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FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2016

6:00 PM

Polls Open

(See candidate
biographies, pp 5-7)

6:30 PM

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Letter from the President

Happy New Year Neighbors – its' been one heck of a year! NRPCA finished with a flourish – our 75th Anniversary celebrating the completion of phase one of our Capital Campaign which includes a beautiful new Lobby, Electrical Upgrades, and new Handicapped Accessible Bathrooms. To follow soon: a new roof with solar shingles, better Wi-Fi, and soon thereafter, pending Grants and Fundraising, a new driveway and parking lot. We would love to make it a permeable asphalt lot to reduce runoff into our storm sewers. In 2016, we will also be seeking funds to repair the playground and replace its surface. Behind the scenes we will continue to work to improve our website and increase our community house visibility as a destination for weddings birthday parties, baby showers and other important community events. Many of our current board members have signed up for classes on how to do a better job on volunteer boards. We hope our new board members will also. **Please see pages 5-7 for information on your neighbors running for the board and please, exercise your right to vote Friday, January 7th from 6-8 pm or by absentee ballot. Look for an E-Blast in January where we will be featuring health related information such as new classes at the**

community house to help us Live up to our New Year's resolutions. We're also selling some NRPCA Swag to benefit the Association and the Capital Campaign – see page 12 and get your order in today. Last but not least, Marcia Closson is retiring after 40 years of service to our Civic Association. Marcia has served as a board member, our President and for the last 20 years, our Corresponding Secretary. THANK YOU MARCIA! On December 10th, she received the Spirit of Detroit award from Councilman's James Tate at our Member Appreciation Dinner. Please join me in wishing her a happy, well-deserved retirement and thank her for the years of service to our community. Finally, it has been an honor and a privilege to serve our community! Thank you for all of your support.

See you around the park!
Susan Steigerwalt



Petition Drive Launched for Safer Community

A petition drive is underway that could lead to a safer Grandmont Rosedale community. The petitions seek support for a Special Assessment District that would raise funds for round-the-clock security patrols and street and sidewalk snow removal services throughout the area.

A majority of all residential property owners must sign the petition before a Special Assessment District can be created. Volunteers are needed to circulate petitions amongst their

friends and neighbors.

There are two Town Hall Meetings this month where you can learn more about this historic campaign and what it would mean for our community. Join us on either of these dates:

- Thursday, January 14, 6:00 PM at St. James Lutheran Church, 14450 Ashton
- Saturday, January 16, 10:30 AM at GRDC, 19800 Grand River



For more information, or to find out how you can help, contact Chelsea Neblett at 313.387.4732, ext. 103 or cneblett@grandmontosedale.com. You can also visit <http://www.grandmontosedalesad.com/> for more information.

Absentee Ballot Instructions From NRPCA By-Laws Article VII-7.005

If a member otherwise qualified to vote, is unable to appear in person at the polling place during the hours designated for voting, such member may obtain an absentee ballot from the membership secretary in advance of the election. The absentee ballot, when marked by the voter, must be placed in a sealed envelope with no writing thereon, which envelope, in turn, shall be placed in another sealed envelope which must bear the name and address of the member voting. This envelope may then be delivered to the tellers, who shall see that the name appearing on the outer envelope is checked by the membership secretary against the membership rolls to assure that it is the name of a qualified voter. If so, this envelope shall be opened, and the plain envelope enclosing the ballot then be placed in the sealed ballot box. If the name on the envelope is not that of a qualified voter, the ballot shall immediately be destroyed.

North Rosedale Park Civic Association Board Elections 2016 – Absentee Ballot Procedures

North Rosedale Park Civic Association members in good standing are eligible to vote in the 2016 election of the Board of Directors to be held on January 8, 2016. Members will be voting on candidates for the positions of president, vice president and four (4) directors. If an eligible member is unable to appear in person at the polling place during the hours designated for voting, the member may obtain an absentee ballot from the Membership Secretary in advance of the election. The ballot must be delivered to the Community House at 18445 Scarsdale, Detroit, MI 48235 before the election closes at 8:00 PM on Friday, January 8, 2016. Ballots are sent by request only and should not be duplicated. Contact Chelsea Neblett, Membership Secretary, at cneblett@grandmontosedale.com to obtain an Absentee Ballot, or call 313-837-3416.

