screening, music (piano-playing by Debbie Gore), coloring, refreshments, a raffle, and door prizes.

Many thanks to the sponsors: Deborah Virgiles of the local McDonald's; the Detroit Medical Center; Benny Napoleon; the surrounding neighborhood associations (NRPCA, RPIA, Minock Park, Grandmont and Grandmont #1); and the many residents who donated money, candy, eggs, and their time.



OUR ANNUAL JUNE DAY PICNIC



When: **SATURDAY, JUNE 1st, 2013, 11AM-2PM**

Where: Flintstone Park, Rosemont at Acacia

Rosedale Park, it's that time again!

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Mayoral Forum at Community House in May

An informal coalition of neighborhood association leaders from the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods has announced plans to hold a mayoral candidate forum on Thursday, May 16 at 7 PM at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. All mayoral

candidates who have filed by the May 14th deadline will be invited to participate. For more information, contact RPIA President Stacy Pugh at pughsl2002@yahoo.com or visit www.rosedalepark.org.

Home Improvements? Check Historic District Requirements!

By Pam Weinstein

Spring is here, the flowers are in bloom, and Rosedale neighbors may be thinking about doing some home improvement projects. This is always a good time to review our status as an historic district and what that means for residents.

The Detroit City Council has designated our beautiful neighborhood an Historic District, a designation that helps preserve the architectural features of our neighborhood and the economic value of our homes.

COMPLETE WITHOUT REVIEW – GO AHEAD WITH YOUR PROJECT WHEN:

- Painting in the same colors
- Trimming or pruning trees, shrubs, etc.
- Repairing a few sections of fence with like materials and sizes
- Repairing a few shingles, flashing, gutters
- Replacing panes of glass with matching glass, Switching seasonal storms/screens
- Tuck-pointing small areas of mortar with matching mortar
- Installing or removing storms and screens for the season
- Replacing small, deteriorated areas with identical materials and sizes
- Repairing existing doors with identical materials
- Putting out or removing cloth awnings on existing frames for the season

CHECK THESE LISTS

If you plan to do home improvements or repairs to the exterior of your home or anywhere on your property, you are required to obtain a building permit application and submit it for review and approval by the City of Detroit Historic District Commission.

Below are two lists: projects you can complete without review, and projects that require review. For more information, contact the Historic District Commission: Jennifer Ross at 313-224-8907 or Crystal Wilson at 224-6543.

REQUIRES REVIEW – CALL THE COMMISSION BEFORE:

- Changing paint colors
- Removing large trees, shrubbery, plantings
- Installing new or replacement fencing
- Replacing roofing, flashing, gutters
- Installing new or replacement windows, storm windows
- Reconstructing areas of masonry walls, chimneys, floors, porches, etc.
- Installing new storm and security doors, installing new storm windows
- Reconstructing all or part of a porch
- Installing new doors, garage doors, security doors
- Installing or replacing signage, including awnings
- Cleaning the building
- Demolishing all or part of a building, including garages
- Constructing a new building or addition



Christ the King Parish Festival
May 18 ~ 11am–7pm

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Chicken Dinner 5–6:30pm

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NORTHWEST DETROIT FARMERS' MARKET OPENS JUNE 6

The Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market opens for its eighth season of good food and fellowship on Thursday, June 6 from 4-8 PM. "We are looking forward to fresh, locally grown and locally produced food," commented Market Master Pam Weinstein.



The market offers a wide variety of food, including locally grown produce, meats, baked goods, teas, Michigan honey, and homemade soups, as well as gourmet peanut butter, hummus, granola, and popcorn. The market is located in the south parking lot of Bushnell Congregational Church, 15000 Southfield Service Drive, just south of Grand River.

"We take plastic!"

The market accepts credit and debit cards and the Bridge card, as well as Project FRESH and Market FRESH coupons. The market also offers the highly popular Double Up Food Bucks program for Bridge card users, which matches up to \$20 of a Bridge card purchase with an additional FREE \$20 in Double Up Bucks, for the purchase of Michigan-grown fruits and vegetables.

For more information and to volunteer at the market, contact Pam Weinstein at 313-387-4732, ext. 103, or pweinstein@grandmontrosedale.com.

TAKING ACTION FOR A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY – This summer the Grandmont Rosedale

Development Corporation (GRDC) and WARM Training Center are teaming up to launch an innovative new program to encourage Grandmont Rosedale residents and business owners to go green.

This initiative will combine hands-on educational workshops with a unique on-line tool that individuals can use to chart changes in their own lives. The program is designed to make taking action to improve the environment easier and more rewarding – even fun!

As we move toward implementing this new program, we are looking for individuals willing to serve as champions for a greener community. No specialized knowledge is necessary, just a passion for helping your community and the environment. If you would like to learn more about this exciting new program and volunteer to help, contact Joel at WARM Training Center at 313-894-1030, ext. 126, or joel@warmtraining.org. Also, visit the GRDC web site to take our Sustainability Survey at www.grandmontrosedale.com.

