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NEIGHBORS WORKING TOGETHER SINCE 1974

"The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother."

Fathers Day Quote by: Unknown

"Lo más importante que un padre puede hacer por sus hijos/as, es amar a su madre"

~~ Dicho para el Día de los Padres por: Desconocido~~

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NEIGHBORHOOD VOICE

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News in our Neighborhoods

Candidates Forum...

Group 14621 recently held a forum for candidates who are currently running for Rochester City School Board and Monroe County Legislative. Group 14621 Board President, Mr. Ernest Flagler served as moderator.

Residents from the following areas (Lisbon, Weston, N. Goodman, Greyer, E. Ridge Road, Bonesteel, Roth, Malling Dr and Fairbridge), were in attendance.

Here are just some of the responses from the candidates.

- Value our children as assets.
- Terminology such as "At Risk" should be eliminated from our vocabulary.
- Safety is one of the issues that have effected the educational outcome of our kids.
- Parents not involved, parents have a voice
- Elected officers should be held accountable
- Good parents should be recognized.
- Engage both the students and parents together
- We all have a responsibility to replicate hope
- Poverty is a burier toward education
- Work with social services to ensure fair treatment
- Have to create plan of action and change priorities

Watch Neighborhood Voice for more details

News in our Neighborhoods 05/29/09

Parolees to come to our neighborhood in high numbers....

Dr. John Klofas, RIT Chair of Criminal Justice who works in the fields social sciences and criminal justice put together a report last year that informs that 235 parolees were integrated into the 14621 zip code neighborhood in 2008. This was a much higher number that went into our neck of the woods than any other City neighborhood according to his study.

During an interview on May 18th with Mayor Duffy on Channel 8, he viewed it as a very high number as well and that his administration would have to investigate as to why the State is sending this high amount of parolees into our neighborhood. Though this type of investigation we will be able to find out where many were before being assigned to the neighborhood.

The truth of the matter is and it could very well be that many of the parolees have roots already in this neighborhood and that our main focus should be on the re-entry into community process of said parolees.

There are initiatives such as "The Education Challenge & Prison Re-entry" *From School House to Jail House* by Trinity Emmanuel Presbyterian Church here in the City of Rochester that was just recently took place.

Many residents are concerned with this trend and the hope is that we as a community can encourage the proper re-entry back into community life as productive members of society. □

Welcome Block Clubs; Cutler St., Dayton and F/L/R/T...

Three more block clubs to add to the mix. This takes our numbers to 18 block/street leaders identified to make a difference in our neighborhoods. (See page 4)

We want to thank all of those who have put forth their time and efforts to put back the work "engage" in the title "Civic *Engagement*".

As more volunteers continue to come to the table to express their concerns and visions of their neighborhoods, more leaders come to the forefront and give their testimonies on how to improve the quality of life on their residential streets.

Owners and tenants alike are expressing their deep desire to see change—positive change and it is working.

If you would like to start a movement for the better where you live, please contact our offices and we will start you off with the tools you need to make it happen.

"Together We Can" □

DAYTON CITY BLOCK CLUB PARTY

Saturday
June 13, 2009
12:00PM - 5:00PM

Volunteers Needed!

Please call Shirley at

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Ernest Flagler

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Regional Representatives

East

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Patricia Canty

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SAVE THE DATE

Thursday

July 16, 2009

Candidates Forum

(City Council)

6:30PM - 8:00PM

From the Executive Directors desk....

Vision, vision and more vision! We are on our way at looking at another avenue in our immediate neighborhood. Portland Avenue is the selected one as a result of some local residents and concerned citizens coming together because of a shared idea that a co-op grocery store is greatly needed in this underserved area.

We have had some studies and actual development done on some of our major arteries as a result of the investment of time and efforts put forth by many of our community folks. Let's take a look at some of these initiatives:

- St. Paul Revitalization Project completed in the early 2000's has brought a nice streetscape characteristics from Upper Falls Blvd, traveling north to Norton St. where we have a fish engraved in the intersection to depict Seth Green Fish Hatcheries, which was the first of its kind in the nation.
- Joseph Avenue has also received a streetscape uplift enhancing its lighting, street curve appeal, traffic control measures and even on street parking improvements from the downtown area moving north to Avenue D.
- Hudson Avenue has completed a first phase corridor study where a commercial analysis was done, which is now waiting on funding to move to a second phase to identify future development opportunities and improvements to existing streetscape.
- North Clinton Avenue has recently received allocated funding for the "La Avenida" project which will enhance lighting, street curve appeal, traffic control measures and even on street parking improvements from the Upper Falls Blvd., area moving north to Avenue D. There will be some improvements to the Don Samuel Torres Park as well.
- Conkey Avenue, which is a high residential area, will have new residential-rental construction coupled with the creation of a walking, running and bike trail called "El Camino-Butter hole Trail".

