

"Working together to keep our neighborhood a nice place to come home to."

Newsletter of the Rosedale Neighborhood Austin, Texas 78756

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## RNA Annual Meeting: October 25, 2010

Wrapping up another year ... The Rosedale NA General Meeting will be on October 25th, at the Rosedale School Cafeteria at 6:45pm to elect next year's Steering Committee and Officers. The meeting also features a presentation by Officer Josh Metteauer, Rosedale's APD District Representative. Afterward, we will adjourn to the Draught House on Medical Parkway for a year-end celebration! Everyone is encouraged to come to both the meeting and the celebration. It's a great opportunity get to know your neighbors and your 2011 RNA Steering Committee.

### **Continuing Members:**

Co-presidents 2011: Nicole Wayman, Mindy & Sandy Marble Immediate past co-presidents: Mark & Joyce Brown, Kim & Richard Relph

Secretary: Aletha St. Romain Treasurer: Karen McLinden

Other continuing members: Chris & Gina Allen, Vicki Almstrum, Yoed Anis, Pamela and Jeff Archer, John Burgess & Sarah Cunningham, Jay Carpenter, Sunitha Downing, Scott Farnsworth, Melanie McLeroy, Dianne Holley Mountain, Rebecca Ray, George Yang

### **Newly Nominated:**

Denise Ketcham, Linda & Kim Mosley

#### **Outgoing Members:**

Felicia Adams, Diana & Dave Heath, Melissa Lopez & Sam Hackworth

A heartfelt thanks to the 2010 Steering Committee for all their time and hard work. What a great team! Special thanks to outgoing members, Felicia Adams, Diana and Dave Heath, and Sam Hackworth and Melissa Lopez. We are sincerely indebted to them for their years of service on the Steering Committee and their continuing efforts on behalf of Rosedale. Finally, thanks to the 2010 RNA Nominating Committee, Dianne Holley Mountain (Chair), Vicki Almstrum, and Nicole Wayman, for creating this slate!

A huge round of applause to our Rosedale neighbors for all their participation in so many ways. You really care about keeping your neighborhood "a great place to come home to." We are also grateful to the many businesses that have helped

keep the commercial parts of Rosedale neighborhood-friendly and chipped in for fund-raisers and special projects.

# Thank you, Rosedale!

# West Austin Sanitary Sewer Overflow Abatement Project in Rosedale

The City of Austin has contracted with Austin Underground Inc. to complete an upgrade of a few of the wastewater lines in Rosedale. Some deteriorated concrete main wastewater lines are being replaced with 8 inch PVC lines because of overflow problems from the aged concrete pipes. This construction began on September 3, 2010.

In conjunction with this upgrade of the main wastewater lines, several private properties are having their private lateral lines relocated and are receiving new lateral service connections. Representatives from the City of Austin and Austin Underground are currently meet-



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ing with the property owners that will have their private lateral lines relocated. This project is scheduled to be completed by late fall.

If your private line is scheduled for upgrade, you will be contacted by City Staff and / or Contractor Representatives.

### **APD District Representative**

The Austin Police Department's neighborhood-based law enforcement includes a key role, the District Representative. The District Representative officer acts as a liaison between patrol officers and neighborhoods and develops a close working relationship with citizen groups, neighborhood associations and businesses.

The district representative officer is here to help us solve nonemergency, long-term law enforcement problems in your neighborhood. Some examples may include, abandoned vehicles, traffic problems, graffiti, gang or drug related problems. Remember, if you have an emergency, always call 9-1-1.

Our Rosedale District Representative is Officer Josh Metteauer, who can be reached at 974-8124 or Joshua.Metteauer@ci.austin.tx.us. He will also be at our annual RNA meeting to meet the neighbors and answer questions and concerns. For more information regarding the District Representative Program, please visit http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/police/drcity.htm

## \*\*\* Crime Safety Tips \*\*\*

Lock your car and house.
Install motion detector lights on home.
Get a yippy dog.
Report all suspicious activity to 911.

# 4th of July Thank You!

Hi Neighbors,

It looked like Saturday morning was going to be a wash-out for sure but the clouds parted and a grand time was had by all at Ramsey Park's July 3rd carnival. It would not have been possible without the help of nearly 70 hardworking and cheerful volunteers. So a big THANK YOU...

