



## ROLANDO PARK REPORTER

Community Council A publication for the residents, workers, and businesses of Rolando Park and its supporters

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

## Our Annual June Ice Cream Social



Our June 10 meeting is our annual Ice Cream Social and is open to the community. Families are welcome and we will open the doors at 6:30. You do *not* have to be a RPCC member to attend.

This year, back by popular demand, is our "make your own sundae" bar with all the toppings.

This is a social event only, so we will not have a presentation. This is also our final meeting before the summer break. The next RPCC meeting will be September 9.

#### Save the Date!

Last year, board member Dan Parker re-energized our annual community yard sale with more than 100 households participating and we think this year is going to be even better. Planning to participate? Let Dan know so that he can include you in the online map and yard signs. Email him at <a href="mailto:Dan@rolandoPark-Homes.com">Dan@rolandoPark-Homes.com</a>.

And look for the RPCC table as we will be giving away free prizes to promote our community!

# ROLANDO PARK THE ANNUAL COMMUNITY VARRED RACODE SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2019 Advertised time: 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. RSVP & stay informed Email Dan@RolandoParkHomes.com \*This event is free and provided as a service to our community

## **RPCC Receives Grant from Walmart Giving**

On April 13, RPCC board members met with College Grove Sam's Club manager Jenny Zepeda and team members to receive a grant for \$1,000 from Walmart Giving. This grant allows RPCC to send deserving students from Rolando Park Elementary to summer camp programs who otherwise would not have this opportunity.

Thank you to Jenny Zepeda and Walmart Giving for selecting RPCC and supporting our community work!





# Check Out the Fair Banners on College and University

For the next several weeks, our community banners have been replaced with San Diego County Fair banners. This year, Rolando Park Community Council partnered with the San Diego County Fair banner program, which promotes the Fair but also provides an opportunity to showcase local communities. We asked Rolando Park Elementary students to participate. All of the cute kids on the banners on the east side of College and the south side of University are from our own RPE!

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#### **RPCC Board**

#### **Co-Presidents**

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#### **Members at Large**

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

#### Community Numbers & Links

#### San Diego Police Department

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

#### **Community Liaison Officer**

Terry Hoskins

Desk: (619) 516-3091 Cell: (619) 517-0936 thoskins@pd.sandiego.gov Mon–Thurs 10am to 8pm

## **City Councilmember Monica Montgomery**

(619) 236-6644

monicamontgomery@sandiego.gov

## Community representative from Ms. Montgomery's office

Bruce Williams (619) 236-7175

BEWilliams@sandiego.gov

#### **Animal Emergencies**

7:30am to 10pm, (619) 299-7012 After hours, contact SDPD

#### **Get it Done**

You can download the *Get it Done* app from the Apple App Store (iPhone) or Google Play (Android) or visit <a href="https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done">https://www.sandiego.gov/get-it-done</a> to report the following types problems in San Diego:

- Parking and vehicle issues
- Trash collection, recyling and graffiti
- Streets, sidewalks, and lights
- Trees and vegetation
- Storm Water and drains
- Passports

#### **Community Calendar**

#### **RPCC Meetings**

- June 10, doors open at 6:30pm, RPE Auditorium, Ice Cream Social
- July and August, summer hiatus; meetings resume September 9

#### **Other Community Events**

 Saturday, August 3, Annual Community Yard Sale, 7am to 12pm

#### **Kroc Center Updates**

The Kroc 2.0 project cleared its final step in the approval process with the San Diego Planning Commission on February 28. The next phase in the project involves architectural, landscaping, and civil engineering aspects, with companies being reviewed and selected by personnel from the Salvation Army. Then plans will be drawn up, reviewed, and approved. The Kroc Center hopes to break ground in early 2020 on this exciting expansion!

The Salvation Army Kroc Family Resource Center offers school supply kits monthly to children of clients. All items are donated. The following are recommended items if you would like to donate:

- Pencils
- Pens
- Notebooks
- Lined paper
- Crayons
- Colored pencils
- Markers
- Rulers
- Safety scissors
- Backpacks
- Calculators
- Erasers
- Glue
- Glue sticks

Items can be dropped off at the Kroc Family Resource Center, 6845 University Ave, Building F, (619) 269-1430.

The annual *Kroc Heroes and Scholarship* campaign runs from May 1 through June 30. The campaign provides scholarships to individuals who cannot afford to participate in Kroc programs.

How to donate to the campaign:

- Text SDHero to 41444
- Online at <u>sd.kroccenter.org</u>; click the Donate online button on the homepage
- In person at any Guest Services Desk at the Kroc Center
- Call (619) 269-1430 and request that a mail donation form be sent to you.

Kroc's Food and Beverage service provides a *free* Summer Lunch Program (funded by the USDA) for any child ages 1–18, beginning June 17 through August 23, between the hours of 11:30am and 1:30pm (while supplies last). Parents accompanying their children can bring their own lunch or can purchase lunch for \$5. Entrance is through the Education Building at 6605 University Avenue on the west end of the Kroc Center. Contact (619) 269-1540 for further information.

