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# ROSEDALE TATTLER

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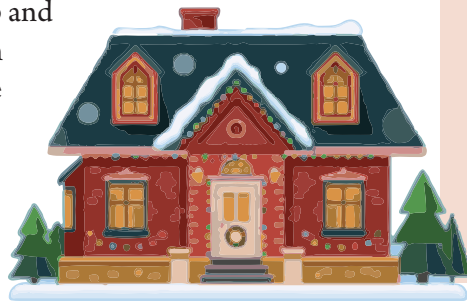
## Holidays in the Park

### Calling all residents to help Light Up North Rosedale Park!!

Express your holiday design style and spirit on the outside of your home for the annual NRPCA Holiday Lights Decorating Contest!

Decorations will be judged by top-secret judges (kids) on December 20 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Participants MUST have their outdoor lights up and displays ON by 6:30 p.m. in order to be considered! The TOP 3 winners will receive a special prize and bragging rights for a FULL year!

No need to register.



### Rosedale Pancake Breakfast Returns



The Community House was abuzz with the sights and sounds of Christmas Dec. 2 as the Rosedale Pancake Breakfast returned. Attendees enjoyed a hearty breakfast and a Christmas carol sing-



a-long. And the kids got to share their Christmas list with Santa.



## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING December 8, 2022 • 7 p.m.

At the meeting, attendees will review proposed changes to NRPCA By-Laws and the slate of board candidates. In addition, members can make additional nominations for the NRPCA board. The proposed changes to the by-laws are online at <https://nrpca.org/bylaws>.

Join the meeting via Zoom or in-person at the Community House, 18445 Scarsdale

### ZOOM MEETING:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87069688334>  
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Meeting ID: 870 6968 8334  
Passcode: 494213  
By Phone: (312) 626-6799

The following slate of candidates will be presented at the NRPCA General Meeting December 8.

### NRPCA NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S SLATE FOR 2023

- President** / Eric Willingham
- Vice President** / Beverly Frederick
- Directors**

Reba Banks	Becki Kenderes
Gregory Conyers	Kourtney Neloms
Lashawn Elston	Erisha Smith

# A Note from the NRPCA President

This past Saturday while I was at the North Rosedale Park Community House helping to serve breakfast at the annual Pancake Breakfast I found myself in several conversations with other volunteers. We talked about...wait for it...Volunteering. Most of the volunteers for the Pancake Breakfast were from Rosedale Park and many of the volunteers present were from North Rosedale Park. The Rosedale Park Improvement Association (RPIA) coordinates the Pancake Breakfast each year with cooperation from North Rosedale Park Civic Association (NRPCA). There were volunteers to set up the ballroom décor. There were volunteers to set up the stage, complete with a Christmas tree, decorations, and a chair for Santa to greet the children in attendance. There were volunteers to cook the food, others to serve the food and others to help with the clean up and teardown. All of these volunteers had three things in common.

1. They were greeting old friends
2. They were making new friends
3. They wore smiles that were infectious and reflected the joy of the season.

As I met and worked with and talked to and laughed with the other volunteers, I realized how important volunteers are to the life of our community. As 2022 comes to a close and I reflect back to some of the memories from the year, it is evident that none of these memories would have been possible without the energy and dedication of volunteers who have banded together to make it all happen. Whether we are talking about the Easter Egg Hunt in the spring, June Day in the summer, or the Annual

Steak Roast in the fall, we are talking about traditions and events that are fueled by volunteer energy. The same is true of so many other individual events that occur at the Community House, like the concert performances from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

As we wind down 2022 I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all those who have volunteered their time, their energy, and their spirit of neighborhood to help keep North Rosedale Park a beautiful and positively-focused neighborhood. And as we enter 2023, I ask that even more neighbors come forward and volunteer your time and efforts to any of the many activities that take place in the neighborhood, in the Park, and in the Community House. In return we can promise you the opportunity to hang out with some wonderful people. We can promise you the opportunity to practice your smile. We can promise you the opportunity to receive as many smiles and as much positive energy as your heart can handle. That's my big learning from 2022...volunteers ROCK!!

*James Martin, NRPCA President*



## AROUND THE PARK



*NRPCA Board Member Theresa Glenn laced up her running shoes and hit the streets to compete in the half-marathon during the Detroit Free Press Marathon October 16. Congratulations Theresa!!*

**Wedding bells for past NRPCA president Dwayne Walker**  
*Walker and Karen Robinson were married in October and are living happily ever after in the park!*



*There's a new sidewalk along Scarsdale, thanks to a Kresge Innovative Projects grant. Plans called for the sidewalk to continue along Glastonbury, which is on hold to work out some design issues. This project brings to a close The Legacy Project, NRPCA's highly successful effort begun in 2012 to upgrade the Community House and grounds.*



*Classical music filled the Community Center as a string quintet from the Detroit Symphony Orchestra performed Vivaldi's Four Seasons during a November concert.*

# NORTH ROSEDALE PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING AND BOARD ELECTION

**January 13, 2023 at 7 p.m. at the Community House**

Members are encouraged to have a say in their community association by participating in the NRPCA annual meeting and election. Refreshments also will be served.