Behind the Footlights

(calling all singers)

"Hi there fellas! What you say? This is Little Fats Waller, my mother's 285 pounds of jam, jive, and everything." So begins the musical anthology called *Ain't Misbehavin'*. The Tony award-winning best musical, which ran for 1604 performances in its first Broadway incarnation, is an anthology of rowdy, raunchy, and humorous songs. The sassy, sultry music is from between the world wars (1920's-1930's) when piano players were massaging the keyboard to the new beat called "swing". They reflect the Fats Waller perspective of life as "a journey meant for pleasure and play".

Park Players will bring this energetic show to the North Rosedale Park Community House during the two weekends prior, and one weekend after, Easter. Auditions will be held on Sunday, January 3 from 1:00-4:00 pm and Wednesday, January 6 from 7:00-10:00 pm at the Community House.

Our professional director, Trudy Mason, encourages people to audition. You should come prepared to sing, preferably a song from the show or similar. You should bring sheet music, recorded music, or be prepared to sing *a capella* (unaccompanied). Trudy would like to see you sell the song. We will also ask you to do some simple movements.

A partial listing of the songs is provided here.

- *Ain't Misbehavin'*
- *Honeysuckle Rose*
- *Squeeze Me*
- *Handful of Keys*
- *I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter*
- *I Can't Give You Anything but Love*
- *It's a Sin to Tell a Lie*

Rehearsals are typically Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and Sunday afternoons. You will not be needed at every

rehearsal. Please bring a listing of any rehearsal conflicts you know about. What? You say you only sing in the shower? Well maybe it's time to share that voice with your friends and neighbors. Hope to see you January 3 or 6.



North Rosedale Celebrates Community House Anniversary; Officially Opens Addition

An enthusiastic crowd of 100 supporters and donors witnessed a significant milestone, as North Rosedale Park leaders, state and local legislators and donors officially opened the new addition to the Community House during a ribbon-cutting ceremony Dec. 4.

The new 2300-square-foot addition includes a new lobby, handicap-accessible bathrooms and new office space. With the financial support of 300-plus individuals and companies, more than \$820,000 was raised during the first phase of The Legacy Project, a capital campaign to renovate the Community House.

"This is a historic and significant accomplishment for our community and the

entire city of Detroit," said Marsha Bruhn, The Legacy Project chairperson. "Thanks to those who supported our effort, we can celebrate a new and improved facility and the opportunity to enhance the programming we provide to the community."

The ribbon-cutting ceremony kicked off a weekend celebration marking the 75th anniversary of the Community House, that included a Dec. 4 mixer featuring music from seven decades and concluded with a dinner and reverse raffle on Dec. 5.

The North Rosedale Park Civic Association would like to thank the following individuals and companies for sponsoring the weekend celebration.

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The new addition to the Community House set for the 75th anniversary celebration

Ribbon-cutting participants (from left to right) included: Marsha Bruhn, Legacy Project Chairperson; Charlie Beckham, City of Detroit Group Executive for Neighborhoods; State Representative Sherry Dagnogo; State Senator Dave Knezek; NRPCA President Susan Steigerwalt; Don

Scheible, Owner's Representative; Freman Hendrix, Donor Representative; and Detroit City Councilmember James Tate. The ceremony received media coverage by the Detroit Free Press, WWJ Radio and the Michigan Chronicle.



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Wearing her shades, a black Stetson, and snakeskin cowboy boots, security agent Maxine "Max" Blake is the baddest thing walking. Ex-marine, ex-cop, and a whole lotta 'tude, Max doesn't have time for anything but her job. Her latest assignment: to protect Dr. Adam Gary. Her problem: he doesn't want her there.

