



Update 19

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WAKE UP SMILING
seize every moment
 TRY NEW THINGS
 BE LEGENDARY
 BOLD fearless
amaze yourself
 TAKE CHANCES
 EMBRACE CHANGE
 BE OPTIMISTIC
now is your time

SNOW ❄️
 HOT CHOCOLATE
 scarves
 Winter
 mittens
 SNOWMEN
 New Year
 brrr ❄️

Happy New Year
 resolutions cozy
 SNOW scarf fire
 winter mittens
 January
 Jack Frost nipping at
 your nose midnight
 sledding
 cold hands warm hearts
 hot chocolate
 snowball fight

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President's Message – January

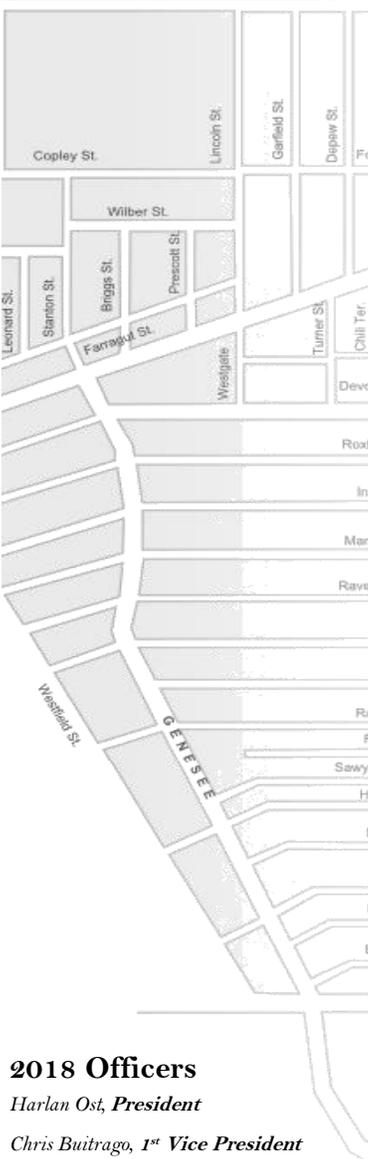
HAPPY NEW YEAR

We say good-bye to 2017 and look forward to 2018. Last year was an interesting year, yet a tough year for me in many ways. It presented many challenges that tested my endurance, strength, emotions and how best could I help family and friends with serious health conditions. When I started to feel overwhelmed, I saw the goodness in so many people. People I did not know at the time stepping up to support in any way I needed. It seemed like every day a new condition surfaced. All these dark days were days of testing me and forcing me to do things I did not want to do or thought I could not do. These things made me stretch myself and grow in ways I had not planned. It provided me with insight as to who I was as a person and who I wanted to be as a person. Ten and half months and through it all so many positive things have happened. Some conditions are not as serious now. It brought a close family even closer. New friendships have emerged. I became a better person with even more empathy for people. So I see a tough year as rewarding and look forward to 2018 and all the wonderful things it will bring us.

So in 2018 I am not hoping—I am believing it will be a great year. I believe that whatever you decide is important to you—you will be successful in accomplishing those goals in the New Year. For me, I see lots of wonderful things happening. We will have a good year in the things we carry out because we have great neighbors in the 19th ward. Our 19th ward community will be stronger because our citizens are committed to do whatever it takes to improve the quality of life for our neighbors. The diversity of our neighborhood strengthens and broadens our understanding and enriches our lives in positive ways. We will meet new people, foster new friendships and grow as people through our differences. 2018 will present new challenges which we will face and resolve because we have a lot of knowledge and wisdom to draw upon.

I hope if you make New Year resolutions they are ones that will help you grow and in turn help someone else. I have one that I keep year after year so it's automatic for me. Every day I look to see where I can help someone and just do it without being asked. Another one is to see where I can be helpful to someone in the 19th ward that needs a helping hand. It does not have to be on my street but as I walk I will see someone I can help in a positive way.

This month is also a time we honor the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. What do you really know about the man? What were his likes and dislikes? Why did he change his name from Michael? What were his favorite Bible passages? Have you read or re-read to your children any of his speeches? Take some time and educate yourself about the man. Yes we all know his work against segregation but there is far more to the man and studying him will give you a better understanding. So take a few minutes in the New Year and learn more about a man who accomplished so much in his short 39 year life.



