



It's Hot

It's hot!

I can't get cool,
I've drunk a quart of lemonade.
I think I'll take my shoes off
And sit around in the shade.

It's hot!

My back is sticky,
The sweat rolls down my chin.
I think I'll take my clothes off
And sit around in my skin.

It's hot!

I've tried with 'lectric fans,
And pools and ice cream cones.
I think I'll take my skin off
And sit around in my bones.

It's still hot!

By Shel Silverstein

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SUMMER IS GRAND IN NORTH ROSEDALE PARK

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS.

Friday, September 9, 2011
Annual Steak Roast and Silent Auction

see page 7 for details

Saturday, September 17, 2011
Home & Garden Tour

see page 5 for details

TRIPLE TREAT
Saturday, October 1, 2011
Garage Sale, Chili Cook-Off and Bake-Off

see page 7 for details



The Rosedale Tattler is a publication of the North Rosedale Park Civic Association. Established in 1924, the North Rosedale Park Civic Association is a community organization that promotes the interests and welfare of North Rosedale Park residents, maintains park facilities for community use, advocates for necessary public improvements, and enforces building restrictions and ordinances within North Rosedale Park.

Letter from the President

Report to the Community

Things are supposed to slow down in the summer, but we've been busy:

- Board approval of Grant Committee's recommendation for installation of 16 security cameras on the interior and exterior of the Community House for \$9000 by Integ Security Solutions.
- Updating/repainting of existing NRP identification signs and construction of a new sign for the Community House, per recommendation of the Grant Committee.
- Completion of electrical repairs to the Community House.
- Redesign and updating of NRP website by Wendy Jackson.
- Upcoming meeting at GRDC with the nationally-known Project for Public Spaces (PPS) through Kresge Foundation support to work with key stakeholders in the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods to help us develop better public spaces. Special focus will be on the Farmers Market, but will include other public spaces such as our parks and Community House.
- Receipt of funds to remove debris, secure buildings and cut grass at vacant properties.
- NRPCA is one of three recipients from the Grandmont Rosedale area to receive a \$5000 SAFE grant from Community Legal Resources.
- Leadership Team's meeting to develop organizational structure for next year's Capital Campaign.

Other updates:

- Attended the Community Leaders Roundtable on June 15 in the Mayor's office on the Council's budget cuts and sent letter to City Council members regarding the impact of the cuts on our youth and neighborhoods, asking for consideration for restoration of some funding to provide for these necessary services.
- Attended the City Planning Commission June 16th hearing on proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to add regulations regarding temporary use permits, accessory signage for temporary uses, outdoor retail sales, yard and garage sales, and temporary mobile food service establishments. Shared concern about the potential impact of temporary retail sales on NRP since they could be allowed up to 64 days per year on private property (but not gas stations or licensed parking lots, or within 20 feet of residential areas).
- Sent letters to our State legislators in support of an amendment to lower the 750,000 population requirement for special assessment districts to 600,000—a necessary step in leading to a benefits district that could provide for 24-hour security and snow removal for our neighborhoods.
- Participated in Reginald Lane's "Innerview" program on Channel 20, broadcast from the July 14th Farmers Market. Shared our efforts to address crime and safety, as well as the residents' commitment that makes our neighborhood work.
- Spoke at City Council's July 15 hearing on the proposed retail center at the former Redford High School site. While the proposed Meijer's store and other retail will bring jobs and shopping options to our area, the Planning Commission's rezoning and design review process will be important in ensuring compatibility with adjacent residential and commercial areas.



And, finally, some thank you's:

- To Barbara Harvey for donating \$279 from the sale of her organically grown tomato plants to NRPCA.
- To the anonymous donor who paid the outstanding \$73.51 to Waste Management to remove the dumpster at the Rosedale Liquor site, when the owner of the property failed to do so after repeated attempts by the Code Enforcement Committee, local businesses and Ashton Street residents; and to Rob Henderson of Sage Tree Works, the business community and neighbors who paid the \$100 to clean up and dispose of the debris left behind in what had become a dump site.
- To Jim Johnson and Jeffery Knight for hauling 44 bags of asphalt repair and filling in the potholes in the Community House drive.
- To everyone who paid their membership for 2011!

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Behind the Footlights

By Roger Loeb

AUDITIONS, AUDITIONS, AUDITIONS

"Oh, earth, you're too wonderful for anybody to realize you. Do any human beings ever realize life while they live it? - every, every minute?"