HOMES FOR SALE IN

GRANDMONT ROSEDALE – If you or anyone you know are looking to buy a home in the Grandmont Rosedale area, then be sure to visit our web site, www.GrandmontRosedale.com, to see the renovated homes that are available from GRDC. GRDC homes are all move-in ready, with many updated features. Down payment assistance is also available to help buyers reduce their out-of-pocket costs and to make home buying more affordable.



GRDC has received a grant from the City of Detroit Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) that will enable us to buy and renovate nine more vacant area homes. Eight of the nine homes are being purchased

through a cooperative arrangement with the Detroit Land Bank Authority. These long-vacant homes were foreclosed for non-payment of taxes and will be renovated and ready to purchase this spring and summer. For more information, contact GRDC at 313-387-4732, ext. 100, or belong@grandmontrosedale.com.

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEEDS

YOU! – The Grandmont Rosedale Community Garden at Bushnell Church welcomes new participants. Whether you are an experienced veteran or a complete novice, you are welcome to come join us. We will be planting (and harvesting) strawberries, tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, beets, lettuce, Swiss chard, collard greens, arugula, green beans and more!



Come to learn, come to share your knowledge, come to have fun digging in the dirt! For more information, contact Pam Weinstein at 313-387-4732, ext. 103, or pweinstein@grandmontrosedale.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY

MEETING – The monthly neighborhood safety meeting will be held on Thursday, May 30 at 6:30 PM [NOTE NEW TIME!] at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. Due to the interest and positive response to a recent emergency preparedness presentation, the Crime Prevention Task Force is offering a raffle and audience participation incentive to help the community be better prepared for man-made or natural disasters.

DOOR PRIZE: This meeting will feature a raffle for a door prize related to emergency preparedness. But the only people who can enter the raffle are those who bring a new person (someone who has never attended a Neighborhood Safety meeting) with them to any of

RPIA's 30-Block Garage Sale Saturday, June 22 • 9 AM-3 PM

It's time to clean out the garage, basement, shed, or boxes of stuff stored away in some corner!

RPIA's 30-Block Garage Sale has evolved over the years. In the past, we divided the Park in half for the event, but it's become a popular event that's expanded to other neighboring communities. We no longer split the neighborhood and **participation is open to all residents on all streets in Rosedale Park**. It's on every block!

SOME NOTES ON PROCEDURES THAT WORK:

- Stuff sells better when it's clean and fixed.
- Consider joining forces (tables) with a neighbor. The more items on display, the easier it is to attract customers.
- Tag each item with both the price and number (to keep a record of who owns which item).
- Set a fair price. Remember, you are trying to get rid of stuff and make a little money.
- About half the day's buyers show up during the first hour and a half – between 9-10:30.

- String some balloons or pennants
- Most importantly: greet every potential customer with a smile

HERE IS A PARTIAL LIST OF WHAT SELLS WELL:

- Lawn and garden tools
- All types of power and hand tools
- Pots, pans and kitchenware
- Locks, hinges and hardware
- Picture frames
- Small appliances that work
- Baby clothes and infant items
- Lawn mowers, trimmers and snow blowers
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RPIA Board Meeting Minutes

Summary of RPIA Board Meeting of February 25, 2013

Highlights of the February meeting included an update on the ad sales for the RPIA newsletter; approval of the January meeting minutes; an update on the status of the Rosedale website; a discussion of the RPIA Bylaws; a review of the financial summary; an update on the Rosedale Radio Patrol; a review of the RPIA election timetable sheet; and report-outs from the Events

Committee, the Clean and Safe Committee and the Vacant House and Code Enforcement Committee.

For a listing of these minutes in detail, you can find a complete copy on the RPIA website at www.rosedalepark.org.

Yard Waste Collection Begins

The City of Detroit Department of Public Works (DPW) will implement a new schedule and begin collecting yard waste twice a month. Residents on the west side of the City will have yard waste collection on the 2nd and 4th weeks of the month. The bi-monthly collections will occur from mid-April through the first week in December.

- Place grass clippings, leaves, and small twigs in biodegradable paper bags or personal containers on the same day that your weekly refuse is collected.
- **DPW will not collect yard waste in plastic bags.**
- Branches, up to 4 feet in length and less than 2 inches in diameter, should be bundled and tied.
- Residents are encouraged to mulch when cutting grass, which adds nitrogen to the soil and can reduce fertilizer use by as much as 30%.
- Citizens also may also take yard waste to any of the five conveniently located DPW drop-off sites. Go to www.detroitmi.gov/dpw for more information on yard waste, drop-off site locations and hours of operation.

Guest Speaker for May 14th Membership Meeting

Detroit historian Kenneth E. Schramm will take a look back at the history of the Detroit Department of Street Railways and the various equipment that once was operated by the DSR over its 50-plus-year history. This will include the streetcars that once operated along Grand River as well as the various buses that replaced these streetcars. Also included will be the electric trolley coaches that once operated on Grand River, just one of three bus lines in the entire city that ever operated electric buses.

