# ROLANDO PARK REPORTER

A publication for the residents, workers, and businesses of Rolando Park and their supporters

Meetings 2nd Monday of the month ♦ 7 pm ♦ Rolando Park Elementary School Auditorium ♦ 6620 Marlowe Drive



### Our Fall Schedule



We're excited about our lineup of guest speakers and programs planned for this fall. We hope that you will join us!

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#### September

A staff member from the ACLU of San Diego and Imperial Counties will speak on a San Diego State University study that analyzed traffic stop data within the city. The study, commissioned by the City of San Diego, provides data that sheds

light on racial profiling issues within the city.

Our second guest speaker will be Jennifer Duffy from San Diego Police Department Communications (the Dispatch Center). The Dispatch Center receives non-emergency calls on a 24-hour basis at the 619-531-2000 police business phone number. Jennifer will give an overview on when residents should call the non-emergency number and answer questions at the end of the presentation.

#### October

Our guest speaker will be docent Jan Tubiolo from the Water Conservation Garden who will talk about fall planting and waterwise gardening. One of our neighbors will share a presentation on new drought-tolerant landscaping. The community is also invited to bring plants to share or take at our annual plant exchange.

#### November

Andy Hanshaw, Director, and Randy Van Vleck, Chair of the Advocacy Committee, both from the *San Diego County Bike Coalition*, will present an update on the University Ave bike corridor and other new developments. This meeting will be an inter-community council meeting with residents from other communities that border University Ave invited to join us for this update.

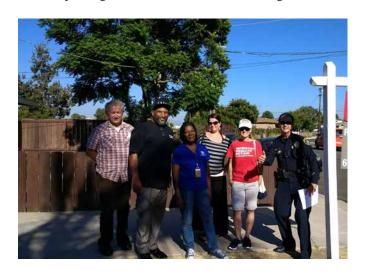
#### December

This will be our third annual "Bring a Neighbor" Holiday Social, which is open to the entire community. RPCC will provide pizza and beverages and everyone is asked to bring a simple side dish or dessert to share. As always, we will acknowledge our many volunteers and we will also have some fantastic door prizes.

### Knock, Talk, and Walk

Our SDPD Community Relations Officer, Terry Hoskins, invited the community to participate on this walk on August 17. The walk also included city and community representatives. Officer Hoskins plans to continue these walks for the next several months with a goal of covering the entire Rolando Park community. These walks will be held on the third Thursday of each month from 4 to 5 pm.

The next walk is scheduled for September 21 at 4 pm. Everyone in the community is invited to participate. You can park in the 7/11 parking lot at Billman Street and College Avenue.



### **RPCC Banner Project Update**



As the first step in establishing a banner district for Rolando Park, a list and photos of proposed light posts for the banners on College Ave and University Ave has been submitted to our City Council representative to be surveyed and approved by the Transportation & Storm Water department.

RPCC members will have an opportunity to provide input and vote on the redesign of

the RPCC logo as well as the final banner design. Check our website for updates.

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#### 2017 RPCC Board

#### Co-Presidents

Sonia Lang/Lynn Edwards

#### **Co-Vice Presidents**

Gerrie Flaven/Kathryn Kern

#### **Co-Treasurers**

Debbi Blake/Audrey Ledesma

#### **Secretary**

Judy Fleischman

To advertise in the newsletter or to contact the board, send email to: rpcc2003@gmail.com

Contact individual board members via a private message on Nextdoor.

#### Community Numbers & Links

#### San Diego Police Department

24-hour non-emergency issues (619) 531-2000

#### **Community Liaison Officer**

Terry Hoskins (619) 516-3091

thoskins@pd.sandiego.gov

#### **City Council President Myrtle Cole**

(619) 236-6644

myrtlecole@sandiego.gov

#### Missed trash collection

858-694-7000

Service request

#### Loose dogs

619-236-4250

http://www.sddac.com/

#### **Get it Done**

You can download the *Get it Done* app from the Apple App Store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android) to report the following problems in San Diego:

- Abandoned vehicle
- Curb/Gutter
- Dead animal
- Graffiti
- Litter/Dumping
- Pothole
- Sidewalk
- Storm drain
- Street light
- Traffic sign/signal
- Tree hazard

### **Kroc Center Updates**

#### Kroc 2

The San Diego Salvation Army Kroc Center is thrilled about the proposed Kroc 2 Wellness Center expansion and has been diligently working with the Architecture Firm, Kenneth D. Smith Architect & Associates, Inc., Project Manager Harry Dirks, and The City of San Diego. Kenneth D. Smith Architect is waiting for the final civil drawings in order to complete their drawings. They will then submit the drawings to the city to start the process, including involving the neighbors and required studies. The City will then give feedback, which will give a better timeline for the proposed project.

#### **About the Wellness Center Expansion**

Elevated Sports Deck

- A proposed elevated sports deck featuring an outdoor arena soccer field with 131 additional parking spaces below.
- The eastern edge of the sports deck is designed to be at essentially the same elevation as the current preschool playground on the west side of the administration building or one less story than the admin building.
- The field will be turf and equipped with new lighting that focuses on the field.

