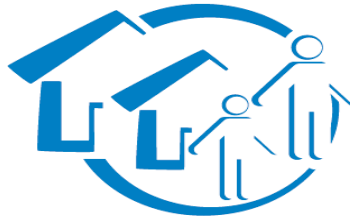


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News in our Neighborhoods

Bus Fareness Coalition



The coalition representing city bus riders will be meeting with the RGRTA Commissioners on June 10th. Agenda: Overcrowding, identifying the bus number on the back of the bus, Implementation of the audio/visual stop and street notification announcement system, Surplus RGRTA income, Green buses, Hub and Spoke route system. The coalition will update you in July or Aug G14621 newsletter. We often take transportation for granted especially if we rely largely on cars. While cars are not likely to disappear, the need to reconfigure and develop other transportation options is upon us. The increasing cost of gas, the recent disastrous BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico and the health related problems due to pollution are real and will not just go away. The plans for a transportation system that connects a variety of means--light rail (trolley), bus, fast speed rail, bikes and pedestrian walkways are seen as more ideal to provide real options that would reduce dependence on cars; while enhancing a better sense of urban community and opportunities. The current method would be to have a system of public transportation in one location using an inter/intra-modal

system that would provide transportation both within the city and neighborhoods as well as across the city and to the regions across the state. The RGRTA recently proposed to City Council that the same type of Renaissance Square project minus the performing arts theater and for now expansion of MCC, leaving the bus garage be approved. This writer spoke at the first hearing indicating the importance of involving the actual people who use a variety of transportation and pedestrians. In addition, the frustrations faced by the riders as to the directions pursued historically by RGRTA were sited. After two public hearings, the City Council met on May 11th and called for the vote regarding the proposed Mortimer garage plan. The vote was 8 for and 1 opposed. Several speakers cited the fact that the City and the RGRTA seemed to have a need to spend the 52 million remaining from Ren. Square defeat on doing something, anything just to spend it. Informing/educating citizens who might not otherwise have access to such information is critical to revitalizing this community. There will be a second vote of City Council on June 15th to enable the properties in the Mortimer garage area to be used for the development of the bus garage. Will we continue to go back to the nineteenth century-or

choose a more enlightened way? Bonnie Cannan-In the Neighborhood

Maplewood Rose

Festival 2010—The roses are in bloom and a full program of activities awaits. The 20th annual Maplewood Rose Celebration, June 18-20 in and around Maplewood Park and Rose Garden. The event, coordinated by the Maplewood Neighborhood Association, kicks off with a **“City-wide block party,” the Party on the (Driving Park) Bridge.** This festive party features family entertainment, food and fireworks. The Maplewood Rose Festival weekend then continues with activities that celebrate our city’s history, ecology, people, and illustrious horticultural heritage.



The oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery is recalled in Words, Music, Food, Children Activities and more. Sat. June 19th. In the historic Susan B. Anthony Square on Madison Street. Sponsored by the Freedomway Business Association. For more info-Contact Lula at 454-2860

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SAVE THE DATE:

G14621 Quarterly
Member’s Meeting
Thurs: July 15th
6:30-8:00pm
Location: TBA

From the Executive Director's Desk....

It was very windy, brisk and somewhat dark as many volunteers gathered to participate in the northeast area City's Clean Sweep event on the Saturday morning of May 8th. As fate would have it, it was cancelled because of the weather conditions and high wind warnings that had already been forecasted throughout our media communications mainstream that it would be a very rainy, cold and windy morning with high wind advisories.

As we progressed throughout the following week we were informed that our northeast area Clean Sweep will not be rescheduled. The reason, COST. As many of you may know the City has been crunching numbers for the past several months in trying to make ends meet with their expenditures. And let the truth be known that there are some gapping holes in trying to meet the supply of demand of services needed to address the social economic ills that many of our neighborhoods face.

We have come a long way, but as we've mentioned in the past we have to do more with less. Many residents are stepping to the forefront and not only doing housekeeping in and around their properties, but they have taken it to a whole different level. They are picking up trash and debris for the nearby properties, they are mowing the vacant house next door's lawn; they are planting flowers to beautify their neck of the woods and many of them are doing whatever it take to take back their neighborhoods.

With the current economy chances are we will never see the amounts of money needed to address the social-economics ills as we've seen them in the past. The other greater issue is that our fare City continues to loose population base which means that our tax roles are decreasing as well. So where to do we get the money to survive in our most impoverished and distressed neighborhoods?

The mere fact that folks are taking responsibility for what is happening around them is a clear statement that with or without funds we aim to make the quality of life better within our street and block club setting.

There are other means and funding sources available to address our housing infrastructure, economic development opportunities, and yes, education and employment to help our 14621 zip code area thrive as it once did decades ago with a smaller population. Another industrial company (Midland) has decided to join the ranks of leaving the inner city to the suburbs/rural area where they believe that can be more profitable, environmentally sound and even possibly operate at lower wages. Now it is our turn to assure that we look towards the future and foster new industrial environmentally sound businesses for the future growth of our northeast quadrant.

If the City's Clean Sweep can't help us keep our city streets clean, than whom better than those residents who day by day put themselves on the front lines to maintain our neighborhoods. Who better than those who set the example for those who are not so atuned to taking care of business and watching over the place that has been put in their hands as living quarters and to be good stewards of what they have, abiding by City zoning and code enforcement laws, not to mention: do they know where their kids are?