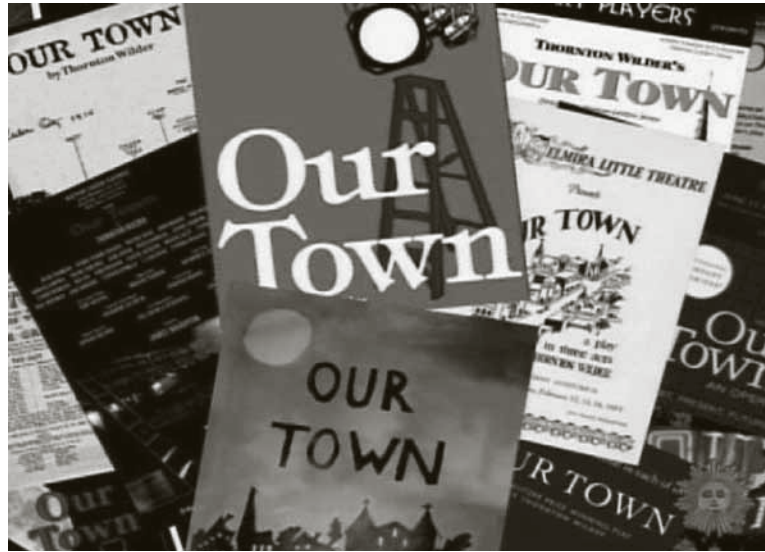
The poetic words of our young heroine, Emily, float eerily over us from a nearly-bare stage. The simplicity of *OUR TOWN* as well as its universality have resulted in its being one of the most popularly produced plays in the United States.

Our Town gently advises us to appreciate life while we are living it, particularly the uneventful ordinary activities - smelling flowers, eating breakfast, looking out the window at the silent moon. The play illustrates the classical aphorism coined by the Roman poet Horace (65-8 BC): *carpe diem* - "seize the day, put no trust in tomorrow!"

Auditions for the Pulitzer Prize winning play will be held at the North Rosedale Park Community House on Wednesday evening, September 7, at 7:00 PM and Sunday afternoon, September 11, at 1:00 PM. You can meet the director and get more information about auditions at our first meeting of the 2011-2012 season on Sunday evening, August 28, 2011, at 7:00 PM, also held at the Community House. Scripts are available from Marcia Closson at 313-835-1103.

Cast of characters (While some roles are specific to gender and age, others are flexible. All roles will be cast in a racially neutral manner.)

Stage Manager (M/F, age flexible) The host of the play and the dramatic equivalent of an omniscient narrator; exercises control over the action of the play, cueing other actors, interrupting



their scenes with interjections, and informing the audience of events and objects that we cannot see.

George Gibbs (M/16+) A decent, upstanding young man, George is a high school baseball star whose courtship of Emily is central to the play's action.

Emily Webb (F/16+) George's next-door neighbor, then his wife. She is an excellent student and a conscientious daughter.

Dr. Gibbs (M/30+) George's father and the town doctor. Dr. Gibbs is also a Civil War expert.

Mrs. Gibbs (F/30+) George's mother and Dr. Gibbs' wife. She is satisfied with hometown life in spite of her unfulfilled desire to visit Paris.

Mr. Webb (M/30+) Emily's father and publisher/editor of the Grover's Corners Sentinel. His question-and-answer session draws the audience into the action of the play.

Mrs. Webb (F/30+) Emily's mother and Mr. Webb's wife. Mrs. Webb shows us her innocent and caring nature.

Mrs. Soames (F/age variable) A gossipy woman who sings in the choir.

Simon Stimson (M/F, age variable) The choirmaster whose alcoholism is the subject of gossip.

Rebecca Gibbs (F/youth or teen) George's younger sister; a small but meaningful role.

Wally Webb (M/youth or teen) Emily's younger brother minor role.

Howie Newsome (M/age variable) The milkman who dutifully appears every morning.

Joe Crowell, Jr. (M/F, youth or teen) The paperboy/girl.

Si Crowell (M/F, youth) Joe's younger brother, also a paperboy/girl.

Professor Willard (M/F, age variable) A professor who gives the audience a report on Grover's Corners (this role could be double or triple cast).

Constable Warren (M/age variable) A local policeman keeping a watchful eye over the community.

Sam Craig (M/F, teen or young adult) Emily Webb's cousin.

Joe Stoddard (M/age variable) The town undertaker keeping a watchful eye... (oops, I already used that).

Additional minor roles: Woman in the balcony, Man (or woman) in the auditorium), Lady in the box, Three baseball players.