Wellness Center Expansion

- A proposed wellness center expansion will be one story on top of the sports deck.
- It will be essentially the same elevation as the first story of the administration building.
- The 17,311 sq ft expansion will more than double our wellness space, including additional group exercise rooms, cardio equipment, and free weights.

#### Solar Panel Update

The Kroc Center is eagerly awaiting the final connections for the go green initiative with solar energy. Solar should be online by the end of September and the Kroc Center is enthusiastic to cut back on energy costs and consumption.

#### 15th Annual Boo Bash

Local children are invited to celebrate Halloween in a safe, family-friendly environment at The Salvation Army Kroc Center's annual Boo Bash! The hauntless jaunt promises hours of festive fun including trick-or-treating, fangtastic pumpkin decorating, spooky carnival games, snacks, frightful bounce houses, rock climbing, and more! The event is \$1 per person (cash only please), Saturday, October 28 from 1 to 4 pm.

### RPCC Donates New Books to Rolando Park Elementary Library



Thanks to a generous community improvement grant from Walmart Community Grants, RPCC purchased and donated new books to the RPE Library this summer.

A special thank you again to Jenny Zepeda, the Sam's Club manager at the College Grove location who selected RPCC for this community grant.

RPCC Board members with our books purchased for the RPE Library. Front row, left to right: Judy Fleischman, Debbi Blake, and Audrey Ledesma Back row, left to right: Lynn Edwards, Kathryn Kern, Tom Mester, and Ellen Mester

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#### From Principal DeLuca

Principal DeLuca is thrilled to report a healthy math gain of 11% on standardized test scores this year (way to go students and staff!). He credits this increase with the school's focus all year on "How do we prepare our kids for 21st century math problems, ones they will encounter in the real world?"

Hi neighbors! You may have noticed that the entrance to our very own Zena Canyon is undergoing a makeover thanks to a few hardy Lean & Clean volunteers who have been generous with their time and materials. We are in need of more volunteers to help finish this project as well as keeping the canyon clean and tending the garden every second Saturday of the month from 8:30-9:30 am. Please consider spending an hour of your time to this effort. Our next event is September 9.

He has been working all summer on targeting "text dependent questions" during the upcoming school year. This year will continue to focus heavily on math, in addition to addressing the new rigor of the ELD (English Language Assessment). This means "delving much deeper into text-based evidence and deep reading strategies."

#### Volunteers Wanted

School starts August 28th! RPCC is working with the staff at RPE to find parents, retirees, or anyone with free time during the school day to work in classrooms. An hour or two every day or even once a week can make a huge difference, and would be greatly appreciated! Helping children learn is fun and rewarding. For example, one teacher, has a great 2/3 combo this year

and would love to have help during math time, after lunch around 12:30.

After the dust settles and the teachers have established their routines, we'll meet at the school to greet Principal DeLuca, assign volunteers to classrooms, and answer any questions you might have. Help support your neighborhood school; you'll be glad you did!

In addition, Principal DeLuca is bringing a new intergenerational reading program to Prime Time (the before and after school program), and is looking for volunteers. It's an affiliate of AARP, so volunteers must be 50 or older.

If you are interested, or *might be* interested in volunteering, please email Judy Fleischman at <a href="mailto:ifleisch@cox.net">ifleisch@cox.net</a>.

### **Zena Canyon Project**





### 2017 Holiday Giving Tree for Rolando Park Elementary

Make the season brighter for the students of Rolando Park Elementary School by participating in the 2017 Holiday Giving Tree. The RPCC needs the whole community to get involved.

Let's make sure that every child has a gift for the holiday. More information

will be posted on the RPCC website and on Nextdoor in the months ahead.

A little kindness makes the world a better place.

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### **Community Calendar**

#### Rolando Park Community Council Meetings

- September 11, 7 pm, RPE Auditorium ACLU representative and SDPD Dispatch
- October 19, 7 pm RPE Auditorium
  Water Conservation Garden & annual plant exchange
- November 13, 7 pm, RPE Auditorium
  Update on University Ave Bike Corridor
- December 11, 7 pm, RPE Auditorium "Bring a Neighbor" Holiday Social

#### Other Community Events

#### Lean and Clean

September 9, October 14, November 11, December 9 – Saturday, 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Meet at the entrance to Zena Canyon with gloves and gardening tools.

Contact Audrey, audreyj99@cox.net, for more information.

### **RPCC Membership**

RPCC depends on memberships and donations to pay for our meeting space, mandatory insurance for our meetings, and quarterly newsletters for the community in addition to our many community improvement projects. Please support your community by renewing your membership for 2017 or joining RPCC this year and help make a difference!





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### **Rolando Park Community Council Membership**

Membership dues are \$12.00 per calendar year, per household. You can pay by check or cash at a general meeting, through PayPal (additional \$1 service charge) at <u>rolandopark.org.</u> or by mailing a check made out to RPCC along with this form, to RPCC, PO Box 152352, San Diego, CA 92195.

Name(s)		
Address		
Telephone	email	
Amount enclosed	\$12 dues only <i>or</i>	\$ donation + \$12 dues.