



Update 19

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Update 19 is published at least ten times per year from September through June for members of the 19th Ward Community Association at 216 Thurston Road, Rochester NY 14619. To become a member, contact the Association at 585.328.6571, Tuesday through Friday 9:30 am – 2:30 pm, or email 19thward@19wca.org.

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Presidents Message

June is the month of celebrations. We can celebrate Oscar the Grouch's birthday, egg-day, the first Ford that was made, national yo-yo day, first roller coaster ride opened, National Flag day, power of a smile day, international picnic day. There is Father's day, 1st day of summer, US Department of Justice established, Deaf-Blindness Awareness week, Helen Keller's Birthday, National Dairy month. The list is endless as to what we can celebrate.

Most of us have more personal things that we honor in the month of June. We have our children graduating from high school, college or perhaps a post graduate degree. Others celebrate a new house, a new car, neighbors and friends. We have a blast at vacations, staycations, camping, water sports, picnics, wine parties. We celebrate with a beer over a good golf game, basketball game or some other sport. We honor relatives at reunions and we love going to weddings with all its magical beauty.

So what am I going to celebrate this month? I am going to celebrate that three family members are battling cancer and finding laughter and joy in these trying times. I am honoring the couple of people whom I have worked hard with the past two years as an Ombudsman, advocating so they can get back into the community and live a more normal life. I am celebrating that I have kept my New Year resolutions for six months.

The really big thing I am celebrating this June is YOU – THE VOLUNTEER!!!! Looking at the past six months, I am in AWE of the hundreds of people who have given of themselves to make our community a stronger, brighter, quality place to live and raise a family. So as they come to mind I am sharing what I saw in YOU- THE VOLUNTEER. The History and Archives committee worked endlessly to categorize the gift of 19th Ward Community Association's thirty years of history papers to the UR. A growing group of volunteers has worked numerous hours on an ongoing project to restore the Rapids Cemetery. The Public Safety Committee hosts monthly meetings to inform the community of all the safety issues going on in the community and new information about our area; The Housing Committee has been successful getting houses demolished, and others brought back to life. The Schools Committee held another very successful spelling bee. They work hard in every aspect of the schools issues in order to affect our children in a positive way; the Square Fair committee works hard to bring all day fun to our residents, young and old. We have the volunteers who stuff envelopes and put out a mailing every month. A volunteer reworked our sign, making it stronger after it blew down. You can now see it standing tall and proud. Volunteers plan and host the candle light dinners, skating party for the community, hot spots for MLK day. Thanks to the Executive Committee who steers the organization, the 23 delegates who represent each of our districts and share the concerns and ideals of their district, our Office Manager who keeps us informed and handling the daily activity of the organization. The House Tour Committee finds beautiful homes of our neighbors so we can see the beauty of the character of our neighborhood; the gardeners work tirelessly planting and weeding our Ravenwood and Chili- Thurston gardens. If I missed anyone I am sorry as all volunteers are a gift to our community.

It is the giving of your time, talents and finances that make it possible for all of us to accomplish what we have done thus far. I CELEBRATE YOU THANK- YOU. My wish to each and every one of you is to have a happy, healthy, safe and fun summer. I look forward to seeing you in September. Warmest regards, Harlan (tsoh1@rochester.rr.com)



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Thank you to Doug and Charlotte Giebel, and to Lee Krist for the lovely stained glass insets in restoring the circular bench in the Ravenwood/ Thurston Garden. Charlotte and Doug have been collecting the loosened stained glass pieces, putting them aside for the repair. Lee Krist, stained glass artist and teacher, cut new pieces to complement the old. We now have a beautiful bench once again. Stop by, have a seat, enjoy the garden. And if you are so inclined to pull a few weeds while there, please do so.

Update 19 during the summer

This will most likely be the last edition of Update 19 until the September issue, which will be published at the end of August. Be sure to watch for weekly updates (usually sent out on Fridays) to keep up with news and events.

Office Hours

Each year during June and July, our office hours change in order to accommodate the Urban Fellows' schedule

Beginning the week of May 29 the open office hours will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday. The office will be closed on Wednesdays, but open on Mondays during June and July. Regular days and hours will resume in August.

