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A Weekend of Fun and Sun at the Yard Sale

After a slow start on Saturday, customers began to flock to the streets of Rosedale Park for the Annual 60-block Yard Sale. Residents displayed goods on their front yards in most blocks of Rosedale.

Tools, toys, bicycles, and lawn and garden equipment sold quick. A family on Stahelin put a for sale sign on their 2000 Mercedes Benz – and it sold almost immediately for \$8,000.

It was a beautiful sunny weekend, so on various blocks, kids set up lemonade stands.

This year was the first time the yard sale expanded to both Saturday and Sunday. There were more sellers and shoppers on Saturday, but Sunday sales picked up after noontime.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR IDEAS TO MAKE THE YARD SALE BETTER. If you have any ideas, or want to be on the committee for next year's event, please contact Jim Dwight (jdwight9@ameritech.net) or rdalepark@gmail.com.



Kids from Warwick's McMillian and Palmer families selling lemonade.



A beautiful day for a yard sale.

Island Judging on the Way

With lovely plantings and diligent maintenance and watering, your island can look like this. The photo to the right shows what was achieved in just one year of concerted effort by some Stahelin residents who brought their island back up after years of neglect. Now's the time for everyone to ramp up their efforts, as the Island Beautification Committee will be driving through the neighborhood in August, on the lookout for good candidates for recognition, prizes, and awards.

Sadly, there are three blocks that have badly declined from the level that originally earned them Winners Circle awards. At the end of September, we will have to remove the wooden signpost awards from these blocks if there has not been any noticeable improvement.



Rosedale Park is known for its beautiful islands.

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Rosedale Park Has One Waste Collection Day—Monday!

In case you missed it, in late May, the City of Detroit announced new solid waste pick-up schedules for the City's west side, to begin on June 3rd. For Rosedale Park, every Monday is our "trash day." Every other Monday is EVERYTHING Monday.

Here is a sample beginning in July and they alternate from then on:

- Monday, July 1 EVERYTHING Monday all waste can be put out: regular trash, recycling, bulk, and yard waste.
- Monday, July 8 TRASH ONLY Monday ONLY regular trash.
- Monday, July 15 EVERYTHING Monday all waste can be put out.
- Monday, July 22 TRASH ONLY Monday ONLY regular trash.

For more information, including additional changes in the bulk and yard size, visit **RosedalePark.org.** Sign up for weekly text reminders from the City by texting your address to: (313) 800-7905.

When You Find a Lost Dog...



Reuniting dogs with their families.

It's not unusual for Rosedale residents to find lost dogs wandering in our neighborhood. But what do you do next? Here's a step-by-step list of tips, courtesy of Grandmont #1 resident Becki Kenderes, who

works for Michigan Humane Society:

- 1. If the dog is friendly, safely contain him or her (you can use a fenced-in back yard or a separate room in your home). It's best to keep the stray dog away from your own pets!
- 2. Check for any identifiable information, such as a tag with phone number.
- 3. Share as much information as possible to help locate the dog's owner, on the Facebook groups 'For the Love of Louie' and 'Lost and Found Pets (Detroit)'. You can also share information using resources specific to your neighborhood, such as NextDoor.
- 4. If the dog is sick, injured or trapped, please call the Field Services Department at the Michigan Humane Society at 866-MHUMANE. Hours: 7 days/week, 8 am to 4 pm.
- 5. Take healthy dogs to Detroit Animal Care & Control (DACC) at 7401 Chrysler Dr., Detroit, MI 48211 (or call to schedule a pick-up at 313.224.6356). Hours: 7 days/week 10:30 am to 3:30 pm.

*Note: after hours, only Detroit police officers and Detroit firefighters are permitted to surrender stray animals to DACC. You may call the Detroit Police Department for assistance, but keep in mind each situation is prioritized on a case-by-case basis.

Big Construction Project Coming to Grand River

There will be big changes coming to Grand River in our neighborhood this summer. Construction will begin in July on a multi-million dollar remake between Southfield Freeway and Evergreen, and will eventually extend all to the way to Berg Road, west of Lahser. The first phase of the work will replace aging water mains. Then the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will repave and reconfigure Grand River, which is a state highway.