2018 Officers

Harlan Ost, **President**

Chris Buitrago, **1st Vice President**

Zola Brown—**2nd Vice President**

Sheila Driscoll, **Secretary**

Deb Wight, **Treasurer**

Diane Watkins, **Past President**

19WCA Public Safety Meeting, Wed January 31

an important and informational meeting

The January Community Association Public Safety Committee meeting will feature a presentation by Grace O'Neil from The Center for Dispute Settlement.

The Center is an alternative dispute resolution center that has been serving the area for over 40 years. They offer a variety of programs such as custody and visitation mediation, community mediation and divorce mediation.

They are currently the oversight program for the Rochester Police Department and serve as an alternate intake site for complaints against officers. The presentation will cover the police community relations program. A Q&A session will follow.

This meeting is on Wednesday, January 31st at 6:30pm at The Rochester Presbyterian Home on Thurston Road.

The 19th Ward MLK Youth Choir

It's not too late to join. The next rehearsal is January 6, 11:30 AM—2:00 PM, at the Arnett Branch Library (with refreshments)

Email Kathy McGill, Choir Director and founder of Urban Performing Arts Center.
HOJproductions@hotmail.com

Sing with the choir, play an instrument, dance, sing a solo, recite poetry...

Final performance date is Saturday, January 13, Noon at Arnett Library in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Music Program at Arnett Branch Library

January 6th, Noon—1:00 PM

the first in the 2018 Music Series

Brazilian percussion ensemble

With refreshments

this is going to be awesome !!



SAVE THE DATE—MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW

The annual (and Free) Family Skating Party is scheduled for **Sunday, February 18** at the Genesee Valley Park rink.

Games, prizes, food, skating, and lots of fun

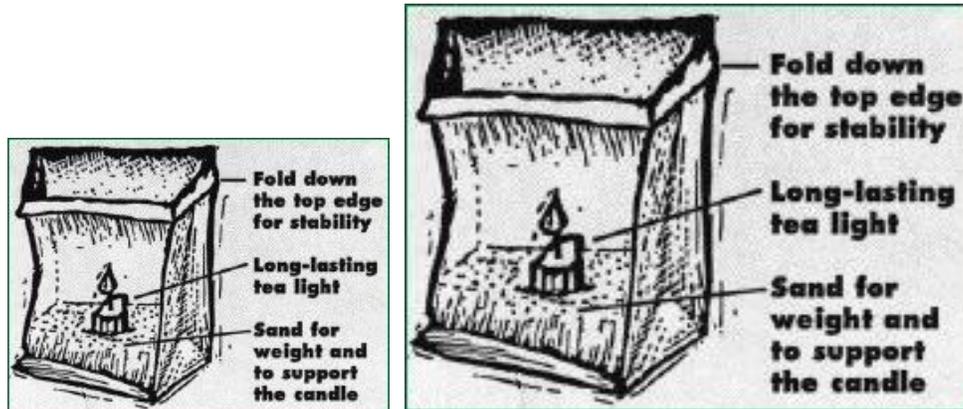
More information to follow in the February issue of Update 19.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. LUMINARY EVENING IS MONDAY, JANUARY 15

Canning jars with tealights or candles placed inside work very well

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Luminaries can easily be crafted at home from white or pastel paper bags embellished with cutouts, enough sand to keep the bag upright, and a votive candle placed inside. Most homes need at least 10 bags out front to be effective.



General instructions for putting together your luminary kit

(Rock salt, stones, or kitty litter can be used in place of sand)

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The following instructions use a ½ gal plastic milk jug:

Slice a long narrow 'hole' in plastic jug just below bottom of handle, and not slicing all around

Place rock salt, sand, stones, or kitty litter in bottom of jug to serve as a weight.

2. Center the votive candle (or battery-powered tea light) in the rock salt, sand, of kitty litter.

3. Light the candle outdoors.

4. Do not cover the carton with a cap or stopper. The open top works like a chimney.

5. Hold the carton at the base. Don't use the bend-able handle to carry the lit luminary. Place the plastic carton base where you want the luminary displayed.

The plastic carton permits the luminary to nestle in the snow.

6. Keep the air-entry hole away from the wind. Let a solid side face the wind.

7. Keep the luminary level. Tilted candles burn unevenly and more quickly.

8. For best results, use a votive candle or tealight.



19th Ward

Community Association Presents....



Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at Arnett Library January 13th 2018 12n to 1pm
Keynote Speaker Judge Maija Dixon and 19th Ward MLK Children's Choir

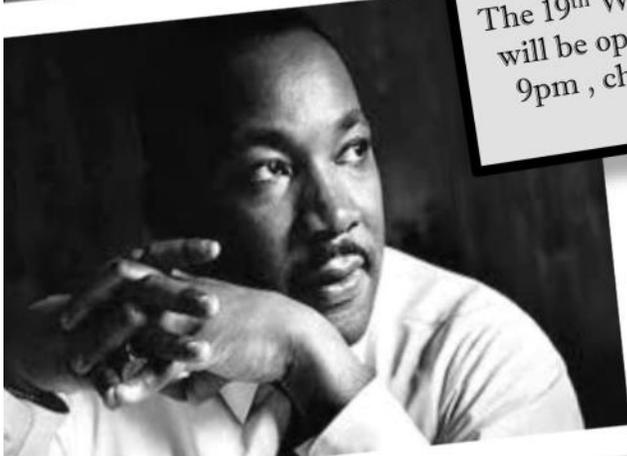
Luminary Evening January 15, 2018
Illuminate your yard in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 6pm - 9pm

Find the Hot Spots at "luminaryevening.com"
Join your neighbor for hot chocolate and great conversation

The 19th Ward Community Association office will be open Luminary Evening from 6pm-9pm, check out our "Hot Chocolate Bar" 216 Thurston Rd

Limited supply of luminaries available or make your own by watching MLK committee member Moiet James at luminaryevening.com. You can also sign up to be a Hot Spot on your block.

If you have any questions please call office 585-328-6571 or Chair Zola Brown 585-545-0786



Light UP the Night



Maria Hinojosa

- Anchor and Executive Producer of the Peabody Award-winning show, *Latino USA* – distributed through NPR, and anchor and Executive Producer for the PBS series, *America By The Numbers with Maria Hinojosa*
- Award-winning news anchor and reporter who has worked for CNN, PBS, CBS, WNBC, and WGBH
- Currently the Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz Chair of Latin American and Latino Studies at DePaul University in Chicago

FRIDAY @6PM
**JANUARY
19, 2018**

**STRONG AUDITORIUM
on the RIVER CAMPUS
UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER**

Sponsored by the
Office of Minority Student Affairs
and the Office of the President

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS



UNIVERSITY of
ROCHESTER

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Address was instituted in 2001 to promote issues of diversity, freedom, civil rights, and social justice.

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Anyone requiring special accommodations should contact the Office of Minority Student Affairs at **585.275.0651** at least 5 business days in advance of the event.

Food in the 19th Ward –YUMM

Watch Social Networking, and check the February edition of this newsletter for information on a pop-up food event happening here in the 19th Ward in February. Call the office, 328-6571 if you want more information

Square Fair Planning

The Square Fair Committee has begun to plan for June. They would love your input. Join them on January 17 at 7:00, 216 Thurston, or call 328-6571

Donating to 19WCA

We welcome all donations—time...talent...monetary...

Financial donations can be made through United Way donor program #1142; through a charitable trust; gifted as a commemoration of an event. Payments can be made in cash, by check or credit card, or through paypal on our website.

Time and talent can be shared in many ways, through volunteering at the office, on a committee, in a garden, helping a neighbor, serving as a Delegate...

Delegates' Council Meeting, Dec. 14, 2017

Harlan Ost, President, chaired the meeting

--**Arnett Library schedules multiple programs** for kids, teens and adults. Adult programs include computer tutoring (Mondays at 4); and TASC Tutoring (Mondays at 12:30). On Dec. 30, Saturday, at 1:30, the library is hosting a Punch and Judy Puppet Show. On Saturday, Jan. 6 at noon, Friends of the Arnett Library group is hosting a Brazilian Percussion Ensemble.

--**The Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration (Jan. 13)** will take place at the Arnett Library on Jan 13, Saturday, at noon. All are welcome.

--**Luminary Evening will be held Jan. 15**; residents are asked to put luminaries out in front of their houses at 6pm, to honor the legacy of Dr. King. A limited number of luminary kits will be available at the MLK Celebration at the Arnett Library on Jan. 13. The 19th Ward Community Assoc. office at 216 Thurston Road will be open on Jan. 15 from 6pm to 9pm...stop by to see neighbors and have some hot chocolate. The pedestrian bridge to the UR will be lit.

--**Treasurer Report**: Deb Wight, reported that the proposed budget for 2018 was adopted by members at the Convention on Nov. 17, 2017. The service auction held at the Convention was successful. Roc the Day event on Nov. 28 brought in about \$400. Deb will present a 2017 Financial Report at Delegates' Council meeting in Jan.

--We were happy to see new people at the **Convention**, many of whom signed up to become members.

--Upcoming events in the Ward: Some of our members are planning 19th Ward outings to **local restaurants** in the coming weeks. More information to follow.