Coming this Summer

PlayRocs your Neighborhood

Sponsored by HealthiKids

In 2016, fourteen neighborhood associations, block clubs, and community organizations reclaimed their public spaces and demonstrated what a playful neighborhood looked like to them in our "PlayROCs your Neighborhood" city-wide play day! This year, "PlayROCs Your Neighborhood" is coming back, and we will host it **right here in the 19th Ward**.

Date is Saturday, **July 15, Time is 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM.**

More details to follow

Porch Fest

Watch for details about our annual Porch Fest coming up on a Sunday in August

If you are a musician or an artist, call 328-6571 to participate

So much fun, and so simple

We simply gather on porches, play or listen to music, participate in lawn games, enjoy the artwork....

City Council Candidates Forum

Expect to hear more information about a City Council Candidates' Forum this summer. The Delegates' Council has endorsed a candidates' forum, but the date has not yet been confirmed. Watch the weekly newsletter updates for more information, or call the office.



DR. COLLEN GORDON, DDS

GRAND MARSHALL, SQUARE FAIR PARADE



I was born and raised in Buffalo, New York during the years when the Bills were the AFL champions year after year. And I often froze watching them with my father and two of my three brothers after church on Sunday. For most of my life I wanted to pursue medicine as a career. I liked and was good at biological sciences, liked the idea of helping and healing people. I also liked music a lot which I found out when I took piano lessons at an early age. When I reached Jr. High school I chose to learn to play the flute (because I was so nervous when I asked what instrument it was the only thing I could think of). It turned out to be so much fun that I really excelled at it. I even thought about making it a career choice if I found science to not be rewarding. In the summer before my senior year of high school my father's assistant went out on maternity leave and he "drafted" me to fill in for her. As I learned what his work was actually all about, I decided that dentistry would be a better fit for me. This was because it would be challenging (which it still is) and I could significantly help people improve their health and very often literally feel better. I attended Howard University for both undergraduate (BS) and dental (DDS) degrees. I returned to Buffalo and joined my father in practice for my first five years after school. Looking around and trying to project out for future years, I decided that Rochester had a better economic outlook as Bethlehem Steel, Republic Steel, General Mills were closing and Kodak and Xerox were booming with no apparent end in sight. Those were the days when businesses in Rochester had sales going on especially for the Kodak Bonus Days. Rochester also was very much like Buffalo as far as cultural and other growth opportunities. Summer festivals, museums, art galleries and shows were as prevalent and exciting as they were in Buffalo. As it turned out, a dentist owned the building I now occupy and decided to move when his son joined him in practice. I bought it, remodeled the office and opened my practice. My research before doing so revealed that the 19th Ward was one of the more progressive neighborhoods in the country. It has maintained a lot of its allure over the years; property values have been fairly stable, families have thrived and there are many businesses that have been here far longer than me. Hunts Hardware is still missed as it supplied stuff that supported the houses built in the early part of the 1900s and you just can't find at Home Depot (if they even knew what you were talking about). I have been here for the entire time and over the 30 something years I have found a Spiritual home as well as outlets for the hobbies I've learned and entertained. I love the 19th ward and all that it has to offer, especially the people.

SQUARE FAIR

JUNE 3, 2017

19TH WARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS
"THE BEST OF THE 19TH WARD"
SQUARE FAIR
Saturday, June 3rd 2017 | 8:30am - 4:30pm

19TH W.C.A. PRESENTS
SQUARE FAIR
ABERDEEN SQUARE SINCE 1965

PERFORMING LIVE
JIMMY HIGHSMITH JR.
AND OTHER LOCAL ARTISTS

PARADE GRAND MARSHAL
COLLEEN M. GORDON, DDS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST @ 8:30AM
ALL BOOTHS OPEN @ 10:00AM

SQUARE FAIR PARADE STARTS AT 11:00AM
THURSTON → SAWYER → WELLINGTON → SQUARE FAIR

"ROC-STARS" | DUNK TANK | PETER EVANS ARCADE ZONE | OVER 30 VENDORS

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Entertainment

10:00 - Opening

Swan Band

Nate Rawls

Debbie Cox

Judah Dancers

Brianna Clark

12:00pm

Parade/ Ceremony

Devante Cherry

Angel Resto

Mitty and the

Followers

Robert Ricks M.I.B.G.

