



## RPCC Meetings – What Comes Next

Our last community council meeting was in early March. Due to the COVID-19 stay-at-home order, we had to cancel our April, May, and June meetings. Most of the extracurricular events that we had planned through the summer such as the Zena Canyon cleanup were also cancelled. Our first planned community blood drive became a virtual event. (You can still participate; see page 4 for details.)

At this time, we don't think that we will have access to the Rolando Park Elementary Auditorium at the beginning of the school year or even longer. For now, we're making plans to hold our meetings online via Zoom for the foreseeable future, just as many other community groups are now doing. Presentations that were cancelled for April and May meetings have been rescheduled and confirmed for the fall.

Please join our [mailing list](#) so that we can keep you posted on future meetings. Mailing list recipients are also the first to receive the online color version of our newsletter when it's published.

### RPCC Newsletter

Unfortunately, with the stay-at-home order, we had little choice about the summer issue but to cancel it or just deliver it online. We chose to go with an online version in hopes of reaching as many community members as possible. We think we will be able to return to the printed version delivered door-to-door in the fall. Look for your printed copy in late August, with a complete schedule of our fall meetings.

## Welcome Kara West

Welcome to Kara West, RPCC's new secretary. Kara volunteered to fill this vacant position and was voted in at our March general meeting. Be sure to say hi to Kara at our first fall meeting!

*Pamela George, Kroc Center Family Resource Center Manager, accepting RPCC's donation from board member, Gerrie Flaven*

## RPCC Shares Walmart Grant



*Sam's Club manager, Jenny Zepeda, and RPCC board member, Judy Fleischman*

We're excited to announce that once again RPCC has been awarded a Walmart Community Grant! Rolando Park Community Council was one of the recipients selected by Jenny Zepeda, manager of Sam's Club at College Grove for 2020.

In recent years, we've used grant funds to purchase books for the Rolando Park Elementary library, send deserving children from Rolando Park Elementary to summer camp, and provide snacks and beverages for community cleanups or celebrations.

We had planned on providing summer camp scholarships and community cleanups again this year, along with hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive in our community, but unfortunately,



COVID-19 changed that. Instead, the grant funds will be used to help needy Rolando Park Elementary families and to make a donation to the Kroc Center to support the Family Resource Center, which makes food available to families in our area who are in need. Thank you Walmart and Jenny at Sam's Club for again helping RPCC support our community!

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**Fall Elections**

Please consider volunteering for one of the open positions and have a voice in our community. In addition to monthly meetings that provide a link between our community and government bodies, we also engage in projects throughout the year to improve our community and quality of life.

The RPCC will have four openings for the 2021-2022 Board:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Member-at-Large

Our most immediate need will be for the Vice President and Treasurer positions. Co-Vice Presidents Gerrie Flaven and Kathryn Kern have decided to step down this year after serving for several years and will be sorely missed.

Treasurer Cheryl Bailey also plans to step down, but is willing to stay on for a short period of time until the position is filled.

Co-Presidents Sonia Lang and Lynn Edwards have served two terms, but are willing to stay for another term unless someone else would like to run for this position.

Members at Large Judy Fleischman and Dan Parker plan to run for another term. But our bylaws allow for 3 to 5 members at large, so if you have a community project in mind that you would like to lead, becoming a member at large is a good place to start.

Candidates will be announced at the October 12, 2020 meeting with elections on November 9. New board members will

begin to serve a two-year term in January 2021.

If you're interested, email [rpcc2003@gmail.com](mailto:rpcc2003@gmail.com) and put "Board position" in the subject line.

**Options for participating on the Board**

Don't think that you have enough time to serve on the board? Consider sharing any position with another person willing to be a team candidate. Co-share the responsibilities and time commitment. Co-shared positions have one vote on the Board.

Board members attend two monthly meetings from September through June: general meetings on the second Monday and board meetings on the third Monday.

Candidates must be a dues paying RPCC member. See our website to join, [rolandopark.org](http://rolandopark.org) or complete the form on page 4 and mail in with a check.

**Nominating committee for fall election**

Do you want to help RPCC but don't have time to serve on the board? We're looking for 2-3 volunteers for the RPCC nominating committee, which requires just a few hours during the summer months.

The nominating committee reaches out to the community via Nextdoor and Facebook, contacts potential board members, and forwards their information to the board.

If you want to serve on the nominating committee, please email [rpcc2003@gmail.com](mailto:rpcc2003@gmail.com) and include "Nominating committee" in the subject line.



Principal Anthony DeLuca reports that San Diego Unified School District has not yet determined when schools will re-open and what new policies will be im-

plemented when they do. He does say that the school has fully transitioned to online learning during the COVID-19 shut down, but recognizes that RPE students need to be in class with their peers and teachers to receive the maximum benefit for their education. We just need to be patient until it is safe for children and staff to return to school.

Some community residents have noticed potentially suspicious activity on school property such as a vehicle parked on the sidewalk and up close to the classrooms and homeless activity. If you see any activity that doesn't seem right, please call the SD School Police at 619-291-7678.

Principal DeLuca has also posted this message on Nextdoor and really appreciates that our community is looking after our school. He is sorry for the neglect to the school grounds during the shutdown, but as we all know, it is a necessary consequence.

Hopefully, by the next newsletter in the fall, we will have good news to report. In the meantime, check out the [RPE Facebook page](#) for current postings and please stay safe.

## Kroc Center News

### Grab & Go Meals

The Salvation Army Kroc Center is currently providing free Grab & Go Meals to children under 18 in a car with an adult; these meals are available to any child in the community, Mondays through Fridays, starting at 10 am until 12 pm, or while supplies last. They are serving hundreds of meals a day to families in need.

### Reopening Plans

The Kroc Center is actively working on reopening plans for the Center. They are following the state and local guidelines

and will be reopening in waves to best ensure the safety of guests and staff. There is not yet an exact date, but hopefully, it will be coming soon.

### Donations

The Kroc Center greatly appreciates donations of nonperishable food, hygiene items, and monetary donations to their Family Resource Center for emergency services.

Nonperishable, nonexpired food and hygiene products, include for example, pasta, sauce, canned meat, peanut butter,

canned fruit, mashed potatoes, canned vegetables, toothpaste, mouth wash, soap, shampoo, and conditioner.

If you would like to make a donation to the Family Resource Center (located on the corner of 69th & University) they are open Friday from 9 am – 12 pm, and again from 1 pm – 4pm.

Find more information at [sd.kroccenter.org/give](http://sd.kroccenter.org/give).

## Get Ready for RPCC Zoom Meetings

If you haven't used Zoom before, it's an easy-to-use video conferencing software for online group meetings that will run on almost all computers, tablets, or smart phones, including iPhone and Android.

Members who attended our special online April meeting got an early preview of what our meetings will look like starting this fall.

We'll still use the same agenda format as our in-person meetings and community representatives from local government and SDPD will still be present. We'll open up at least 15 minutes early for informal conversation before the meeting starts. Most of the time, we'll have a formal presentation on a topic of interest to the community. There will be plenty of




*Our city councilmember Monica Montgomery attended our special April 27 online meeting on COVID-19*

time to voice community concerns during the public comment period and to ask questions after a presentation. We'll try to keep it the same as much as we can.

Over the summer, we'll be reaching out to members and the community and offering help to anyone who needs it to get set up for our first Zoom fall meeting.

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