So now with the Portland Avenue visioning session we, as a community, should be able to identify the social-economic issues that will give us the needs assessment, strategies and goals to pursue to improve the façade and streetscape qualities of this area.

As we say in the world, this is where the rubber meets the road or better yet, is the rubber meeting the road with some of these projects?

The 14621 zip code is a very large area which comprehends approximately 300 or more acres and about 80-85% is residential. So, if we are working on the main arteries and not paying close attention to the tributaries that feed those arteries they may dry up or die.

For those of you who know the above mentioned avenues, the challenges we face are, how to we keep sustainability to bring completed projects to fruition? And how do we integrate improvements to the residential infrastructure to complement those projects to create a sound and viable plan to improve neighborhoods and not commercial strips only?

The visioning sessions for projects are the key to assure that all the stakeholders are at the table so that all ideas are entertained. It is up to the folks who live, work and play in these neighborhoods to keep their eyes and ears open to neighborhood planning opportunities. For it is through this method that we can assure ourselves that, not only, immediate needs are being met, but that we can forecast as to what will make sense to implement in the futures.

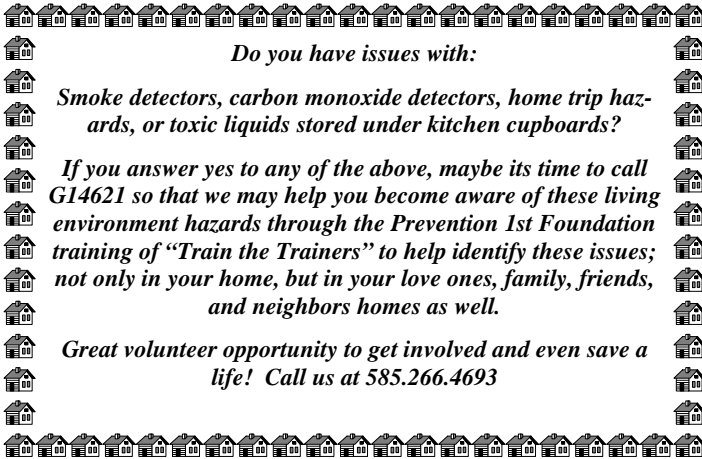
Hopefully by the time you've read this article the Portland Avenue visioning session has come and gone. Let us push forward the faith that the following steps will be as successful as the aforementioned one and we can create sustainability for our future planning processes, not only for this project, but for past projects and also those that have not been completed as of yet.

Many of our 14621 residential neighborhoods are in need of revitalization; let us these avenue economic development project opportunities to improve the quality of life in them.

May the LORD bless our planning process and up and coming community leaders.

Eugenio Cotto, Jr.,
Executive Director





Do you have issues with:

Smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, home trip hazards, or toxic liquids stored under kitchen cupboards?

If you answer yes to any of the above, maybe its time to call G14621 so that we may help you become aware of these living environment hazards through the Prevention 1st Foundation training of "Train the Trainers" to help identify these issues; not only in your home, but in your love ones, family, friends, and neighbors homes as well.

Great volunteer opportunity to get involved and even save a life! Call us at 585.266.4693

Upcoming activities:

Saturday, June 6 National Trails Day

Tuesday, June 9 Genesee Land Trust Annual Meeting at St Michael's Apartments Community Room Tom will do tour of St Michael's Church at 5:15. After brief meeting we will walk to the Corner Park and walk the trail. Trails committee invited to come and be recognized for your effort and support of the trail project.

Wednesday, June 10 Prevention 1st/Train the Trainer at Group 14621 office 6-8:30pm. For further information, please call Group 14621 office @ 266-4693.

Saturday, June 13 Dayton Street Festival, 919 Hudson Ave. 10am until 5pm

Saturday, June 13 RHYBL Youth Baseball Inauguration, 997 N. Clinton 10:45 AM




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Computer Training Classes

Group 14621 Community Association is currently accepting enrollment into our free computer training classes at the CTC (Computer Training Center). Basic to Advanced courses are available Mondays at the our offices at 1171 N. Clinton Avenue Ave.