The new design will include a two-way bike lane on the north side of the street, a new traffic signal at Grandland, five new pedestrian crosswalks with flashing signals, and a rebuilt intersection at Warwick, so that the south part of Warwick will line up with the north part of Warwick at Grand River.

Look for more pedestrian crosswalks

Grand River will also go on a "road diet" that will narrow driving lanes and enclose parking within curb "bump outs" to prevent driving in the parking lane. Pedestrian crossings will also feature bump outs, with crossing distances reduced by 40 feet, making crossing much safer.

Bus stops will be modernized, and five new shelters will be added, with solar power, night-time lighting, and charging stations. Major roadway construction will happen this summer, with landscaping and finishing touches coming in 2020. The roadway construction will move west of Evergreen next year.

Work to start on north side of Grand River first

The work will happen in three stages in Rosedale Park. It will begin on the north side of the street, with traffic shifted to the south side lanes, then work will move to the south side, with traffic shifted to the north side lanes. Finally, work in the center lanes will wrap up the construction.

For more information, see our full summary at www.rosedalepark.org, or visit the project website at www.detroitmi.gov/northwest. Watch for an announcement for an open house meeting and a printed door hanger card before construction begins.

Congratulations Joshua



Joshua McDonald.

Renaissance High School 2019 Graduate and Rosedale Park Resident on Stahelin Street Joshua McDonald plans to enter the Sports Management Program at Western Michigan University this fall.

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Rosedale Resident Wins Book Award



Phyllis Stowe-Jackson.

Rosedale Park resident Phyllis Stowe-Jackson won the 2019 Christian Indie Awards for poetry. Her book, *It Comes From the Soul*, contains 55 inspirational poems, each followed by a biblical verse.

Stowe-Jackson, a retired Detroit Public School teacher, counselor, and administrator, has been writing poetry for as long as she can remember. "My poems are true life stories of people I have met and experiences I have witnessed," said Stowe-Jackson.

Copies of her book can be ordered from Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and iTunes. Stowe-Jackson can be reached at stowejacksonp@gmail.com.

Remember by Phyllis Stowe-Jackson

Remember my name, remember my face,
And in your heart please find me a place.
For I will remember your name and your face,
And have in my heart your special place.
For you will always be,

That special person that God gave to me.

Farmers' Market is Open Every Thursday



Same Day. New Time. Same Market.

Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market is now in its 15th season. The 2019 season will run every Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale, now through October 10. We look forward to seeing you there.

Rosedale Block Captains' Meeting

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 - 4-6 PM GRDC BUILDING, 19800 GRAND RIVER

Light refreshments provided – all are welcome!

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An Old-Fashioned Family Picnic on June Day

Around 200 people attended the Rosedale Park June Day on Saturday, June 1st at Rosemont Acacia Park. Yes, there were hot dogs, chips, soft drinks, bounce houses, face painting, bubbles, games and a parade. But what did the volunteers think? Here is a sample of their comments:

Gail Cullors: June Day is an excellent way to promote community.

Susan Laing: It was a great day to spend with old friends and to meet new ones.

Mary McLeod: June Day was a great neighborhood event. It reminded me of an old-fashioned family picnic.

Phil Schloop: It's always great to see neighbors after a long winter, and it's a pleasure to work with all of the volunteers.

Ulysses Freeman: June Day is an opportunity for the adults and kids to bond, and for new neighbors to meet long-time residents – and the rain held off.

Nancy Bitzarakis: It was great to see many new neighbors and introduce them to other neighbors. I remember hearing kids laughing with excitement.

Pat Brown: The kids were having such a good time in the bounce house.



Kids learn about gardening.



The bounce houses are always a huge hit.



Future leaders march in the parade.



Pat Brown and Elease Gardner serve hotdogs.



Neighbors enjoying soft drinks.



Yea, it's time to eat!

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