There are also parts for members of the choir who do not have speaking roles but will perform hymns, as well as potential musicians (guitar, harmonica, etc.).

Rehearsals are held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings (7-10) and Sunday afternoons (1-4). Most performers (other than the first seven roles listed above) will not be needed at many of the rehearsals. Show dates are November 11, 12, 13, 18, and 19.

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Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 9, 2011.
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Congratulations...

Former Rosedale Park residents, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Leverett are proud to announce the graduation of their children from college. Their son Jason obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from Western Michigan University in 2010. Their daughter Arielle obtains two Bachelor of Arts degrees, both *Magna cum laude* from Grand Valley State University in spring of 2011. She will continue her training by pursuing a Master of Fine Arts Degree in Acting. The Leverett family would like to recognize and thank the Rosedale Park Community for being the "village" that helped raised their children.



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2011.

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A mom-to-mom sale is a lot like a garage or yard sale, but it's specifically for parents who want to sell their gently used kids' stuff, like toys, clothes, books, videos, and baby furniture – and for parents who want to buy great stuff for their children at discounted prices. You can sometimes even find used maternity clothes at these sales.

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Located in the south parking lot of Bushnell Congregational Church, 15000 Southfield Service Drive, just south of Grand River, the market is open and fully accessible through surface streets and the service drives during the current Southfield Freeway closure.

The market accepts credit and debit cards and the Bridge card, as well as Project FRESH and Senior Project FRESH coupons. The market is again offering the highly popular **Double Up Food Bucks** program for Bridge card users. Double Up Food Bucks matches up to \$20 of a Bridge card purchase with an additional **FREE \$20 in Double Up Bucks**, for the purchase of Michigan-grown fruits and vegetables. You can't get a better deal anywhere!

For more information, and to volunteer to help at the market, contact Pam Weinstein at 313-387-4732, ext. 103, or pweinstein@grandmontrosedale.com

LOOKING FOR A HOME IN GRANDMONT ROSEDALE?

Calling all prospective homebuyers! GRDC is currently renovating several



homes in the Grandmont Rosedale area. If you, or someone you know, is interested in purchasing one of these beautifully updated, energy-efficient and highly affordable homes, call GRDC today at 313-387-4732, ext. 104 or email to tmccrory@grandmontrosedale.com You can also view a few of GRDC's current renovation projects on our web site at <http://www.grandmontrosedale.com>.

FRIDAY MORNINGS WITH TOM

R. – Grab your work gloves and sturdy shoes and get ready to beautify our community! GRDC Program Manager Tom Ridgway is leading volunteer sessions every Friday morning this summer from 9 AM until 12 noon.



Tom and his crew will plant flowers, weed landscape beds, tackle graffiti removal, and embrace any other projects that pop up throughout the summer. For more information, including how to meet your school's requirement for service hours, contact Tom Ridgway at 313-387-4732, ext. 108 or tridgway@grandmontrosedale.com.

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEEDS

YOU! – The Grandmont Rosedale Community Garden at Bushnell Church welcomes new participants. Whether you are an experienced veteran or a complete novice, you are invited to come join us. We will be planting (and harvesting) strawberries, tomatoes,

cucumbers, squash, beets, lettuce, Swiss chard, collard greens, arugula, green beans and more! Come to learn, come to share your knowledge, come have fun digging in the dirt! Contact Pam Weinstein at 313-387-4732, ext. 103, or pweinstein@grandmontrosedale.com for more information.

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION

– If you or someone you know is in danger of foreclosure, **DON'T DELAY.** Foreclosure counselors are available from Southwest Housing Solutions. Homeowners who are behind on their mortgage payments should contact the free non-profit counselors immediately, while they still have options – **call 313-841-9641 TODAY** for an appointment with a counselor.

VACANT HOUSE ALERT – Do

you have any vacant houses on your block? If so, please give GRDC Vacant Property Intern Julia Billings a call at 313-387-4732, ext. 116, and give us the address (or send an email to info@grandmontrosedale.com). In cooperation with all of the neighborhood associations, GRDC is trying to keep track of all of the vacancies and we need your help! We're developing a Vacant Property Strategy and it's important to keep up to date on every vacancy. Thanks for being a good neighbor.

GET THE GRDC E-MAIL

BLAST! – GRDC has been operating a neighborhood-wide listserv; we send out regular weekly notices to let everybody know what's going on in our neighborhood. Don't miss out on the latest! If you want to know what's happening, send us your e-mail address. We'll add you to our electronic mailing list and periodically send you information of interest to the neighborhood. Send an e-mail to tmccrory@grandmontrosedale.com and ask to be added to the list.