For more information you may call 266-4693 or visit the Group 14621 office!

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Youth Visions: Media Education Program

G14621 is pleased to announce that we continue our endeavors to engage the YV participants in actively learning many useful multimedia disciplines that can be applied to a variety of skill sets. It is our mission to continue to offer an array of proficiencies in order to develop a greater scope of community involvement.

Any young person between the ages of 13 to 18 and who live in the 14621 zip code neighborhood and assist one of our RCSD schools is welcome to inquire into possible participation in the program. Call us at 585.266.4693

*"Through knowledge and wisdom comes understanding." Luis Acosta
Program Coordinator*

Sylvia Styliades—Agent

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School 36-Henry W Longfellow Monthly Calendar June

6 D-Day Celebration Possible Recognition of those who where there that day

Field Day Science Fair for whole school

22 - 23 Kindergarten moving up exercise

24 6th grade moving up exercise Last day for students

25 Last Day for staff

As of October 08'
Clubs / Youth Groups

Monday's Girls Power - 15 girls to learn etiquette
Diamondettez - 20 girls and boys learning step dancing

Tuesdays Toastmasters - Public Speaking

Wednesday Basketball for boys and girls (30 total)
Cheerleaders (10)

Thursday Civil Air Patrol - for boys and girls (30 total)

Friday possible game or event days

For more information contact Dr. Smith at 585-342-7270.

Group 14621 Community Association, Inc. Community Housing Development Organization Projects



147 Turpin Street
Recently Acquired to Go
Green Energy Efficient
1511 sq. ft. 8 Rooms /
4 Bedrooms
1 Bath



114 Randolph Street
Recently Acquired to Go
Green Energy Efficient
1831 sq. ft. 8 Rooms /
4 Bedrooms
2 Baths

Block Clubs and Meeting Dates

Alphonse/Bernard (Alphonse, Bernard)	2nd Thurs of every month
Barberry (Barberry)	varies
Berlin/Wilkins/Friederich (Berlin, Wilkins, Friederich)	varies
Cutler Street	varies
Dayton Street	varies
Dorbeth (Dorbeth)	varies
Dunn/Nester (Dunn, Townsend, Moulson, Bremen, Klein, St. Casimir, Roser, Nester, Wakefield, Wanda, Zygment, Norton)	varies
E. Ridge Rd (E. Ridge Rd)	varies
Evergreen	varies
Ferncliffe (Ferncliffe, Nichols, Clairmount)	varies
Flower/Lill/Radio/Treyer	varies
Huntington (Huntington, Evergreen)	3rd Mon. of every month-
Ketchum (Ketchum)	varies
Kohlman/Farbridge (Kohlman, Fairbridge)	varies
Lefrois (Northlane, Kilmar, Shadylane, Van Olinda, Rexford, Valois, Sayne, Milan, Buonomo, Malone, Baird, Carter, Lefrois)	3rd Wed. of every month
Mead (Mead)	varies
Mohawk (Mohawk)	varies
Norran (Norran)	varies
South of Norton St (Klein, Bremen, Townsend, VanStallen)	varies

For specific time and date or for more information or to start up a block club call our office at 266-4693.



From the desk of the Housing Coordinator

By: Luis Acosta

Hola, all 14621 residents, Group 14621 is pleased to announce that we are currently collaborating with the University of Rochester to house an Urban Fellow intern. This highly valuable individual will be assisting with various projects in order to service the community with greater effectiveness. Ms. Henry has already involved herself with the Free Lead Wipe Test initiative G14621 offers and is actively involved with an aggressive marketing plan to enhance the amount of participants in the program. If you have the opportunity to interact with Ms. Henry please give her a warm welcome and express your gratitude

for her contribution.

Participation in Lead Wipe Tests is beneficial to our families and the community as a whole. Remember participation in this completely confidential survey is **absolutely free**. All you have to do is to contact us and schedule an appointment.

Group 14621 Community Association continues to administer grants that will help revitalize the 14621 community. We are assisting numerous homeowners in the targeted boundaries between Hudson and Joseph; Avenue D and Norton. If you are an owner-occupant of a **multi-unit** property in this area looking for major home renovations please contact our office to determine your availability for the Renovacion 14621 grant.