--**The annual Candlelight Dinner** event will be held on Sat., Feb. 10.

--**Neighborhood concerns**: A member reported an unsatisfactory experience with our Neighborhood Service Center after a shooting on her street. It would be helpful to have the Director of our Neighborhood Service Center attend a Delegates' Council meeting.

--**Training for new delegates** will be held in January. Chris Buitrago is organizing this.

--**Skating Party** will take place on Sunday, Feb. 18, from 4 to 6pm. Volunteers are needed. UR will once again help to sponsor and staff the event.

--The Executive Committee recommends that the 19th WCA apply for a grant from the Ralph Wilson /RACF fund to support **children's play activities** this year. See Jackie if you want to help plan this grant proposal.

--SW Common Council is putting together a series of **summer evening concerts**, to take place at Brooks Landing.

--The City is undertaking some long term development planning. Delegates Council would like to sponsor a neighborhood wide meeting with a speaker from the City to learn more and give input.

Thank You

For the generous donations through the United Way RocTheDay campaign. The 19th Ward Community Association is the recipient of about \$400.00 due to those donations.

A LETTER OF REQUEST, AND SOME INFORMATION ABOUT “THE LISTENING POST” AT WILSON MAGNET

Joseph C. Wilson Magnet High School

Julie Roselli, Principal

501 Genesee Street

Rochester, NY 14611

585-328-3440

International Baccalaureate World School

October 1, 2017

Dear Friend:

The Listening Post is a new initiative at our school this school year. It is an opportunity for our students to sit and talk with a volunteer who cares about them. Our goal is to help them feel supported by their community. We are using a successful program from another local school district as our model where they have seen enormous benefits both for the young people, but also for the volunteers. We hope you want to take advantage of this opportunity to meet some great young people and help them on their path towards success. The Listening Post is a win-win. Our students will love spending a little time with you, and you will get energy and fulfillment from being around the great youth of today.

The Listening Post is

a place for all ages

a safe place for unhurried conversation

a place where no one is judged and everyone is accepted

a place to be heard

a place to talk about anything

a place where friendships are made

a place to sit down with a caring adult with no pressure and no expectations

a place where much more than conversation grows

We are planning The Listening Post to happen Wednesdays, beginning January 31, 2018 and continuing to April 25, 2018 during student lunch periods, between 10:45am and 1pm (see next page for specifics).

Please complete both the RCSD volunteer application and the schedule availability form enclosed. These forms need to be returned to Jamie Collins. We will then be in touch concerning the required 1-hour training session that will be held at the school in early January 2018.

The proven key to the healthy development of our youth is to increase the interaction between young people and adults in our community. Our students need healthy adult relationships. They need adults to listen to them. They need adults to have conversations about real things important to them. They need you! We look forward to working with you on this great intergenerational opportunity. If you have any questions, you can reach Jamie Collins at extension 4213. We can't wait to see you!

Sincerely, Jamie Collins, School Counselor/Restorative Coach

Sharron Dow, English teacher

Julie Roselli (VanDerwater), Principal

Joseph C. Wilson Magnet High School
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Please indicate the dates and times you are available

Scheduled <i>Listening Post</i> Dates	first lunch 10:45-11:30	second lunch 11:30-12:15	third lunch 12:15-1:00
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Wed. January 31.....	_____	_____	_____
Wed. February 7	_____	_____	_____
Wed. February 14.....	_____	_____	_____
Wed. February 28.....	_____	_____	_____
Wed. March 7	_____	_____	_____
Wed. March 14	_____	_____	_____
Wed. March 21	_____	_____	_____
Wed. March 28	_____	_____	_____
Wed. April 11	_____	_____	_____
Wed. April 18	_____	_____	_____
Wed. April 25	_____	_____	_____

Your completed forms can be sent to Jamie Collins.

You may email them to

Jamie.Collins@rcsdk12.org, mail by post, or
 hand deliver to Wilson's main office at *The Listening Post* c/o Jamie Collins,

Joseph C. Wilson Magnet High School, 501 Genesee Street, Rochester, NY 14611

Thank you!!!!



Rochester Public Library ARNETT BRANCH

January

FREE programs and events for all ages.

Kids Programs

Saturday Story Times
Every Saturday
1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Age 2 yrs - 5 yrs.

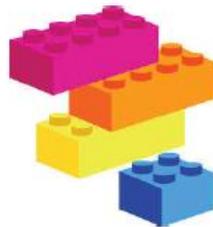


Tuesday Story Times
Every Tuesday
11:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Age 2 yrs. - 5 yrs.