I ♥ Book Club

Adam wants to focus on his work, not to be distracted by this tall, sexy woman. A foiled kidnapping attempt may have forced him to take an undercover agent into his household, but no one said anything about the agent being a woman, or that she'd be beautiful, or that she came with two monster rottweilers. How is he supposed to concentrate on his top-secret project that could revolutionize the world when all he can think

about is her smooth, coffee-colored skin and those long, lean legs? But as danger nips at their heels, love may be a distraction neither of them will live to enjoy...

Please join the Book Club in the Park (BCIP's)
in a much anticipated discussion of

Sexy/Dangerous

By Beverly Jenkins

on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 6:00pm

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2016 NRPCA President Nominee

Name: Erma Leaphart-Gouch

Number of Years in Park: 28

Occupation: Retired Human Resources Director

Resident of Shaftsbury

Number of Years NRPCA Member: 26

Education: Master's in Public Administration

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Currently serve as Vice-President of the NRPCA Board. 2014 – Board Member at Large. 2011-2013 – Member of the Membership Committee.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Currently – Secretary of the Detroit Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., Currently – Board member of the African American Alumni Asso. Of Case Western Reserve University, Prior officer and volunteer (currently) with Motor City Chapter of Jack and Jill – Associates Group

Reason for serving on the NRPCA Board of Directors: It has been a great honor to serve on the board with other like-minded, civic oriented individuals to advance NRP as a community of people who care about one another and take pride in their home and neighborhood. I feel a tremendous sense of pride in our community and realize that to maintain that it requires all hands on deck. I hope to continue our work in assuring solvency of the organization, increase the programming available, and instill enthusiasm in the community in such a way to increase our membership and the number of people who want to take an active role part within NRPCA as participants and leaders.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds. The renovations will result in an increased capacity with regard to space. The additional space will allow for additional meeting and programming opportunities. We have already experienced the beauty of the new lobby space with the Table Tops event. It is a marvelous addition that will increase our competitiveness as a banquet facility. Future plans include a patio and improvements to the baseball field and playground absolute benefits for our youth / sports programs.



2016 NRPCA Vice President Nominee

Name: Richard M. Castillo

Number of Years in Park: 38

Occupation: Creative Media

Resident of Ashton

Number of Years NRPCA Member: Many

Education: Wayne State University

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Served as director 2 years from 2012 to 2014. Member of the Architectural Review Committee where we choose an architect and general contractor as well as approved the design plans for Phase 1 of the Community House renovation. Performed many creative media projects from design and building of large signs for the renovation project to NRPCA

promotional movies such as this: <https://youtu.be/Or8ctZJEFqc>.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Creative Media Producer for GRDC such as this: <https://youtu.be/3f2Y0cyw5R0>. Warren Flying Club: Board member for 12 years and president for 2 years. GRDC Vacant Property Task Force, GRDC Safety Task Force, GRDC Mower Gang.

Reason for serving on the NRPCA Board of Directors: I am retired since 2011 and no longer working 14 hour per day as a creative media producer. Now, I feel an obligation to give back to the community that I have lived in for virtually all of my working life, having bought my first and only home here in my twenties. I began my community service shortly after my retirement by joining the NRPCA Board of Directors and served a two year term. I took a year off while still actively engaged in community projects and wish to come back in the leadership roll as Vice President. I now feel grounded in the politics of this organization and feel that I can contribute in a very positive manner. My 2 areas of major interest are safety and property value. I am actively campaigning for the GRDC sponsored Special Assessment District (SAD) which will greatly improve our collective safety at a very small cost and I believe that we need to have a compassionate but firm hand with residents who don't maintain their property. Let's be honest, North Rosedale Park is an oasis in a desert and we must all cooperate to maintain and build it. Property value is a no-brainer and we will all prosper by maintaining NRP as "the community to live in" for young couples willing to move back into the city. I have a strong commitment to bring back the North Rosedale Park Home & Garden Tour which was the single greatest fund raiser ever for NRPCA and exposes NRP to suburbanites who encourage their children and grandchildren to move back into the city.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: My first engagement with the Community House was as a 13 year old boy whose mother decided that he needed to learn ballroom dancing. She enrolled me in Florence Young's Ballroom Dancing Class at the NRP Community House. It was not an option! But I have very fond memories of the Community House and all of cute dancing partners whom I fell in love with. And still, after almost 40 years in and out of the Community House it is almost impossible not to reflect on those dancing lessons every time I enter. The NRP Community House is a multi generational commitment and I feel that I (make that we) have a duty to maintain it and keep it relevant to current times and needs. That is why I sought to have a seat on the architectural review committee. I think that my input on that committee was the greatest thing that I could do within my life for our community. Now, I look forward and ask you to allow me to go further as vice president of NRPCA.