You are cordially invited to the 14th annual RHYBL 2009 Youth Baseball Inauguration

on Saturday June 13, 2009 from 10:45am to 12 noon

Parade will start at 10:45am at 997 N. Clinton Ave and will proceed south 1/2 mile to Don Samuel Torres Park (School #20).

Please come out and support the youth baseball.



“Business Listing Servicing Your Neighborhood ”

Auto Shops/Repair

Blaesi's Automotive	981 Hudson Ave.	14621	585.266.8100
Banks Brothers Collision	771 Hudson Ave.	14621	585.342.8000
Getty Auto Service	556 Norton St.	14621	585.342.3720
J.G. Autowerks	160 E. Ridge Rd.	14621	585.338.2886

Banking Institutions

HSBC Mortgage Corporation	1200 Jefferson Rd.	14607	585.797.0338
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Churches

Northside Baptist Church	2052 St. Paul St.	14621	585.338.7810
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	1089 Joseph Ave.	14621	585.467.2725
St. Andrew's Catholic Church	923 Portland Ave.	14621	585.342.8686
St. Stanislaus Church	34 St. Stanislaus St.	14621	585.467.3068

Community Outreach

Just 4 U 2 Comm. Outreach	339 North St.	14605	585.426.7093
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Computers/Copiers Service

City Computer	2011 East Main St.	14609	585.747.5704
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Food & Beverage

Greg's House of Chicken	1014 Hudson Ave.	14621	585.266.5840
Hartmann's Old World Sausage	1256 N. Clinton Ave.	14621	585.266.4960

Grocery Stores

Discount Food Market	752 Avenue D	14621	585.467.0218
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Human Service Organization

St. Vincent de Paul Society	923 Portland Ave.	14621	585.338.2330
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Income Tax Services

Burgos Income Tax, Inc.	1816 N. Clinton Ave.	14621	585.266.2680
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Insurance

Combined Insurance	Perinton Hills Office Pk.	14625	716.380.7085
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Industrial Companies

Allied-Action Limited	182 Avenue D	14621	585.342.4700
Dupont	69 Seneca Ave.	14621	585.339.4200

McAlpin Industries	255 Hollenbeck St.	14621	585.266.3060
Legislative Officials			
Susan John	840 University Ave.	14607	585.244.5255
Neighborhood Preservation Companies			
Neighborhood Service Center	500 Norton St.	14621	585.428.7660
North East Area Development	360 Webster Ave.	14609	585.482.7320
Social Entertainment			
4 Brothers Tavern	1080 Hudson Ave.	14621	585.266.6797
Bobo's Sports Bar	479 Carter St.	14621	585.544.6780
Hancock's Hudson Tavern	1034 Hudson Ave.	14621	585.266.2661



ADD YOUR BUSINESS TODAY!

Anyone who would like to have their business listed in our monthly newsletter may do so for only \$10.00 a year. You can fill out the membership form below and just mail it back to us or stop into our office at 1171 N. Clinton Ave.

MEMBERSHIP & RENEWAL INFORMATION.....

Group 14621 receives funding from United Way (Donor Option #530) and New York State Division of Housing & Community Renewal, the Division of Criminal Justice Service, and the City of Rochester. Our organization also relies on member dues and community fund raising events and activities to supplement these sources. Your membership is important! If you have not yet joined Group 14621, we invite you to become one of Group 14621 “**neighbors working together.**” To join or renew, clip the form below and return it to our office with payment.

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- () \$10 enclosed for 1 year regular **HOUSEHOLD** membership with receipt of newsletter
- () \$18 enclosed for 1 year regular membership and **TOOL BANK** enrollment with receipt of newsletter
- () \$10 enclosed for **BUSINESS** 1 year Business Listing in newsletter enrollment **ONLY**
- () \$25 enclosed for **BASIC BUSINESS** membership with 1 year Business Listing enrollment with receipt of newsletter
- () \$50 for **PREMIER BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP** (Include above Business membership w/business card size promo in newsletter for 1 year)
- () I also include \$ _____ as an additional contribution

NAME: _____ **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____ **CELL:** _____

EMAIL: _____ **DATE:** _____

I WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH OR LEARN MORE ABOUT:

- () PUBLIC SAFETY () PARKS & RECREATION () FUNDRAISING () NEIGHBORHOOD PROMOTION
- () BLOCK CLUB () NBN IMPLEMENTATION () HOUSING () ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT () SCHOOLS
- () OTHER TELL US YOUR IDEAS _____