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ROSEDALE TATTLER

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Meet the Easter Bunny at Annual Easter Egg Hunt April 8

Calling all Rosedale Park children for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8. Meet the Easter Bunny, and enjoy lot of activities, fun and candy, all free of charge. The event is from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. at the North Rosedale Community House, 18445 Scarsdale.

Residents also can donate candy at the Community House on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

If you would like to help in the effort, contact Kourtney Neloms at nelomskd@gmail.com.



Residents Invited to Volunteer Sign-Up Day and Community House Open House May 6

Have you ever visited the jewel of North Rosedale Park – the Community House – or seen the many improvements inside and out? Looking for ways to get involved to strengthen our neighborhood?

Then visit the Community House for an open house and to learn more about volunteer opportunities on Saturday, May 6 from 1-5 p.m. The Community House is located at 18445 Scarsdale.

North Rosedale Park is the only neighborhood in Detroit with its own community center and park, that is owned



and maintained by members of the North Rosedale Park Civic Association. Over the last ten years, numerous improvements were made to the Community House and surrounding park, the hub of activity for the neighborhood.

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Letter from the President

We kick off 2023 with a new sense of community and excitement as I welcome our new board members, Rebecca Banks, Beverly Frederick, Gregory Conyers, Becki Kenderes, and Kourtney Neloms. To our returning board members, JaNae Harrison, Scott Kappler, James Martin and Peter Schneider, we're glad to have you back. Plans for an unforgettable year are on the way. Our focus will be keeping with tradition, but cultivating and putting forward new projects

and events that will surely elevate community participation.

For new residents to our community, I look forward to meeting you and invite you to get involved. You will receive our New Neighbor Welcome Packet full of community information and resources. If you haven't received your packet yet, please feel

free to reach out to our Membership Secretary, Phyllis Lee at phyllis@nrpca.org. For those of you with children, registration is now open for Rosedale Grandmont Baseball for ages 3-16. Sign up at rosedalegrandmontbaseball.org. Another community favorite is our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at our Community House. I hope you make plans to attend.

OUR COMMUNITY - WE STAND STRONG...

In honor of those we lost, I take this time to lift up the family of North Rosedale Park resident Tracie Alexander-Golden. I express my support and love for Michigan State University, its students, faculty and families. These senseless tragedies that dominate our news are a constant reminder of how important it is to pause and give thanks for all things; both great and small.

Together we are stronger; together we are unbroken; together we can do anything!

— Eric Willingham, President

Civic Association Board Welcomes Four New Members

During its February 2023 meeting, the North Rosedale Park Civic Association board welcomed four new members – Rebecca Banks, Gregory Conyers, Becki Kenderes and Kourtney Neloms. The board meets the first Thursdays of the month at the Community House from 7 – 8:30 p.m., and meetings are open to the community.

The 2023-2024 board includes:

President / Eric Willingham (1-year term, remains on board in 2024 as Past President)

Vice President / Beverly Frederick (1-year term ends December 2023)

Past President / James Martin (term ends December 2023)

Directors /

Rebecca Banks (2-year term ends December 2024)

Gregory Conyers (2-year term ends December 2024)

Becki Kenderes (2-year term ends December 2024)

Kourtney Neloms (2-year term ends December 2024)

JaNae Harrison (2-year term ends December 2023)

Scott Kappler (2-year term ends December 2023)

Pete Schneider (2-year term ends December 2023)



From left:
Rebecca Banks, Gregory Conyers,
Becki Kenderes and Kourtney Neloms



Register for Rosedale Grandmont Baseball League

If you have children or grandchildren that love baseball or want to learn how to play the game, then consider the Rosedale Grandmont Baseball League. The league is open to boys and girls, ages 3 – 16, from surrounding communities, and online registration is now live at rosedalegrandmontbaseball.org. The opening day parade, ceremonies, pancake breakfast and games are set for Saturday, April 29, with the

breakfast open to the public.

Register today to secure a spot for your player(s). A \$20 late fee kicks in April 1.

Have questions or need more information, go to www.rosedalegrandmontbaseball.org/faq/, send an email to rosedalegrandmontbaseball@gmail.com or visit the **Rosedale Grandmont Baseball Facebook page**.



June Day Volunteers Needed

Plans for June Day on Saturday, June 10 are underway, and volunteers are needed. If you would like to assist in making June Day a success, please send an email to Pete Schneider at peter@nrpca.org or Amy Oaks at amyloaks@yahoo.com.



Connect with Your Neighbors and the Civic Association

- 1 Become a member of the North Rosedale Park Civic Association. We need YOU!!
Go to nrpca.org/membership
- 2 Sign up to receive the Rosedale Tattler (bi-monthly) and the Tattler E-blast (weekly) or share the information with your neighbors. Email kgarrett28@yahoo.com to join the list.
- 3 Follow NRPCA on Facebook:
[facebook.com/northrosedalepark](https://www.facebook.com/northrosedalepark)

Volunteers Needed

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During the May 6 event, residents can:

- Take a tour of the Community House and discover its history
- Visit information tables and learn about volunteer opportunities with NRPCA and various neighborhood organizations, like the Fun Litter Pickup Club, Rosedale Grandmont Baseball League and Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation.
- Enjoy light refreshments
- Be entered to win a prize during hourly drawings
- Meet the leaders and members of the NRPCA board

Join us at the Community House and bring a neighbor. If you would like to volunteer to help, contact Rose Love at dlove70481@aol.com or Beverly Frederick at beverly@nrpca.org.

