

OLD NORTH END NEWSLETTER

A GATEWAY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION PUBLICATION
"COMMUNITY WORKING AS ONE"

JUNE WE HONOR FATHERS

Gateway to the NORTH END Gateway Community Organization, Inc. a 501(c)3, serving the 17 block area of:

Woodland, Englewood, Rosedale, Harmon, Trowbridge, Belmont, John R and Brush between Woodward Ave. & Oakland Avenue

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GATEWAY IS COMMITTED TO:

Improving the quality of life; providing homestead enhancements; strengthening families; reducing neighborhood blight; deterring juvenile discord and promoting civic awareness.

NEXT GATEWAY MEETING:

Tuesday, June 14, 2016, 6:00 PM COMMUNITY MEETINGS ARE THE 2ND

TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH at:

Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament 9844 Woodward Ave, Detroit, MI 48202 (In the office at the west end of parking lot).

ALL ARE WELCOME! Homeowners, Renters, Business Owners, Partners, Stakeholders, guests...

CORRECTION(S): In May's newsletter Evelyn Robinson's name was inadvertently typed as Evelyn Smith; Mrs. Robinson is still recuperating.

SEND QUESTIONS, IDEAS, NEWS OR SUGGESTIONS –Call **313.744.4283** Email:info@onegatewaycommunity.org

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This month as we honor fathers, we remember Mr. Lilton Larkin, who passed in May. The loss of Mr. Larkin is a loss of a pillar in our Community. We extend our sincere condolences to his wife Mrs. Doris Larkin and to his entire family.

Speaking of fathers, let us make it a point to share a conversation with a father in the neighborhood this month; share a tasks, help with a need or perhaps be a surrogate father to someone who does not have a father with whom they can spend time. Fathers are a very important part of the family and some get a 'bum rap'. So, throughout the month of June, and going forward, let us start showing the father's in our community some love.....and fathers, don't forget to be a good "Dad".

With so much to do, we must take advantage of these warmer months; go outside more often, meet and enjoy your neighbors, spruce up the exterior of our home and lend a helping hand where it is needed...small gestures of kindness work to strengthen the family and our community; and the Vitamin D will do you good. Fathers take the lead! We thank Christopher Robinson, a father, who has been mowing so many yards for years and who has recently taken it upon himself to start edging the curbs and grass in a solo effort to improve our community's appearance, now that's a father taking the lead.

If I may divert from fathers for a moment, it is important to let you know that another pillar in our community, Mrs. Kathleen Smith, (Woodland) is not in the best of health. If you would like to send her a card, call or visit her contact information is: Mrs. Kathleen Smith, Greenfield Rehab & Nursing Center; 3030 Greenfield Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073; 313.878.2329. Mrs. Smith always enjoys talking about her Gateway Community.

DON'T FORGET: on Saturday, June 4th, Gateway will be planting flowers received from "Keep Detroit Beautiful", please come help plant flowers in our community. City of Detroit has begun ticketing homeowners for not placing and removing trash containers per the city's "Blight Ordinance", see ordinance on back in 'A Reminder or 2...'. Finally, this summer, Motown Mission volunteers will be helping to clean alleys, cut lots and do minor repairs for Seniors and Disabled residents, starting June 21st, call 313.744.4283 if you have work to be done or to suggest a location to be cleaned, its FREE!

We live in the Old North End "A Community Working as ONE!"

HELP 'BRING BACK THE PRIDE'!

Electra

NORTH END ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Saturday, June 4th - 10am until finished; meet at Gateway Garden on Belmont; Gateway residents planting flowers to beautify our community; flowers donated by: "Keep Detroit Beautiful".

Saturday, June 4th - Oct.24th Oakland Avenue
Farmers Market 2016 <u>SEASON OPENS</u> - Saturdays,
11:00 am 3:30 pm; 9352 Oakland Avenue, between
Arden Park and Holbrook <u>Visit Website</u>

Saturday, June 25th -1:00 pm – 7:00 pm "Yours Only Gathering Alley"; in the alley @ John R. and Brush. A Fun Day in Gateway! Enjoy: Jamaican Food, Vendors, Music, Crafts and other attractions for the kids. For more details call: 313.808.9697

Tuesday, June 21st - 6:30 PM (Every 3rd Tuesday)
Police Community Relations Meeting; 2875 W
Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48202; Central District Police
Station.

Tuesday, May 21st - 10:00 am – 4 pm **Detroit Home Expo**, State Fair Grounds (Joe Dumar's Field House); Presented by SMBA and Brick & Beam. **For details:** Trish@eightmile.org Sorry no phone number.

AN IMPORTANT REMINDER or 2 or 3...

City of Detroit Blight Ordiance (Sec 22-2-45) Residents being fined for not complying with Trash/Rubbish rules. HERE ARE THE RULES:

TRASH COLLECTION EVERY FRIDAY —Place Courville curbside after 6 p.m. the evening before; place Courville behind house by 6 a.m. day after pickup.

<u>BULK / YARD WASTE</u> PICK-UP EVERY OTHER WEEK - Place grass clippings, leaves, and small twigs in biodegradable paper bags at the curb.

JUNE BULK PICK-UPS: Fridays June 10th and 24th

See 4 yourself: http://tinyurl.com/zwlmhps

'BRINGING BACK THE PRIDE'

Whose Who in Old North End will return....

THIS MONTH WE HONOR FATHERS, GRANDFATHERS and GREAT GRANDFATHERS

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY and we thank you for everything you do!

GATEWAY UPDATES

Gateway's May meeting enjoyed 5 new members....**WELCOME!** Gateway's Executive Committee held its 2nd meeting, outlining plans for the remainder of 2016. Grant requests have been submitted for projects in the Gateway Community.

Motor City Makeover was May, 14th. We thank all the residents and volunteers that helped to begin cleaning Belmont at John R. Thanks to: John Armstrong, Sean Buckmon, Chris Carrier, Electra Fulbright, Juliana Fulton, Mary Lovelace, Curtis Moore, Christopher Robinson, Fiona Soper, Selena Turner, Ken Whitley and Deana Wojcik. To our youth Anthony Stadifer, India and Melvin Sumler who helped clean - you did a "GREAT JOB"! Special thanks to Sean Buckmon, Patricia Dockery and Deborah Whitley for coordinating resources, and thank you to the "gentleman in the van" who donated a case of water for the workers - whatever your part, it was appreciated.

On June 4th Gateway will be planting flowers as part of the Keep Detroit Beautiful Day. Mary Lovelace and Electra attended KDB's May 18th meeting and received a voucher for free flowers for the community. We need your help on Saturday, June 4th to plant the flowers in our community. Meet in the Garden at 1:00pm. We WANT and NEED you to HELP. YES YOU!

Gateway attended the Historic Neighborhood Coalition meeting on May 19th Rod Liggins of the **Detroit Land Bank** Authority provided information regarding purchsaing Vacant Lots, foreclosed and residential property. Interested on bidding on property starting as low as \$1000. or want to purchase a vacant lot for \$100. Come to a Gateway meeting for more information or email info@onegatewaycommunity.org

GATEWAY LET'S WALK AND RIDE THIS SUMMER?

Walking and Bicycling Groups, info @ NEXT Meeting.

HAVE A TALENT OR SKILL? SHARE YOUR TALENTS AND SKILLS?

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