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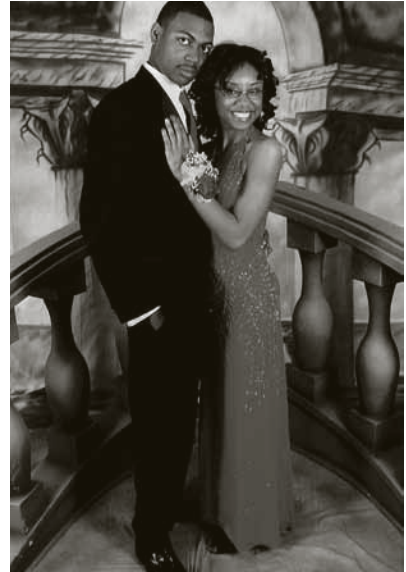


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NRPCA Capital Campaign Status Report

By Jim Johnson

The NRPCA Capital Campaign to renovate the Community House and park grounds is entering a new phase, and it's a good time to summarize what's been accomplished and to give a preview of future activities. First, here's what's happened. There was a large amount of work performed to prepare for a change in NRPCA's tax exempt status. For decades it has been a 501(c)(4) non-profit, which is a common designation for neighborhood associations. However, recent legal opinion suggested that there was a good case to apply for a re-designation as a 501(c)(3). One major difference between these types of non-profits is that 501(c)(3) allows for tax-deductible contributions, while 501(c)(4) does not. A major reason for requesting this re-designation is the large public usage of NRPCA's facilities along with the high cost of their maintenance. Last May NRPCA resident and life members voted to accept a revised constitution and by-laws oriented toward 501(c)(3) status. These were subsequently filed and certified by the State of Michigan, and on June 20 an application was made to the IRS requesting federal 501(c)(3) status. We're now waiting for their notice on whether the application is approved. The waiting period is typically between 3 and 6 months. It's not a given that it will be approved, but we feel that a good case was made and are hopeful.

On a parallel path with these efforts the NRPCA Capital Campaign was started. In late 2010 the Kresge Foundation awarded a \$34,000 grant to the University of Detroit Mercy School of Architecture, Detroit Collaborative Design Center (DCDC) to assist NRPCA with developing Concept Design plans for the potential renovations. These are not the final detailed architectural and construction drawings. Rather, they identify the major renovation items, locations and

functions that will be addressed. As a kick-off to this project, on March 31 a Neighborhood Engagement Workshop was held where representatives of the NRPCA community and other northwest Detroit organizations provided their vision. At this event a community input process known as "Comment Cards" was introduced to provide the opportunity for attendees as well as members of the broad community to express their views to the DCDC. The Workshop was summarized at the April 14 NRPCA General Membership Meeting. This was followed by a series of meetings with smaller stakeholder groups with more particular needs, such as Block Clubs and Park Players. These meetings were conducted until early June, and all during this time the DCDC created numerous Concept Designs that captured the community visions that they were receiving. On June Day, June 11, the DCDC exhibited their current plans and gathered additional feedback. They have recently completed their efforts and submitted the final Concept Design drawings to NRPCA. These are now posted on the NRPCA website, and you can view them by going to <http://www.northrosedalepark.org/> and then selecting the NRP Civic Association and the Capital Campaign menu tabs. While there, it is also possible to view all of the Comment Card input that was provided by the community. Please be aware that these Concept Design drawings are not the final plans for the proposed renovations. Rather, they are the starting point for the next phase of the Capital Campaign. It's also still possible to provide input through a Comment Card, and you can do it on-line in the same section of the NRPCA website. In addition to the drawings, the DCDC is preparing a preliminary cost estimate for the renovations. This is still a work in progress, and will require several more weeks before being finalized. From what is already known however, the renovations

will be expensive, well over \$1M and very likely approaching \$2M.