Tail Waggin' Tutors
Wednesday, January 17 at 4 p.m.
Book-loving dogs are coming to the library to listen to kids read stories. Reading to calm, trained dogs who love to listen is a great way for kids to build confidence reading out loud.
Ages 12 and under



Arts and Crafts
Every Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.
Ages 12 and under



LEGO Club
Thursday, January 18 at 4:30 p.m.
Kids can make stuff and make friends with LEGOS. Ages 5-12. Kids younger than 5 can also participate if accompanied by an adult.

Teen Programs

Wii Gaming Fridays
Fridays from 3 – 5 p.m.
Open play in the teen area.



Adult Programs

Computer Tutor
Every Monday from 4 – 5 p.m.
A librarian will be available to work with you on your computer projects. Please bring in specific goals and a USB drive to save your work. Registration is required, class size is very limited. Call (585)428-8214 or stop by to sign up!



Brazilian Percussion Ensemble
Saturday, January 6, from Noon – 1 p.m.
Join us for a wonderful program for music lovers of all ages and a chance to meet the musicians after the performance. This is the first of a series of four concerts (January – April) being presented by the Friends of the Arnett Branch Library. Refreshments will follow this family friendly concert.



Free TASC Tutoring
Every Monday
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Do you want to prepare for the High School Equivalency Exam known as TASC (formerly GED)? Free Tutoring is available at the Arnett Branch Library every Monday except holidays.



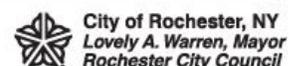
Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
Saturday, January 13, from Noon – 1 p.m.
Join us for the 19th Ward Community Association's annual MLK celebration, which is sure to be enjoyed by all ages.

E-book and Audiobook Workshop
Thursday, January 25, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
Did you know that the library has a whole collection of e-books and digital audiobooks that you can borrow right on your phone, tablet or computer... and that they have no late fees?! We will introduce you to the new Libby app, show you tips for finding the books you want, and help you get set up on your device. Please bring your device and library card with you. Please call (585) 428-8214 to let us know what type of device you have.



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

ARNETT BRANCH LIBRARY • 310 Arnett Boulevard • 585-428-8214



SIGN UP NOW CANDLELIGHT DINNERS

FEBRUARY 10, 2018



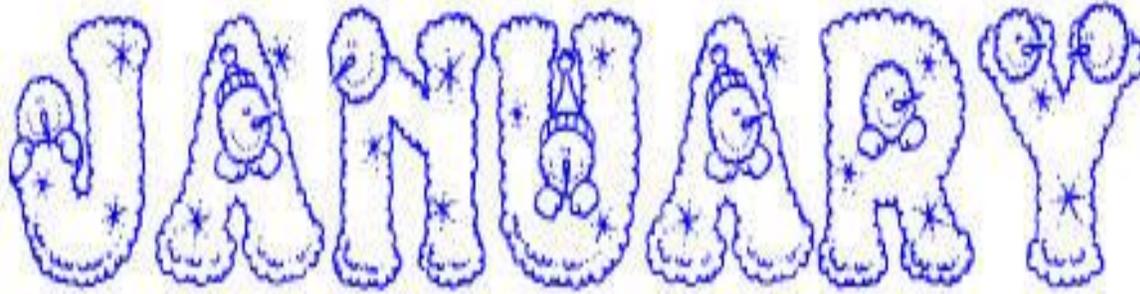
Be a host or a guest.

Enjoy a wonderful meal with old and new neighbors.

Chase away the winter chill with the warmth of our neighborhood hospitality.

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for information**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Happy New Year!	2	3 8:30 AM Thurston, Brooks, Arnett Merchants at RPH	4	5	6 11:30 MLK Youth Choir Rehearsal Noon—music at the Arnett Library
7	8	9 7:00 PM Schools Committee at 216 Thurston	10 8:00 AM Genesee Merchants at NSC 7:00 PM PCIC meeting at Staybridge	11 7:00 PM Delegates Council at Arnett Library	12	13 Noon – MLK Celebration at Arnett Library with Judge Maija Dixon and 19 th Ward Children's Choir
14	15 6:00 PM set out the luminaries and light up the neighborhood	16	17 8:00 AM Chili Merchants at Livie's 7:00 PM Square Fair Planning meeting at 216 Thurston	18 1:00 PM Housing Committee at NSC	19	20 9:45 AM History and Archives at Brue King for a Day – UR students to volunteer throughout the neighborhood
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 6:30 PM 19WCA Public Safety Meeting at RPH	Looking ahead: Feb 10 Candle-light Dinners	Looking ahead: Feb 18 Family Skating Party	

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