Human Be-Box

JeVon Singletary

2:00- Jimmy Highsmith

Negro League

Deanna

Danielle B. Beckle

J'Khai

San Gabriel Social

Club Mamba



The Annual 19th Ward Community Association (19WCA) Square Fair Event is planned yearly by a dedicated committee of neighborhood volunteers. The festivities of Square Fair kick off with the pancake breakfast followed by a variety of entertainment packed with local musicians and dance talents. We have food vendors, crafters, outreach organizations and local business, selling goods and services, which provided a great opportunity for networking and intervention. The Square Fair attendance is peaked with the delivery of a parade that flows into the site event mid-day. The parade provides a climax of entertainment, awards and a recognition ceremony featuring children and businesses. It's never too late to sign up to volunteer for the day. We look forward to seeing the community come out and enjoy this wonderful event .

JOIN THE PARADE—MARCH IN IT—WATCH IT AND WAVE

The parade will leave the office at 216 Thurston Road at 11:00 AM, travel south on Thurston to Sawyer, east on Sawyer to Wellington, north on Wellington, and west on Aberdeen, ending back at the Fair

**JOIN 19TH WARD NEIGHBORS AND ROC 8
FOR A SUMMER SOLSTICE PARTY**



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

5:00 PM

**IN OUR URBAN BACKYARD
19TH WARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OFFICE
216 THURSTON ROAD**

**That's right – WROC TV 8 – LIVE in the 19th Ward
With John Kucko and other on-air personalities**

We will cook some hot dogs on the grill, and serve a selection of summer salads

Please bring a beverage of your choice—water provided

Live music provided by our very own 19th Ward musicians

Please RSVP by June 16 (we need to get a count for food planning)

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Delegates' Council Meeting, May 11, 2017

Harlan Ost, President, chaired the meeting

--**Square Fair** will be held on June 3. We need volunteers for various jobs during the day. Have fun and feel good about your contributions! Call the office to volunteer.

--**Little League parade** down Genesee Street to Genesee Valley Park will happen on Saturday, May 13 at 9:30.

--**Day of Caring** was a great success. 15 volunteers with Charlotte and Doug Giebel, Marcy Klein, Barb Sullivan, Karen Emerson, and Mark Sweetland cleaned up the Ravenwood Garden, the Chili Ave. garden and the back yard of the 19th WCA office. Stop by and see what they have accomplished.

--**Ease on Down Thurston** event is scheduled for Sat. May 20. 26 businesses will be participating.

--A neighborhood **Discussion re Bulls Head Redevelopment Plans** will be held on July 27, at 6pm, at St. Mary's Hospital building. This will be the first in a series of public meetings. All are welcome. Persons present noted that significant properties are being demolished in the area; at least some of them should be preserved.

--**House Tour** will be held on Oct. 14.

--How can we increase **membership**? We are very proud of our hundreds of members, but want to encourage more residents to join our Association. Ideas included a Welcoming Committee, hosting and promoting discussions of local issues, and asking members to recruit a friend. If a new person moves in on your street...tell the office so that a mailing about the 19th WCA can be sent.

--Our **Housing Committee** continues to advocate for code enforcement, especially for those properties that are neglected year after year.

--We have entered into a **final agreement and deed of gift with University of Rochester to archive 19th WCA records**. The records will be made available to interested members of the public.

Celebration of Rochester Neighbors—June 5

Join the 19th Ward and other neighborhoods at the Rochester Public Market on Monday, June 5 to celebrate City neighbors and City neighborhoods. The Bureaucats will be playing music for us. Neighbors who work hard for our neighborhood communities will receive awards. This is the 2nd annual event, and is sponsored by NeighborWorks Rochester. The 2017 award winner for the Southwest is Nolia Brooks from PLEX.