Plan to attend the 7 PM meeting at the North Rosedale Park Community House (18445 Scarsdale) to hear this presentation and more community information.

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three Neighborhood Safety meetings (April, May, and June). Each of the new guests will also receive a raffle ticket for these drawings, which will be held toward the end of each meeting, at about 8:15 PM.

Neighborhood Safety meetings are open to the public. Please join your neighbors, local law enforcement officials, and guest speakers as we learn and share crime prevention strategies. Every meeting provides important information to help keep us and our neighborhoods safer! For more information, contact Community Security Assistant Elizabeth Wroughton at 313-387-4732, ext. 109, or ewroughton@grandmontrosedale.com.

For more information about the GRDC Community Security Program, including a link to the draft Special Assessment District ordinance, go to <http://www.grandmontrosedale.com/programs/publicsafety.html>.

DONATE YOUR CLUNKER! – Got an old car you need to get rid of? Skip all

the hassle of trying to sell it yourself and instead

donate it to GRDC. You'll get a tax deduction and GRDC will get the proceeds from the sale of your clunker. Make your donation to Charity Motors (313-255-1000), and designate GRDC to receive proceeds from the sale. Charity Motors will even pick up your car for free. To date, 56 families have donated their cars to GRDC, for a total of \$19,862.

Want more information? Contact Cathy Marshall at cmarshall@grandmontrosedale.com or 313-387-4732, ext. 105.

JOIN THE CRIME ALERT! Want to know what's going on around you? Join the GRDC Crime Alert system and you'll get email messages to update you.

The GRDC Community Security Program's staff monitors and sends out email crime alerts as reported by

Donate Your Clunker



community residents about recent suspicious or criminal incidents or activities. Our goal is to provide timely information to residents and when possible and appropriate, to offer crime prevention strategies and reminders that may help keep us safer in the future.

To join the Grandmont Rosedale Crime Alert system, send an e-mail request to grandmontrosedalecrimealert@googlegroups.com. And please share this invitation and e-mail address with other neighbors and friends who also live in the Grandmont Rosedale area.

GET THE GRDC E-MAIL BLAST!

– GRDC sends out a regular weekly electronic newsletter, to let everybody know what's going on in our neighborhood. Don't miss out on the latest! If you want to know what's happening, send us your e-mail address. We'll add you to our electronic mailing list and send you information of interest to the neighborhood. Send an e-mail to info@grandmontrosedale.com and ask to be added to the list.



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Crime Prevention Task Force

The Grandmont Rosedale Crime Prevention Task Force (CPTF) organizes a variety of volunteer-based initiatives to proactively counter crime in our neighborhoods. Activities include planning the monthly neighborhood safety meetings that bring together neighborhood residents and law enforcement officials to discuss strategies to help area residents stay informed about crime prevention methods and practices.

If you would like to help keep our neighborhoods safe, please consider joining our Task Force. For more information, crime prevention tips and strategies or to share your own Quick Tip, please contact GRDC Community Security Assistant Liz Wroughton at 313-387-4732, ext. 109, or email ewroughton@grandmontrosedale.com.



Welcome to Grandmont Rosedale Neighborhood of the Year!

There's a reason Grandmont Rosedale beat out Southwest Detroit, West Village and Downtown to win the Curbed Cup 2012 Neighborhood of the Year award!

- We're a diverse neighborhood of residents who take care of their property, are involved and make good neighbors.
- We're a neighborhood where residents walk their dogs and jog and have access to parks, shops and a thriving business district.
- We have strong neighborhood organizations that look out for our interests.

8th Annual Neighborhood Open House

Sunday, May 5, 2013

**North Rosedale Park Community House
18445 Scarsdale, Detroit MI 48223
1:00 – 5:00 PM**

**Registration • Listing of Homes for Sale
Information on Home Loan Options
Tax Abatement and Down Payment Assistance
Neighborhood Bus Tours • Open Houses of Homes for Sale**

Neighborhood Amenities

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- Sun., May 5.....Neighborhood Open House,
1 PM-5 PM
- Tues., May 14RPIA General Membership Meeting,
7 PM
North Rosedale Park
Community House
18445 Scarsdale,
off Bretton Drive at Glastonbury
- Sat., May 18Rosedale Recycles, 10 AM-2 PM
18605 Pierson
- Mon., May 20RPIA Board Meeting, 7 PM
19800 Grand River

JUNE

- Sat., June 1June Day Picnic, 11 AM-2 PM
Flintstone/Rosemont Acacia Park
- Sat., June 8Advertising deadline
July/August issue of RP News
- Mon., June 10Article submission deadline for
July/August issue of RP News
- Sat., June 15Rosedale Recycles, 10 AM-2 PM
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- Sat., June 2230-Block Garage Sale, 9 AM-3 PM
- Mon., June 24RPIA Board Meeting, 7 PM
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Saturday, June 15
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