It might be said that NRPCA is currently in a "Hurry Up and Wait" mode. The "Hurry Up" because there's a large amount of work to do, and the "Wait" because we're waiting for the IRS decision that will have enormous impact on the Capital Campaign. In anticipation of this phase of the project, a Leadership Team was formed to provide guidance for the overall operations and to make recommendations to NRPCA's Board of Directors. The team consists of Marsha Bruhn (NRPCA President), Lynn Garrett (NRPCA Past-President), Jim Johnson (NRPCA VP), Chris Allen, Cathy Marshall, Freman Hendrix, Delphine Tupper and Don Scheible. They are currently working on the appropriate organizational structure for the Capital Campaign to insure that functions such as Marketing, Fund-raising, Financial Controls, Architectural & Engineering, etc. are properly implemented. There is also the necessity to draw up contingency plans based on the IRS decision. Between now and the early fall the Leadership Team will be assembling sub-teams to focus on specific tasks and to provide recommendations on how to effectively proceed. The large cost of the renovations will require that a major fund-raising effort be implemented that is oriented toward philanthropic foundations as well as to the community at large. Much research will be required here, and the timing of this effort will depend directly on the IRS response. So, the current Capital Campaign modus operandi is to do its homework well while waiting for the opportunity to fully engage to perform the renovations. In summary it's been busy, and a lot has been accomplished. However, there's a lot more to come. More updates will be provided as milestones occur.

Join the Force: Crime Prevention in Grandmont Rosedale

Consider joining the force: that would be the Grandmont Rosedale National Crime Prevention Month Task Force. Here's the 3-1-1:

The National Crime Prevention Council established October as Crime Prevention Month in 1984. Ever since then, local community associations have taken it upon themselves to educate the public about possible crime prevention measures. Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation is putting together a task

force to work on this activity for the month of October 2011. All community residents are invited to take part in the process of developing suggestions and recommendations for crime prevention events, presenters, workshops, and activities in the Grandmont Rosedale neighborhoods.

The month-long occasion can be used to showcase positive crime prevention methods being used in the community or to highlight community needs relating to crime, victimization, and creating a safer

environment in which to live. We are asking the experts and community residents to help shape this experience for the entire Grandmont Rosedale area.

If you are interested in joining our local task force for National Crime Prevention Month, please contact GRDC representative Austin Grout at (313) 387-4732, ext. 109 or agrout@grandmontrosedale.com. All community members are encouraged to take part in this process.

Grandmont Community Arts & Crafts Fair

**P.O. Box 27790
Detroit, Michigan 48227**

MEDIA RELEASE:

Contact Persons:

Philip E. Foster, Art Fair Director

Cora A. Duncan-Foster, Assistant

(313) 273-7914

GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

**Fair Site Location: On Longacre east of Southfield Freeway
between Grand River & Schoolcraft Avenues**

Detroit, Michigan 48227

Sunday, September 18, 2011

Sunday, September 25, 2011 (Rain Date)

12 noon ~ 7:00 PM

The Grandmont Community Association cordially invites you, your neighbors and friends to the Grandmont Community Arts & Crafts Fair which will include childrens' games, a display of classic/racing cars and live entertainment. This is an excellent opportunity to exhibit and sell art, crafts, designs, clothing, jewelry, food and creations. Resources from this event will assist a Grandmont fine arts or performing arts graduate by providing them a scholarship to pursue higher education.

For thirty-one years, the Grandmont Community Association has sponsored an annual Arts & Crafts Fair held out-of-doors on Rutland or Longacre Streets. This fair proved to be one of the most festive events in the Metropolitan Detroit Area. As many as one hundred vendors lined the fair site. We gave many scholarships.

We have previously had legendary entertainment such as Barbara Ware, The Kimmie Horne Show, Teddy Harris Jr., Pistol Allen, Larry Smith, Vincent Bowens, the Grace Thomas Experience Band and the George Benson's Quartet. This year, we expect this Arts & Crafts Fair to outdo our past fairs with music, artistic creations and fun.

Grandmont is a beautiful Northwest Detroit Community of 900 families that was organized in the 1920's. Our purposes are: preservation of the physical appearance of the neighborhood, enhancement of the life and civic education of the residents, promotion of quality schools, and understanding between all of the residents and the community businesses. Our boundaries are: Grand River to the North, Southfield Road to the West, Schoolcraft to the South and Asbury Park to the East.

Vendor sites can be purchased from Grandmont Community Association or by phoning Philip or Cora Foster at (313) 273-7914. Thank you for your continued support.

Let's make this event the largest attended community art fair in the Detroit Metropolitan Area. Join us and buy in Detroit!



Crime Tip of the Month: Preventing Air Conditioner Theft

The summer is upon us; with it, come the warm, hot summer conditions. Most of us have an air conditioner or central air to beat the heat. If you own either of these units, then you may or may not know that criminals see it as an opportunity to make a quick buck. The copper/aluminum piping and coils can be taken to local junkyards to earn the criminal anywhere from \$50 to \$100. This somewhat minor sum can actually cost the owner, who has to replace the unit, over \$1,000. The following tips can help prevent AC unit owners from having to replace their summertime investment (material has been adapted and revised from a Miami HVAC article, 2011).