Rochester
Public Library
www.libraryweb.org

Arnett Branch Library

Music and Munchies

June 22, 2017

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm



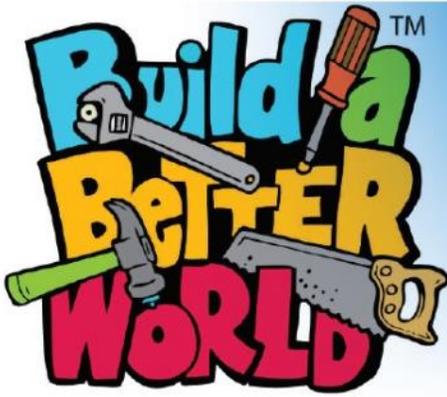
We want to say thank you to our patrons who always make us look good during the Rochester Regional Library Councils Library of the Year contest. Although we are not picking up an award this year we once again received many kind nominations. In gratitude, we invite our patrons to enjoy light refreshments while listening to the talented pianist Larry Singleton.

This library is accessible to people with disabilities. To request specific accommodations call 585-428-8304 ten days prior to the program.

310 Arnett Blvd. , Rochester, NY 428-8214

Believe.

 City of Rochester, NY
Lovely A. Warren, Mayor
Rochester City Council



Rochester Public Library • Summer Reading 2017

Arnett Branch Library

Kids will be learning and having fun all summer long at the Arnett Branch Library.

WEEKLY/RECURRING PROGRAMS:

Saturday Story Times

Saturdays: June, July, & August
1:00-1:30pm
Ages 2-5

Tuesday Story Times

Tuesdays: June, July, & August
11:15-11:45am
Ages 2-5

Arts and Crafts

Tuesdays in June at 4:30 pm
Tuesdays in July & August at 3:30pm
Ages 12 and under

Tail Waggin' Tutors

Wednesdays: June 21, July 19, & August 16
4:00-5:00pm
Ages 12 and under

LEGO Club

Thursdays: June 22, July 20, & August 17
4:30-5:30pm
Ages 12 and under



Board Gaming Time

Thursdays in July and August
1:30pm
Ages 6-12

ONE-TIME PROGRAMS:

Scrap Art

with Mary Jane Wenner
Wednesday, July 5
3:00pm
Ages 12 and under

Seneca Park ZooMobile

Wednesday, July 12
3:00pm
Ages 12 and under

19th-Century Games

with the Genesee Country Museum
Wednesday, July 26
3:00pm
12 and under

Live Bird of Prey Demonstration by Wild Wings

Wednesday, August 2
3:00pm
Ages 8-12

African Drums:

Storytelling, Dance, Singing –
Presented by
Mayukwa Kashiwa
of Building Families First
Wednesday, August 9
3:00pm
Ages 8-12

Summer Learning Finale!

Stories, Songs, and Drum-A-Longs
with Topher Holt
Friday, August 11
3:00pm



Note: If you can't make the Summer Reading Finale, don't worry. Summer reading prizes and activities continue through the rest of August!



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!!!THE MARKET IS COMING THE MARKET IS COMING THE MARKET IS COMING!!!

OPENING DAY: Tuesday, June 13

NEW TIME: 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

NEW VENDORS AND RETURNING VENDORS:

[Seedfolk City Farm](#)- Urban farm and youth education program growing and selling fruits, veggies, bread, cheese, and more in Rochester, NY.

[Lagoner Farms](#) – A large selection of fruits and vegetables; new this year – Embark hard cider

[GG Bakes](#) – Cookies, pastries, pies, and other confections.

Debrine's Farm – Tomatoes.

MacKenzie Farm – Corn.

[Cooking & Eating Healthy with Phil.](#)

[Bolton Farms](#) – Lettuce, chard, tomatoes, herbs, basil, watercress, arugula, etc.

Shady Lane Farm – veggies, cut flowers, herbs, and jams.

[Potted Gold Nursery](#) – Eggs, heirloom vegetables, potted plants, jams & jellies.

[Rainwater Farms](#) – veggies, chickens, eggs, bread, soap

[Firestone Farms](#) – beef, pork, chickens, eggs, honey, vegetables

Dolci Pastry and Confections – a gluten free bakery

The Savage Chef – prepared meals with labeled nutritional value

Louis Kinsella – handcrafted soaps and produce

INCREASED VARIETY OF PRODUCT – chickens, eggs, beef, pork, lots of fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, more root veggies. There will also be jam and some soap, wonderful baked goods, and new this year a gluten free bakery, a selection of breads.

NEW THIS YEAR – Lagoner will be selling their relatively new line of Embark Hard Cider

A new food vendor for us is Savage Chef, usually offering pre-packaged dinners, but they will be cooking at the market.