## **Monthly Meetings Now Available Live** on Facebook



Couldn't make it to last month's meeting? Want to know what you missed? We are now streaming our meetings live on Facebook! If you are unable to attend,

visit the video section on our Facebook page, Rolando Park Community Council for meeting videos.

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Rolando Park Elementary has some noteworthy accomplishments as the school year winds down for the summer. The school is now number two in attendance (Be on time and present) in the Crawford Cluster and still might make number one by the last day of school.

On April 11, School Counselor Ms. Martinez hosted a highly successful Career Day that included 19 professional people from different occupations, four from Rolando Park. Dr. Brinda Rana, science researcher at UCSD and part of the NASA twins study, held a media interview during the Career Day and described some of her findings on the twin astronauts' DNA. This was broadcast on the local NBC news. Career Day allowed the students to see the endless possibilities for their future.

The 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade girls participated in a Girls on the Run event at Crown Point Park on May 5. The Girls on the Run program teaches girls import-



RPE's first Career Day

ant life skills through conversation-based lessons and running skills. The race is the culmination of the program.

The PTA held a Scholastic Book Fair in April that not only inspired kids to read more but provided funds for a facelift for the school library. All of the profits will go toward new furniture and other needed upgrades. The PTA provides fun events throughout the year.

Several of our local businesses have been very supportive of RPE this past year.

Target donated \$5,000 in the form of \$50 gift cards to 100 of our school families. Lemon Grove Home Depot volunteered labor and materials to help the students plant a garden. Kroc Center gave swimming lessons to students and Feed San Diego supplied the Farmers' Market twice a month.

RPE continues to thrive because of its excellent leadership, teachers, staff, volunteers, and community. Enrollment for next year has begun. Our neighborhood is enriched by our wonderful school.

### Successful Zena Canyon Cleanup

We had a great community day on April 27, participating in the annual *I Love A Clean San Diego's* Creek to Bay cleanup. Our City Councilmember Monica Montgomery and community representative Bruce Williams kicked off our cleanup. Community Relations Officer Terry Hoskins was there, and more than 50 volunteers showed up including Brownies, Girl Scouts, Americorps, Sam's Club, and many, many Rolando Park volunteers. Sam's Club provided snacks and everyone worked hard to clean up the canyon.

Thank you to everyone who participated and a special thanks to Judy Fleischman and Janet Althaus, our site captains for a successful community cleanup!



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#### Support Our Local Businesses – Garden Kitchen



Located at the northwest corner of Rolando and University since 2015, Garden Kitchen quickly established itself as a unique go-to place for farm-to-table, from scratch, sustainable food and in just a few short years, has become a well-known restaurant.

Feeling that San Diego lacked restaurants that offer quality from scratch recipes made with fresh produce, owners Coral and Russ Strong decided to open their own restaurant. They found their Rolando/ University location, which had previously been an old outdoor restaurant, and transformed it for casual, patio dining. With little else in the area except fast food, they felt that their approach in using farm fresh vegetables, local fish, and sustainable meats all cooked from scratch would be successful.

Garden Kitchen works directly with local farmers to ensure the freshest produce possible for the restaurant. Ninety-five percent of the menu comes from a farm within 25 miles. Every Monday, Coral gets a fresh list of available organic produce that the farms then pick to order. Receiving deliveries throughout the week, she writes the menu daily, based on the available ingredients.

In addition to the daily entrees, Garden Kitchen makes its own bread, croutons, pasta, tortillas, salad dressing, desserts, and ice cream from scratch.

Garden Kitchen specializes in serving locally produced beer and wine ranging from Temecula, San Diego, and Baja California. Their recently expanded wine list features wine from all over California and the world including France, Spain, Italy, and beyond.

Committed to being a sustainable business, Garden Kitchen strives to minimize non-recyclable waste. They recycle all paper, glass, and plastic, and use only paper straws and recyclable containers. They even give away their fryer oil to be converted to bio-diesel.

In February, Garden Kitchen opened the long-awaited Indoor Lounge, which has an expanded wine list with more than

30 wines by the glass and bottle, with all unopened wine bottles available sold togo with a 15% discount. Garden Kitchen will also soon be launching their own wine label!

Garden Kitchen – Fresh, charming, and special.

Open Tuesday through Saturday:

- Happy Hour, Tuesday Saturday, 3pm 5pm
- Dinner hours, Tuesday Saturday,
   5pm 9pm (reservations *strongly* suggested)
- Indoor Lounge, Thursday—Saturday, 5pm 9pm (no reservations required)



Website: gardenkitchensd.com
Facebook: Facebook.com/gardenkitchensd
(for daily menus)

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#### **RPCC Membership**

#### This year, our memberships are down significantly.

Please help the Rolando Park Community Council continue its work to improve our community. RPCC depends entirely 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. Support your community by renewing your membership for 2019 or joining RPCC this year and help make a difference! Use the mail-in form below or visit our website to use PayPal.

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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. Thank you!

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