2016 NRPCA Vice President Nominee

Name: Tracey Matlock

Number of Years in Park: 21

Occupation: Engineer/Executive

Resident of Gainsborough

Number of Years NRPCA Member: 1

Education: M.S.M.E.

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: The Table Top Affair – Co-Chair. Clean the island on Warwick and Gainsborough.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: The 2005 Home tour.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: It is something that I have wanted to do for a long time, however with a career that had me travelling almost 50% it was too difficult to participate. My priority was to my family, which consumed any free time. However, due to all of the travel and exposure, I have lots of ideas that I feel will help our community. Traveling and living in so many exciting cities I have experienced lots of events that could be implemented here in NRP, or some variation of it. I was fortunate to live in Chicago, Tokyo, and the Seattle area, with almost living in greater LA, as I was there so much.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: I see more event rentals, for the community house. As a business person, I would like to build B2B relationships and use the area to create buzz. As far as the grounds, I can imagine events like the Sheffield Garden Walk. This was an event I started attending over 20 years ago, and is still flourishing. I can see a slightly different twist by incorporating fresh ideas from other similar events.



2016 NRPCA Director Nominee

Name: Bob Bonner

Resident of Lancashire

Number of Years in Park: 38

Number of Years NRPCA Member: 30

Occupation: Detroit Firefighter (Ret)

Education: 12 + Fire Science

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: 2015 Board Director, appointed. Tiger Group Game. Chili Cookoff.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Elder Northwest Fellowship, 30 years. Northwest Fellowship Camp Director, 40 years.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: I have many experiences with NRPCA and Park Player activities. Now that I am retired, I have time to commit to serving NRPCA.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: As the City of Detroit is rebuilding, I want N Rosedale Park to be a part. A modern Community House should be a part of this Community and the City as a whole.



2016 NRPCA Director Nominee

Name: Roland Breech

Resident of Lancashire

Number of Years in Park: 24

Number of Years NRPCA Member: n/a

Occupation: Automotive Enterprise

Education: Bachelors of Small Business Entrepreneurship

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Steak Roast. Chilli Cook-off. Membership.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Detroit Grand Prix Association Information Volunteer. Detroit Grand Prix Leadership Training Committee. Shay's Camp Cavell Men and Women's Getaway weekend adventure.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: Increase Membership. I would like to increase fun activities for June Day events.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: I would like to see Morning activity event use the community house, such as corporate workshop meetings. Have a stand-by kitchen staff who can accommodate guest who have reserved and or request food or beverages for their event.