Philomina, of Cooking and Eating Healthy with Phil will be returning, bringing her wonderful dinner creations.

Cooking Demos will take place each week, and our nutritionist will offer healthy advice and recipes.

NEW this year – we will offer a composting program – Do you wish you could compost, but don't have a spot for the scraps? Save it, bring it to the market, and we will take care of it for you. We can even provide buckets.

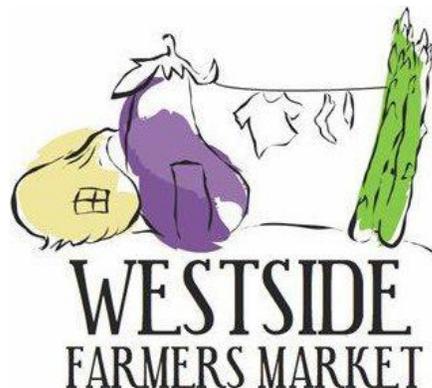
Each week sports a different theme for our Talk and Walk with a Doc, and includes a beautiful walk through a lovely river path. Themes and medical professionals are set for the entire summer.

Live music, activities for kids, and special attractions will be offered weekly.

R Community Bikes will return, with their wonderful crew of volunteers repairing our bikes at no cost.

The Arnett Library and the Phillis Wheatley Library will alternate weeks so that one of the southwest libraries will always be present at the market.

Yes, we will once again accept MC, VISA, an EBT/SNAP benefits



!!Plan your Tuesdays around the market – it's a party every week!!



St. Monica CHURCH

MUSIC FEST 2017
SATURDAY * JULY 8 * 5PM - DUSK
ST. MONICA CHURCH
34 MONICA ST. @ GENESEE ST.

ALL ARE WELCOME, ESPECIALLY YOU!

FREE TO ALL!
COME AND ENJOY MUSIC,
FREE FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT
FOR ALL AGES



KIDS CRAFTS * FACE-PAINTING * MUSIC GROUPS *
GOSPEL CHOIRS * HOT DOGS ON THE GRILL *
REFRESHMENTS * FAMILY FUN FOR EVERYONE



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LATEST UPDATES ON RAPID CEMETERY

5/15/17

The first-ever Mother's Day Garlic Frolic at Rapids Cemetery drew a hardy crew of fifteen persons. More than half came from outside the 19th Ward. We had to shut down due to thunder and lightning followed by rain and hail and then sunshine again. We managed to get a lot accomplished in a short time.

Special thanks to Marian Boutet for advising and publicizing the event and to JoAnn Belle-Isle for her famous cookies. Lauren and her mother dropped-by to help and offer suggestions. A family from Fairport came but needed to leave after arriving due to the impending storm.

The invasive tall wild garlic required individual attention to get to the roots. Taste-testing confirms that they are very "hot".

Our **"Second and Fourth Sunday"-series resumes June 11th, June 25th, etc.) from 1pm-to 3pm.** We need advice and help from persons familiar with using espaliers (trellises) for cultivating wild black cap blackberries.

Donations welcomed for forget-me-nots, bleeding hearts, morning glories, blue bells, rhubarb, blueberry bushes, hostas, ferns, bachelor buttons, coneflowers and shade loving plants.

5-20-17

Much more land was reclaimed over the past week in three separate areas. Scruffy areas of wild grass have been cleared at the flat cemetery edges to increase cemetery lawn space reachable by lawn mowers. The soil conditions in May are ideal for getting the land reclaimed after the second wintertime wave of invasive species hit.

The current effort is focusing on roots and removing individual pieces of garlic 'bulbs' along with broken pieces of glass. "Islands" of existing groundcover are being shaped cosmetically and expanded with transplants from other isolated locations. The valley leading to the meditation garden is being sculpted to direct rainwater to the new plantings.

Monday, **May 21**

One of the most significant persons buried at Rapids Cemetery is Paul Baker. He is the sole link to the American War of Independence. His nearly-complete headstone was uncovered yesterday. It reads, "Paul Baker, Died March 12, 1844, Aged 81 Years." We now have headstones at Rapids Cemetery commemorating American veterans of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Civil War and Spanish American War. Truly remarkable for a pioneer cemetery.