We continue to face many challenges, but I can tell you at first hand we can not wait on many of the funding sources from the past to make things happen, because the money is just not there. So once again, I encourage those who are not involved civically one way or another; this is the time to be heard. If you haven't done so yet, join a block club, a street leader's group, participate in public meetings and more importantly tell a friend or neighbor what is going on in your area so that they are informed of the different avenues we can to take to continue to improve the quality of life in the 14621 zip code area.

It is said that our Creator will supply ALL of our needs according to his riches and glory. Let's keep the faith and be blessed because the money is already made, all we have to do is go out and find it and get it, but we need your help to do it. Be involved always.

May our neighborhoods enjoy prosperity and the Peace that surpasses all understanding....

Eugenio Cotto, Jr.



From the desk of the Housing Coordinator - R.S. Nieves

Greetings Group 14621 members and neighbors. I would like to announce a new Intern to our Group 14621 family, David Wituszynski.



David, a University of Rochester student working with us through the Urban Fellow Internship Program. He is currently working on Bachelors Degree in Chemical Engineering with a focus in Energy Conservation. David's resume is impressive and he is going to make a real difference. David is going to help Group 14621 during the summer by distributing our FREE LEAD Test Kits to our residents and neighbors throughout the 14621 community.

As we all know LEAD is a very dangerous poison and is a true threat and danger that has plagued our children for many years. LEAD poison is proven to cause brain damage and has affected hundreds in our communities. Participating in the Lead Wipe Tests program is very beneficial to families and the community in general in the detection of lead in properties.

If you would like to participate in this, completely confidential, survey or any of our other housing programs, feel free to contact us at 585-266-4693 with any questions or concerns or if you wish to schedule an appointment. Better yet, keep an eye out for David as he will make it a point to meet as many as you as possible.

Birthstone: Pearl **June 2010** Flower: Rose

6/2: Project Hope Walk Against Drugs/St. Michael's Church 5:30p

6/8: Project Hope Police-Citizens Interaction Meeting/5:30p East Side Office

6/14: Flag Day

6/15: City Council Meeting

6/16: Project Hope Walk Against Drugs/St. Michael's Church 5:30p

6/18: Party on the Bridge (Driving Park Bridge)

6/19-20: Maplewood Rose Festival

6/19: Juneteenth

6/20: Father's Day

6/21: First Day of Summer

6/24: Last Day of School

6/26: Community Clean-up in FLRT Neighborhood 10:00 to 12:00 w/Lunch to follow. Meet at Flower-N. Clinton (Large vacant lot)

6/30: Project Hope Walk Against Drugs/St. Michael's Church 5:30p



Block Clubs (Streets) and Meeting Dates

Alphonse/Bernard	Alphonse, Bernard	2nd Thurs / every month 7pm @ 614 Clifford Ave
Barberry	Barberry	Varies
Berlin/Wilkins/Friederich	Berlin, Wilkins, Friederich	Varies
Carl St	Carl St	Monthly
Clifford/Evergreen/Scantom/Durgin	Clifford, Evergreen, Scantom, Durgin	6/9 @ 6p at 218 Clifford Ave
Cutler Street	Cutler St	Monthly
Dayton Street	Dayton, Fairbanks, Baumann, Ave D, Hudson Ave, Hoff	Varies
Dorbeth	Dorbeth	Varies
Dunn/Nester Neighbors	Dunn, Townsend, Moulson, Bremen, Klein, St. Casimir, Roser, Nester, Wakefield, Wanda, Zygment, Norton	Monthly
Durnan St	Durnan St.	Varies
E. Ridge Road Assoc	E Ridge Rd to Irondequoit line, Hollenbeck St, N. Clinton Ave and St. Paul from 104 Expressway to Rutledge Dr	Varies
Ferncliffe	Ferncliffe, Nichols, Clairmount	Varies
F/L/R/T	Flower, Lill, Radio, Treyer	6/14 @6p at 218 Clifford Ave
Huntington PK	Huntington Pk, St. Paul, Athens, Ariel Pk, Harris	6/21 @ 7p at 57 Huntington
Ketchum	Ketchum	Varies
Kohlman/Farbridge	Kohlman/Farbridge	Monthly
Lefrois St. Neighborhood Association	Baird, Buonomo, Carter, Dunn, Kilmar, LeFrois, Malone, Milan, Northlane, Rexford, Sayne, Shady Lane, Valois, Van Olinda	3rd Wed May-Nov. 500 Carter St. 6:45pm
Manchester	Manchester	Varies
Mead	Mead	Varies
The Portland Block Club	Portland Ave, Mohawk, Furlong	6/3 @ 6pm Carter St. Rec. Ctr. 500 Carter St
Mohawk	Mohawk	Varies
Norran	Norran	Varies
Sobieski St	Sobieski	2nd Thurs of month 26 Sobieski St
South of Norton St (S.O.N.)	Klein, Bremen, Townsend, VanStallen	6/1 @ 7p-500 Norton St
St. Jacob St	St. Jacob St	Varies



For specific time/date of block club meeting, visit our website: www.group14621.com/or call 266-4693.


Reminder: No Computer Class offered at G14621 for the Summer. Class will begin in Sept 2010. Class Information will be included in Aug. issue!



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