2016 NRPCA Director Nominee

Name: Kimberly Dorsey

Resident of Warwick

Number of Years in Park: 2

Number of Years NRPCA Member: This year only

Occupation: Financial Analyst/
Accountant

Education: Bachelor of Science: Major Finance/MBA Focus
in Tax Accounting

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Planning Committee & Tickets Sales for 2015 Steak Roast. Contestant in 2015 Chili Cook-off. Secretary of Warwick Unity Block Club.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: University Prep High School - School Improvement Board. VP of University Prep Middle School Parent Association. Boy Scout Den Leader. Alumni Seat for Wayne State University School of Business Student Senate. VP of Community Outreach for Wayne State University Student Senate.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: I believe that the North Rosedale Park Civic Association Board of Directors is the reason the neighborhood exists and operates successfully. I also believe that due to outside forces (the economy, politics in the region and systemic challenges) North Rosedale Park Civic Association could be even more dynamic. My intention is to support the current officers in their goals of engaging the community, fundraising, safety efforts and neighborhood beautification. As a Board Member I will utilize my skills to retain and attract more families to join and participate in the Association and activities. I will help the association to become more efficient in its development, programs and events by bringing new strategies and proven methods making our efforts less time, cost and labor intensive. Lastly, I will methodically track and report our progress to ensure we are utilizing all of our resources and taking advantage of all our opportunities.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: My vision of the Community House is a place that our residents see as the heartbeat of the community. The Community House should be a facility that touches every household by having a meeting, activity, program or opportunity each and every resident enjoys and utilizes. The Community House should be a source of pride for all residents and a space that is accessible to all within North Rosedale Park. I believe each and every family should be planning to visit the Community House or Park on more than a monthly basis and also being motivated by their engagement to be a member of the NRPCA year after year. The Community House can (and will) be a primary amenity to purchasing a property in the North Rosedale Park neighborhood.



2016 NRPCA Director Nominee

Name: James H. Mallory Jr.

Resident of Sunderland

Number of Years in Park: 8

Number of Years NRPCA Member: 2

Occupation: As of now unemployed

Education: H.S.G. 1 year College

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Music and entertainment. Motor City Makeover. June Day.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Director of CGC, a non-profit organization. Mystery In Music. President of the Edward Family Club.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: North Rosedale is a wonderful place to have residency, and I enjoy working for and in the community.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: I see a great place for gatherings and meeting as such.



2016 NRPCA Director Nominee

Name: Chelsea Neblett

Resident of Sunderland Rd.

Number of Years in Park: 1

Number of Years NRPCA Member: 1

Occupation: Program Manager for
Grandmont Rosedale
Development Corporation

Education: WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY, Detroit, MI
Master of Urban Planning – 2015
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, East Lansing, MI
Bachelor of Public Policy and Public Administration – 2010
MACCORMAC COLLEGE, Chicago, Illinois
Associate of Paralegal Studies – 2006

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Membership Secretary. NRPCA Benefit Play Committee. NRPCA Vacant Property Task Force.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Wayne State Student Urban Planners – committee member. Lots of Love Detroit – co-founder of a free, mobile tool rental available to Detroit residents participating in community cleanups. Grandmont Rosedale Vacant Property Task Force (previously convened), NW Detroit Farmers' Market (currently manage) and Community Security Task Force (currently convene) as a part of my work responsibility at GRDC.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: One of the reasons I chose to live and work in Grandmont Rosedale was the deep sense of community that can be found here amongst residents. The "can do" attitude of those who step up for fundraisers, cleanups, community events and more is truly humbling. The practical work that goes into running North Rosedale Park Civic Association is imperative to maintaining and improving the quality of life for residents of North Rosedale Park. I hope to add to that work by using the non-profit management skills that I have gained through work and school, specifically surrounding membership and engagement. Having experience in community organizing I see an increased opportunity for board members to increase engagement with members and non-members alike, to identify collective concerns and community goals that keep North Rosedale Park moving forward in positive direction. I have a deep appreciation of the mission of NRPCA, and hope to continue that mission forward in an inclusive, more community driven fashion.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: My hope is that the Capital Campaign renovations lead to increased rentals for the Community House, thus making NRPCA more solvent and not reliant of membership dues payments for operational costs. The renovations and ADA compliance should also serve to increase free and paid programming at the Community House, making it more accessible for all. The Community House is the heart of the neighborhood, having more resident engagement at Community House/ NRPCA events will help to build a stronger North Rosedale Park.



2016 NRPCA Director Nominee

Name: Dexter Slusarski

Resident of Sunderland Rd.

Number of Years in Park: 1

Number of Years NRPCA Member: 1

Occupation: Developer at
LOVELAND technologies

Education: Master of Urban Planning, Wayne State University
BA Political Science Pre-Law, Michigan State University

Previous/current experience on NRPCA Board/Committees: Director, NRPCA Board 2015, IT Committee.

