



Rochdale Board Meeting April 20, 2009

Meeting Highlights:

The status of dues and income was reviewed. At the time of the meeting, 93 residents had paid their dues. The 2008 Financial Statement will soon be finalized. The Board will attempt to seek new CD rates and terms to maximize income.

Regarding the issue of signs for the subdivision entrances, city rules will be reviewed, and costs for quality signs will be studied.

The calendar for upcoming Rochdale events was approved:

- Garage Sale June 5th, 6th, and 7th (always the first full weekend in June)
- Rochdale Annual Meeting June 17th, 7:00 p.m., Rochester Hills City Auditorium
- Subdivision Picnic August 23rd (some time every year)

*See elsewhere in the newsletter for particulars on these events.

Park issues were discussed:

- A second application of pond chemicals will be used if needed.
- Spring cleanup approved.
- Tree trimming to be done in the Fall.
- Aeration pumps for pond to be discussed and decided on in 2010.
- A quote on a drain tile from the west side of the parking lot will be sought in order to dry out this area. If residents can suggest a contractor, contact a board member.
- Clean wood chips for the playground area may be necessary.

Legal issues regarding By-laws, liens, foreclosure law, etc., will be studied.



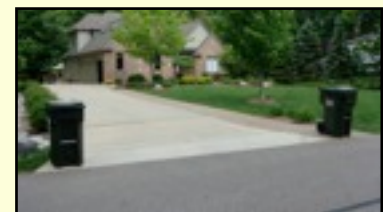
Trash Pick-Up Reminder

The new Rochester Hills trash pickup and recycling program seems to be running smoothly. Just a reminder about bin placement. The recycling and trash bins are best placed at the curb on either side of the driveway, if possible. Bins should be positioned with the wheels toward the house and the shiny metal bar toward the street. **Bins must be located at least four feet from**

mailboxes so that the truck's automatic arms can easily "grab" the bins to hoist them. Yard waste



should be placed near the trash bin. For recyclables, follow the instructions on the top of the bins.



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“No Haz” Collection Event May 30



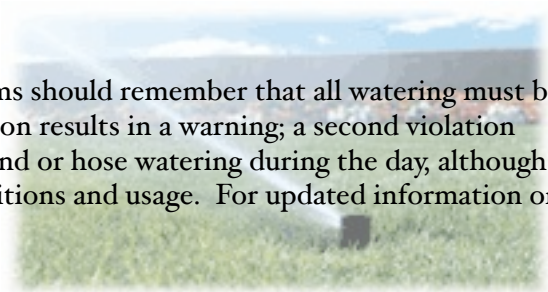
The North Oakland Hazardous Waste Consortium will be holding a collection event for hazardous materials that cannot be put in trash or recycling bins. The event will take place at Oakland University on Saturday May 30 between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. The collection will be in the Foundation Hall parking lot. Due to construction at the main university entrance, enter the university off Walton Blvd.

Materials to be collected include cleaners, oil filters, lawn/garden chemicals, mercury thermometers, wood stains, ammonia, paints, batteries, automotive fluids, and computer and electronic waste.

The Hazardous Waste Consortium can be reached online at nohaz.com or call 248-858-5656. Other collection events will be scheduled at a later date.

Yard Watering

Rochester Hills residents with automatic timed sprinkling systems should remember that all watering must be done between midnight and 5 a.m., per city ordinance. A first violation results in a warning; a second violation could result in a hefty fine. At this time there is no restriction on hand or hose watering during the day, although this could take place later in the season, depending on weather conditions and usage. For updated information on this or any city matter, go to rochesterhills.org.



Subdivision News



Congratulations to the following Rochdale graduating seniors:

- Sean Burke** - 411 Rochdale
- Annie Kastura** - 124 Rochdale

All your hard work has paid off. Enjoy your summer, and best wishes for your endeavors in the fall. We're proud of you.

Ryan Coghlan, 283 Rochdale, received his Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor held May 12 at University Presbyterian Church. He completed his final service project last fall, renovating the library at the church. Congratulations, Ryan, on a major achievement.

Sincerest condolences to Vivian and Randy McGillis, 327 Rochdale, on the recent death of Vivian's father.

Condolences also to Calvin Birdiett, 1460 Stockport, whose brother recently passed away.





Garage Sale

The annual Rochdale Garage Sale will take place on Friday, June 5, Saturday, June 6, and Sunday, June 7. This year the sale will be advertised on Craig's List, so no advertising cost will be assessed participants. Our new entrance signs will advertise the sale but participating residents should put out a sign, balloons, etc., in front of their house. With our current economy, garage sales have become very popular, so we hope that a number of households will participate. A flyer has already been sent to residents, courtesy of Michael Wood.

