

# ROSEDALE

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### Civic Association's Nonprofit Status Restored



### **Dear Neighbors and Friends,**

We are excited to share wonderful news with you! After a year and a half of dedicated effort, the North Rosedale Park Civic Association has officially received reinstatement of our 501(c)(3) nonprofit status!

This milestone did not come easily. It required countless hours of reviewing, organizing, and reconciling our finances to meet the requirements for reinstatement. The process was long and, at times, challenging, but it reflects our deep commitment to building a strong and sustainable future for our community.

I want to extend heartfelt thanks to those who helped us reach this important achievement. Special recognition goes to J&F Advisors Accounting Firm and our Treasurer Wendy Jackson, whose tireless dedication and persistence guided us through every step. We are also grateful to Miller Canfield Law Firm, Michigan Community Resources, the NRPCA Finance Committee, and the entire 2024–2025 NRPCA Board of Directors for their expertise, support, and perseverance.

With our nonprofit status restored, we are once again fully eligible for grants, donations, and partnerships that will allow us to expand programs, strengthen services, and continue making North Rosedale Park a welcoming and thriving community for all.

Most of all, we thank you, our members and neighbors, for your patience, encouragement, and faith in the work of the NRPCA. This achievement belongs to all of us, and it marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter.

With sincere gratitude and hope,

**Beverly Frederick, NRPCA President** 

# Residents Invited to General Membership Meeting Oct. 19

At the next NRPCA general membership meeting on Sunday, Oct. 19, North Rosedale residents can learn about the Association's 501(c)(3) reinstatement and financial status (with handouts) and get information on home repair resources and updates and the HOPE Program. The meeting is from 3-5 p.m. at the Community House.

Membership meetings allow Park residents to stay connected and be informed.

# Community Leaders Wanted for 2026 NRPCA Board

If you're someone who values community, works well with others and wants to have a positive impact on our neighborhood, then consider joining the North Rosedale Park Civic Association board.

NRPCA is now acceptinag nominations for its 2026 Board of Directors to fill six director positions and the roles of president and vice president. Director terms are two years. The president and vice president also serve two-year terms, with the vice president typically advancing to president in the third year and continuing as immediate past president in the fourth year.

To run for the NRPCA board, individuals:

- Must reside in North Rosedale Park for at least 5 years
- Must be current on 2025 NRPCA dues at the time of application submission
- Must pay 2026 NRPCA dues before the election on January 9, 2026

### Place Your Holiday Greeting in the *Tattler*

The holidays are quickly approaching. Would you like to share greetings from your family to your North Rosedale neighbors and friends? Then consider purchasing a holiday greeting for Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa or the New Year, which will be published in the November-December *Tattler*.

Here are the steps:

- Pick the greeting size and drop off a check for the appropriate amount at the Community House or pay online at nrpca.org/holidaygreeting
- Design your holiday greeting or simply type it out and then email your Word document or jpeg/png file to Rose Love at dlove70481@aol.com.
- 3) Submit your greeting no later than Monday, Oct. 20.

#### **Holiday Greetings Prices**

■ Full page: \$150 (Resident) /\$200 (Business)

■ Half page: \$70 ■ Quarter page: \$30

Business Card (1/8 page): \$15

Should include a digital photo of themselves in jpg format with their application

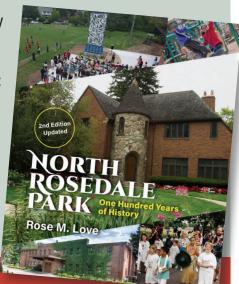
Applications must be returned by **October 31** to Eric Willingham at **ericwillingham@att.net**. To download an application, go to **www.nrpca.org/nominations**.

The nominations committee will compile a slate, which is finalized at the December 7 general membership meeting, where nominations also are accepted from the floor for any qualified candidate.

### Get Your Copy of the North Rosedale Park History Book

Celebrate the rich history of North Rosedale Park from its inception in 1919 to now. Purchase the history book that focuses on residents and their work over the years that have made North Rosedale Park such a vibrant community. The book will include new content detailing what has happened in the Park in the 2020s and highlight the work of the Civic Association, which just celebrated its centennial in 2024.

To order a copy of the book, go to nrpca.org/book. The cost is \$42.95 plus an additional \$8 per book for shipping. Books will arrive in October.





# UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS AT THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

## Improve Your Health through Pilates

If you want to feel stronger, move better and connect with neighbors, then join a new Pilates class being offered at the Community House on Mondays at 7 p.m. The class is taught by Somy Clark, a wellness advocate and Pilates practitioner.



Reserve your spot at nrpcapilates.eventbrite.com. For more information, contact poshbodydetroit@outlook.com or call Gloria Goodwine at 313-971-3990.

#### Do the Hustle

Everyone is invited to hustle or learn to hustle with instructor Paulette Brown on Tuesdays from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 per class.

#### Walk in the Park

Walk your way to good health by joining the Walk in the Park Walk Group, which meets Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Community House.

### **Enjoy Halloween Fun at Trunk-or-Treat**

Grab your Halloween costume and head to the Community House on Thursday, Oct. 30 for the annual Trunk-or-Treat event. The event starts at 5 p.m. until the candy runs out.

Candy donations also are needed. Please drop off candy at the Community House Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. For more information, contact Ericka Browning at ericka@nrpca.org or Lashawn Elston at lashawn@nrpca.org.

#### **Help Beautify Our Neighborhood**

Do you have a green thumb or an artistic eye? Then join the Beautification Committee, which is looking for volunteers to help with beautifying boulevards and entryways. You can volunteer for occasional projects or to tend to one boulevard. To learn more, contact Mary at 313-980-8850 or Sandra at 313-570-3434.



# Congratulations to our North Rosedale Park 2025 Graduates



Adrean
K. Jones,
W. Outer
Drive
PrepNet
Virtual
Academy
School



Jessica Scales Renaissance High School Plans to major in biochemistry



Thomas, Ashton Cass Technical High School Pursuing human biology degree at Michigan State University

Madison

### **AROUND THE PARK**

### **Annual Steak Roast Sells Out**

The North Rosedale Park Civic Association hosted another successful Annual Steak Roast on Sept. 12 with a full house of residents, families, and friends for an evening of great food, lively entertainment, and community spirit.

The evening began with a reception featuring an elegant spread of hors d'oeuvres, coffee and tea. Dinner included a flavorful menu of steak, salmon, salad, roasted vegetables, and potatoes. This year's event was made possible through the hard work and dedication of our outstanding grillers—Eric Willingham, Peter Schneider, and Malcolm Hudson. A special thanks goes to Taste Tiff's

Catering for providing the savory side dishes. The Steak Roast was organized by NRPCA boardmember Eric Henry.



Entertainment

was provided by F3 Music & Angela, with guests commenting on the energy and talent of the performance, making it one of the highlights of the event. State Senator Mary Cavanagh and Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib joined residents in celebrating the





community's tradition and showing their support for North Rosedale Park.

The annual Steak Roast

continues to be one of the Civic Association's most beloved traditions, celebrating fellowship, great food, and the vibrant community spirit that makes North Rosedale Park unique.

### **Back-to-School Event**

Park kids had a great time getting school supplies and having fun at the annual Back-to-School event on Aug. 24, which was sponsored by NRPCA. Organizers included Ericka Browning and Lashawn Elston.





### **AROUND THE PARK**

### **Concert on the Plaza**

Singer Pia Broden-Williams delighted the crowd gathered Sept. 19 at the Community House with tunes from the Roaring '20s, Jazz, Big Band and Swing eras. She was accompanied by Lorenzo Rhodes (piano), Michelle Ureña (sax and flute) and J-Wall.





### **Neighbors Enjoy Rosemont Block Party**

Neighbors on Rosemont/Puritan/Pilgrim came together in July for their annual block party and cookout and to celebrate each other.



### **Seniors Take Trip to DIA**

A group of North Rosedale seniors enjoyed a visit to the DIA Sept. 18 and were treated to a jazz performance by Dave Bennett. The next senior trip is Dec. 4. Reserve your spot by texting or calling 313-971-3990 or emailing nrpcaprograms@gmail.com.



### **Shred Day in the Park**

Park residents took advantage of a shred day to have sensitive documents discarded safely. The August 23 event was sponsored by U.S. Representative Rashida Tlaib, a North Rosedale Park resident.



## What's Cookin', Good Lookin'?

by Amy Oaks

Hats off to the talented local chefs who've brought their culinary magic to the North Rosedale Community House kitchen! In case you haven't heard, they're using our space to craft delicious creations now available at farmers' markets and local stores and restaurants.