Previous/current experience on other boards/committees: Michigan State Pre-Law Society, Wayne State Urban Planners, Michigan Association of Planning, MapTime Detroit.

Reason for serving on NRPCA Board of Directors: One of the reasons I chose to live in North Rosedale Park is because of it's passionate residents that have a prolific legacy of participation. I want to continue to build on that and use my own skills to make the neighborhood.

NRPCA is currently engaged in a Capital Campaign to renovate its Community House and park grounds: In the next year I'd like to see a business plan developed for the community house so that it can be financially self sustaining. The renovations through the capital campaign are a great first step towards that future.

North Rosedale Park eBlast Newsletter

aka: Rosedale Tattler eBLAST EDITION

Last year marked the beginning of the Rosedale Tattler eBLAST EDITION. An electronic newsletter designed to supplement the printed version of the Tattler will be distributed via email. The eBLAST EDITION is not intended to replace the printed Tattler, but to provide vital and interesting news, information and reminders that sometimes miss the Tattler deadline (the 10th of each month). The eBlast should arrive in your email around the 3rd week of each month so as to meet this objective. In order to receive the eBlast you must be on the "list". However, it is really easy to sign up for the list by visiting the homepage of the North Rosedale Civic Association at <http://NRPCA.org> and pushing the big red subscribe button. Get yourself signed up today so that you will be

in the know! The exception to this requirement is that we have seeded the list with a number of email addresses that we have from our membership roster so your name may be on the list already. If you're not sure, you can still push the subscribe button as the same email address will not be signed up twice. If for some reason you do not wish to be subscribed, there will be a link at the bottom of each newsletter that may be used to unsubscribe. In case you want to be sure that this newsletter does not fall into your junk mail folder, be sure to just add the newsletter sender to your address book. You are encouraged to send articles for publication to the eBlast editor: cneblett@grandmontrosedale.com.

Warwick Unity Block Club Gets into the Holiday Spirit

By: Kimberly Dorsey

Gearing up for the holidays is a magical and exciting time of the year in North Rosedale Park. Warwick Unity Block Club (between Puritan & Florence) gets into the holiday spirit through giving back to the community with an annual Adopt-A-Family Thanksgiving basket.

Each year the residents provide a turkey, ham, vegetables, sides, desserts, drinks and donations for a family of 6 or more. This year was special because the block

club was able expand their gifts to two families instead just one. The group enlisted the assistance of the Old Redford School Principal, Mrs. Royals and a local children's advocate Jean Vorkamp to help select the perfect families. Our youngest block club members (sisters Cydnie and Hanna Thompson, ages 4 and 8) assembled the baskets, while the teens and young adults (Malik Veal, Matthew Jones, Aryanna and Gary Dorsey) delivered the meals and

personal messages Thanksgiving Eve. One teen (Breyana Howell, age 16) was so moved by the offering she added a monetary donation from her savings.

The thoughtful and inspiring effort of the Warwick Block Club underscores the true meaning of community and fellowship. Special thanks to all the families on Warwick who donated their time and resources for holiday baskets this Thanksgiving season.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING THURSDAY, JAN. 28

The next Neighborhood Safety Meeting will take place Thursday, January 28 at 6:30 pm at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. The topic will be "Responsible Gun Ownership," and the speaker will be Officer Rebecca Benton from the Wayne County Sheriff's Gun Range. The neighborhood Safety Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact safety@grandmontrosedale.com.



Important Announcement: NORTH ROSEDALE PARK RESIDENTS *You should have received your 2016 Civic Association Membership Mailing in December*

We need every resident to pay their association dues! The North Rosedale Park Civic Association depends on your dues to support the jewel of our neighborhood, the Community House and grounds.

We are the only neighborhood in Detroit that owns such a wonderful place for residents to gather, children to play, and neighborhood issues to be discussed. But the building and the grounds can't support themselves. While we generate a fair amount of revenue from the rental of the Community House, the dues provide the backbone of our finances.