NRPCA

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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**

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!

DUES REMINDER! We Need You!!

As a dues paying member of NRPCA, you are part owner of the Community House and grounds, and we need your support! North Rosedale Park is the only neighborhood in Detroit that owns such a wonderful place for residents to gather, children to play and neighborhood issues to be discussed. The cost of membership is \$75 per year, or \$6.25 per month, or just 20¢ per day. Dues can be paid anytime online at www.nrpca.org/membership.



News to Share?

Is there a new baby in the family? Did you get engaged or married? Did you just move in and want to introduce yourself? Did you or a family member do something great?

LET US KNOW! We're looking for news from you to share with your neighbors! Send an email to tattler@nrpca.org.



PROGRAMS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

Walk Your Way to Health with North Rosedale Walking Group

If you're looking for a way to get healthy, there's a walking group right here in North Rosedale Park. The Walk in Park Group meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and Fridays from 9-10 a.m. at the Community House, 18445 Scarsdale.

The walk group is sponsored by the North Rosedale Park Civic Association. For more information, call **313-971-3990** or email nrpcaprograms@gmail.com.

Like and follow the group on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/walkintheparkgroup>.



The walking group meets at the Community House.

Learn to Hustle and Have Fun

Want to have fun and get some exercise? Then join the Hustle (line dance) class at the North Rosedale Park Community House Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Each class costs \$5.

The class, taught by instructor Paulette Brown, aka Lady P, is drop-in based and focuses on all skill levels – beginners, intermediates and advanced. The class normally starts with the beginner dances and progresses to the more challenging ones. Classes are mostly for adults, but teens participate as well.

Paulette's philosophy: "We come to have fun, get some exercise and learn all kinds of hustles. We all mess up, so there is no shame in our game. We just laugh at ourselves and keep it moving."

Tattler Deadline

If you have content you would like to include in the *Tattler* for May and June, please provide your content by April 15. Don't forget to take photos if you organize a neighborhood or Civic Association event. Send information and photos to tattler@nrpca.org.



NEW OFFICE HOURS FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE

Monday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Tuesday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Wednesday Closed

Thursday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

One Saturday a month – Date and Time TBD

UPCOMING EVENTS

- APRIL 8** Rosedale Park Community Easter Egg Hunt
- APRIL 29** Rosedale Grandmont Baseball League Opening Day & Parade
- MAY 6** Community House Open House and Volunteer Sign-Up Day
- MAY 6** Motor City Makeover (District 1)
- MAY 11** General Membership Meeting • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- MAY 13** Mental Health Community Forum
- MAY 16** American Red Cross Blood Drive
- MAY 18** Senior Trip to the DIA
- MAY 27** Health Fair (health screenings and healthy eating information)
- JUNE 1** Opening of NW Detroit Farmers' Market
- JUNE 10** June Day
- JUNE 15** Senior Trip to the DIA

In Memoriam

Condolences are extended to the families of North Rosedale Park residents who have passed recently.

Thomas Blaser



Longtime North Rosedale Park resident Thomas Blaser passed peacefully at his home at the age of 90 in February. Tom and his mother moved into their Georgian Colonial home on Shaftsbury in 1960. He was a design specialist at the J.L.

Hudson Company's Interior Design Studios, with a career spanning five decades.

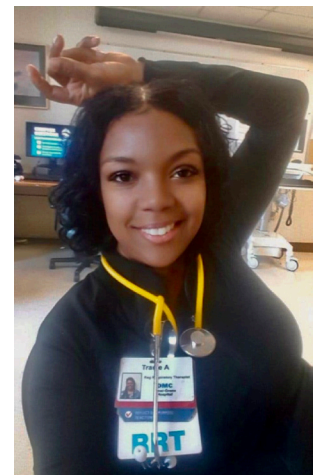
He was a generous supporter of NRPCA and the Legacy Project, being among the core group that kicked off the Project at a fundraising event in 2012. With its beautiful antiques and furnishings collected over a lifetime, his home was a popular feature on several North Rosedale Park Home & Garden tours, most recently in 2013. Tom also lent his expertise to the Legacy Project's Architectural Review Committee as it developed recommendations on upgrades to the Community House.

As COVID locked us in our homes, neighbors gathered in front of Tom's home on "Waving Wednesdays" – our chance to check on each other and say we were okay, a ritual that evolved into "Wednesdays at Tom's." Many have benefitted from his kindness and generosity, and he will be greatly missed.

Tracie Golden

The life of Tracie Golden, a native of Detroit and North Rosedale Park resident, was tragically cut short during a carjacking in the parking lot of an area business in December. The news was devastating to her family and area residents.

Tracie, 53, pursued her passion for healthcare by earning a degree in respiratory therapy at Oakland Community College. She was known for her compassion and commitment to helping others at Sinai-Grace Hospital, where she worked in the emergency room, critical care units and the pulmonary function laboratory.



Aside from her work, Tracie loved to cook and entertain, carrying on a tradition started by her grandfather. She even ventured into several food-based businesses.

Tracie is survived by her husband, John Golden; a daughter, Bianca; her nephew, Justin; and godson Lyndon.



Michigan State University

Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the students, staff and our neighbors impacted by the shooting at MSU in February. #SpartanStrong