From mouth-watering sweet potato treats to perfectly roasted Brussel sprouts, creamy mac-n-cheese, rich chocolate delights, gourmet cheesecakes, refreshing artisanal herbal teas, and finger-lickin' barbecue sauce – these chefs have it all covered.





Here's how to get your hands on their products:

#### Dr. Velonda Anderson Sweet Potato Delights

Available at these restaurants: *Trap Vegan, The Kitchen by Que, Detroit Pepper Company* and *Café Noir* 

Available in these stores: Detroit Peoples Co-op, Moor Herbs Marketplace, Healthwise Enterprise, Natural Food Patch, The Water Station and Eastside Lansing Co-op.

Visit the website at sweetpotatodelights.com.

### Deirdre Johnson, Rossalind Jackson and Vonetta Robinson

Detroit Cocoa Bar is available at Detroit Sip Coffee House and the Northwest Detroit Farmers' Market. Visit the website at **DetroitCocoaBar.com** to see all that is available and to order for pickup at the Community House Mondays from 4 - 6 p.m. There's also a mobile Hot Cocoa bar available for special events!

#### Dolores Jackson D-Lo's Gourmet Cheesecake

Available at the *Meijer Rivertown Market* or order by calling **586-204-7700** (delivery available).

Visit the website at www.d-los.com. There are so many flavors to choose from!

### Lewis Mathews of Mrs. C's Delight Brand soul foods

Choose from roasted Brussel sprouts, mac-n-cheese with no butter, collard greens with no meat, signature cornbread or blueberry, or

#### stuffing crowns

Available in Meijer Rivertown Market, Meijer Woodward Corner Market, and Fresh Thyme in Farmington Hills, Rochester Hills and Troy.

#### Ellarose Preston J'Elise Tea

Available in the Cloverleaf BP in Southfield, Detroit Historical Museum, Lafayette Foods, Liquor Basket Gratiot, and Meijer Rivertown Market

Visit the website at **jelisetea.com**.

And our most recent addition, Robin and Minnie Stewart offer Louise's Backyard BBQ Sauce, which is coming soon to Royal Fresh Market on Grand River.

Support local, eat well, and treat yourself!

#### **Volunteer and Help Your Neighborhood**

The North Rosedale Park community is successful when neighbors pitch in to help. You have skills and talents that can make a difference.

Here are some ways: Volunteer to assist with an event. Serve as a block captain. Help with the Community House or island flower beds. Join the litter pickup group. Contribute content to the Rosedale Tattler. There are numerous ways you can help improve our neighborhood. Call the Community House at (313) 837-3416 and let us know how you'd like to help.

### **Tattler** Deadline

If you have content you would like to include in the *Tattler* for the November/ December issue, please provide your content by **October 20**. Don't forget to take photos if you organize a neighborhood or Civic Association event. Send information and photos to **dlove70481**@aol.com.



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

### Issac Quiney

Issac "Ike" Quiney, a longtime North Rosedale Park resident, passed away July 4. He was born on January 19, 1934 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

For more than 20 years, he served in the U.S. Air Force, Air Force National Guard and Air Force Reserve. After his miliary service, he moved to Michigan and began a career as a master electrician at General Motors, serving for more than 35 years. On the



side, he ran his own electrical businesses.

He enjoyed traveling and mentoring and encouraging young men. Known for his generosity and kindness, Quiney volunteered at Christ the King Church and donated food and gave of his time to help the less fortunate.

Quiney was a Christian and a member of Macedonia Baptist Church in Detroit. He is survived by his

wife of 44 years, Vesta, four children, and a number of other relatives and friends.

### Jeffrey Thomas

Jeffery "Jeff" Thomas, co-founder of Detroit's beloved Sweet Potato Sensations and longtime North Rosedale resident, passed away September 9.

Known for his booming personality, love of golf, basketball, cycling, classic cars, and his unofficial title as Detroit's Best Bid Whist Player, Jeff brought



joy and laughter everywhere he went. Alongside his wife Cassandra, he helped build Sweet Potato Sensations into a cherished community landmark.

He will be deeply missed by his wife, daughters Charice

(Espy) and Jennifer, and countless family, friends, and card-playing buddies.



**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 **dlove70481@aol.com**.

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

Address \_\_\_\_\_
Phone \_\_\_\_
Email

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 Resident
 \$75

 Non-resident
 \$60

 Business
 \$60

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_in payment for dues for the year ending in December 31, 2026.

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

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