**REMINDER:** Only current members will be eligible to vote. Pay your dues today at <https://nrpca.org/membership>.

## MAKE PLANS TO VOTE IN THE 2023 NRPCA BOARD ELECTION

North Rosedale Park Civic Association members in good standing (paid 2023 dues or are Life Members) are eligible to vote in the 2023 election of the Board of Directors on January 13, 2023. Members will vote on candidates for the positions of president, vice president and several director seats. NRPCA is offering three ways for eligible members to vote this year: in person at the January meeting; by absentee ballot; or online. Absentee or online voting must be requested in advance as indicated below. Please note that 2023 dues must be paid in order to vote in the 2023 Board Election. You can pay your 2023 dues now at <https://nrpca.org/membership>. Per the NRPCA By-laws dues should be paid by January 1.

### In-Person Voting

Eligible members may vote at the Community House, 18445 Scarsdale St., on Friday, January 13 from 6-8 p.m. Members may come to the Community House and have their name and address checked against the membership roll. They may pay their 2023 dues at that time and then vote.

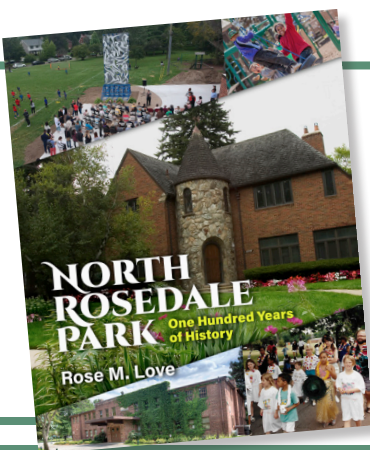
### Absentee Voting

If an eligible member is unable to appear in person during the hours designated for voting, the member may obtain an

absentee ballot from the Membership Secretary in advance of the election. Absentee ballots must be requested by Sunday, January 8. The ballot must either be delivered to the Community House before the election closes at 8 p.m. Jan. 13 or returned to the Membership Secretary by January 12. Ballots are sent by request only and may not be duplicated. Contact Phyllis Lee, Membership Secretary, at [phyllis@nrpca.org](mailto:phyllis@nrpca.org) to obtain an absentee ballot, or call 313-837-3416.

### Online Voting

NRPCA will offer online voting via the voting service, Election Buddy. For full information and instructions, visit [www.nrpca.org/vote](http://www.nrpca.org/vote). Residents must “opt-in” and fill out the online voting request form found at [www.nrpca.org/vote](http://www.nrpca.org/vote). The online voting sign-up form must be completed by Sunday, January 8. Residents will have their name and address checked against the membership roll and, once confirmed as in good standing (has paid 2023 dues or are Life Members), will receive a unique link to vote via email and/or text on Wednesday, January 11. Online ballots must be cast by 8 p.m. on January 13. If more than one person will vote in the household, each person must sign up in order to receive a unique link to vote. **IF YOU SIGN UP TO VOTE ONLINE, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE IN-PERSON TO ENSURE ONLY ONE VOTE IS CAST PER PERSON.**



**LAST CHANCE** to get the book that chronicles how North Rosedale Park came to be and all that's happened since 1919.

**Get Your Copy Today!! Limited Supply**

**Order by Dec. 15 and get it in time for Christmas**

**Questions? Contact Marsha Bruhn at (313) 400-1192 or [marshabruhn@yahoo.com](mailto:marshabruhn@yahoo.com)**

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**STOP BY**  
**Pages Bookshop**  
19560 Grand River Ave.  
**313-473-7342**  
[pagesbkshop.com](http://pagesbkshop.com)



## NRPCA 2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**President** / James Martin • james@nrpca.org

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**Mememrship Secretary** / Phyllis Lee • phyllis@nrpca.org

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**Community House Manager** /

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## DUES REMINDER We Need You!!

North Rosedale Park is the only neighborhood in Detroit that owns its own Community House, such a wonderful place for residents to gather, children to play and neighborhood issues to be discussed. When you pay your dues you are supporting the ongoing programs of the NRPCA and the operations of the Community House and Park, the central hub of the community. **The cost of membership is \$75 per year, or \$6.25 per month, or just 20¢ per day.** Only residents of North Rosedale Park who have paid their dues by the annual meeting (Jan. 13, 2023) and Life Members of the NRPCA can vote in the election for Board Members. Dues can be paid the night of the election and anytime online at [www.nrpca.org/membership](http://www.nrpca.org/membership).

## WANTED:



## EDITOR FOR THE NORTH ROSEDALE TATTLER

Interested in spreading good news about what is going on in North Rosedale and the greater Grandmont Rosedale neighborhood? The position of Tattler Editor will be available starting with the March/April bi-monthly edition. It is a volunteer position, which will put you at the center of keeping our community connected and well informed. If you like knowing what is going on in the neighborhood, this is the position for you. An applicant should, at a minimum, have good writing, organizational and computer skills and be a resident of North Rosedale and a member of the Civic Association. The outgoing editors will provide guidance to help the new editor get off to a good start. If interested, send an email to [info@nrpca.org](mailto:info@nrpca.org) with Tattler Editor in the subject line and include your contact information. Someone from the Communication Committee will contact you. You may also call Bill Frey at 313-402-0725.

### NORTH ROSEDALE PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2023

Name(s) Adults in Household \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2023 MEMBERSHIP DUES RATES

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

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in payment for dues for the year ending in December 31, 2023.

Additional donation enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to:

**North Rosedale Park Civic Association or NRPCA**

Mail dues to: **Membership Secretary, 18445 Scarsdale, Detroit, MI 48223-1333**

You can also pay online at [www.NRPCA.org](http://www.NRPCA.org)

The NRPCA is now a 501c3 charitable organization. Contributions and dues payments to the NRPCA are tax deductible under state and federal tax laws.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**