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers

The Rochdale Annual Meeting will take place Wednesday, June 17, at the Rochester Hills City Hall in the Auditorium. City Hall is at 1000 Rochester Hills Drive, off Avon Rd. just west of Livernois. This is an excellent facility and offered free to us. Last year we held the meeting here, but the turn-out could have been much better.

The Annual Meeting is required by our Association By-laws. One of the important items of business is to elect a new Association Board for the coming year, including four officers. As per the by-laws, there are both one year and two year terms for directors. This year, the following board members' terms expire:

One year terms

Jo Ann Bourez
Warren DeWitt
Tom Greaves

Two year terms

Mark Bunch
Carl Pasbjerg
Michael Wood

Ed Brouhard, Edna Coghlan, Herb von Rusten, and Rick Wagener are finishing the first of their two year terms. The Rochdale by-laws state that there must be a minimum of ten board members which include the four officers (president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer), however, board members are not limited to ten. If any of the above members are not able to run again, it is important that we have some additional nominees. If you are interested in being nominated, contact Ed Brouhard, Rochdale secretary, at 248-651-7178, or speak to another board member.

This year we would like to streamline the voting process, using a show of hands for residents present. Traditionally, the top vote-getters have been elected to two-year terms, the others to one year terms, however, this could also be decided by mutual agreement. Following installation of the new board, four officers will be voted on by a show of hands.

The Rochdale Board of Directors is a legally constituted body. Therefore, election procedures must be fair and consistent. Hopefully, we will have a good resident turn-out at the meeting.

Subdivision Picnic

This year the Rochdale Subdivision Picnic will take place on Sunday, August 23, between 5:00 and 7:00 in the park. As always, the Association will provide hotdogs and hamburgers, beverages, plates and utensils, and condiments. Even house numbers should bring salad or a side dish, odd house numbers bring a dessert/munchies.

This is a great opportunity to see old friends and meet new neighbors. The last two years our turnout has been excellent, and many people have commented on how much they enjoyed it. Let's keep the tradition going! Folding chairs are always a good idea.



Deer Resistant Plants

According to the Michigan State Extension, the following plants are considered deer-resistant. This might be good information for Rochdale residents to discourage our annual “ruminant smorgasbord.”

VINES AND SHRUBS

- Tricolor Kiwi Vine
- Barberry
- Boxwood
- Butterfly Bush
- Clematis
- Daphne
- English Ivy
- Hazelnut
- Holly
- Honeysuckle
- Lilac
- Japanese Andromeda
- Myrtle
- Nightshade
- Red Elderberry
- Rhododendron, Large Leaf
- Rose of Sharon
- Bridal Wreath Spirea
- Smoke Tree
- Trumpet Vine
- Yucca
- Wisteria

TREES

- Ash
- Weeping Birch
- Black Locust
- Dogwood
- Douglas Fir
- Magnolia
- Pine
- Blue Spruce

ANNUALS

- Ageratum
- Sweet Alyssum
- Wax Begonia
- Calendula, Cleome, Dahlia
- Heliotrope, Lantana, Marigold
- Polkadot Plant
- Snapdragon
- African Daisy
- Verbena

BULBS

- Allium
- Calla Lily
- Daffodil

PERENNIALS

- Astilbe
- Aster
- Black-eyed Susan
- Bleeding Heart
- Canterbury Bells
- Carnation (Desmond)
- Chives
- Columbine
- Coneflower
- Coral Bells, red
- Coreopsis
- Cyclamen, Hardy
- Daylily
- English Lavender
- Ferns
- Forget-Me-Nots

PERENNIALS cont.

- Foxglove
- Geranium, Hardy
- Helebore
- Hollyhock, Double
- Iris
- Larspur-Delphinium
- Lavender
- Lily
- Lily of the Valley
- Lupine
- Mint
- Peony
- Phlox - creeping and various garden
- Poppy, Iceland, Oriental
- Primrose
- Pampas Grass
- Rosemary
- Sage
- Salvia
- Succulents
- Sweet William
- Thyme
- Trillium
- Veronica
- Viola
- Yarrow

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repels deer**

We Want To Hear From You

If you have news to include in the next Rochdale Times please pass it along to a board member, or email Ed Brouhard at ebrou@comcast.net This newsletter has always been a place where residents could make announcements and share news about kids, school, special events, concerns, thank yous, etc. We can also include a digital picture you'd like to share. Thanks for your help and interest, from your editor, Ed Brouhard.