The City dropped off a pile of screened topsoil which is being used to fill depressions to reduce trip hazards. JoAnn will use some topsoil for the entry garden. City planners visited the site last week to look into installing a faucet to access water from a hydrant link. Thank you.

Most of the neglected cemetery land that was cleared of vines and brush last year (but then overgrown this spring with wild garlic and other invasives) is now cleared again to bare earth. More work ahead. The land will be grass-seeded by the City. We've been able to reclaim more cemetery perimeter land that can now be mowed thereby mitigating future overgrowth.

"Islands" of attractive patches of ground cover have been preserved at the northern perimeter. The Meditation Garden planted last fall is growing back nicely but needs weeding THIS Sunday at our regular "Second and Fourth Sunday" volunteer opportunity from 1 - 3pm.

Our signature flowers and ground-covering are Forget-Me-Nots, Morning Glory, Bleeding Hearts, Bluebells, wood hyacinth, trillium, Solomon Seal and vinca. We could use some lilac, decorative bush examples and



**JOIN THE WORKERS AT
RAPIDS CEMETERY
2ND AND 4TH SUNDAY FROM
1:00 – 3:00 PM**





19th WARD COMMUNITY CATS YARD SALE

Saturday June 17 10am-5pm

881 Genesee Park Blvd

**100% OF PROCEEDS WILL PROVIDE VET CARE FOR 19th WARD FREE ROAMING AND FERAL CATS.
DONATIONS ACCEPTED THE NIGHT BEFORE AND AS EARLY AS 6:30AM THE MORNING OF THE SALE.**

NO CLOTHING PLEASE.



House Tour 2017

Save the date: October 14, 2017

The house tour committee is in the midst of planning an exceptional tour.

We are still searching for 1 or 2 well-maintained, interesting homes to include in this year's tour. Joining us as a patron provides pre-tour support, which will allow us to print tour booklets and cover other incidental expenses. Please contact Joanne DeMarle to nominate and suggest possible homes or to become a Patron.

jddemarle@frontiernet.net , 585-748-2294

For updates on progress and sneak peeks follow us on:

[19th Ward Community Association House Tour Facebook.com](#) (Launches Early June)



Rochester's Inaugural

Juneteenth 5k Run/Walk

June 18, 2017

9:00 am

Genesee Valley Park—Riverbend Shelter

Proceeds benefit Teen Empowerment's work to involve
Rochester youth as agents of positive change

Register to run or walk at:

itsyourrace.com search: Juneteenth

To donate, volunteer or get more info, contact :

Gloria Johnson-Hovey, Race Director

Glohovey@aol.com or

585-775-5599



The following is a copy of the letter of support that the Delegates' Council approved to send to City Council regarding an Independent Police Accountability System.

More information is available at the 19th Ward office.

April 26, 2017

President Loretta Scott

Rochester City Council

30 Church Street

Rochester, NY 14614

Dear President Scott,

The 19th Ward Community Association has reviewed the research findings and recommended ordinance in "The Case for an Independent Police Accountability System: Transforming the Civilian Review Process in Rochester, New York" written by Barbara Lacker-Ware and Theodore Forsyth. We agree with the goals and values of Accountability, Transparency, Transformation, Justice, Dignity and Respect that are set forth in this document.

The 19th Ward Community Association completely supports the research findings and fully endorses the recommended ordinance in the aforementioned document. Furthermore, we encourage City Council to adopt the recommended ordinance and establish it as law in the City of Rochester as soon as possible.

Civilians in Rochester deserve to have a complaint process that truly holds police officers accountable for any misconduct, especially excessive use of force. The current Civilian Review Board does not provide an adequate process for police accountability and the process of the Rochester Police Department to review officer misconduct and assign appropriate discipline is not transparent to the community.

We recommend the adoption of the ordinance found in "The Case for An Independent Police Accountability System: Transforming the Civilian Review Process in Rochester, New York." This ordinance abolishes the current Civilian Review Board and establishes a new Police Accountability Board as a separate department of the City of Rochester. This new Police Accountability Board will:

- Hire an Administrator and Investigator who report to the Board,
- Conduct investigations independently of the Rochester Police Department,
- Have the power to issue subpoenas to compel testimony and evidence,
- Make findings to determine whether civilian complaints against officers are sustained or the officers are exonerated,
- Make recommendations to the Chief of Police regarding the discipline of officers whose charges of misconduct are sustained.