1. Install an alarm. Alarm systems for an AC unit have a sensor

that monitors the pressure in the refrigerant line. Certain alarms can also monitor the power supply and system controls to alert owners when AC units have been compromised. It is recommended that owners purchase alarms because they were created for the sole purpose of deterring criminals.

2. Set it out of reach. Some air conditioners can be placed in rooms (with proper ventilation systems) or on platforms fixed to roofs. Both locations give the owner more control over the situation and make it harder for would-be criminals.

3. Cage it. Use a large steel cage that will discourage criminals from stealing your AC unit. The steel is

hard to cut through and welded to reduce the likelihood that it will be torn apart.

4. Install motion lights. Motion-sensing lights are affordable, easy to install, and a general deterrent for criminal activity. Most AC unit theft occurs at night. Shedding a little light on the situation can save you some money in the long-run.

5. Go the “old-fashioned” route: Signs. The deterrent value of signs is usually enough to force a criminal on to another potential victim. Signs can simply say that an area is protected (“Area under surveillance”) or that a dog lives at the residence (“Beware of dog”).

The Greening of Detroit: Be a part of it!

Many thanks to all the generous, visionary North Rosedale Park residents who participated in tree plantings over the last three years with The Greening of Detroit. Because of your foresight and willingness to tackle Emerald Ash Borer Disease which decimated the Ash trees lining our blocks, our neighborhood is a step ahead of many other communities in re-forestation. With your help, almost 500 new trees were planted in the Park. Though much progress has been made, there is much work to be done. Too many homes are still without a tree on their berm. If *your* berm is bare, please consider this: trees provide beauty, air cleansing, noise reduction, much needed cooling - which reduces utility bills as well as shelter and food for wildlife. If this is not enough to convince you to plant a tree, please note: trees add 10% to your property values and those of your neighbors! You can request a free tree by calling ‘311’ (the city hotline) and mention that you live in North Rosedale, which is a NDNI area (Next Detroit Neighborhood Initiative.)

To reduce stress on your trees and to help them thrive, The Greening of



Detroit advises that in the first 2 years after transplanting, it is important that your tree receive approximately 15 gallons of water per week - especially during periods of drought. Please remember to water your trees! Mulching around the base of your tree will retain moisture, reduce weeds and help prevent injury from lawn equipment. A rigid plastic collar placed around the trunk also protects the tree’s delicate cambium from deadly weed whackers. To avoid rot, do not pile mulch or dirt directly against the tree’s trunk; instead configure the mulch to form a shallow basin, which will help collect water.

Greening has been sending out volunteers who are members of the Green Corps to help water in extreme dry spells, however their resources are limited and your trees need your tender loving care to stay healthy and grow tall. With your help, formally bare streets will soon be beautiful, cool, shady boulevards once again.

Thank you for your attention to these important matters, Tom and Chris Ridgway.

City of Detroit Bulk Pickup is Monday, August 8th

The City will collect **up to one cubic yard of bulk** from the curb in front of your home four times a year.

One cubic yard of bulk is about the size of a couch, stove or refrigerator. Your one cubic yard of bulk cannot weigh more than 1,000 pounds.

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NRPCA Calendar August 2011

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| 3 Hustle Class | 6:30pm | 13 Rental | 8pm |
| 4 NRPCA Board Mtg..... | 6:30pm | 14 Rental | 3pm |
| 4 Rental | 7pm | 17 Hustle Class | 6:30pm |
| 5 Rental | 7pm | 20 Rental | 7pm |
| 6 Rental | 5pm | 26 Rental | 7pm |
| 7 Rental | 3pm | 27 Rental | 6pm |
| | | 28 Park Players Mtg..... | 7pm |

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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 **Maria Bryant at 313-537-1560 or mariab19@sbcglobal.net** for advertising rates and policies. Please submit articles to **NRPCA_TattlerEditor@Yahoo.com**.

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.

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Mrs. Alora Comer-Maxwell, Principal



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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!

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Ours is an active neighborhood, and NRPCA Board members are responsible for taking on assignments at the beginning of each year. In many cases, committees are formed to carry out the activities, and volunteers are always welcome. If you would like to work on any of the listed events or have comments or questions, contact the Board member for that activity

The Board meets on the 1st Thursday of every month except July and August.

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