To Jeff and Pam Archer, Brian Ray, Rebecca Ray's parents, Gin Tolany, and Brian LeMaster for your assistance during setup; to Joyce and Mark Brown for coordinating the Water Balloon Toss, watermelon feast, and parade; to Novella Marble, Genevieve Clemons and Jan Bates and Andy and Anne Helmick-Lyon for running the Lollipop Tree; to Jeff and Pam Archer for your continued support and guidance in planning this year's festival and for the popular spin art for the kids; to incredible musicians Diana Burgess - cello, Nikolas Henson keyboard, Riley Burgess - drums, Sevi Kovach - vocals and guitar, Tristan Archer – bass, Corinna Archer – vocals, and to John & Riley Burgess for audio set-up; to Felicia Adams for once again spearheading the bake sale, and Diane Holley Mountain, Sunitha Downing, and the numerous other volunteers that helped at the bake sale; to the Taco Shack, Kolache Factory, Upper Crust, Waterloo Ice House, and resident Rosedale bakers that provided tasty treats; to Margaret and Dion Howard for providing the always-fun Duck Pond; to Pam Knight and Elissa Allen for running the Miniature Golf; to Kaleta Krull and Mary Louise Shack for assisting at the Treasure Dig; to Cyral Miller and Zarqua and Saira Khan for running the Bean Bag Toss; to Natalie Freeburg and Sonia Logozar and their families for helping with the Penny Toss; to Brian LeMaster and his two assistants as well as Vicki and Alicia Almstrum for handling the Stuffed Animal Walk; to Olga Milk, Beth Reed, Rodney and Aidan Cummings, Martha-Cary Sadler, Robin Clemons, and Kavita Murthy for helping kids fish at the Fishing Booth; to Austin Sweeney, designer and repairer of the beautiful fishing pond; to Michele and Vivi Brown, Corinna Archer, Jacoba van Sitteren, and Juliana and Kerry Edwards for applying temporary tattoos to many kiddos; to Susan Burnett, Maria Juenger, and Evangeline Valentine for painting over 1,000 fingernails; to Chris and Gina Allen for purchasing candy, bundling tickets, coordinating tshirt printing, selling t-shirts; to Kim Relph, Chris Allen, and Vicki Almstrum for selling tickets; to Aletha St. Romaine for her beautiful Rosedale t-shirt design; to Melanie MacElroy and Taurus Dog Training for the generous donation of ice, drinks, and tables; to Richard Relph and Torgny Stadler for selling cold drinks; (cont. next column)

to Rachel Goldstein, Kim Relph, and Christian Drake for handling the silent auction beautifully; to everyone who hung around and helped clean up after the carnival when all anyone really wanted to do was jump in a pool or go home and put their feet up; to Rosedale resident and Waterloo Ice House manager Brian LeMaster for delivering empty recycling bins and carting away full ones (thanks to him, the trash cans were only half-full instead of overflowing like in years' past!); to Karen McLinden for handling all the treasury duties for the carnival.

And a special **THANK YOU** to our corporate and individual sponsors who donated over \$1700 in prizes to the carnival and silent auction:

The Art Pad Breathe and Body Yoga Chili's (45th and Lamar location) **Blue Skies Framing** Camp 4 Paws Rosedale Veterinary Clinic **Ironsmith Fitness Taurus Training** Salon Sirrah James Allen Salon JR Salon **Back Home Furniture** Wear Art Thou Austin Duck Tour Adventure EZ's La Cocina de Consuelo The Needle Works Sushi-A-Go-Go My Fit Foods Uchiko Santa Rita Rootin' Ridge Toymakers McAllister Piano Studio Holly Wiese Waterloo Ice House Mark Lovett Wells **Munoz Family Clinic Gary Evans** Frost Bank





My apologies if we've inadvertently left anyone out—we appreciate everyone's help. The carnival raised \$1,256 and the silent auction raised \$1,200 for the Rosedale Neighborhood Association. Way to go!! Thank you to ALL of you for coming out to celebrate this holiday — and our special neighborhood — together!

Melinda Marble and Rebecca Ray Carnival co-chairs.

Rosedale Neighborhood Membership Form	
Name	Dues are \$5 per household and extras will be donated to the Ramsey Park fund
Address	If you would like to join the RNA, please fill out this form and either bring a check payable to RNA to the Annual Meeting or mail to:
Telephone	Karen McLinden, 4401 Ramsey, Austin, TX. 78756
Email	Can't remember if you already joined? A list of members will be available at the Annual Meeting.
I would like to help with:	
Newsletter Zoning Neighborhood Events	Traffic/Parking Community Relations
July 4 <sup>th</sup> Carnival Ramsey Park Revitalization	Graffiti Removal Electronic Communication