The mission of the 19th Ward Community Association is to create, foster and maintain a "multi-racial community where individual and cultural differences are celebrated and where people share a sense of community." We have a vested interest in the safety of all members of the Rochester community and that each person be treated fairly and justly. We trust that City Council represents these values for all Rochester residents, and for this reason we strongly encourage you to adopt this measure. Thank you for your service to the community and for acting in the best interests of all.

Sincerely,

Harlan Ost

President

19th Ward Community Association

United with Music Benefit Concert

proceeds to benefit Refugees Helping Refugees

Sunday, June 25, 2017
3pm-6pm

Lutheran Church of the Incarnate Word
597 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14607

You are invited to a celebration of unity with music!

On Sunday June 25, 2017 Rochester, NY-area musicians, of diverse nationalities representing the music of cultures across the world, will entertain and unite our community through the transformative uplifting energy of music as they perform traditional and contemporary music.

The exciting musical line up of talented well known artists includes: The Dady Brothers, The Mounafayni West African Percussion and Dance Ensemble, The New York Klezmer Orchestra, Fatima, South American Guitarist Jorge Aparicio, Mike Joseph, Mary Ashton, and Native American Flutist Brittany Vetter.

They'll perform a three hour concert starting at 3:00pm, to raise funds for "Refugees Helping Refugees", a non-profit organization run by re-settled refugees who provide vital services for refugees in Rochester, New York. Government support for refugees used to be for 6 months, then it was reduced to 3 months, and now with recent legislative changes refugees only receive 30 days assistance. RHR fills in the gap by helping refugees transition to a new environment, to become self-sufficient through the following services:

- English as a Second Language classes
- Nutrition and cooking classes
- Case Management
- Legal Clinics

The United with Music Benefit Concert is helping RHR to raise \$25,000. If they reach that goal, ESL Charitable Foundation will match it, totaling a \$50,000 donation so that RHR can move to a permanent center for its services and programs. This will also allow RHR to operate extended hours in the evenings and weekends, and offer services

This is an important time to stand in solidarity and love. Music can heal and uplift people's souls and bring peace to the world.

Tickets on sale now at www.unitedwithmusic.com

If you would like more information about the concert or to schedule interviews, please contact Mary Monroe at 585-576-4727, or email her at marymonroe@unitedwithmusic.com

Purchase your tickets today: <https://www.unitedwithmusic.com/buy-tickets>

CURE

2nd Annual Patrick Carr Memorial Golf Tournament

All proceeds donated to CURE Childhood Cancer Association

For more information, or to purchase tickets: <https://curecca.ejoinme.org/PCM2017>



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 SQUARE FAIR 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM Join the Parade at 11:00
4	5 Celebrate City Neigh- borhoods at Rocheser Public Market	6	7 8:30 AM Thurston Brooks Merchants at RPH	8 7:00 PM Delegates Council at Amett Library	9	10
11 Work in Rapids Cemetery on Congress 1-3 PM	12	13 4:00-7:00 OPENING DAY! Westside Farmers Market	14 8:00 AM Genesee Merchants at NSC 7:00 PM PCIC at Staybridge 7:00 PM Schools Committee at 216 Thurston	15	16	17 9:45 AM History & Archive Committee at Brue
18	19	20 4-7 PM Westside Farm- ers Market	21 8:00 AM Chili Ave Merchants at Livie's WROC TV 8 at 216 Thurston	22 1:00 PM Housing Committee	23	24
25 Work in Rapids Cemetery on Congress 1-3PM	26	27 4-7 PM Westside Farm- ers Market	28 6:30 PM 19WCA Public Safety meeting at RPH	29	30	Notes: Look for the GVLL schedule at Gvlittleleague.org

Looking ahead:

Meetings, market, etc continue on regular days
 July 15 –ROC play
 Date TBA—City Council Candidate Forum

August 4 – 19th Ward promotion at Band on the Bricks at Roch-
 ester Public Market

A Sunday in August – Porch Fest – music and fun on 19th Ward
 porches



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