As a dues paying member of the NRPCA, you are part owner of the Community House and grounds and we desperately need your support.



Take responsibility for contributing your financial share to keep our community alive.

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THE VALUE OF MEMBERSHIP

INFORMATION:

The Rosedale Tattler, our own monthly newsletter, is delivered to every home in the Park without charge. The cost is covered by advertising and association dues.

The Website – northrosedalepark.com – provides current information about the neighborhood and upcoming activities and includes videos on the Park.

The Block Club Program has organized neighbors so they will have the latest information concerning what is happening in the Park. Block Captains meet monthly to share their ideas and concerns. Residents are encouraged to meet their neighbors and watch out for the welfare of those who live near them.

EDUCATION:

The Code Enforcement Committee keeps residents informed of the required city zoning and building code regulations and helps to enforce them, thereby helping to maintain the quality of life in the Park that attracted people here in the first place.

The Vacant House Task Force has helped to secure vacant homes to prevent vandalism, and maintained the properties through grass cutting and debris removal.

Monthly Neighborhood Safety meetings are held with 8th Precinct police officers where residents are given tips on improving the safety of their homes, identifying suspects, and other public safety measures to improve neighborhood security.

SOCIALIZATION:

Social events are held regularly in the neighborhood, such as the **Easter Egg Hunt, June Day, Steak Roast, Holiday Pancake Breakfast, Park Players Theatre Parties, Home and Garden Tour, and Zumba classes**. All residents are encouraged to meet and enjoy their neighbors. North Rosedale Park is the only community in Detroit to host its own community theatre group, The Park Players.

BEAUTIFICATION:

The NRPCA is the only community association in the city of Detroit which

owns its own **Community House and grounds including a modern playground**. The cost of staffing and upkeep of the Community House and grounds is covered by membership dues and rentals. Residents volunteer to maintain flower beds and Park entranceways.

CIVIC POWER:

The higher the number of members of the Association, the more powerful our voice will be when we request city, county, and state services. In numbers there is strength.

In real terms, the cost of membership in the North Rosedale Park Civic Association for Park Residents is \$75.00 per year, or \$6.25 per month, or just \$.20 per day. Being a member of the NRPCA entitles you to all of the things listed above and makes you an owner and contributing member of the community. Only residents of North Rosedale Park who have paid their dues by the annual meeting (January 8, 2016) and Life Members of the NRPCA can vote in the election for Board Members. Dues can be paid the night of the election.

Be an active part of the civic life of your community.
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THE NORTH ROSEDALE PARK BLOCK CAPTAINS' MEETINGS

are the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm.
The meetings are held at the Community House
which is at 18445 Scarsdale.

This vitally important group of community
leaders needs your support.

If you have a neighborhood concern that
needs to be resolved, please contact your
Block Captain or if you don't know who
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The Rosedale Tattler is a monthly newsletter published by the NRPCA.

All articles and advertisements are due the 10th of each month.

Please contact Tom Ridgway at thomas.ridgway@gmail.com to submit articles or for advertising rates and policies.

We welcome and encourage submissions. The author's name, address and phone number is required for publication.
The editorial staff reserves the right to edit submissions for space or for which they deem obscene, defamatory, deceptive or misleading.



North Rosedale Park Civic Association Membership Application

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Membership Dues

Resident	\$75
Non-Resident	\$60
Business	\$60

Enclosed is \$ _____ in payment for dues for the year ending December 31, 2016.

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North Rosedale Park Civic Association or NRPCA

Mail dues to:

Membership Secretary

18445 Scarsdale, Detroit MI 48223-1333

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Be a Volunteer!

Please tell us how you would be interested in helping.

Areas of interest:

Thank you for your support!

NRPCA 2016 Board of Directors

On January 9, 2016, the community will elect its new board of directors. Once this new board gets situated, the committee assignments will be listed in the Tattler for your reference. These committees are formed to carry out the activities for the community and volunteers are always welcome. The Board meets on the 1st Thursday of every month except July and August.

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