



The ROSEDALIAN

Newsletter of the Rosedale Neighborhood
Austin, Texas 78756

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

July 2014

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We ♥ Ramsey Park, Do You?

We ♥ Ramsey Park has been working with neighbors and the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department for over 2 years on a plan to transform Ramsey Park. The project will be implemented in four phases:

Phase I (Spring and Summer 2014): Resurface tennis courts; seating and picnic tables; basketball court renovations: (shade structure, re-stripping, new nets, rims, and backboards); limestone amphitheater.

Phase II (Fall 2014): Connecting pathways and stage reconstruction.

Phase III (Fall 2014): Playscape renovations.

Phase IV: General infrastructure and landscape upgrades (adult fitness area, bike racks, bleachers, additional trees, “Friends of Ramsey Park Walk” and more).

Construction on Phase I began in May with the resurfacing of the tennis courts and will continue through early Summer 2014.

The total cost of this project is estimated to be \$460,000 and, as of June 1, we have raised \$430,000 thus far thanks to the city, Austin Parks Foundation, neighbors, and businesses like you. In order to complete the project, we need to raise at least an additional \$30,000.

Visit ramseypark.org to donate and join us on Facebook at [facebook.com/WeLoveRamseyPark](https://www.facebook.com/WeLoveRamseyPark) to get the most up-to-date news about the project. To volunteer, email ramseyparkproject@gmail.com.



THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS!

A heartfelt thank you to all those who have donated to Ramsey Park. Every contribution brings us closer to our goal. A list of all those who have given \$100 or more is on our website: ramseypark.org/ourdonors/

Champions (\$1000 or more)

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Rosedale July 4th Carnival!

Join your neighbors at Ramsey Park to celebrate the 4th of July! Here's the schedule:

- 9:30 am:** Gather at the bleachers to decorate bikes, hats, pets, etc.
- 10:00 am:** Promenade around the park
- 10:10 am:** Return to the bleachers for watermelon and a water balloon toss
- 10:30 am:** Carnival games and baked goods in the middle of the park

We need donations of baked goods and sliced watermelon. To donate please contact Felicia Adams at adams4203@yahoo.com.

We also need LOTS of volunteers to help with carnival games, set up, and clean up. Volunteers are needed for 45-minute shifts from 10:30am–11:15am and 11:15am–12:00 noon. Please contact carnival chair Mindy Marble at msmarble@juno.com or call 512-709-1407.

And, if you wish to donate to the Ramsey Park Fund, a booth (with plenty of yard signs for \$100+ donors) will be available for your tax-deductible donating pleasure! It will be fun to celebrate together in the park with some of the Phase I renovations complete!



Ramsey Pool is Open!

Ramsey Pool opened on June 9 after a delay due to the City of Austin lifeguard shortage. The summer hours are listed below and can be found on the Rosedale website: rosedaleaustin.org

June 9 – July 11, 2014

Monday – Friday

8:00 am–10:00 am

10:00 am–12:00 noon

12:00 noon–8:00 pm

5:30 pm–7:40 pm

Weekends

11:00 am–8:00 pm

Lap Swim

Swim Team

Recreational Swim

Swim Lessons

Recreational Swim

July 6 – August 24, 2014

Monday–Friday

8:00 am–11:00 am

11:00 am–8:00 pm

5:30 pm–7:40 pm

Weekends

11:00 am–8:00 pm

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Leaders (\$500-\$999)

- Noelle Boyle — Chris, Amanda and Sarah Brownson
- JoEllen Clark — Tracy and Matthew Davis
- Deborah DeStefano — Dwyer Murphy Calvert, LLP
- Rita Ewing — Eye Physicians of Austin
- Melissa Graebner and Greg Pate — Leslie Hoard
- Megan Hood — Morris and Lynn Hoover
- Chris Hyams — Independent Bank — Trey Kaliher, DDS
- Sharmilia Kassam — Denise Ketcham — Olga Milk
- Tara, Mark and Ben Levy — William Murphy
- Jim Robinson and Lana Norwood
- Katie and Dave Simon — Nathan Singh — Keith Tanski
- David and Deanna Terry — The Needle Works
- Upper Crust Bakery

Meet The Developer

Dear Neighbor,
Highland Resources will commence demolition of its Lamar Village shopping center, located at the northwest corner of 38th St. and North Lamar Blvd., to make way for a new four-story, 163,000 square-foot mixed-use office redevelopment called Lamar Central.

As we begin construction, outreach to the surrounding neighbors and businesses will remain a top priority. This letter is intended to serve as an initial project update and to provide you with a direct contact in case issues arise or if you have questions at any point during the redevelopment effort. We anticipate construction lasting a little more than a year, with an opening contemplated for the fall of 2015.

We encourage you to learn more about the project by visiting our website or connecting with us through one of the methods outlined below. We look forward to a continued relationship and becoming a part of this wonderful neighborhood.

Sincerely,

The Lamar Central Community Outreach Team

Phone: (512) 660-2898

Email: LamarCentral@Highlandri.com

Website: lamarcentral.com/

3800 Highland Resources, Inc.

Rosedale neighborhood website re-launched

Rosedale residents aren't shy about their interest in knowing (and sharing about) what's going on in the neighborhood. The Rosedale Yahoo group and Ads group have seen more than 25,000 posts over the past three years. In March the RNA rolled out a newly revamped web site to give residents (and others) an additional option for learning about the neighborhood and what's going on. At the new address of rosedaleaustin.org, the site features local news, information about the Rosedale neighborhood (including history, crime prevention, and more), details about the Rosedale Neighborhood Association (with ways to get involved), and instructions for how to get hooked into Rosedale's other communications vehicles: Yahoo groups, Facebook, and Nextdoor.



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RNA website: rosedaleaustin.org

DONATE TODAY

Show that you too care about Ramsey Park.

HOW CAN I DONATE? Please make your secure tax-deductible donation online at ramseypark.org/donate or send a check payable to the Austin Parks Foundation with "Ramsey Park" in the memo line. Mail checks to: Austin Parks Foundation, Ramsey Park, 507 Calles St., Suite 116, Austin, TX 78702.

HOW DO I GET MY YARD SIGN? If you donate \$100 or more then we will deliver a yard sign ASAP.

HOW DO I GET AN ENGRAVED BRICK AT RAMSEY PARK? Please review the attached flyer or visit ramseypark.org/pavers

To learn more about the project and the ways we thank our supporters, please visit ramseypark.org

Have questions or want to volunteer? Email the committee at: ramseyparkproject@gmail.com

Thank you for helping Ramsey Park become an even more special place where the kids can play, the community can gather, and we all grow together.

Crestmont Greenbelt riparian restoration moves ahead

Austin's Watershed Protection Department has an ongoing program to do riparian restoration on creeks around Austin and that includes Rosedale's own Crestmont Greenbelt. This process works to reverse the damage caused by excessive mowing and the resulting removal of native vegetation along creek beds. The goal is to heal urban streams, which results, over time, in a greenbelt network for wildlife and future generations. Visit: bit.ly/atxriparian

Rosedale Neighborhood Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Dues are \$10 per year per household and extras will be donated to the Ramsey Park fund.

If you would like to join the RNA, please fill out this form and mail a check payable to RNA: Kim Relph, 4510 Rosedale Ave., Austin, TX 78756

Or join online: rosedaleaustin.org/the-rna/membership-information/

I would like to help with:

- Newsletter ___ Zoning ___ Neighborhood Events ___ Traffic/Parking ___ Community Relations ___
- July 4th Carnival ___ Ramsey Park Revitalization ___ Graffiti Removal ___ Electronic Communication ___